On January 10, 1916 at a public meeting held in the Old Museum building at Bowen Hills, attended by the Governor, the Premier and other government, civic and military leaders, a resolution was carried to establish the ANZAC Day Commemoration Committee. The Committee was charged with paying homage to the Gallipoli fallen and support to the survivors. It was decided that the first commemorations would take place on April 25, 1916 one year after the Gallipoli landings and so was borne the ANZAC Day tradition. The first Brisbane Dawn service was held at the newly dedicated Shrine of Remembrance on April 25, 1931.

On this day, we commemorate the service and sacrifice of all Australians and New Zealanders who have served in overseas wars and conflicts – and we honour those who are currently serving.

The ADCC (Qld) sincerely thanks:

- His Excellency the Hon. Paul de Jersey AC, Governor of Queensland and other attending dignitaries
- The Department of Premier and Cabinet, Queensland Government for ongoing financial support
- The Australian Army Band under the direction of Major Rachel Beeton
- Brisbane Boys College Collegians Choir under the direction of Mr. Brett Holland
- Members of the Australian Defence Force
- Brisbane City Council for the inclusion of free bus and ferry transport for veterans
- Queensland Police Service
- St. John Ambulance and the Queensland Ambulance Service
- Translink and Queensland Rail for the provision of free rail transport for veterans
- State Emergency Services
- Members of ADCC ANZAC Ceremonial Committee, students of Brisbane Boys College and Anglican Church Grammar School, Venturers and the many volunteers whose services and support made this ceremony possible.

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3.50 a.m. MC Welcome

3.56 a.m. Flags lowered to half mast
  • VIPs Commence arrival

4.10 a.m. Veterans fall in at King George Square

4.15 a.m. Veterans Parade marches along Adelaide Street

4.24 a.m. Alert sounded as His Excellency the Hon Paul de Jersey AC Governor of Queensland arrives
  • Royal Salute – Australian Army Band, Brisbane

4.26 a.m. Veterans Parade arrives in ANZAC Square

4.28 a.m. Catafalque Party Mounts
  • Chaplain Gary Stone leads assembly in prayer
  • Hymn – (All sing) *O God Our Help in Ages Past* led by the Brisbane Boys College Collegians’ Choir under the direction of Mr Brett Holland

    *O God our help in ages past,*  
    *Our hope for years to come,*  
    *Our shelter from the stormy blast,*  
    *And our eternal home.*

    *Beneath the shadow of Thy throne,*  
    *Thy saints have dwelt secure,*  
    *Sufficient is Thine arm alone*  
    *And our defence is sure.*

    *Before the Hills in order stood,*  
    *Or earth received her frame,*  
    *From everlasting Thou art God,*  
    *To endless years the same.*

    *A thousand ages in Thy sight*  
    *Are like an evening gone;*  
    *Short as the watch that ends the night*  
    *Before the rising sun.*

Australians all let us rejoice  
For we are young 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.

  • Royal Salute – band
  • His Excellency the Governor departs followed by official guests
  • Royal Salute - Australian Army Band, Brisbane
  • Warrant Officer David Bowden RAN recites *The Ode*
  • Last Post
  • Two Minutes’ Sacred Silence
  • Reveille (Flags raised)
  • Benediction – Chaplain Gary Stone
  • New Zealand National Anthem – *God Defend New Zealand*  
  (Part Maori, part English – sung by the choir)
  • Australian National Anthem – *Advance Australia Fair* (All sing)

  • Catafalque Party is dismounted
  • Royal Salute – band
  • His Excellency the Governor departs followed by official guests
  • Ceremony concludes
  • The public are invited to lay wreaths or other tributes
  • Flags lowered to half-mast at completion of Service.