



REMEMBRANCE DAY

2022 NATIONAL CEREMONY

FRIDAY 11 NOVEMBER, 10.45 AM



Welcome to the Australian War Memorial on Remembrance Day 2022, commemorating the 104th anniversary of the signing of the Armistice that ended the First World War.

Order of Service

Arrival

His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd)
Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, and
Her Excellency Mrs Linda Hurley

Catafalque Party

Australia's Federation Guard

Playing of the Didgeridoo

The didgeridoo (or, as it is known by the Traditional Custodians of the Yolngu clans of North East Arnhem Land, the *yidaki*), is not traditionally played in Ngunnawal or Worimi country. It is played here today with the permission of the Ngunnawal people to acknowledge and pay respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and women who have contributed to the defence of Australia in times of peace and war.

The Ode

Major General Greg Melick AO RFD FANZCN SC (Retd)
National President of the Returned and Services League of Australia



The Last Post

One minute's silence

The Rouse

Response

Lest we forget

Commemorative Address

Mr Kerry Stokes AC
Former Chairman and Fellow of the Australian War Memorial



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 the High Court of Australia
- The Dean of the Diplomatic Corps
- The Leader of the Federal Opposition
- The Chief of the Defence Force
- The Chairman of the Council of the Australian War Memorial
- 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 Air Force Association
- The National President of the Australian War Widows Incorporated
- The National President of the Australian Federation of Totally and Permanently Incapacitated Ex-Servicemen and Women
- The Chairman of Legacy Australia, and Legacy Youth

Musical Performance – *In Flanders Fields*

Band of the Royal Military College, Duntroon



Laying of poppies

Visiting school students representing the youth of Australia

National Anthem

*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.*

Following the ceremony, the Honourable Dr Brendan Nelson AO, 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.

Acknowledgement of Traditional Custodians

This National Ceremony is held in the nation's capital on the traditional lands of the Ngunnawal peoples. The Australian War Memorial acknowledges the traditional custodians of country throughout Australia. We recognise their continuing connection to land, sea and waters; and pay our respects to elders past and present.

Acknowledgements

Master of Ceremonies, Mr Scott Bevan

Didgeridoo player, Leading Seaman Boatswain's Mate Matthew Joseph
Australia's Federation Guard

Band of the Royal Military College, Duntroon

Visiting the galleries and Commemorative Area

The Memorial will open at 1 pm for registered visitors.

For further information visit awm.gov.au

Last Post Ceremony

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 103,000 servicemen and servicewomen whose names appear on the Roll of Honour.

As traditionally occurs on 11 November, the eulogy for the Unknown Australian Soldier, first delivered by the Honourable Paul Keating in 1993, will be read at today's ceremony at 4.45 pm.

To register to attend, or to view the Last Post Ceremony live on the Memorial's YouTube channel or Facebook page visit awm.gov.au

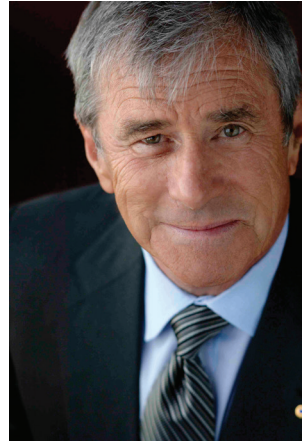
Mr Kerry Stokes AC

Kerry Stokes has given extraordinary service to the Australian War Memorial across 15 years, from 2007-2022, as a member of and Chairman of Council. Mr Stokes guided the organisation through a period of significant commemoration, in the establishment of the Official Histories project for East Timor, Iraq and Afghanistan and the commencement of the Memorial's current expansion to tell the stories of veterans who served Australia over the past 30 years.

In addition to Mr Stokes' role on Council, his personal contributions include donations of items to the National Collection, featuring a number of Victoria Crosses and the Thuillier Collection of First World War photographs featured in the exhibition *Remember me: the lost diggers of Vignacourt*.

In 2015, Mr Stokes was awarded a Fellow of the Australian War Memorial in recognition of his exemplary contributions to the collection, and to the commemorative, exhibition and educative roles.

His consensus-building approach, business acumen, honour and respect for veterans have underpinned his successive terms as Chair and his contributions at Council will be greatly missed. The staff and volunteers, both past and present, express our sincere and heartfelt thanks for his outstanding service and dedication.



Mr Kerry Stokes AC, November 2015

