Anzac Day
Saturday 25 April 2026

Moutoa Civic Service Programme

Moutoa Memorial Gates, Foxton-Shannon Road

9:00am	Assemble at the Moutoa Memorial Gates
9:10am	Civic Service begins

Horowhenua DISTRICT COUNCIL

RSA

Opening Prayer Reverend Priscilla Wade, Ngāti Whakatere

Wreath Laying

Poems

The Challenge - May 1915 "In Flanders Fields" Lt Colonel John McCrae
Recited by Joanne Smith

The Response - November 1918 "We Shall Keep The Faith" Moina Michael
Recited by Nathan Paki, Ngāti Rākau

COMMITMENT TO THE TRADITION OF ANZAC

by all present, Nathan Paki to lead

"We declare our intention to accept a personal responsibility to lead our community in a spirit of self-sacrifice worthy of the ANZAC tradition.

We will accept the challenge of defending the standards that made our nation strong and devote ourselves to winning the peace for the sake of all."

Letters

Maree O'Donoghue, reading letter from **Hon Dame Cindy Kiro**, GNZM, QSO Governor-General of New Zealand

Darren Parlato, reading letter from **Rt Hon Christopher Luxon**, Prime Minister of New Zealand

The Ode

Read in Te Reo Māori and English by
Wayne Hurunui, Ngāti Whakatere

E kore rātou e kaumātuatia
Pēnei i a tātou kua mahue nei
E kore hoki rātou e ngoikore
Ahakoa pehea i ngā āhuatanga o te wā.
I te hekenga atu o te rā
Tae noa ki te aranga mai i te ata
Ka maumahara tonu tātou ki a rātou.
Ka maumahara tonu tātou ki a rātou.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.
We will remember them.

Last Post

One Minute Silence

NATIONAL ANTHEM OF NEW ZEALAND

by all present, Reverend Priscilla Wade to lead

E Ihowā Atua,
O ngā iwi mātou rā
Āta whakarangona;
Me aroha noa
Kia hua ko te pai;
Kia tau tō atawhai;
Manaakitia mai
Aotearoa

God of Nations at Thy feet,
In the bonds of love we meet,
Hear our voices, we entreat,
God defend our free land.
Guard Pacific's triple star
From the shafts of strife and war,
Make her praises heard afar,
God defend New Zealand.

Closing Prayer Reverend Priscilla Wade

MEN WHO LEFT MOUTOA AND WERE KILLED IN WWI

ALSEN, O
BOWE, R
BELL, C
CAMPBELL, W
GIBBONS, F
HALL, F
JOHNSON, S
McDONALD, A
NEILSON, J.W
NELSON, J
OLSEN, O
PROSSER, J
POOLE, M
SMITH, F