

PIONEER NEWS

Official Organ of 2/1 and 2/2 PIONEER BATTALIONS ASSOCIATION

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To all Pioneer supporters hope this finds you well and ready for another Anzac Eve and Day commemoration. Details from RSL NSW for 2025 have been received and are included in the information below and map overleaf.

WREATH LAYING SERVICE

Thursday 24th April 2025 at 3.45pm

All members, descendants and families are invited to the Wreath Laying service at the Cenotaph in Martin Place at 3.45pm. Assembly will be on the old GPO side of Martin Place near the corner of Pitt Street at 3.15pm ready to form at 3.40pm for the short walk to the Cenotaph. This is a booked slot with official permission for the time of 3.45pm. We will require two banner bearers for the procession, a bugler has been booked from the Army band at Victoria Barracks. A unit wreath will be laid first and then, after the Ode and Last Post, additional wreaths may be laid for the Anzac Day commemoration.

ANZAC DAY MARCH

Friday 25th April 2025

The march route is as the attached map overleaf. The form up position is in group (16) WWII Army Sixth Division in Phillip Street (South) facing north towards Hunter Street. We should be behind the 2nd/3rd MG Btn. Start time from Martin Place is shown by the RSL at 9.43am. Best guess would be to form up at 9.15am. Best entry point to Phillip Street would be from Hunter St.

Dress should reflect the occasion with descendants to wear veterans medals on the RHS. The display of photos and other memorabilia is not permitted. The Act of Remembrance will be observed as the unit passes the Anzac Memorial on Elizabeth Street. Eyes left, right hand over left breast and hats removed at the position indicated by the signs. The dispersal area will be in Liverpool street near Museum station.

ANZAC DAY REUNION

Friday 25th April 2025

We have not received many responses to the request for numbers attending the Anzac Day luncheon. These numbers are required to establish a booking with the Occidental Hotel as the tables need to be booked for a set number. Those that have responded already do not need to reply again - thank you.

The venue is again at the Occidental Hotel, on the corner of York and Erskine St's, Sydney opposite Wynyard Park. The Reunion will be held on the **2ND floor** and will be an ALTERNATE MEAL of 1) Fish & Chips 2) Rump steak, salad & chips at a cost of \$29.00 per head. Payment by cash will be necessary on the day. Entry will be by stairs or lift. A bar will be provided for drinks. Exit from Wynyard Station should be into York Street and across Erskine Street to the Hotel.

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Subscriptions of \$5.00 per year are now due and will be accepted by the Treasurer, Janet O'Neill, on the day or by direct transfer to Commonwealth Bank, Riverwood, NSW.

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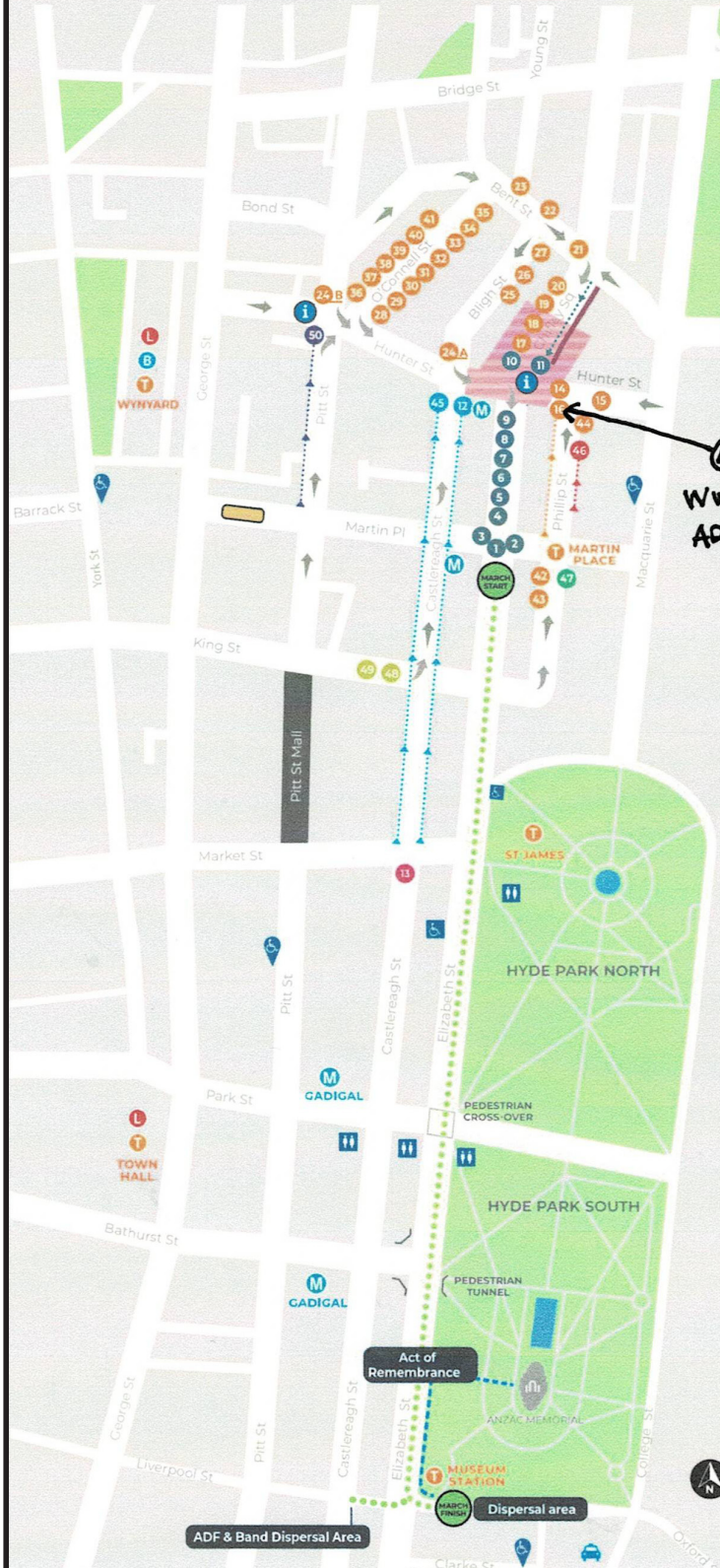
Enjoy your day and looking forward to seeing you there. David Herron, Secretary, 2/1st- 2/2nd Pioneer Battalions Associations. March 2025.

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2025 Sydney ANZAC Day March Map



KEY

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| March Path | Wheelchair Accessible Viewing Area |
| Participant Flow | Public Toilets |
| Cenotaph | Accessibility drop off/pick up |
| Information | Taxi Rank |
| Band Chute (Eastern side of Chifley Square) | Music Free Zone |
| Limited Pedestrian Access | Train station |
| Light rail | Metro |
| | Bus stop |

CONTINGENT

- 1 Police Motorcycle Riders (V formation)
- 2 Mounted Police
- 3 HE The Governor
- 4 ADF Duty Band
- 5 RSL NSW Contingent
- 6 New Zealand Veterans
- 7 Australian Flags Contingent
- 8 Memorial Horses
- 9 WWI Unit Flags Contingent
- 10 NSW Police Veterans
- 11 Taxis
- 12 Royal Australian Navy and Merchant Navy led by Australian Fleet Commander
- 13 NSW Fire and Rescue Veterans
- 14 Australian Army led by Commander – Forces Command
- 15 Signals (100th Anniversary)
- * 16 WWII Army
- 17 Australian Korean War Veterans
- 18 Australian Army Training Team Vietnam
- 19 Head Quarters 1 Australian Task Force
- 20 Armour
- 21 Artillery
- 22 Engineers
- 23 Survey
- 24 A: Infantry (RAR)
- 24 B: Infantry (Reserves)
- 25 Special Forces
- 26 Army Aviation
- 27 Intelligence
- 28 Chaplains
- 29 Transport
- 30 Medical
- 31 Dental
- 32 Ordnance
- 33 Electrical and Mechanical Engineers
- 34 Educational
- 35 Public Relations Service
- 36 Catering
- 37 Pay
- 38 Legal
- 39 Military Police
- 40 Psychology
- 41 Nursing
- 42 WRAAC
- 43 Officer Training Unit
- 44 National Servicemen
- 45 Royal Australia Air Force led by Commander – Air Command
- 46 British & Commonwealth Forces
- 47 Entertainers + War Correspondents
- 48 Sydney Legacy and War Widows
- 49 Descendants of Veterans
- 50 Allied Veterans and Descendants
- 51 RSL marshals and SES

More information: rslnsw.org.au