Headstone Project Victoria Inc.

GUEST WELCOME PACK

Queenscliff / Point Lonsdale
Commemoration

Sunday, 8th November 2026

Welcome to Queenscliff

Welcome to Queenscliff and Point Lonsdale. We are honoured that you will join Headstone Project Victoria for this special weekend of remembrance.

This digital Welcome Pack brings together the practical details you will need before you travel—from weekend arrangements, including Sunday's commemoration, parking, accessibility, refreshments and accommodation. We hope it helps you arrive feeling informed, comfortable and warmly welcomed.

Weekend at a Glance

Day	Time	Event
Saturday	1:30 PM	Free Tour of Fort Queenscliff
Saturday	6:30 PM	Evening dinner — Queenscliff Bowling Club
Sunday	10:30 AM	Arrive at Queenscliff / Point Lonsdale Cemetery
Sunday	11:00 AM	Commemoration ceremony
Sunday	1.00 PM	Post-ceremony refreshments at Queenscliff RSL

Saturday Afternoon – Fort Queenscliff Tour

Guests are warmly invited to join us for a complimentary guided tour of Fort Queenscliff on Saturday afternoon as part of the commemoration weekend.

The tour offers an opportunity to explore the historic Fort and learn about its important role in the defence of Port Phillip.

Venue: Fort Queenscliff
Address: King Street, Queenscliff
Date: Saturday, 7th November 2026
Time: 1:30 pm
Cost: Complimentary
RSVP by: Saturday, 31st October 2026
RSVP: headstoneprojectvic@gmail.com

Tour Information

Photo identification is required to enter Fort Queenscliff. All guests must bring valid photo ID with them on the day. Guests who are unable to provide photo identification will not be permitted entry to the Fort. Guests should wear comfortable footwear and follow the directions of Fort staff while on site.

Saturday Evening Dinner

Guests are warmly invited to join us for a relaxed dinner at the Queenscliff Bowling Club's upstairs Rip View bistro on Saturday evening before Sunday's commemoration.

Venue: Queenscliff Bowling Club – Upstairs Rip View Bistro
Address: 118 Hesse Street, Queenscliff
Date: Saturday, 7th November 2026
Time: 6:30 pm
Dress: Casual
Cost: Guests are responsible for the cost of their own meals and drinks.
RSVP by: Saturday, 31st October 2026
RSVP: headstoneprojectvic@gmail.com

Dietary Requirements

Please include any dietary requirements with your RSVP so these can be passed on to the venue.

Sunday Commemoration

Date: Sunday, 8th November 2026

Guest arrival: From 10:30 am

Ceremony begins: 11:00 am sharp

Expected duration: Approximately 60-90 minutes

Dress: Smart casual attire is recommended for guests, with comfortable footwear suitable for cemetery grounds.

Military Personnel: Dress Order No 1B - Ceremonial Service Dress.

Weather & What to Bring

The commemoration will be held outdoors, so guests are encouraged to come prepared for changeable coastal weather.

Please check the weather forecast before leaving and consider bringing a jacket or warm layer, rain protection, hat, sunscreen and drinking water, depending on the conditions forecast for the day.

Comfortable, enclosed footwear is recommended, as guests will be walking through cemetery grounds and some areas may be uneven or damp.

Guests are encouraged to arrive from 10:30 am to allow plenty of time for parking, making their way to the ceremony area and being seated before the commemoration begins.

The cemetery will remain open to families and members of the public throughout the commemoration. We kindly ask guests to be mindful of other cemetery visitors and to keep roads and pathways clear at all times.

Getting to Queenscliff / Point Lonsdale Cemetery

Cemetery address: 159 Point Lonsdale Rd, Point Lonsdale VIC 3225

Google Maps: Open Queenscliff / Point Lonsdale Cemetery

Please allow additional time when travelling to the cemetery, particularly to find suitable parking before making your way to one of the pedestrian access points shown on the Site Map.

Where to Go on Arrival

On arrival, please enter via one of the pedestrian access points shown on the Site Map and follow the marked walking route to the Ceremony Area.

Headstone Project Victoria volunteers will be available to welcome guests and provide directions on the morning.

Parking, Toilets & Accessibility

Parking

Please note: Guest parking is not available within the cemetery grounds.

To ensure the cemetery remains accessible to families and other visitors, guests attending the commemoration are asked not to park within the cemetery.

Parking is available in the surrounding streets, with additional parking available along Point Lonsdale Road heading towards Point Lonsdale.

Please allow additional time to find a suitable parking space and check all parking signs and restrictions carefully before leaving your vehicle, as restrictions may apply in some areas.

Guests should then enter the cemetery via one of the pedestrian access points shown on the Site Map and follow the marked walking route to the Ceremony Area.

Toilets

Toilets are available within the cemetery grounds and are clearly marked on the Site Map.

Mobility Assistance

If you or someone travelling with you has limited mobility or requires assistance reaching the Ceremony Area, please contact Headstone Project Victoria before the event.

Vehicle access can be arranged for drop-off closer to the Ceremony Area. Individual access and drop-off instructions will be provided directly before the commemoration.

After drop-off, vehicles will need to leave the cemetery grounds and park outside the cemetery.

Contact: headstoneprojectvic@gmail.com

Seating

Reserved seating will be provided for family members and invited dignitaries. Other guests should be prepared to stand during the commemoration.

Site Map

Please refer to the Site Map below for the Ceremony Area, pedestrian access points, toilets and recommended walking routes.

Post-Ceremony Refreshments at Queenscliff RSL

Following the commemoration, guests are warmly invited to join us at the Queenscliff RSL for light refreshments and an opportunity to gather with families, guests and members of Headstone Project Victoria.

Time: From approximately 1:00 pm

Venue: Queenscliff RSL

Address: 9 King Street, Queenscliff VIC 3225

Google Maps: Open Queenscliff RSL in Google Maps

Refreshments: Light refreshments will be provided, drinks at bar prices.

Guests are welcome to make their own way to the RSL following the conclusion of the ceremony.

Dietary Requirements

If you have any dietary requirements, please include these with your RSVP so that we can make appropriate arrangements.

Where to Stay

We are very grateful to the local accommodation providers who have offered special rates and arrangements for guests attending the Headstone Project Victoria commemoration.

Accommodation in Queenscliff and Point Lonsdale can be busy over weekends, so guests requiring accommodation are encouraged to book as early as possible.

Vue Grand, Queenscliff

10% discount

Guests attending the commemoration are offered a 10% discount on accommodation. Bookings must be made directly with the hotel and guests should quote “Headstone Project” to receive the discount.

Website: Vue Grand Hotel

Telephone: (03) 5258 1544

Email: reception@vuegrand.com.au

Queenscliff & Point Lonsdale Accommodation - QPLA

10% discount across all QPLA properties in Queenscliff and Point Lonsdale

QPLA offers accommodation across both towns, including three apartments directly across the road from Queenscliff / Point Lonsdale Cemetery.

To receive the discount, guests should contact Paul directly rather than booking online and advise that the booking is for the Headstone Project.

Contact: Paul Farmer

Telephone: 0407 866 568

Email: paul@qpla.com.au

Website: Queenscliff & Point Lonsdale Accommodation

Lonsdale Palms

Special discounted rate + welcome basket

Lonsdale Palms is offering a discounted rate for guests attending the commemoration who book directly using the promotional code “Headstone Project”. Guests staying with Lonsdale Palms will also receive a welcome basket on arrival.

Telephone: 0448 366 884

Email: info@lonsdalepalms.com.au

Website: Lonsdale Palms

Kerleys Coastal Holidays

$60 discount

Guests attending the commemoration can receive a $60 discount when booking directly through Kerleys Coastal Holidays.

Discount code: VETERAN

The discount applies to bookings made directly through the Kerleys website or by telephone and cannot be applied to bookings made through Airbnb, Booking.com or Stayz.

Telephone: (03) 5258 4100

Email: bookings@kerleys.com.au

Website: Kerleys Coastal Holidays

Queenscliff & Coastal Holiday Bookings

Queenscliff & Coastal Holiday Bookings manages a range of holiday homes throughout Queenscliff and Point Lonsdale, including larger homes suitable for families and groups travelling together, as well as pet-friendly properties.

Telephone: (03) 5258 3763

Email: admin@qchb.com.au

Website: Queenscliff & Coastal Holiday Bookings

Seaview House

Group accommodation - up to 35 guests

Seaview House offers exclusive use of the property for groups of up to 35 guests across 15 ensuite bedrooms.

Although Seaview House normally has a two-night minimum stay, they have offered to make an exception for the commemoration and allow a one-night group stay on Sunday, 8th November 2026.

The property is particularly suited to extended families, descendants travelling together or volunteer groups. Please note that Seaview House is already booked on Friday, 6th and Saturday, 7th November. A special rate may also be available for an eligible group associated with the event.

Telephone: 0437 075 204

Email: mail@seaviewhouse.com.au

Website: Seaview House

Travelling by Caravan or Motorhome?

BIG4 Bellarine Holiday Park

BIG4 Bellarine Holiday Park has good availability for powered sites over the commemoration weekend, providing another option for guests travelling by caravan or motorhome. Cabin and unit availability is limited that weekend due to another event being hosted at the park.

Telephone: (03) 5251 5744

Email: info@big4bellarine.com.au

Website: BIG4 Bellarine Holiday Park

Accommodation Information

Accommodation providers listed in this Welcome Pack are provided for the convenience of guests attending the commemoration. All bookings, payments, cancellations and accommodation arrangements are made directly between guests and the individual accommodation provider. Headstone Project Victoria Inc. is not responsible for accommodation bookings, availability, services or any changes made by the provider.

Special offers are subject to availability and the individual provider's booking terms and conditions.

Useful Contacts

For any questions before the commemoration, including RSVPs, dietary requirements or accessibility arrangements, please contact:

Headstone Project Victoria Inc.

headstoneprojectvic@gmail.com

Event-Day Contacts

Should you need assistance on the day of the commemoration, please contact:

Tamara Doheney: 0432 359 792

Dr. Bob Marmion: 0408 326 311

Colonel Bruce Murray: 0434 419 585