

Per Keith Cook:

*My Father told me there were four groups planting trees. In his group was Norman Cook 11 years (Dad), Keith Cook 13 years (Uncle), Charles Cook (Grandfather) and Mr Ellis. Under the supervision of Charles and Mr Ellis Keith dug the hole and he planted the tree. Then Charles and Mr Ellis place guards around them. He said there were 12 trees planted, representing 12 soldiers who died in the great war. He said he planted three of them, on the east side of the hall. (Dads uncle, Thomas Reaburn was shot at Gallipoli and soon after died)*

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*On Saturday the 6th inst memorial trees were planted In memory of fallen soldiers from Rokeby in the great war. Scarlet flowering gums were the kind chosen and substantial guards were placed round them. The school children helped greatly in the preparatory work for planting and with others have arranged to give the trees attention in the earlier periods of growth. When the last batch of trees is planted it is proposed to hold a memorial ceremony suitable to the occasion.*

