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ANZAC DAY ALBANY

Frequently Asked Questions



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Introduction

ANZAC Day has special significance in Albany. It has long been recognised that the Dawn service conducted by Padre White in Albany was the day that marked the birth of an Australian tradition.

Run by the RSL Albany Sub-branch with support from the City of Albany, Albany's ANZAC Day services bring the community and visitors together in remembrance of our fallen soldiers.

Lest we Forget.

DAWN SERVICE

5.30am | 25 April

Desert Mounted Corps Memorial, Albany Heritage Park

GENERAL QUESTIONS

How do I get to the Dawn Service at Mt Clarence?

The only access to Mt Clarence is via free shuttle buses from the Albany Entertainment Centre and Middleton Beach Bus Port between 3.15-5.00am. Please do not use the walking trails.

What time should I arrive?

Please arrive at the Desert Mounted Corps no later than 5.15am for a 5.30am start. Please note that the service will require full silence as it commences at 5.30am.

Do I need a ticket to attend the service?

No.

Will there be road closures?

Apex Drive leading up to the Desert Mounted Corps Memorial will be closed to vehicles and foot traffic to allow the free shuttlebus service to run with minimal disruption.

What should I expect?

It can get quite cold due to the early time of the event and the high likelihood of standing for long periods of time. There is limited first aid and amenities available on site and there is no seating available.

What happens if there is bad weather?

Unless the weather conditions are considered too dangerous to proceed such as thunder and lightning; the Dawn Service will proceed.

Is there an undercover area?

No.

What can I bring?

It will be dark when you arrive, so we recommend you bring a torch, suitable attire for the cool weather, including a raincoat or poncho in case of inclement weather.

Can I take photos?

Yes, but we ask for respect and no flashes are to be used during the Dawn Service.

What amenities will be available at Mt Clarence?

Amenities at the Dawn Service are extremely limited. There will be no refreshments available at this site and limited toilets.

Can I lay a wreath during the Dawn Service?

Once the official wreath laying has occurred, the public will be given an opportunity to come to the front to lay a wreath.

Will there be space at the front so children and shorter people can be in an area where they can see?

There are no assigned areas, and it is first in best dressed to secure your position for the service.

Can I bring my dog?

No dogs or other pets are permitted at the Albany Dawn Service. The only dogs allowed at the site are Guide Dogs or Certified Companion Dogs.

ACCESSIBILITY

I have mobility restrictions. Can I attend Mt Clarence?

There will be no seating at Mt Clarence. It is strongly recommended that patrons with mobility restrictions, parents with children and strollers or patrons that may find standing and walking for long periods of time difficult consider attending one of the service livestreams.

These are hosted at the Albany Entertainment Centre and at ANZAC Peace Park or it can be watched online from the comfort of your own home on the City of Albany's website.

Are there wheelchair and accessible facilities?

There is no accessible parking at Mt Clarence and no seating available.

It is advised that you attend the livestream at the Albany Entertainment Centre or ANZAC Peace Park or via the City of Albany's website.

SHUTTLEBUS SERVICE

Where does the bus depart from?

There will be shuttlebuses running from two locations: Albany Entertainment Centre and the Middleton Beach Bus Port.

Does it cost anything to use the shuttlebus service?

The shuttlebus service is free, but donations are welcomed to assist the RSL Albany Sub-Branch in providing this service as well as covering general RSL costs.

Can I pre-book, reserve or buy a ticket for the shuttlebus service or Dawn Service?

No, the shuttlebus service is first in best dressed.

How often will the buses run?

Shuttlebuses will run at approximately 10 to 15-minute intervals or as required from 3.15am to 5.00am.

Can I use the shuttlebus if I use a wheelchair, a walker or crutches?

The Albany Dawn Service shuttlebus service is not wheelchair accessible. Walkers and crutches can be accommodated for as long as patrons are able to mount three bus steps to board.

Where do I park?

Parking is available to the east of the Albany Entertainment Centre and Hilton Garden Inn Albany on the Princess Royal Harbour foreshore area.

Patrons will be able to park in the normal parking bays in front of the Albany Surf Life Saving Club for the Middleton Beach shuttlebus service.

What time will the bus drop us off again?

Shuttlebuses will begin to transport visitors back to their pickup location at the conclusion of the Dawn Service at approximately 6.00am. All attendees can expect to be back at their pickup locations by 6.45am to 7.00am.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

Please do not bring the following items to the Dawn Service:

- Picnic blankets or baskets*
- Umbrellas*
- Eskys*
- Chairs*
- Tents*

ALBANY ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE – DAWN SERVICE LIVESTREAM

Doors open from 5.00am | 25 April
Albany Entertainment Centre, 2 Toll Place

Is the livestream ticketed?

No.

How much does it cost?

There is no cost to attend the Albany Entertainment Centre Dawn Service livestream.

Is it wheelchair accessible?

The Albany Entertainment Centre Dawn Service Livestream is wheelchair accessible. It is recommended that patrons notify the Albany Entertainment Centre in advance of their mobility requirements.

Will there be a screening of the Troop March and Commemorative Service?

No, there is only a livestream of the Dawn Service.

Will there be a re-screening later in the day?

No, the livestream is only broadcast once at the Albany Entertainment Centre, however it can be viewed any time online after the service via the City of Albany's website.

Can we bring a pram for the kids?

Prams must be left outside the auditorium.

ANZAC PEACE PARK – DAWN SERVICE LIVESTREAM

5.00am | 25 April
Princess Royal Drive

Is there an undercover area?

No, there is no undercover area available.

What if the weather is bad?

Unless the weather conditions are considered too dangerous to proceed such as thunder and lightning; the Dawn Service Livestream at ANZAC Peace Park will proceed.

Can I bring an umbrella?

Yes.

Can I lay a wreath?

Visitors are welcome to lay a wreath at the ANZAC Peace Park Dawn Service Livestream at the base of the flagpoles in the area. No formal requests or procedures are required.

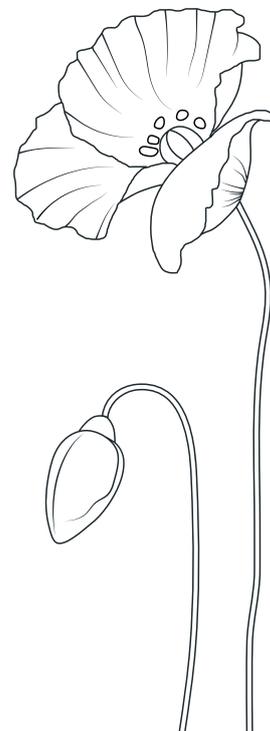
What can I bring?

Visitors are welcome to bring chairs, rugs, and drink coolers to the ANZAC Peace Park Dawn Service Livestream.

Dogs are also welcome, but must adhere to all standard expectations of bringing a dog into a public place, e.g. being on leash and picking up after them.

Where are the toilets?

Portable toilets (including disabled toilets) will be provided at ANZAC Peace Park for the livestream.



GUNFIRE BREAKFAST

6.00am to 7.45am | 25 April
Albany Entertainment Centre, 2 Toll Place

Are there options for food intolerances/ allergies/vegan?

The Gunfire Breakfast cannot cater for intolerances, allergies or dietary preferences. The Gunfire Breakfast usually consists of a sausage in a bun with onion and condiments, tea and coffee.

Is it free to attend the Gunfire Breakfast?

The Albany RSL Sub-branch asks that attendees of the Gunfire Breakfast contribute a donation of \$5.00 to help fund their ANZAC Day Services and general RSL costs.

Can I bring my dog?

The only dogs permitted at the Gunfire Breakfast are Guide Dogs or Certified Companion Dogs.

Is there a coffee van available?

Tea and coffee (with a traditional tot of rum for those desiring it) are supplied at the Gunfire Breakfast. HazBeans Coffee Shop on the foreshore will also open.

Is seating provided?

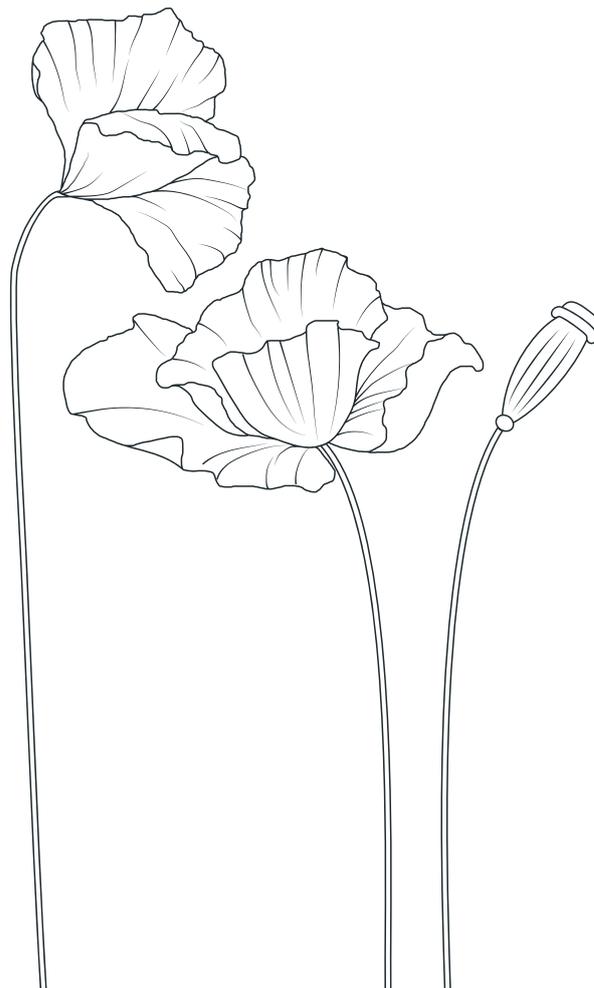
Limited seating is provided at the Gunfire Breakfast.

Where do I park?

Parking is available to the east of the Albany Entertainment Centre and Hilton Garden Inn Albany on the Princess Royal Harbour foreshore area.

Who do I speak to for more information?

Get in touch with the RSL Albany Sub-Branch's Service Director Michael Tugwell via metco03@outlook.com or by calling 0421 647 301.



TROOP MARCH & COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE

Form up at 9.30am, march commences at 10.00am | 25 April
York Street & ANZAC Peace Park

GENERAL QUESTIONS

Where is it?

The Troop March starts at the Albany Town Hall in Albany's CBD and the processions march down York Street to complete the march at the ANZAC Peace Park. From here, the Commemorative Service begins.

Where do I park?

York Street and Serpentine Road South will be closed to all traffic from 9.00am to 11.45am.

Grey Street and Peels Place will also be closed out to the first street/road junctions.

Parking will be available on York St before 9.00am.

Parking on side roads is recommended. Extra parking is available east of the Albany Entertainment Centre.

How long does it go for?

The Troop March commences its procession down York Street at 10.00am, with the Commemorative Service starting at 10.30am. This service is normally completed by 11.30am.

Can I bring my dog?

Dogs are welcome at the Commemorative Service, but must adhere to all standard expectations of bringing a dog into a public place, e.g. being on leash and picking up after them.

How do I participate in the march?

Get in touch with the RSL Albany Sub-Branch's Service Director Michael Tugwell for more information on how to be involved via metco03@outlook.com or by calling 0421 647 301.

Can I still get in to the businesses on York Street during the march?

Access to York Street will still be available on foot however due to ANZAC Day being a public holiday opening hours may differ to normal.

Can I take photos?

Yes, but we ask for respect towards the participants in the Troop March and Commemorative Service.

What amenities will be available at the Commemorative Service?

Amenities at the Commemorative Service are limited. Water will be provided by Albany Guides. Temporary toilets will be available on-site.

Can I lay a wreath during the Commemorative Service?

Once the official wreath laying has occurred, the public will be given an opportunity to come to the front to lay a wreath. If you have a formal wreath to be laid please contact the Service Director well in advance.

Will there be space at the front at the Commemorative Service so children and shorter people can be in an area where they can see?

There will be a roped off parade area for marchers to pass through near the stage. There are numerous naturally raised areas throughout ANZAC Peace Park that can aid vision. The service will be livestreamed on a screen at the service so attendees can watch from anywhere at ANZAC Peace Park.

ACCESSIBILITY

I have mobility restrictions. Can I attend the Commemorative Service?

Yes. ACROD parking is available close to the service area near the Albany Entertainment Centre.

General parking facilities are also available to the east of the Albany Entertainment Centre.

Are there wheelchair and accessible facilities at the Commemorative Service?

A Universal Accessible Toilet will be available on-site. There is also a changing place available to keyholders near the Albany Entertainment Centre. If you do not have a key, you can request one from the Albany Visitor Centre during opening hours.

NATIONAL ANZAC CENTRE

9am to 5pm (last entry at 4pm) | 25 April
67 Forts Road, Mount Clarence

How can I find out more about the National Anzac Centre?

For more information, head to www.nationalanzaccentre.com.au

How much does it cost to enter the National Anzac Centre on ANZAC Day?

The National Anzac Centre retains its standard ticket pricing on ANZAC Day, which are listed online at

www.nationalanzaccentre.com.au/tickets

What hours is the National Anzac Centre open on ANZAC Day?

The National Anzac centre is open for its standard opening hours on ANZAC Day, from 9.00am to 5.00pm (last entry at 4.00pm).

EVENTS MAP



**1 Dawn Service Shuttlebus
Pick up and Drop off**
From 3.15am - 5.00am
Middleton Beach Bus Port

2 Dawn Service
5.30am | Desert Mounted
Corps Memorial,
Albany Heritage Park
Access via shuttlebus ONLY

**3 Dawn Service Shuttlebus
Pick up and Drop off**
From 3.15am - 5.00am
Albany Entertainment Centre

4 Dawn Service Livestream
5.00am
Albany Entertainment Centre

5 Gunfire Breakfast
6.00am - 7.45am
Albany Entertainment Centre

6 Dawn Service Livestream
5.00am
ANZAC Peace Park

7 Commemorative Service
10.30am
ANZAC Peace Park

8 Troop March
10.00am
York Street

HOW DO I FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION AND DETAILS ABOUT THE EVENTS?

Event updates are available on the website www.albany.wa.gov.au/anzac and from the RSL Albany sub-branch website www.albanyrsl.com