

PIONEER NEWS

Official Organ of 2/1 and 2/2 PIONEER BATTALIONS ASSOCIATION

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To all Pioneer supporters it's that time of year again when we commemorate our Veterans service to our countries history and lifestyle.

NOTE some changes from previous years

- Wreath laying time altered by NSW RSL to 2.30pm.
- Payment for Anzac Day luncheon to be made to Pioneers account by electronic transfer prior to the event so that the hotel can receive one payment from the Pioneer account on the day.

Email replies need to be made to my **NEW** email address: david@herron1.net

WREATH LAYING SERVICE Friday 24th April 2026 at 2.30pm

All members descendants and families are invited to attend the Wreath Laying service at the Cenotaph in Martin Place on Friday 24th April at 2.30pm. This event has been well supported over past years and it would be encouraging to see this tradition continue. Assembly at 2.00pm will be on the corner of Pitt Street and Martin Place on the old GPO side. Banners will be displayed for easy recognition. Veterans medals to be worn on the RHS by descendants. Form up at 2.20pm for the short walk to the Cenotaph. Last Post and Reveille to be played by a bugler from the ADF-Army. The Marshall will be Stephen Green who will invite people wishing to lay personal wreaths at the end of the event before the unit moves off.

ANZAC DAY MARCH Saturday 25th April 2026

The march route is as per the attached map. The form up position for the Pioneers is in group (16) WW11 Army Sixth Division in Phillip Street (south) facing north towards Hunter Street. Expected start time given by the RSL is based on crossing the start at Martin Place at 9.43 am. Therefore we need to assemble around 9.00am for a 9.30am start (joining the usual chaos).

Dress should reflect the occasion with descendants to wear veterans medals on the RHS. The display of photos and other memorabilia is not permitted.

The Act of Remembrance will be observed by the unit as it passes the Anzac Memorial on Elizabeth Street. A marshall or signs will indicate the correct position for eyes left, right hand over left breast, hats to be removed, banners and flags to be lowered.

The dispersal area will be left into Liverpool St. towards Oxford St. Museum Station will be the exit point to progress to the units reunion near Wynyard Station. Units are requested to vacate the dispersal area ASAP to avoid congestion.

ANZAC DAY RÉUNION Saturday 25th April

Venue is again the Occidental Hotel on the corner of York and Erskine Streets Sydney, opposite Wynyard Park. Luncheon will be provided on the Second floor, entry via steps or lift. Exit from Wynyard Station via EXIT 3 up escalators into York Street then across Erskine St to the hotel.

Lunch at \$35.00 per adult head will be alternate supply: a) Rump steak, chips & salad
b) Fish, chips & salad. Children's meal will be schnitzel & chips at \$17.00 per head.

All payments to be made to the Pioneer account by 20th April 2026 please.

EFT: Commonwealth Bank (Riverwood Branch) BSB 062234 Acn't 28018939.

Please email David (david@herron1.net) after payment to notify numbers attending, so he can confirm numbers with the hotel prior to the event. Enjoy your luncheon and looking forward to seeing you there.

*This page is a copy of an email and is included in this website for continuity.
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2026 Sydney ANZAC Day March Map



KEY

- March Path
- Participant Flow
- Cenotaph
- Information
- Band Chute (Eastern side of Chifley Square)
- Limited Pedestrian Access
- Train station
- Light rail
- Wheelchair Accessible Viewing Area
- Public Toilets
- Accessibility drop off/pick up
- Taxi Rank
- Music Free Zone
- Metro
- Bus stop

CONTINGENT

A	(16) WWII ARMY 6TH DIVISION 2/1ST - 2/2ND PIONEER BATTAL PHILLIP + HUNTER STREETS
B	
C	
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F	21 Artillery 22 Engineers 23 Survey
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L	46 ADF Tri-Service Units
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O	51 Allied Veterans and Descendants 52 RSL marshals and SES

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