



CLUB *B* BURWOOD RSL



ANZAC

COMMEMORATION

DAWN SERVICE

THURSDAY 25 APRIL 2024

LEST WE FORGET

Commemoration March: 6.00am, Church Street, Burwood

Dawn Service: 6.30am, Burwood War Memorial Arch

Pictured: The official unveiling of the Burwood War Memorial Arch 101 years ago on ANZAC Day 25 April 1923



MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR OF BURWOOD: CR JOHN FAKER

Today, on the anniversary of the landing at Gallipoli, I welcome you to Burwood Park as we honour those who made the ultimate sacrifice in defence of our great country, one of the most pivotal moments in our nation's history.

This morning's ANZAC Commemorative Service pays tribute to the brave men and women who served and died, and those who returned from warfare.

I ask that you take some time to reflect on the qualities of past generations of Australians who in hardship displayed courage, discipline, self-sacrifice, self-reliance, resourcefulness and friendship.

This year holds particular significance for us as we celebrate the sesquicentenary of the Burwood Municipality. Burwood has always exhibited a strong sense of community, demonstrated through its wartime efforts, its adaptability to change, and the way we come together and unite

in times of need. While much has changed since 1874 when the first Council was formed, our extraordinary history continues to shape us today.

Thank you to all who have contributed to today's ceremony, including the Burwood ANZAC Committee, Club Burwood RSL, the Burwood RSL Sub-Branch, local schools, churches and Council.

As a community, let us continue to work together to ensure that the memories of our ANZAC heroes live on and are never forgotten.

LEST WE FORGET

Cr John Faker

Mayor of Burwood



Deborah Shepherd

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF BURWOOD RSL SUB-BRANCH: CAPTAIN DEBORAH SHEPHERD (RET'D)

**Today, along with Australians everywhere,
we gather to remember all those who
have served to defend Australia.**

We also remember the ANZACs who landed on the beach at Gallipoli in Türkiye on 25 April 1915.

Our ANZACs showed strength and bravery, over eight months of intensive warfare, in the face of certain defeat.

When remembering all those who have worn our country's uniform, we know that the vast majority of Veterans go on to have rewarding careers and successfully transition to civilian life. Military service has prepared these veterans to have an extensive range of skills and abilities that are well-regarded in the private sector and across a wide range of industries.

I invite current or past serving Defence members to join our sub-Branch. I invite people who may be a relative of a current or past-serving Service member who would like to support the charitable purpose of the League and join us as an Affiliate Member.

LEST WE FORGET

Deborah Shepherd

President, Burwood RSL sub-Branch



GUEST SPEAKER BIOGRAPHY: KIRSTEN MUELLER

Kirsten Mueller enlisted in the Australian Defence Force in 2003, where she served at Lavarack Barracks in Townsville for a period of 8 years.

During her tenure, Kirsten spent 5 years with the 3rd Combat Support Service Battalion, aiding infantry and engineer battalions by operating Mack Trucks. In 2006, she undertook a 6-month deployment to East Timor as part of Operation Astute's Quick Reaction Force.

Kirsten was posted to 3/4 Cavalry Regiment in 2007, where she spent 4 years in the armoured unit under the Royal Australian Armoured Corp.

Kirsten operated the Bushmaster Protected Mobility Vehicle (PMV-M) whilst in Iraq, this is an armoured vehicle utilised as an Infantry Mobility Vehicle.

Since retiring from the army, Kirsten has dedicated herself to advocating for mental health awareness among returned servicemen and women. Recognising the unique challenges they face upon returning to civilian life, she tirelessly encourages her fellow veterans to prioritise their mental well-being.

Through her advocacy efforts, Kirsten emphasises the importance of seeking support from Soldier On, the Local RSL (Returned and Service League) and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

By sharing her own experiences and providing guidance, Kirsten strives to create a supportive community where veterans feel empowered to address their mental health needs and access the resources available to them.

ORDER OF SERVICE

6.30AM DAWN SERVICE

Burwood War Memorial Arch, Burwood Park

MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Mr Dennis Quinlan
Burwood RSL Sub-Branch

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY

Brooke Endycott
A/General Manager,
Burwood Council

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Monsignor Gregory Flynn

ANZAC PROLOGUE

Graham Green
President, Club Burwood RSL

WELCOME ADDRESS

Cr John Faker
Mayor of Burwood

SONG: IN FLANDERS FIELDS

Santa Sabina College

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Monsignor Gregory Flynn

HYMN: ABIDE WITH ME

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Strathfield Girls High School
Santa Sabina College

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MONSIGNOR GREGORY FLYNN

God, our Father, hear the prayers of your people as we plead for peace in our world. For the peace we have received, we thank and honour you. May we ever be reminded of the legacy of courage, dedication, and determination bestowed upon us by our ancestors and our brothers and sisters of New Zealand.

As we remember this enduring friendship, we are reminded to strive after the same principles of peace, justice, and freedom for all in our time.

Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ANZAC PROLOGUE

GRAHAM GREEN
PRESIDENT, CLUB BURWOOD RSL

WELCOME ADDRESS

CR JOHN FAKER, MAYOR OF BURWOOD

SONG: IN FLANDERS FIELDS

SANTA SABINA COLLEGE CHAMBER CHOIR AND WIND ENSEMBLE

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,
In Flanders fields.

In Flanders fields, in Flanders fields
and now we lie, In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields, in Flanders Fields
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields, in Flanders Fields

THE LORD'S PRAYER: OUR FATHER

MONSIGNOR GREGORY FLYNN

Let us call upon God as Our Father.

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. **Amen.**

HYMN: ABIDE WITH ME

SANTA SABINA COLLEGE CHAMBER CHOIR AND WIND ENSEMBLE

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide;
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim; its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see;
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour.
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

POEM READINGS

DULCE ET DECORUM EST (EXTRACT)

Matthew Li and Devina Si, Marie Bashir Public School

PERHAPS

Natalia Costis-Halkidis, Strathfield Girls High School

MY BOY JACK

Calliope Stewart, Santa Sabina College

COMMEMORATIVE ADDRESS

KIRSTEN MUELLER

WREATH LAYING CEREMONY

BURWOOD RSL SUB-BRANCH PIPES AND DRUMS

THE ODE OF REMEMBRANCE

GRAHAM GREEN

(Please stand)

Their glory shall never die,
The whole wide world is their sepulchre
Their epitaphs are written upon the hearts of mankind
And whenever there is talk of noble deeds
Their names will be held in grateful remembrance.
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.

We will remember them. (Repeat together)

Lest we forget

Lest we forget. (Repeat together)

THE LAST POST & FLAG CEREMONY

MR LIAM MCREA

(ONE-MINUTE SILENCE)

REVEILLE

MR LIAM MCREA

(Please be seated)

LET US MAKE COMMEMORATION OF THE FALLEN

MONSIGNOR GREGORY FLYNN

Loving Father, we remember, celebrate, and pray for those
who have died in the service of our nation.

Lest we forget.

We remember those who still grieve for them and ask
for them the gift of consolation.

Lest we forget.

We remember the legacy of our diggers and may it continue
to inspire our thoughts and deeds.

Lest we forget.

We remember the indomitable courage of the soldiers of New Zealand.

Lest we forget.

We remember the steadfastness of the people of Turkey.

Lest we forget.

We pray for lasting peace for the peoples of Ukraine and the Middle East

Lest we forget.

Amen.

SONG: THE RECESSIONAL

SANTA SABINA COLLEGE CHAMBER CHOIR AND WIND ENSEMBLE

God of our fathers, known 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!

The tumult and the shouting dies;
The Captains and the Kings depart;
Still stands Thine ancient sacrifice,
An humble and a contrite heart.
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget – lest we forget!

BENEDICTION

MONSIGNOR GREGORY FLYNN

Bow your heads and ask for the Father's blessing.
May the Lord bless and keep you.

Amen.

May He turn His face towards you and be gracious to you.

Amen.

May the eternal peace of God, Our Father, be with us all.

Amen.

NATIONAL ANTHEM: GOD DEFEND NEW ZEALAND

SANTA SABINA COLLEGE
CHAMBER CHOIR AND WIND ENSEMBLE

(Please stand)

E Ihowā Atua,
O ngā iwi mātou rā
Āta whakarangona;
Me aroha noa
Kia hua ko te pai;
Kia tau tō 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.

NATIONAL ANTHEM: ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR

SANTA SABINA COLLEGE CHAMBER CHOIR AND WIND ENSEMBLE

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.

Beneath our radiant Southern Cross
We'll toil with hearts and hands;
To make this Commonwealth of ours
Renowned of all the lands;
For those who've come across the seas
We've boundless plains to share;
With courage let us all combine
To Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance Australia Fair.

(Please be seated)

SERVICE CLOSE/ AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE FLYOVER

MR ANDREW ANDERSON, CEO OF CLUB BURWOOD RSL

Thank you for your attendance.
You are invited to the ANZAC Day breakfast at
Club Burwood from 8.00am and a special ANZAC Day Mass
at St Joseph's Enfield at 9.15am.

WHAT IS ANZAC DAY?

ANZAC Day, 25 April, is one of Australia's most important national occasions. It marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during WWI. ANZAC stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. The soldiers in those forces quickly became known as ANZACs, and the pride they took in that name endures to this day.

WHY IS THIS DAY SPECIAL TO AUSTRALIANS?

When war broke out in 1914 Australia had been a federated nation for only 13 years, and its government was eager to establish a reputation among the nations of the world. When Britain declared war in August 1914 Australia was automatically placed on the side of the Commonwealth.

In 1915 Australian and New Zealand soldiers formed part of the expedition that set out to capture the Gallipoli peninsula in order to open the Dardanelles to the allied navies. The ultimate objective was to capture Constantinople (now Istanbul), the capital of the Ottoman Empire, an ally of Germany.

The Australian and New Zealand forces landed on Gallipoli on 25 April 1914, meeting fierce resistance from the Turkish defenders. What had been planned

as a bold stroke to knock Türkiye out of the war quickly became a stalemate, and the campaign dragged on for eight months.

At the end of 1915 the allied forces were evacuated from the peninsula, with both sides having suffered heavy casualties enduring great hardships. More than 8,000 Australian soldiers died in the campaign. Gallipoli had a profound impact on Australians at home, and 25 April soon became the day



ANZACs departing Albany in 1914
Photo credit: News Corp Australia

What is ANZAC Day? continued

on which Australians remembered the sacrifice of those who died in the war. Although the Gallipoli campaign failed in its military objectives, the actions of Australian and New Zealand forces during the campaign left a powerful legacy. What became known as the “ANZAC legend” became an important part of the identity of both nations, shaping the ways in which they viewed both their past and their future.

EARLY COMMEMORATIONS

In 1916 the first ANZAC Day commemorations were held on 25 April. The day was marked by a wide variety of ceremonies and services across Australia, a march through London, and

a sports day in the Australian camp in Egypt. In London more than 2,000 Australian and New Zealand troops marched through the streets; a London newspaper headline dubbed them “the knights of Gallipoli”.

Marches were held all over Australia; in the Sydney march convoys of cars carried soldiers wounded on Gallipoli and their nurses. For the remaining years of the war ANZAC Day was used as an occasion for patriotic rallies and recruiting campaigns, and parades of serving members of the AIF were held in most cities.

During the 1920s ANZAC Day became established as a national



Recent peacekeeping missions
Photo credit: Australian Defence Force

day of commemoration. In 1927, for the first time, every state observed some form of public holiday on ANZAC Day. By the mid-1930s all the rituals we now associate with the day – dawn vigils, marches, memorial services, reunions, two-up games – were firmly established as part of ANZAC Day culture.

Later, ANZAC Day also served to commemorate the lives of Australians who died in the Second World War, and in subsequent years the meaning of the day has been further broadened to include those who lost their lives in all the military and peacekeeping operations in which Australia has been involved.

WHAT DOES ANZAC DAY MEAN TODAY?

Australians recognise 25 April as a day of national remembrance, which takes two forms. Commemorative services are held across the nation at dawn – the time of the original landing, while later in the day, former servicemen and servicewomen meet to take part in marches through the country's major cities and in many smaller centres. Commemorative ceremonies are more formal, and are held at war memorials around the country. In these ways, ANZAC Day is a time at which Australians reflect on the many different meanings of war, honour those who have served and recognise those currently serving.



Recent peacekeeping missions
Photo credit: Australian Defence Force

THE BUGLER FROM BURWOOD

The story of Leonard Francis Hall, 9 May 1897 – 24 February 1999

Leonard Francis Hall was born in Burwood on 9 May 1897 and was part of the celebrated 10th Light Horse Regiment which included some of the best riders in the world.

Hall enlisted in the First Australian Imperial Force in 1915 after the Major of the Light Horse Regiment heard him play the bugle and begged him to join as their regiment did not have a bugler.

As Hall boarded the boat to the Great War with his bugle in hand, that he would not play again, he plucked an emu plume from his slouch hat and placed it into the hands of a girl waving in the crowd.

When Hall landed at Gallipoli in the former Ottoman Empire he was the lead machine-gunner in the impossible assault of the Battle of Nek. This was the worst battle of the Gallipoli campaign with 879 of his fellow diggers killed.

After evacuating the Gallipoli peninsula, Hall fought in the Battle of Beersheba in Ottoman Syria in 1917 where he was injured by a bomb which killed nine out of his 14-man crew and his horse, Q6.

The courage he exhibited during this campaign saw him picked by Thomas Edward Lawrence (Lawrence of Arabia) to help the British Empire in the Capture of Damascus in 1918.

Hall returned to Australia in 1919 and was met by a woman who said, “Excuse me sir, would you like your plume back?” Hall married his feather caretaker two years later and they had two children.

Leonard Francis Hall died in Perth in 24 February 1999, aged 101 years, after living a life of perseverance, strength and heroism.



THE BRONZE STATUE OF THE FIREFIGHTER
BY THE CITY OF BOSTON
IN MEMORY OF THE FIREFIGHTERS WHO
DIED IN THE LINE OF DUTY
DURING THE GREAT FIRE OF 1872
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 1888
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 1902
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 1911
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 1915
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 1922
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 1930
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 1938
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 1946
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 1954
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 1962
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 1970
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 1978
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 1986
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 1994
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 2002
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 2010
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 2018
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 2020
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 2022
AND THE GREAT FIRE OF 2024

BURWOOD ANZAC

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1874-2024



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