What these men did nothing can alter now. The good and the bad, the greatness and the smallness of their story … It rises … it will always rise, above the mists of ages, a monument to great-hearted men; and, for their nation, a possession for ever.

Charles Bean
First World War Official Historian

2015
100TH ANNIVERSARY OF
THE GALLIPOLI LANDINGS
Welcome to the Australian War Memorial on Anzac Day 2015, commemorating the 100th anniversary of the landing of Anzac troops on Gallipoli.

We gather here with humility and immense pride, free and confident heirs to a legacy born of idealism, forged in self-sacrifice and passed now to our generation. We do so in renewed commitment to one another, our nation, and the hope of a better world.

Anzac Day goes beyond the anniversary of the Gallipoli landings of 1915. Today we remember those Australians who have served, suffered, and died in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations. Many continue to suffer as a consequence of their service. The spirit of Anzac – courage, endurance, mateship and sacrifice – infuses our sense of who we are, how we relate to one another, and how we see our place in the world. No group of Australians has worked harder or given more to shape our identity than the two million men and women who have worn – and who now wear – the uniforms of the Royal Australian Navy, the Australian Army, and the Royal Australian Air Force.

An incident recorded by official historian Charles Bean just before the battle at Lone Pine, in which 2,300 Australian casualties were recorded and seven Victoria Crosses awarded, says it best.

An Australian digger approached the front trench. To the men in it he called, "Jim here?" A voice rose from the fire step, "Yeah, right here Bill". "Do you chaps mind movin’ up a piece?", asked the first voice. "Him and me are mates – and we’re goin’ over together".
In the end, the lesson from all this is simply that, irrespective of the cost, a life of value is one spent in the service of others, and what we need most is just that – one another.

The Memorial is proud to host this year’s Anzac Day ceremonies, commencing with the Dawn Service, held in conjunction with the Returned and Services League, the National Ceremony, which includes the march, and our moving Last Post Ceremony at the day’s conclusion.

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commemorative Ceremony will be held after the Anzac Day Dawn Service at the Aboriginal Memorial plaque on the side of Mount Ainslie.

The Memorial

The Australian War Memorial’s magnificent heritage building is situated beneath picturesque Mount Ainslie, and is one of Australia’s best-known tourist attractions. Combining a commemorative site, a world-class museum, and an extensive archive, the Memorial honours the courage and sacrifice of Australia’s servicemen and servicewomen.

The vision for the Australian War Memorial comes to us from Charles Bean, Australia’s official war correspondent during the First World War.

It was at Pozières, France, in July 1916 that Bean, witness to 23,000 Australian casualties in just six weeks, recorded the following in his diary:

   Many a man lying out there at Pozières or in the low scrub at Gallipoli … has thought in his last moments: “Well – well – it’s over; but in Australia they will be proud of this.”

Further inspired by a mortally wounded Australian who asked, “Will they remember me in Australia?” Bean conceived and resolved at war’s end to build the finest memorial and museum to these men and women of the AIF.

He successfully lobbied for Australian “relics”, records, and works of art to be collected and saved for Australia, rather than Britain, and he persuaded the Australian government that these should be part of a future national war memorial.

The organisation of the collection began in May 1917 under John Treloar, a young army officer who was later appointed Director of the Memorial. Treloar laid the foundation for the National Collection, which includes objects, works of art, photographs, film, sound recordings, official and personal records, books, maps, and ephemera.

It took more than 20 years for the collection to find a permanent home, and on 11 November 1941 the Australian War Memorial building finally opened in Canberra.

In 1948 Charles Bean would finally articulate the vision for the Memorial, to which we remain true in a new century facing new and emerging horizons:

   Here is their spirit, in the heart of the land they loved; and here we guard the record which they themselves made.

In 1971 the Memorial was extended to include exhibits from all wars in which Australia has been involved. In 2001 the Memorial opened a new building, Anzac Hall, containing state-of-the-art exhibitions of some of its largest and most exciting objects. The Eastern Precinct was completed in 2010, with a memorial to National Servicemen, a new café, and underground parking. In recent years galleries have been opened focusing on the conflicts since 1945, including
Vietnam, Korea, peacekeeping operations, and Afghanistan. Most recently, in February 2015 the Memorial was proud to officially open its new permanent First World War exhibition, *Australia in the Great War*.

**Commemoration**

The Memorial is the centre of national commemoration in Australia on Anzac Day and Remembrance Day, with record crowds in attendance. Along with ceremonies for particular anniversaries and events occurring throughout the year, it also conducts wreathlaying ceremonies for schools and groups, as well as plaque dedication ceremonies.

At the end of each day the Last Post Ceremony is conducted in the Memorial’s Commemorative Area. Each ceremony honours one of the more than 102,700 servicemen and servicewomen whose names appear on the Roll of Honour.

These personal and often moving stories are accompanied by the recitation of the Ode and the sounding of the Last Post and the Lament.

**Museum and research**

The Memorial houses the National Collection, one of the largest military history collections in the world. This comprises an extensive collection of works of art, relics, photographs, film, and sound. With nine outstanding exhibition galleries, including the recently unveiled First World War Galleries, the story of Australian involvement in war is richly illustrated. The National Collection is maintained through the Memorial’s conservation services. Thanks to an ongoing digitisation project much of the collection is now also available to the public through the Memorial’s website.

The Memorial is included in the Australian Tourism Awards Hall of Fame. It is currently ranked Trip Advisor’s number one attraction for Australia and 17th in the world. Since 2006 the building has been on the National Heritage List, in recognition of its outstanding heritage value to the nation.

More than one million visitors – including 140,000 school students – are expected at the Memorial in 2015. Our website, which offers access to large research databases complemented by Google’s virtual tour, provides an opportunity for people to connect with the Memorial and for our history to live.

**PRE-DAWN SERVICE**

**Projections**

A selection of images from the Memorial’s extensive photographic collection will be projected onto the front facade of the Memorial over five nights starting 22 April.

The projections will commence at dusk and conclude at dawn. On the eve of Anzac Day First World War images will be shown, with a particular emphasis on the Gallipoli campaign.

The images projected on the other four nights will encompass conflicts from the Colonial period through to the present day.

**Readings**

From 4.30 am, excerpts from letters and diaries of Australians who experienced war firsthand will be read aloud by a member of each of the Australian armed forces.

Private Victor Nicholson saw his best mate, “Lofty”, killed at Quinn’s Post, shot through the eye while looking through a peephole:

_I didn’t cry, unless Gallipoli was one long cry. If you cried once, you’d never stop. There were friends going every day, and sometimes every hour of the day, wonderful friends. I grieved inwardly. That was all you could do._

Representing the Royal Australian Navy, Captain Tim Brown’s reading will commence at 4.30 am.

Representing the Royal Australian Air Force, Flight Sergeant Hayden Inwood will recite from 4.45 am.

Representing the Australian Army, Corporal Dan Keighran VC will deliver the final reading from 5 am until 5.15 am.
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Along the rough lines of trenches, stalemate had set in. As the weather got hotter an epidemic of disease, mostly dysentery, followed. Many were evacuated owing to illness, and gradually the Anzacs became an army of sick men. But they were still an army, determined not to be beaten. Troops were constantly digging trenches and tunnelling, living in their wretched scooped-out holes and trenches and in rough, lice-ridden dug-outs, always subjected to the threat of enemy fire. A swim in the sea, dangerous at any time, was their only comfort.

In August the British launched a fresh offensive, with more British, Indian, New Zealand, and Australian troops, to regain the initiative on Gallipoli. Men came out of hospital, while in the trenches others jostled to be with their mates, to take part in attacks on the Gallipoli heights or along the old Anzac perimeter. After charging amid machine-gun and rifle fire, the brave dead lay thick at places such as Lone Pine, The Nek, Pope’s Hill, Quinn’s Post, and Chunuk Bair. Opposing trench lines were often very close, and snipers were active on both sides.

ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE

25 April 2015, 5.30 am

Playing of the Didgeridoo
Able Seaman Boatswain’s Mate Alan Patterson of NUSHIP Adelaide and member of the Gunggandji people

Welcome
Mr Ross Symonds, Master of Ceremonies

Hymn

O valiant hearts
O valiant hearts who to your glory came
Through dust of conflict and through battle flame;
Tranquil you lie, your knightly virtue proved,
Your memory hallowed in the land you loved.

Proudly you gathered, rank on rank, to war
As who had heard God’s message from afar;
All you had hoped for, all you had, you gave,
To save mankind – yourselves you scorned to save.

Splendid you passed, the great surrender made;
Into the light that nevermore shall fade;
Deep your contentment in that blest abode,
Who wait the last clear trumpet call of God.

Anzac Dedication
Chaplain Group Captain Peter Friend, RAAF

At this hour, on this day, 100 years ago, the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, at Gallipoli, made immortal the name of Anzac and established an imperishable tradition of selfless service, of devotion to duty, and of fighting for all that is best in human relationships.

We who are gathered here today in this dawn vigil remember with gratitude the men and women who have given, and are still giving, in our Armed and Supporting Services, all that is theirs to give, in order that the world may be a nobler place in which to live.

And with them, we remember those left behind to bear the sorrow of their loss.

Let us therefore dedicate ourselves to taking up the burdens of the fallen and, with the same high courage and steadfastness with which they went into battle, set our hands to the tasks they left unfinished. Let us dedicate ourselves to the service of the ideals for which they died. Let us, with God’s help, give our utmost to make the world what they would have wished it to be, a better and happier place for all of its people, through whatever means are open to us.
Laying of Wreaths

Mr Peter Eveille, President, ACT Branch RSL, and Air Commodore Shaun Clarke ONZM, Royal New Zealand Air Force, will place wreaths on the Stone of Remembrance, symbolising the unity of Anzac.

The Lament will be played by Detective Sergeant Stephen Ladd, Australian Federal Police.

The Lord’s Prayer

Chaplain Group Captain Peter Friend, RAAF

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.
For Thine is the kingdom,
And the power, and the glory,
For ever and ever.
Amen.

Hymn

Abide with me

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.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.
Heaven’s morning breaks, and earth’s vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

The Ode

Mr Peter Eveille, President, ACT Branch RSL

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.

All repeat:

We will remember them.

The Last Post

One Minute’s Silence

Lest we forget.

All repeat:

Lest we forget.
Hymn

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The Last Post

One Minute’s Silence

The Rouse

Lest we forget.

All repeat:

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Reveille

Recitation
Kate MacInnes, Junior Legatee

In Flanders fields

Commemorative Address
Lieutenant General David Morrison AO, Chief of Army

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.

A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly, forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home.

Benediction
Chaplain Group Captain Peter Friend, RAAF

Australian National Anthem

Advance Australia Fair

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.

Please note
After the ceremony visitors may wish to place a poppy at the Tomb of the Unknown Australian Soldier or at the Roll of Honour. The Commemorative Area will open 15 minutes after the conclusion of the ceremony.
ANZAC DAY NATIONAL CEREMONY

25 April 2015, 10.15 am

Arrivals

• The Honourable Chris Finlayson QC MP, Attorney-General of New Zealand, and His Excellency Mr Chris Seed, New Zealand High Commissioner
• The Honourable Warren Truss MP, representing the Prime Minister of Australia, and Mrs Lyn Truss
• His Excellency General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd), Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, and Her Excellency Lady Cosgrove

Playing of the Didgeridoo

• Able Seaman Boatswain’s Mate Alan Patterson of NUSHIP Adelaide and member of the Gunggandji people

March

Commemorative Address

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Into the light that nevermore shall fade;
Deep your contentment in that blest abode,
Who wait the last clear trumpet call of God.

Laying of Wreaths

Wreaths will be laid by the following or their representatives:
• The Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia
• The Prime Minister of Australia
• The Attorney-General of New Zealand
• The President of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission
• The Chief Minister of the Australian Capital Territory
• The Speaker of the House of Representatives
• The President of the Senate
• The Chief Justice of the High Court of Australia
• The Dean of the Diplomatic Corps
• The Turkish Ambassador
• The British High Commissioner
• The Leader of the Federal Opposition
• The Chief of the Defence Force
• The Chairman of the Council of the Australian War Memorial
• The Chief of Navy
• The Chief of Army
• The Chief of Air Force
• The National President of the Returned and Services League of Australia
• The National President of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Veterans and Services Association
• 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 Australia Council and Junior Legatees

Creed

Mr Kerry Stokes AC, representing the Chairman of the Council of the Australian War Memorial
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**The Ode**

Mr Terry Meehan AM, representing the National President of the 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.

**All repeat:**

*We will remember them.*

**The Last Post**

**One Minute’s Silence**

**The Rouse**

*Lest we forget.*

**All repeat:**

*Lest we forget.*

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**New Zealand National Anthem**

**God Defend New Zealand**

_E Ihowa Atua,_

_O nga iwi matou rā_

_Ata 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._

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**Australian National Anthem**

**Advance Australia Fair**

_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._

_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._

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**Please note**

Following the ceremony Mr Kerry Stokes AC, representing the Chairman of the Council of the Australian War Memorial, accompanied by the official party, will lay floral tributes at the Tomb of the Unknown Australian Soldier.

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ANZACS ON GALLIPOLI

On 25 April 1915, on a remote shore of the Turkish Gallipoli peninsula, Australian troops entered major battle and wrote an indelible entry in their young nation’s history. In those early hours these men, every one of whom was a volunteer, jumped from boats to splash ashore and quickly find shelter under the steep hills, confronting them. New Zealand troops also shared in the moment, strengthening even more the bond between the two nations.

Unfortunately, the Anzacs’ plans were confounded by the difficulty in navigating a beach landing in darkness and the combined obstacles of towering cliffs, dead and gullies, and dense low scrub on land. Soon the Turks had rushed up reinforcements and, hour by hour, their resistance grew in strength. The fighting in the hills became wild and bloody. At the end of the day the order came “dig, dig, dig, until you are safe”. A line was made, and there the Anzacs held on. That line barely changed for the rest of the desperate eight-month campaign.

Troops climb down into the boats that will take them ashore at Anzac, 25 April 1915. J05589

ANZAC DAY LAST POST CEREMONY

25 April 2015, 4.15 pm

Welcome

National Anthem of New Zealand
God Defend New Zealand

National Anthem of Turkey
İstiklâl Marşı

National Anthem of Australia
Advance Australia Fair

Laying of Wreaths and Lament

Readings
Brigadier Nectdet Tuna
    Mustafa Kemal Atatürk
Brigadier Mark Holmes
    Private John Edward Barclay

The Ode
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And still there was no breakout. A sergeant who watched an attack later recalled: “Yes, it was heroic, it was marvellous, the way those men rose [to attack], yet it was murder.”

Despite the courage of the fighting men and the terrible death toll, the Gallipoli campaign was going nowhere. All hopes had been dashed, and winter was not far away. A change in senior command brought no improvement, and in the end it was decided to abandon the whole show. Intense planning followed, the hope being to evacuate the last troops under the noses of the unsuspecting Turks.

The campaign cost Australia 8,709 lives. Some of the Australian troops spent their last days on the peninsula tending the graves of their mates who would be left behind. One soldier wrote: “It was a sad day for us that the order for the evacuation was issued ... It has even been said that some of the men broke down and cried.” Remarkably, the evacuation was a success; the last boats departed Anzac in the morning darkness on 20 December.

The legend of Anzac was born in those eight months of the Gallipoli campaign. It would be confirmed and even extended on many later battlefields. Many saw a national spirit revealed in the courage, doggedness, and sacrifice of the troops on Gallipoli, and in their egalitarianism and support for each other. These men, and the nurses who tended them, had given their young nation a story to be proud of.

One year after the original landing, the first Anzac Day was observed. By 1925 huge marches were being held in all the main cities to mourn the dead and honour those who returned. Smaller places across the country held their own observances. Most states marked the day with a public holiday, and by 1927 they all did. A century on, with no veterans of Anzac now among us, we who have gathered here proclaim that their story has not been forgotten, nor has it been diminished.
FRIENDS OF THE MEMORIAL

A membership with the Friends of the Memorial offers you an opportunity to support this great institution. Your generosity helps people to remember and understand the Australian experience of war by contributing to the acquisition and preservation of items for the Memorial’s collection.

You can join as an individual, a couple, or a family. A family membership can include up to two adults and any children under 16 years of age living at home. Clubs and organisations are also welcome to join.

The special Friends-only activities give you an insider’s view of the Memorial’s exhibitions and galleries.

To join please contact the Friends Coordinator on (02) 6243 4523 or by email at friends@awm.gov.au.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Dawn Service
Master of Ceremonies: Mr Ross Symonds

National Ceremony
Master of Ceremonies: Mr Ross Symonds
March-past commentary: Mr Mike Bailey

Last Post Ceremony
Master of Ceremonies: Richard Cruise

Australian Defence Force Academy
Australia’s Federation Guard
Australian Military Wives Choir
Australian Rugby Choir
Band of the Royal Military College of Australia
Brindabella Chorus
Canberra Choral Society
Sing Australia

Chairman of the Council, Rear Admiral Ken Doolan AO RAN (Retd)
Members of Council
Director, Dr Brendan Nelson

This special program was made possible through the generous support of Michael and Katherine Ribot de Bressac.
VISITOR INFORMATION FOR ANZAC DAY

Please note that the Memorial will be closed during the Dawn Service. The Commemorative Area will open at the conclusion of the service.

The Memorial’s galleries will open for visitors after the National Ceremony, around 12.30 pm.

First-aid facilities are available at the tents near the entry to the main building and in the Sculpture Garden. First-aid teams are stationed throughout the site; if you require first aid please seek assistance from Memorial staff.

Disability access to the main building is via the lift to the left of the main stairs.

General opening times
10 am to 5 pm daily
Closed Christmas Day
(NB: The Memorial’s galleries are progressively closed from 4.40 pm.)

Admission to the Memorial is free

Research Centre Reading Room
10 am to 4.50 pm weekdays
1 pm to 4.50 pm Saturdays
Closed Sundays and ACT public holidays

Memorial Shop
10 am to 5 pm daily
Closed Christmas Day
You can also shop online at www.awm.gov.au/shop.

Cafés
Poppy’s Café
8.30 am to 4.30 pm daily
The Landing Place (located in Anzac Hall)
10.30 am to 4.30 pm daily
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