



# ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE 2026 PROGRAM

**ANZAC PEACE PARK**  
PRINCESS ROYAL DRIVE, ALBANY, WA  
25 APRIL 2026



The President and Members of the RSL Albany Sub-Branch, along with the City of Albany, welcome you to the 2026 ANZAC Commemorative Service.

## Key Appointments

<b>Service Director</b>	Captain Michael Tugwell, CSM (Retd)
<b>Master of Ceremonies</b>	Brigadier Geoff Hand, AM, RFD (Retd)
<b>Parade Commander</b>	Sergeant Craig Trigwell 11/28 RWAR
<b>Chief Marshall</b>	Mr Paul Hines
<b>City of Albany Liaison</b>	Mrs Anna Kiddle & Ms Erin Eaton
<b>Chaplain</b>	The Right Reverend Dr Ian Coutts The Reverend Canon Karen Cave
<b>Director of Music</b>	Ms C. Van Dongen, City of Albany Band
<b>ANZAC Day Address</b>	Brigadier Mark Bornholt, AM
<b>Musical Accompaniment</b>	Australian Army Band, Perth City of Albany Band Great Southern Grammar Pipes 705 Sqn AAFC Drum Corps

## Order of Service

**City of Albany Band**  
Musical salute to ANZACs

**City of Albany Band**  
ANZAC General Salute

**Australian National Anthem**  
Dione Nesbitt, accompanied by City of Albany Band

**New Zealand National Anthem**  
Dione Nesbitt, accompanied by City of Albany Band

**Welcome Address**  
Mr Rex Hendriks, President Albany RSL

**Prayer of Remembrance**  
The Right Reverend Dr Ian Coutts

**Hymn**  
O God Our Help in Ages Past

**Letter Reading**  
Frazer Smith, NASHS

**Wreath Laying**  
Wreath layers to assemble near flag poles

**Piper**  
Great Southern Grammar Pipe Band

**Ode**  
Mr Rex Hendriks, President Albany RSL

**Last Post**  
Bugler, City of Albany Band

**Silence**  
One minute sacred silence

**Fly Past**  
Mr Greg McFarlene

### **Rouse**

Bugler, City of Albany Band

### **Keynote Address**

Brigadier Mark Bornholt, AM

### **Benediction**

The Right Reverend Dr Ian Coutts

### **Fly Past**

Albany Aero Club  
Mr Greg McFarlene

### **March Past**

10th Light Horse Albany Troop  
Military Vehicles  
Service Contingents  
Ex-Service Contingents (Less RSL Albany)  
Ancillary Contingents

### **Salute to Youth**

Cadet, Youth Groups and Schools marching  
through the RSL Albany Sub-Branch ranks

### **RSL Albany March Past**

### **Dismissal**

### **Advance Australia Fair**

Australians all let us rejoice,  
For we are one and free,  
With golden soil and wealth for toil;  
Our home is girt by sea;  
Our land abounds in nature's gifts  
Of beauty rich and rare;  
In history's page let every stage  
Advance Australia Fair  
In joyful strains then let us sing,  
Advance Australia Fair

### **God Defend New Zealand**

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



## Prayer of Remembrance

Lord God, help us this day to remember the sacrifice of the first ANZACs, Australian and New Zealander, and the generations of men, women and children who have died in the cause of liberty and peace.

Help us to remember those who still bear the physical and mental scars and disabilities of their service. Help us to remember the widows, girlfriends, parents and orphans of all those who waited in vain for the return of a loved one.

Help us to remember the mateship, agony, courage, and compassion of war service, but save us from ever glorifying the horror and tragedy of war. Lord God, help us to remember.

Amen

## O God Our Help in Ages Past

O God, our help in ages past,  
Our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast,  
And our eternal home.

Under the shadow of Thy throne  
Thy saints have dwelt secure  
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,  
And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,  
Or earth received her frame,  
From everlasting Thou art God,  
To endless years the same.

O God our help in ages past  
Our hope for years to come,  
Be Thou our guard while troubles last,  
And our eternal home.

## Reading

Trooper William Albert Betts, of the 10th Light Horse Regiment, enlisted in 1915. Wounded at Gallipoli, he lost his right eye and endured lifelong pain. After the war, he led a quiet life, finding comfort in literature and returning to his family's farm. He passed away in 1955, remembered for his gentle nature and sense of humour.

Tpr William Albert BETTS, 706, 10 LHR

*Read by Frazer Smith, NASHS*



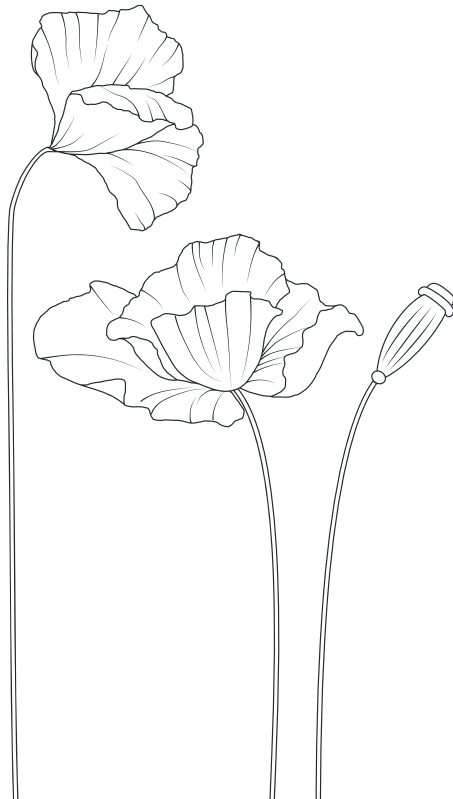
Tpr William Albert BETTS, 10 LHR WWI

## The Ode

They went with songs to the battle,  
They were young, straight of limb  
True of eye, steady and aglow  
They were staunch to the end against odds uncouth  
They fell with their faces to the foe.

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

Lest we forget



## Benediction

Go out into the world in peace. Be brave; Keep hold of what is good.  
Never pay back wrong for wrong; Encourage the faint hearted;  
Support the weak and distressed; Give due honour to everyone.  
Be always joyful and give thanks for whatever happens for this is  
what God wills for you.

Amen.



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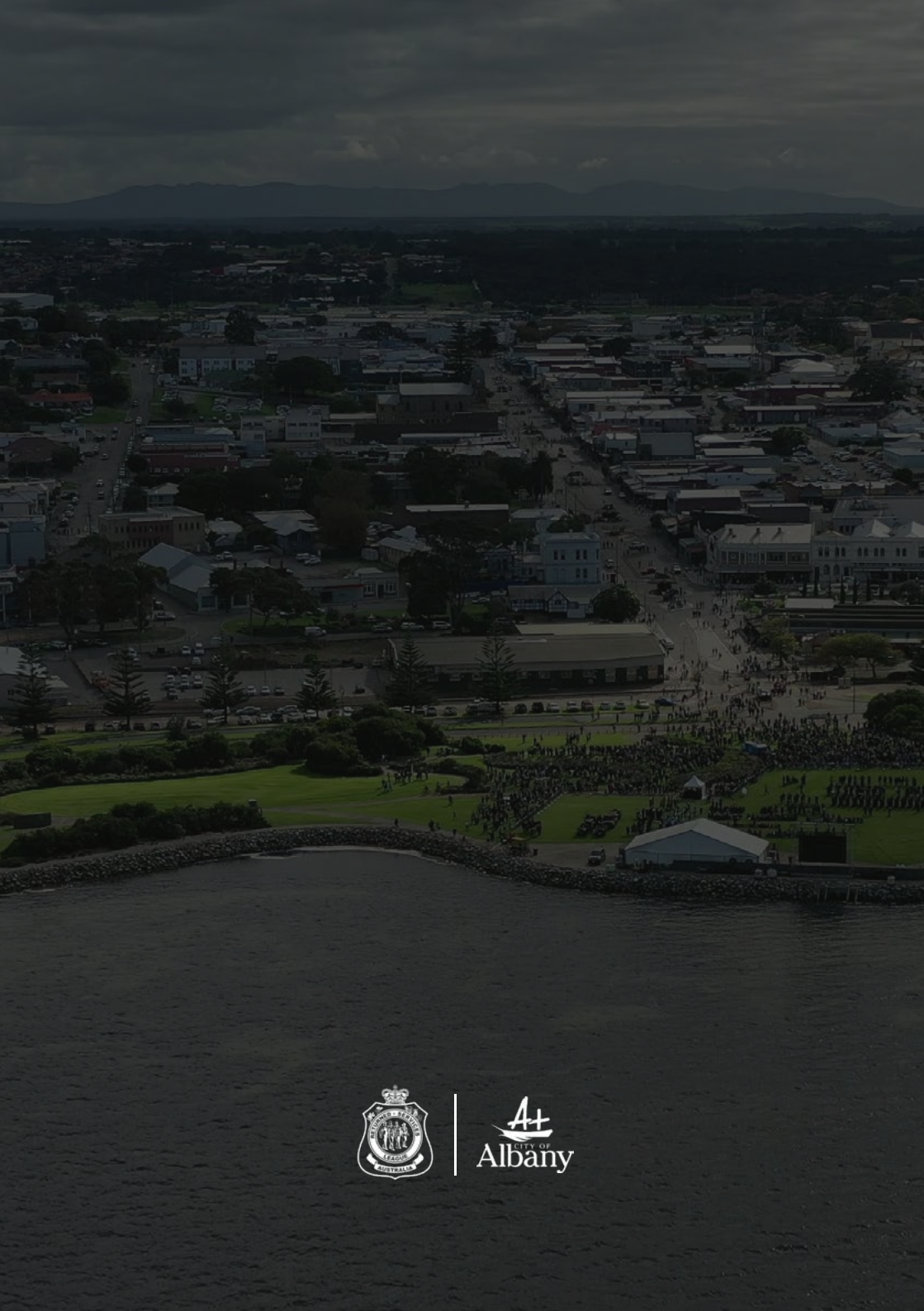
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