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Extra services in place for Anzac Day

The Minister Assisting the Premier on Veterans' Affairs, Peter Primrose, said that special services would be operating during the early hours of Anzac Day to help people get to the Dawn Service.

Mr Primrose said that all returned servicemen and women and their families could travel free on public transport on Anzac Day.

"There are special services being put in place to help people get to the dawn service at the Cenotaph in Martin Place," Mr Primrose said.

"There will be special bus and trains services running on Sunday morning and major roads in the CBD will be closed so where possible people should leave the car at home and catch public transport."

Defence Force personnel, war veterans and their families can travel free on public transport on Anzac Day if they are in uniform, wearing medals or have a letter from their local RSL branch.

TRAINS

Special early morning trains will operate to get people to the CBD for the Dawn Service at the Cenotaph.

Eastern Suburbs & Illawarra Line

- Leave Bondi Junction at 3.20am and 3.35am
- Leave Cronulla at 2.30am
- Leave Waterfall at 2.20am

Bankstown Line

Leave Birrong at 2.40am

Inner West Line

Leave Liverpool at 2.44am

Airport & East Hills Line

Leave Macarthur at 2.25am

South Line

- Leave Campbelltown at 2.19am
- Leave Liverpool at 2.28am

North Shore Line

Leave Berowra at 2.30pm and 2.50pm

Western Line

- Leave Emu Plains at 2.09am
- Leave Richmond at 2am (change at Seven Hills for connecting Penrith service)

Northern Line

Leave Berowra at 2.17am

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Blue Mountains Line

Leave Lithgow at 12.36am

Newcastle & Central Coast Line

- Leave Newcastle at 12.40am
- Leave Gosford at 1.51am

South Coast Line

Leave Kiama at 1am

BUSES

Special early morning buses will be operating to get people to the CBD for the Dawn Service at the Cenotaph. They will start around 2.30am from:

Sydney's North

Chatswood, East Lindfield, Lane Cove, Mosman, Northbridge

Sydney's North West

Epping, Marsfield

Sydney's Northern Beaches

Dee Why, Narrabeen, Palm Beach, Newport

Sydney's Inner West

Abbotsford, Balmain, Ermington, Glebe, Lilyfield, Rozelle, Ryde

Sydney's South

Kingsgrove, Port Botany

Sydney's East

Clovelly, Coogee Beach

Between 6am and 3pm, some bus services will be diverted and will start and leave from different places in the CBD due to the road closures.

More information on public transport is available by calling the Transport Infoline on 131 500 or by visiting www.131500.com.au

ROADS

The Sydney Harbour Bridge and Sydney Harbour Tunnel will be toll-free for 12 hours until noon on Anzac Day to cater for people travelling to and from the dawn service.

The toll enforcement cameras will be turned off and a price of \$0.00 will be displayed at Sydney Harbour Bridge and Tunnel tolling points during this period.

Road closures and special event clearways will also be in place for the Dawn Service and Anzac Day march.

The Dawn Service starts at 4.30am until 5am. Special event clearways will be in place from 1 am and road closures will begin at 3am

The Anzac Day march begins at Martin Place at 9am and travels along George Street, Bathurst Street then Elizabeth Street and ends at the Anzac Memorial in Hyde Park at around 3pm.

All special event clearways and road closures should be finished just afterwards.

To cater for the march and the large number of people expected to attend there will be numerous road closures and special event clearways in the Sydney CBD.

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Major streets affected include George, Castlereagh, Pitt and Elizabeth streets.

Motorists driving to the city for the 9am march should remember that delays are expected in the CBD and are advised to use public transport when possible.

Motorists must check signs before parking as illegally parked vehicles will be towed and heavy fines will apply.

On Anzac Day, people travelling to the northern CBD are advised to use Goulburn Street, Wentworth Avenue, College Street and Macquarie Street or Goulburn Street, Harbour Street, Day Street, Bathurst Street and Kent Street.

For southbound travel, motorists are advised to use Bridge Street, Macquarie Street, College Street and Wentworth Avenue or Grosvenor Street, York Street, Erskine Street and Sussex Street.

For travel to the eastern part of the CBD, use Goulburn Street while westbound motorists are advised to use Goulburn Street or Liverpool Street.

For a full list of road closures and special event clearways, please go to www.rta.nsw.gov.au and click on news and events or ring 132 701.

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