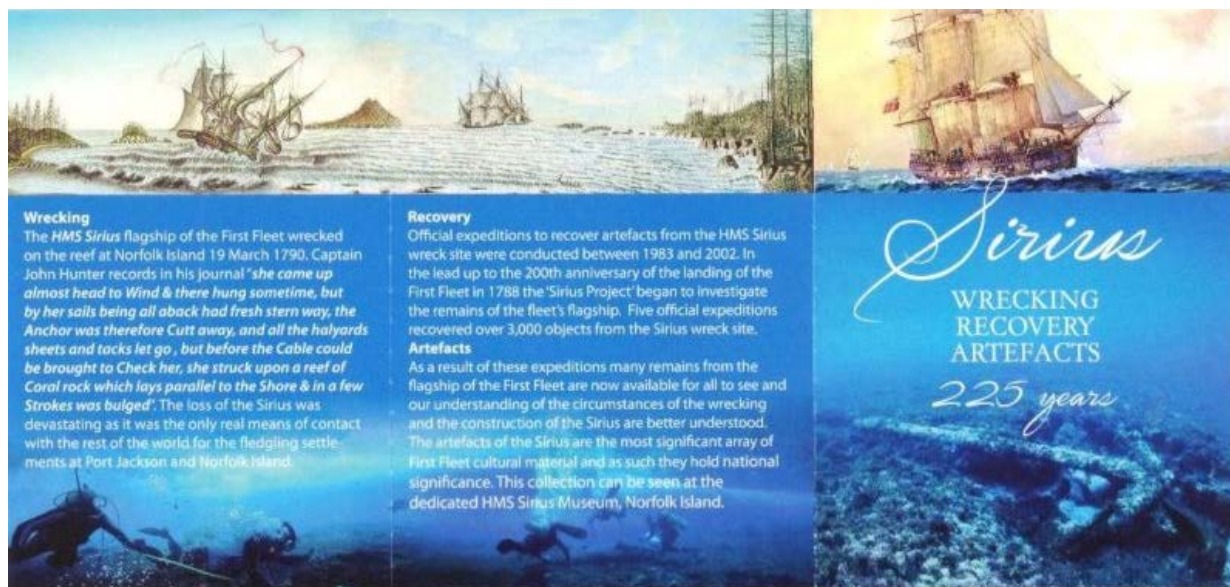


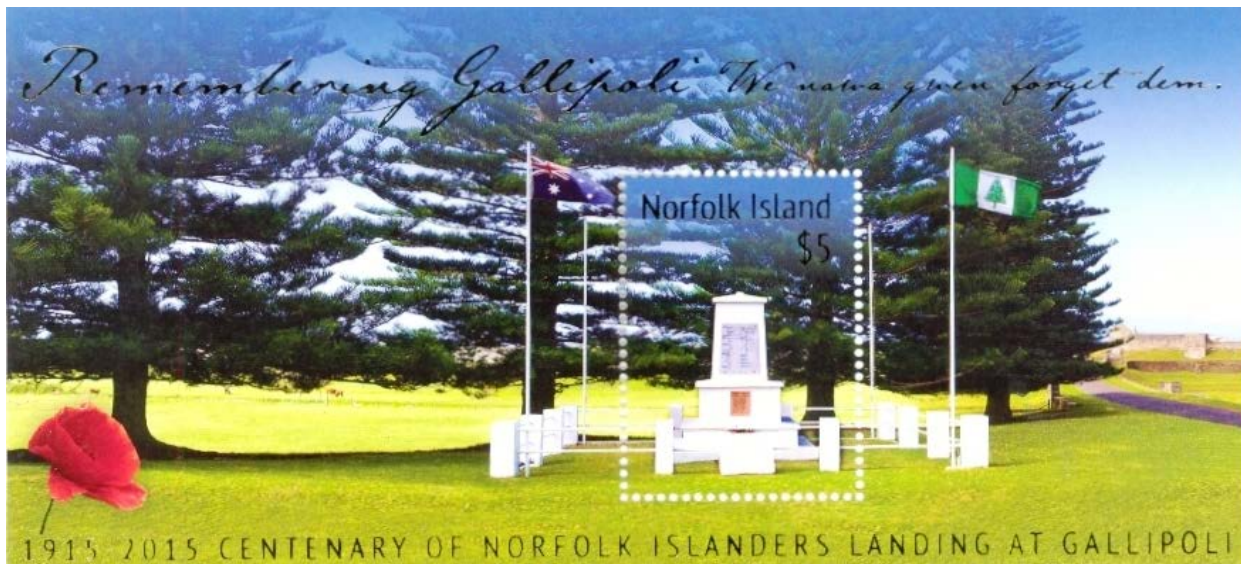
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1915-2015 Centenary of Norfolk Islanders landing at Gallipoli

The small Norfolk Island (NI), community had the highest head of enlistment per ratio in the Commonwealth. Despite difficulty with transportation to and from Norfolk Island nine men departed for the Boer War, 81 of a possible 160 men joined the Australian and New Zealand military for WWI, 280 of a possible 365 men plus eight women joined the Australian and New Zealand military for WWII, our Islanders continued participation with Korea, Malaya, Vietnam, Gulf, Kuwait, Somalia, Afghanistan, East Timor, and other United Nations peace keeping forces.

Our Norfolk Island population dealt with the resulting casualties of war, the prisoners of war, the missing in war, the injuries from war, and adjustment disorders. NI detached military personnel were decorated and the NI Infantry Detachment assigned to protecting its shores are mentioned and recognised for appropriate military service, we are indebted to these men and women who fought for the freedom we have today.

On 25th April 1915, 5 men from NI landed at Gallipoli between 0730 and 0900 hrs, and in the following days and months another 11 men from NI also landed and served at Gallipoli.

Initially a large wooden plaque recorded the Roll of Honour and the first ANZAC Day service was held on 25.4.1921 in the grounds between Government House and Quality Row with most of the Island attending.

The War Memorial/Cenotaph featured on this Souvenir Sheet was unveiled on ANZAC day in 1929 by the Administrator H.S. Edgar.

There are 13 pines planted from the Cenotaph along Pier Street, one for each young life lost during the war. Not all of these pines remain, however, the names of the fallen can be seen on this Cenotaph.

*“At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them”
“Lest we forget”*

“We nawa gwen forget dem” means “We will never will forget them”



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