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Guy Barnett, Minister for Veterans' Affairs

2019 Frank MacDonald Memorial Prize

The Frank MacDonald Memorial Prize is an essay-based competition open to all year nine students to help promote and preserve the meaning of the ANZAC spirit in the Tasmanian community and entries are currently open and close on Friday 23 August 2019.

Six student competition winners and two teachers will participate in a study tour of the Western Front in Belgium and France for ANZAC Day in 2020.

The Prize has been awarded annually since 2004 to recognise Tasmania's last WWI veteran, Frank MacDonald MM, who died in August 2003 at the age of 107.

It provides the opportunity for young Tasmanians to link with veterans and gain a greater understanding of Tasmanian and Australian war history and the role of Tasmanians in WWI and other wars and conflicts.

The Frank MacDonald Memorial Prize is an initiative of the Tasmanian Government and is supported by RSL Tasmania. It is jointly administered by the Department of Communities Tasmania and the Department of Education.

Winners will be selected from around Tasmania and the successful students and teachers will be publicly announced at a presentation ceremony in November 2019.

Further information and the entry form is available from www.communities.tas.gov.au.