

2024 ADELAIDE ANZAC DAY COMMEMMORATIVE MARCH GROUP 7

Overview

The 2024 Adelaide ANZAC Day Commemorative March will be held on Thursday 25 April 2024.

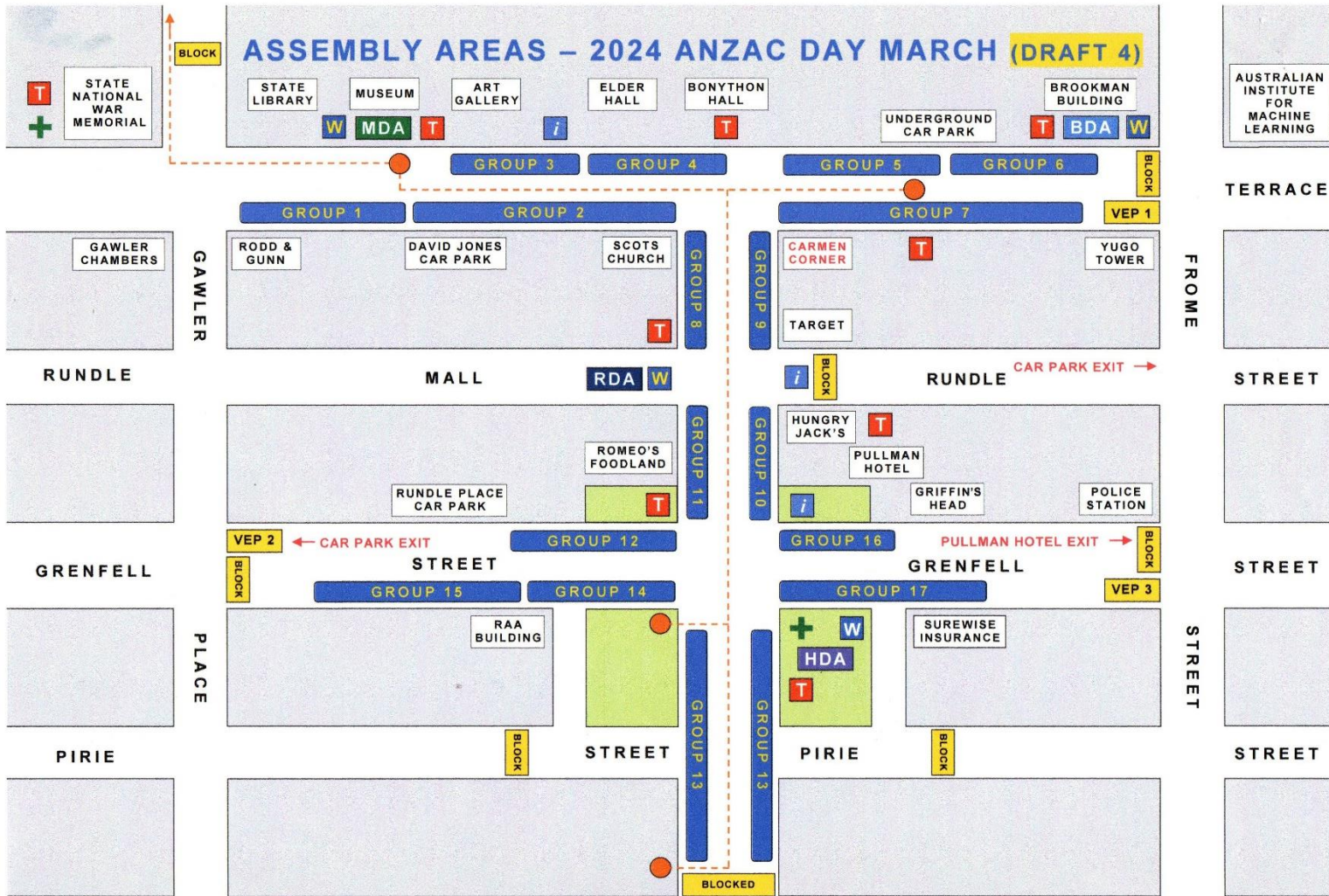
The RAR, ASASR and Commando Regiments will form Group 7 in the March.

The March will be preceded by a Dawn Service at the Adelaide National War Memorial, North Terrace. The immediate area around the Memorial will be restricted to invited guests who will place tributes but there will be no limit on others observing the Dawn Service. Dawn Services will be held at RSLs around the State and also there will be the Light up the Dawn Services held including one at the RAR RSL, Linden Park.

A service will be held at the Cross of Sacrifice. North Adelaide, after the March.

Group 7 in the Commemorative March

Our assemble Area is shown on the diagram and is on the southern side of North Terrace from Pultney Street to Frome Road.



Water, Toilets and First Aid points are as shown. Unit associations should collect sufficient bottled water for their consumption and not to access.

Our Order of March will be:

President RAR Assoc. SA Party.

RAR battalions in order of seniority; 1 RAR, 2 RAR, 3 RAR, 4 RAR, 5 RAR. 6 RAR, 7 RAR, 8 RAR, 9 RAR, 2/4 RAR, 5/7 RAR and 8/9 RAR.

ASASR.

Commando Regiments.

Group 7 vehicles.

We will have only one band for Group 7 this year; the Unley Concert Band. It will march between 6 RAR and 7 RAR. This is a change from 2023. There has been a shortage of marching bands post the 2020 COVID pandemic and units away from the Unley Concert Band may wish to copy 2 RAR and have their own small side drum to assist in keeping step.

Any changes in the Order of March which must be made on the day may only be directed by our Group 7 Marshal Robert Boscence.

The Key Times for Group 7 will be:

8.15 am Banners delivered to the Assembly Area and unit representatives in the Assembly Area to assemble their banners and rally their members as they arrive.

9.00 am All members marching in their Unit Assembly Areas.

9.20 am Units formed up (**six abreast**) in their Assembly Areas.

9.30 am. Step Off of the first elements of the March followed by Group 7 very soon afterwards. In 2022 several units were not ready to step off on time and we were saved by the delay caused by the gangland fight and murder down the western end of North Terrace.

Our spacing between units will be 20 paces or 10 m.

Paying of Compliments– at the points below banners are to be lowered and all marchers EYES RIGHT with gentlemen wearing non-military headdress removing same. National Flags are not to be dipped.

State War Memorial, North Terrace.

South African War Memorial, corner North Terrace and King William Road.

Vice-Regal Saluting Point, King William Road.

In addition units may pay compliments level with their own memorials on the Pathway of Honour.

Our Route will be along North Terrace and King William Road before wheeling half-right onto Sir Edwin Smith Avenue then halting at Pennington Terrace where units will disperse and repack and reload their banners and flags onto the RAR Assoc. SA vehicle.

7 RAR in the March

7 RAR will march in Group 13 – Australian Defence Force.

Descendants

Descendants may march in the March in Groups 15-17. They should be dressed in a dignified manner and must be at least 12 years old. Descendants are encouraged to wear their relative's service medals on the RIGHT breast.

Post March Reunions

The RAR Assoc. SA will be gathering at the Old Lion Hotel in Melbourne Street, North Adelaide.

Questions on the March

These should be addressed to the Ceremonial Manager RAR Assoc. SA Adrian Craig, as.craig9rar@bigpond.com and 8263 4784.