

THOUGHTS FOR ANZAC

We pause to salute and remember our (approx 100,000*) Fallen Comrades, who are "with us" this day. (*Boer War to Vietnam).

GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE: With gratitude we, the ex-service organisations, are greatly indebted to Willoughby City Council and their Staff, for the preservation, sanctification and message of the Garden, and other help. We acknowledge the developers of the Bus Rail Interchange at Chatswood Railway Station in their concern for the preservation of the Garden of Remembrance.

THOUGHT: "They were Saviours, all —
For this better day, they died
For you and I — remember?"

In this year of "AUSTRALIA REMEMBERS 1945-1995" we are commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the end of World War II. Our thoughts turn with inspiration to all those who paid the supreme sacrifice. They fought a war in defence of their country they loved, and they bequeathed to their children the opportunity they had been denied. The freedoms and democracy we enjoy, was their legacy.

We remember the First World War and the battles fought at Gallipoli and France, and on the sea and in the air. In World War II, the Australian Army was engaged in battle campaigns at Bardia, Tobruk, Greece and Crete, Syria, El Alamein. In Europe and the Middle East some 6,532 Australian Airmen lost their lives. The RAAF Squadrons arrived in Malaya in 1941. In the defence of that country, 1,789 Australians were killed and 15,384 becoming Prisoners-of-War to the Japanese and they suffered unspeakable atrocities.

The Naval Forces were involved in many campaigns such as the Aegean Sea Battle, Coral Sea Battle, Midway Island Battle, Savo Island and Leyte Gulf Battles whilst suffering the loss of many ships, such as HMAS Sydney, HMAS Perth and HMAS Canberra.

We remember the Army engagements at Milne Bay, Kokoda Track, Gona, Buna, Sanananda, Salamaua, Huon Peninsular, Shaggy Ridge, Bougainville, New Britain, Aitape, Wewak and Borneo. There were 66,568 women enlisted in the Royal Australian Navy, Australian Army and the Royal Australian Air Force.

Australia came directly under attack. Darwin was bombed in 1942 and 1943. Broome was bombed with 70 persons being killed and Townsville had air raids. There were submarine attacks on Sydney and Newcastle in 1942. In 1944 Japanese Breakout in Cowra occurred.

V.E. Day on May 8, 1945 brought the end of the war in Europe, whilst V.J. day on 15 August, 1945 brought victory in the Pacific. Australia lost 27,073 killed in action or died as Prisoners of War, 23,477 were wounded and 22,264 became Prisoners of War. YES - AUSTRALIA REMEMBERS.

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THE AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION, 141 Elizabeth Street, Sydney, Phone 267 2722.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Our sincere thanks to all who assisted in this Service and a warm invitation to the Chatswood R.S.L. Club, Thomas Street for a "cuppa".

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"In the morning;
"When we survey 'our'
wondrous Cross—"
we will remember them."—
(approx. 100,000)



Anzac Day Dawn Service Garden of Remembrance Chatswood

(Dalton St., adjacent to Bus/Rail Interchange)

TUESDAY, 25TH APRIL, 1995

(PRE-DAWN MUSIC 4.45 a.m.)

MARCH 5.15 a.m. (Assemble Cnr. Albert Avenue and Anderson Street.)

SERVICE: 5.25 a.m. - Dispersal: 6.30 a.m.

(Under auspices of Chatswood Sub-Branch of the R.S.L.; Willoughby Sub-Branch of Australian Legion of Ex-Servicemen and Women; Naval Assoc. of Aust.; Air Force Assoc.; and Council of the City of Willoughby).



LEST WE FORGET



Order of Commemoration

1. PRE-DRAWN SERVICE MUSIC 4.45 a.m.
2. POSTING OF SENTRY GUARD AND ESCORT PARTY:
7th Field Regt., by courtesy of Lt. Col A.R. Kariks RFD
(Garden of Remembrance) 5.00 a.m.
3. DAWN MARCH OF EX-SERVICE MEN AND
WOMEN AND KINDRED UNITS, led by Epping
and District Scottish Pipe Band. Co-March Marshalls,
Mr. Graham Phillis, Mr. Roy K. Smith, Mr. K. Flanagan 5.15 a.m.
Assembly point — Cnr. Albert Avenue and Anderson Street,
Chatswood.
4. DAWN SERVICE
“HYMN”—“GOD SAVE THE QUEEN” (sung by all)
THE LORD’S PRAYER Father Frank Meek
Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood
SOLO—THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD (Psalm 23)
—Mrs Genevieve Sahakyan (Soloist); Mr. W. L. Logan (Organist).

LAYING OF OFFICIAL WREATHS AT “CROSS-OF-SACRIFICE”

“FLOWERS OF THE FOREST” – (E.D.S. Pipe Band)
PROLOGUE Mr Roy Smith, President, Chatswood RSL

On this day above all days we recall those who, in the great tragedy of war, gave their lives for Australia and for the freedom of mankind; who still sleep amid the ridges of Gallipoli and the terraced hills of Palestine; in the lovely cemeteries of France or the shimmering haze of the Libyan desert, amid the mountains and olive groves of Greece and the Middle East, and the jungle of Malaya, New Guinea and the Pacific Islands, rugged Korea and Vietnam, amid loving friends in our Mother Country and our own land; and in unknown resting places in every continent.

We remember all who have since fallen by our side from all Wars in the air and on sea and land, and all our loyal friends among the people of New Guinea and elsewhere. We think of every man, woman and child who, in those crucial years died so that the lights of freedom and humanity might continue to shine.

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

ASSEMBLY HYMN — “O GOD OUR HELP IN AGES PAST”

O God, our Help in ages past,
Our Hopes for years to come,
Our Shelter from the stormy blast,
And our Eternal Home.

O God, our Help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come;
Be Thou our Guard while life shall last,
And our Eternal Home!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Councillor John Squire, Mayor of Willoughby City

We thank Thee, O Heavenly Father, for the efforts being made by the Nations of the world in seeking peace and happier relations with each other. We praise Thee for the spirit in men and women which made them scorn the way of safety and venture all for the common cause of Freedom and Right; for all great and noble acts known and unknown, which we believe by the mercy of God will bring about the final conquest of the forces of evil which threaten the peace and security of the world.

ANZAC COMMEMORATION ADDRESS Father Frank Meek, Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood

Hymn: “THE RECESSIONAL”

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 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!

LET US COMMEMORATE “THE FALLEN”

Mr Malcolm McGugan, President, Willoughby Legion Sub-Branch

O Lord, Thou lover of souls. Who through the mouth of Thy Prophet of old has declared that all souls are Thine; We thank Thee for the brave and faithful dead, who willingly laid down their lives on the battlefield in the War or succumbed to the perils of the deep or of the air. We bless Thee for the dauntless courage of those defenders of our Commonwealth who have fallen in the cause of truth and righteousness. In Thy hands, O Father, we leave their departed spirits. Grant us to follow their good example in faithfulness and endurance, even unto death, that we may with them be found worthy of the crown of everlasting life.

SOLO — “THE SUPREME SACRIFICE, O VALIANT HEARTS” **Mrs Genevieve Sahakyan (Soloist); Mr. W. L. Logan (Organist).**

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.
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.
O risen Lord, O Shepherd of our Dead,
Whose Cross has brought them and Whose Staff has led—
In glorious hope, their proud and sorrowing land.
Commits her Children to Thy gracious hand.

ODE — “TO THE FALLEN”

Flying Officer, Bruce Otton, Pres. 462/464 Squadron, RAAF

They shall not grow 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.

(Response — “WE WILL REMEMBER THEM” – Pause –
“LEST WE FORGET”)

**THE “LAST POST” — Trumpeter Mr Tristian Cornbridge
St. Pius x School, Chatswood**

(TWO MINUTES SILENCE)

**TRUMPET WILL SOUND “REVEILLE”
NATIONAL ANTHEM — ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR (sung by all)**

**THE BENEDICTION Father F. Meek
Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood**

**MARCH-OFF, DISPERSAL
(and a “Cuppa” at Chatswood R.S.L. Club)**