

## Kilcoy & Districts War Memorials Criteria for Names on Panels

The investigation:

According to the **Qld Department of Environment and Heritage Protection** -  
The criteria for inclusion of names varied.

Sometimes only those who were:

- born in or enlisted in the town were included.
- or who were living or working in the town when they enlisted,
- or even those who became associated with the town after their military service.

Only in Australia was it common practice to include the names of those serving men and women who returned as well as those who died.

- Usually these names were listed separately.
- Where the names appeared together, those who died were often designated with a cross, asterisk, or dagger.

Names were nearly always displayed in alphabetical order without any rank.

According to the **Official Commemorations & Memorials Office of Australian War Graves** –

“The responsibility to rectify errors on a local war memorial falls with the organisation that provided the memorial. It is also the responsibility of that organisation to determine the guidelines regarding who is eligible to appear on the roll.”

According to the last remaining War Memorial committee member, **Ken Kuhn** -

- was born and schooled in Kilcoy.

Further the locations where born, place & locality of service persons currently listed include:

Kilcoy, Woodford, Hopetoun, Villeneuve, Mount Kilcoy, Delaney's Creek, Stoney Creek, Harlin, Hazeldean, Monsildale, Mount Mee, Neurum, Yarraman Creek, Helidon, Esk, Jimna, Lowood.

Question is should this now be reduced down further to reflect more modern times, also Woodford does not have name panels like Kilcoy, also I know Esk has its own war memorial with names?

### In Conclusion:

The following criteria is a suggested criterion:

- Born in the area & grew up in the area (Schooled)
- Was living &/or working in the area when enlisted (Locality & Place of engagement)
- If parents were living in area when service person died overseas (Surrogate Graves)
- Must have served overseas.

From here, it is suggested that the current list of 540 names be gone through with TYPOS corrected (60 odd) and current list be of 540 be retained except where it can be proved that the individual does not meet above criteria. Then new names that fit the criteria be added to the current list.

Suggest, retain the current design and number of panels for alphabetical recognition, but instead of 90 names on a panel, make it 100 names on a panel.

It is my view that the names on the panels are sacred to the memory of those that served. It is designed to provide information for to assist present and future generations understand how the dedication and courage of Australia's youth created a spirit and national identity for our country.

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