

## 1. Why are there war graves in this area?

Commonwealth forces were on the Italian front between November 1917 and November 1918. The Commonwealth troops carried out continuous patrol work across the River Piave, as well as much successful counter battery work. In January 1918, an additional sector of the defence was taken over by the Commonwealth troops. Men who died in defending the Piave from December 1917, to March 1918, and those who fell on the west of the river during the Battle of Vittorio Veneto (October-November 1918) are buried in this area. Giavera British Cemetery contains 417 Commonwealth burials from the First World War.

## 2. Where are the war graves in this area?

There are CWGC war graves and memorials at seven locations across this area. Study the map below to see where they are.

## 3. Discover where these people came from

Use the flags to discover where some of those who are buried and remembered in this area came from.

**Giavera Memorial**  
147 names  
From: Ireland, United Kingdom

**Giavera British Cemetery, Arcade**  
417 graves  
From: Canada, Ireland, United Kingdom

**Altivole Communal Cemetery**  
6 graves  
From: United Kingdom

**Salvatronda Cemetery**  
1 grave  
From: United Kingdom

**Falze Communal Cemetery, Trevignano**  
2 graves  
From: United Kingdom

**Conegliano (San Giuseppe) Communal Cemetery**  
1 grave  
From: United Kingdom

**Tezze British Cemetery**  
356 graves  
From: Australia, Canada, Ireland, India, South Africa, United Kingdom, USA

**Treviso Communal Cemetery**  
4 graves  
From: United Kingdom

## 4. Discover more about the service of those buried at Giavera British Cemetery

### 4.1 Each headstone in the cemetery tells a different story.

As you explore the cemetery see what you can learn from the headstones. See if you can find the following;

1. Who is the **youngest** soldier you can find?
2. Who is the **oldest** soldier you can find?
3. How many **different countries** did they come from, based on the information you can discover on the headstones?



4.2 There is just one headstone which has this medal engraved on. It is the Victoria Cross, awarded for supreme bravery. Who was awarded it?

4.3 As you explore the cemetery, look at the different badges on the headstones. These will give you a clue as to the role the individual had and maybe where they came from. As you find each badge, write down the name of the individual who served with that unit in the box next to the badge.



The Royal Flying Corps provided pilots and crew for the aircraft used to observe and bomb enemy positions.



The Military Police Corps maintained law and order within the army.



The Machine Gun Corps provided soldiers to man machine guns – an important weapon in WW1.



The Army Chaplain's Department provided comfort, care and compassion to the soldiers. Who is the chaplain buried here?



British Army regiments are often named after the region where many of the men came from.



The Royal Army Medical Corps was responsible for looking after wounded, injured and sick soldiers.