

**Rottnest Voluntary Guides Association** 

# School Holiday Activity Guide

1 January to 27 January 2023



# School Holiday Activities

The Rottnest Voluntary Guides Association (RVGA) is pleased to offer a program packed full of fun these school holidays. There is something for every member of the family to enjoy. Unless otherwise noted, all activities are free, suitable for all ages, and last approximately one hour.

Tickets are required for the Family Quiz Night. On the island, tickets are only available at the RVGA Information Booth next to the Salt Store. Alternatively, purchase your tickets before arriving by emailing **holidayguiding@rvga.asn.au**.

To participate in all other activities simply visit the location listed on the timetable and look out for the yellow shirt.

#### What to bring

Bring a water bottle, hat, sunscreen, and closed-in shoes, and if you're joining any of the evening activities, be sure to bring a torch. And don't forget your camera.

For the complete program of daily activities provided by the RVGA, see the information boards outside of the Salt Store or talk to a guide at the Information Booth.

# **Beach Discovery**

This activity is for the budding marine biologists. Join us as we explore the beach, collecting and discovering secrets of the sea.

#### **Behind the Scenes**

Ever wondered what makes Rottnest Island tick? This is your chance to find out. Join us for a guided bike hike, departing from the Salt Store and cycling approximately 4.5 km through the Basin, Longreach and Geordie. Learn about Rottnest Island's inner workings.

Note: The full course takes approximately 1.5 hours. Please bring your own bike and don't forget your helmet.

# **School Holiday Activity Timetable**

	<b>Sunday</b> 1, 8, 15 & 22 January	<b>Monday</b> 2, 9, 16 & 23 January	<b>Tuesday</b> 3, 10, 17 & 24 January	<b>Wednesday</b> 4, 11, 18 & 25 January	<b>Thursday</b> 5, 12, 19 & 26 January	<b>Friday</b> 6, 13, 20 & 27 January
9:30 am		<b>Quokka Tales</b> Museum Deck behind the Bakery	<b>Quokka Tales</b> Museum Deck behind the Bakery	<b>Quokka Tales</b> Museum Deck behind the Bakery	<b>Quokka Tales</b> Museum Deck behind the Bakery	<b>Pirate Pete</b> Thomson Bay North Beach Shelter
10:00 am		Beach Discovery Meet your guide at the Geordie Bay Beach Shelter	What's Behind Geordie? Meet your guide at the Geordie Bay Mall	Sand Sculptures By the Sea Geordie Bay Beach	Behind the Scenes Meet outside the Salt Store	
10:15 am		<b>Bickley Battery Walk</b> Meet your guide at the Gun Barrel at Kingstown Barracks	<b>Beach Discovery</b> Meet your guide at the Thomson Bay North Beach Shelter	<b>Bickley Battery Walk</b> Meet your guide at the Gun Barrel at Kingstown Barracks	<b>Beach Discovery</b> Meet your guide at the Thomson Bay North Beach Shelter	
12:30 pm – 3:00 pm		★ Ticket Sales: Buy your tickets for the Family Quiz Night and the Night Train to Oliver Hill at the Guides' Information Booth (next to the Salt Store) ★				
4:00 pm		Birds and Beasts of Rottnest Meet your guide outside the Salt Store	Birds and Beasts of Rottnest Meet your guide outside the Salt Store	Birds and Beasts of Rottnest Meet your guide outside the Salt Store		
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm				6:45 pm Vlamingh Lookout Sunset Meet your guide outside the Salt Store	Board by 6:25 pm  ★ 26 JANUARY  SPECIAL EVENT ★  Night Train to Oliver Hill  Settlement Station	
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm	8:00 pm Night Skies (Settlement) Meet your guide outside the Salt Store	8:00 pm Night Skies (Geordie Bay) Meet your guide at the Geordie Bay Mall	7:30 pm Mysteries, Myths & Legends Meet your guide at the picnic area next to the Bakery		7:00 pm 5, 12 & 19 January only  ★ The RVGA ★ Family Quiz Night Rottnest Country Club	

★ Quiz Night & Night Train Ticketing

Booking is essential: Purchase your tickets from the Guides' Information Booth, Monday to Thursday between 12:30 pm and 3:00 pm, until sold out.

To purchase your tickets before arrival on the Island, email holidayguiding@rvga.asn.au.

**Ticket prices:** See the activity descriptions for pricing. All ticket proceeds go to the Rottnest Voluntary Guides Association.

# **Bickley Battery Walk**

Bike, hike, bus or march down to the Kingstown Barracks. Meet your guide at the Gun Barrel on the Parade Ground and explore the remnants of the WWII coastal defences.

#### **Birds & Beasts of Rottnest**

Take a walk on the wild side. Meet some of Rottnest Island's amazing birds, reptiles, and mammals in their natural habitats. Binoculars will be available.

# **Mysteries, Myths & Legends**

Join us for a stroll through the Settlement at night, meet characters from the Island's rich history and hear their stories. Don't forget your torch.

# **Night Skies**

Join us for a look at the planets and stars and hear about the wonders of the beautiful Rottnest night sky. Don't forget your torch.

#### Pirate Pete (Age 10 and under)

Join Pirate Pete's crew and learn about the mysteries of the deep blue sea, and hunt for hidden treasure.

#### **Quokka Tales**

'Okka the Quokka' Stories and colouring in. An educational and entertaining activity suitable for the young and young at heart.

# Sand Sculptures by The Sea at Geordie Bay

#### Celebrity Judge - Pirate Pete

Come and create your amazing Sand Sculpture on the beach at Geordie. Use only the sand and what nature provides on the beach to create your very own piece of art. Look out for the banner on the beach at 10:00am indicating where to get to work. Judging commences around 11:00am.

# **Sunsets at Vlamingh Lookout**

Take a twilight stroll up to Vlamingh Lookout for an unforgettable view of the sun setting over the salt lakes. Along the way, hear stories about the Island's natural history, the first settlers, the Dutch explorers and more. Don't forget your camera.

#### What's Behind Geordie?

Take a walk over the hill and find out what's behind Geordie Bay. Learn about the mighty wind generator and the biodiversity of the Island's Salt Lake ecosystem, then return along the coastal track that winds its way back to Geordie from the beautiful Little Parakeet Bay.

Note: The full course takes approximately 1.5 hours. Shorter course options are available.

#### **Family Quiz Night**

7pm Thursday Nights 5, 12 & 19 January

The Family Quiz Night is a fun night out for the whole family, with great prizes up for grabs. Make up your own tables of eight or come and join a table at this popular family event.

Approximate duration is 2 hours.

Places are limited so booking is essential. Please refer to the timetable for booking information.

Ticket prices: Adults \$15, School Students \$7, Family (2A +2SS) \$40.

#### The Night Train to Oliver Hill

6:30 pm Thursday 26 January

A special, one off summer holiday event.

Ride the train to Oliver Hill at night. See the spectacular light show from this unique location in the heart of the island as the sun sets, the coast light up and the stars come out.

Bring a picnic, enjoy some entertainment, and a tour of the night sky too.

Board train at 6:25 pm & return to Settlement Station at 9:00 pm

Places are limited so booking is essential. Please refer to the timetable for booking information.

Ticket prices: Adults \$35, School Students \$15, Family (2A +2SS) \$90.