



MACKAY COMMEMORATIVE PARADES AND CEREMONIES

ANZAC DAY

Boer War	1899 - 1902
Boxer Rebellion	1900 - 1901
World War One	1914 - 1918
World War Two	1939 - 1945
United Nations Peacekeeping	1945 -
Korean War	1950 - 1953
Malayan Emergency	1950 - 1960
Indonesian Confrontation	1963 - 1966
Vietnam War	1965 - 1973
Gulf War	1990 - 1991
Cambodia	1991 - 1993
East Timor	1999 - 2002
Afghanistan	2001 - 2021
Iraq	2003 - 2009
Middle East area of Operations	2001 - 2021
Humanitarian Aid South East Asia	2005 -
Mackay and District Pipe Band participation	1928 -

Saluting dais, morning parade:

Mackay Regional Council Mayor Greg Williamson; Mackay Regional Council CEO Scott Owen; Host Officer, SQNLDR (AAFC) Geoff Strange; Helen Dare, Australian Red Cross; Cath Lalor, Education QLD; *Tri-service ADF Cadets: Australian Navy Cadet, Australian Army Cadet, Australian Air Force Cadet*

RSL President: Ken Higgins OAM

Mackay Regional Council Mayor: Cr Greg Williamson

The first ANZAC Day commemorations were held on April 25, 1916, with different ceremonies and services across Australia, and a sports day in Egypt. More than 2000 ANZACs marched through London streets. Marches were held across Australia with soldiers wounded on Gallipoli and their nurses in convoys of vehicles. Until 1918, ANZAC Day was an occasion for patriotic rallies and recruiting campaigns with parades of serving members of the AIF in most cities. ANZAC Day has become a proud tradition.

Thursday, April 25, 2024

Lest We Forget

The effort of all participants, volunteers and spectators is greatly appreciated.



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LEAGUE OF AUSTRALIA
QUEENSLAND BRANCH



2024 ANZAC DAY DAWN PARADE AND SERVICE - JUBILEE PARK, MACKAY

Live broadcast by: Triple M (98.7 FM) & Hit Mackay (100.3 FM)

Guest speaker: Errol Taylor (Ex-RAAF)

Parade Commander: MAJ (AAC) John Zimmermann OAM

Mackay RSL Padre: Reverend Jim Brown

Cenotaph Guard Commander: Cadet Under Officer Jesse Holmstrom

Cenotaph Guard, Flag Orderlies: Tri-service ADF Cadets

Bugler, Pipers: Jake Barker, Mackay & District Pipe Band

Solitary wreath: Bryan Dobbie and Ian Dean, Mackay and District Pipe Band

Recital of "The Ode": Mackay RSL President, Ken Higgins OAM

Chief Marshal, Marshals: Elwyn Cameron, State Emergency Service

4.30am Parade formation: Macalister St, rear of Mackay Entertainment and Convention Centre. Pipers leading: RSL executives, veterans, ADF cadets, students and citizens

4.45am Parade moves with police escort into Gordon Street, and marches to Jubilee Park via Wellington and Alfred streets

5:00am Call to order (Jubilee Park): Parade Commander

Dawn service address: Guest speaker

The Lament and laying of the solitary wreath:

Mackay and District Pipe Band

Prayer and bible reading: Mackay RSL Padre

The Last Post: Bugler

One minute of silence for the fallen: Assembly

"The Ode" recital: Mackay RSL President

Reveille: Bugler

5.30am Fall-out: Parade Commander

ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR

Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are one and free;
We've 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

E Ihoa Atua,
O nga Iwi! Matoura,
Ata whakarongona;
Me aroha roa.
Kia hua ko te pai;
Kia tau to atawhai;
Manaakitia mai
Aotearoa.

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.

2024 ANZAC DAY MAIN PARADE AND SERVICE - JUBILEE PARK, MACKAY

Mackay RSL President: Ken Higgins OAM
RSL Padre: Reverend Jim Brown
Reviewing Officer, guest speaker: Mayor Greg Williamson
Host Officer: SQNLDR (AAFC) Geoff Strange
Parade Commander: MAJ (AAC) John Zimmermann OAM
Jubilee Park Marshals: Peter Gaudry, Elwyn Cameron, State Emergency Service
Master of Ceremonies (MC): Ian Rowan
Cenotaph Guard: 31/42 Bn RQR (Capricornia Company), Guard Commander Cpl Kevin Stevenson, 4th Health Bn.
Flag Orderlies: ADF Cadets.
Bugler: Jake Barker
Singer, Signing, Band: Maludanae "Malu" Simeon, St Patrick's College, Mackay City Band
Choir, Fly-past: Mackay Choral Society, Mackay Tiger Moth Museum.

8.00am Assembly

Pre-schoolers assemble outside Axiom College on Wellington Street. Pre-schoolers step-off immediately after QAS vehicle passes and march ahead of primary school students via Wellington and Alfred streets.

Main Parade formation at Caneland Central rear car park: Vintage vehicles at bus stop. Veterans and others in undercover car park.

The parade will proceed from Caneland Central with police escort to Jubilee Park via Victoria, Wellington and Alfred streets, past the Reviewing Officer on the lawn near the Sir Albert Abbott Administration Building in Wellington Street.

8.30am Veterans in vintage and other vehicles.

8.35am Training Ship Pioneer ANC, 122 Army Cadet Unit AAC, No. 105 (City of Mackay) Squadron AAFC, PCYC Cadets.

8.40am Scouts, Guides.

8.45am Pipers, Parade Commander, RSL Executives & Padre, Dogs of War, [Banners] 1885-1918 (WWI & Descendants of ANZACs), 1939-1945,

1945-1975, Vietnam & WHP flags, 1975-1995, 1995-, 42 Inf Bn Assn, RAAF Assn, National Servicemen's Assn, Ex-Service, Allied Veterans.

8.50am QAS vehicle.

Daycare, primary and secondary schools.

9.10am Community groups.

9.15am SES, Queensland Fire & Emergency Service, Rural Fire Service, Salvation Army, QAS, Old Retired Police Association, QPS.

9.30am **Ceremony commences at the cenotaph, Jubilee Park, Alfred St, Mackay**

Call to Order (Jubilee Park): Master of Ceremonies

Mount the Guard: Parade Commander, Guard Commander

Hymn "Recessional": Mackay City Band, Choir, Assembly

Bible reading and prayer: Mackay RSL Padre

Hymn "The Lord's My Shepherd": Mackay City Band, Choir, Assembly

Address: Mackay Regional Council Mayor

Official wreath laying, Fly-past and Recital

"Lament": Mackay & District Pipe Band

Hymn "Nearer My God to Thee":

Mackay City Band, Choir, Assembly

"The Ode" recital: Mackay RSL President

The Last Post: Bugler

One minute of silence for the fallen: Assembly

Reveille (Rouse): Bugler

National Anthem of New Zealand:

City Band, Singer, Signing, Assembly

National Anthem of Australia:

City Band, Singer, Signing, Assembly

Dismount the Guard:

Parade Commander, Guard Commander

Thank you / closure: Mackay RSL President

10.35am **Parade dismissal, ceremony ends:**

Parade Commander, Master of Ceremonies

PUBLIC LAYING OF WREATHS

Please assemble on the path near the lamp post before the Mayor's address, and move forward in lines of up to four abreast as directed by marshals. The MC will announce wreath layers. Flowers have traditionally been laid on graves and memorials in memory of the dead. Rosemary, symbolising remembrance, is popular on Anzac Day. Laurel is also a

commemorative symbol; woven into a wreath, it was used by the ancient Romans to crown victors and the brave as a mark of honour. In recent years, the poppy, strongly associated with Remembrance Day (November 11), has also become popular in wreaths on Anzac Day. After the commemorative services, everyone is invited to join Veterans at Harrup Park Country Club, Souths Leagues Club and Mt Pleasant Tavern.

HYMN - RECESSIONAL

God of our fathers, know of old,
Lord of our far flung battle line,
Beneath whose awful hand we hold,
Dominion over palm and pine
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest We Forget, Lest We Forget.

For heathen heart that puts its trust,
In reeking tube and iron shard,
All valiant dust that builds on the dust
And guarding calls not thee to guard,
For frantic boast and foolish work
Thy mercy on thy people Lord.

THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD (23RD PSALM)

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; he leadeth me
The quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again,
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear none ill;
For thou art with me; and thy rod
And staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnish-ed
In presence of my foes;
My head thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me,
And in God's house for evermore
My dwelling place shall be.

HYMN - NEARER MY GOD TO THEE

Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee,
E'en tho' it be a cross That raiseth me!
Still all my song shall be, Nearer, my God,
to Thee, Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer
to Thee!

There let the way appear, Steps unto
heav'n; All that Thou sendest me, In
mercy giv'n; Angels to beckon me Nearer,
my God, to Thee, Nearer, my God, to
Thee, Nearer to Thee!