



REMEMBRANCE DAY

2011 NATIONAL CEREMONY

FRIDAY 11 NOVEMBER, 10.15 am

AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL



The Chairman of the Council of the Australian War Memorial, the Council, the Director and staff welcome you to today's Remembrance Day ceremony, which marks the 93rd anniversary of the Armistice.

Order of Service

Arrivals

The Honourable Warren Snowdon MP, Minister for Veterans' Affairs, representing the Prime Minister of Australia

Their Excellencies Ms Quentin Bryce AC CVO, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, and Mr Michael Bryce AM AE

Hymn

“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.*

Commemorative Address

The Honourable Warren Snowdon MP, Minister for Veterans' Affairs

Laying of wreaths

Wreaths will be laid by the following or their representative:

- The Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia
- The Prime Minister of Australia
- The Chief Minister of the Australian Capital Territory
- The Speaker of the House of Representatives
The President of the Senate
- The Chief Justice of Australia
- The Leader of the Federal Opposition
- The Chief of the Defence Force
- The Chief of Navy
The Chief of Army
The Chief of Air Force
- The Chairman of the Council of the Australian War Memorial
The National President of the Returned and Services League of Australia
- The President of the Australian Veterans' and Defence Services Council
The National President of the Naval Association of Australia
The National President of the Australian Flying Corps and the Royal Australian Air Force Association
- The National President of the War Widows' Guild of Australia
The National President of the Australian Federation of Totally and Permanently Incapacitated Ex-Servicemen and Women
- The Chairman of the Legacy National Coordinating Council, accompanied by two Junior Legatees

The Ode

Rear Admiral Ken Doolan AO RAN (Ret'd), National President, Returned and Services League of Australia

*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.*

The Last Post

One Minute's Silence

The Rouse

Response

Lest we forget.

Laying of wreaths

Members of the Diplomatic Corps will lay wreaths on behalf of citizens of their countries.

Epitaphs

Alix Biggs, Canberra Girls' Grammar School

2010 ACT winner of the National History Challenge
(Year 9/10 and In War and Peace Special Category)

Laying of Flowers

Floral tributes will be laid by school students representing the youth of Australia.

- St Clare's College, Australian Capital Territory
- Modanville Public School, New South Wales
- Wagaman Primary School, Northern Territory
- St Mary's School, Queensland
- Tenison Woods College, South Australia
- Port Dalrymple School, Tasmania
- Mirrabooka Senior High School, Western Australia
- Wesley College, Western Australia

National Anthem

*Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are young 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.*

Acknowledgements

Mr Ross Symonds, Master of Ceremonies

Australia's Federation Guard

Band of the Royal Military College of Australia

Australian Rugby Choir



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In Flanders fields

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.

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.

John McCrae

