

# The Windeyer Sessions

23 - 30 April 2025

## Pricing

#### The Windeyer Sessions

4 NIGHT PACKAGE (AMIENS ONLY)

#### \$2,600 AUD per delegate

Price based on one person per room

#### What's included

- 4 Nights Accommodation
- Daily Breakfast & Morning Tea
- 3 Days Conference Papers
- 2 Dinners with wine
- 10 CPD
- Anzac Day Special Event

Not included

- Flights
- Additional meals and activities
  - Personal expenditure
  - Travel insurance
  - Non-delegate partners (POA)

## Pricing

### The Windeyer Sessions

7 NIGHT PACKAGE (AMIENS & YPRES)

#### \$3,800 AUD per delegate

Price based on one person per room

What's included

- 7 Nights Accommodation
- Daily Breakfast & Morning Tea
- 5 Days Conference Papers
- 3 Dinners with wine
- 16 CPD
- Anzac Day Special Event
- Private coach transfer between Amiens-Ypres

Not included

- Flights
- Additional meals and activities
- Personal expenditure
- Travel insurance
- Non-delegate partners (POA)

## Itinerary overview

This is the high-level view of your schedule. For a more detailed view, please refer to the detailed itinerary.

Wed 23rd April   Day 1 ARRIVAL DAY	Amiens
(n) 4 nights at Mercure Amiens Cathedrale Hotel	15:00
Welcome Dinner	18:00
Thu 24th April   Day 2 THE WINDEYER SESSIONS CPD	Amiens
Hotel Breakfast	07:00 - 08:30
The Windeyer Sessions 1-2	08:30 - 13:00
Afternoon Tour 1: Option A	13:00
Afternoon Tour 1: Option B	13:00
Fri 25th April   Day 3 ANZAC DAY SERVICE & THE WINDEYER SESSIONS CPD	Amiens
ANZAC Day Memorial Service	04:00 - 07:00
ANZAC Day Breakfast	08:00 - 10:00
Free Time	10:00 - 13:00
The Windeyer Sessions 3-4	13:00 - 16:15
Sat 26th April   Day 4 THE WINDEYER SESSIONS CPD	Amiens
The Windeyer Sessions 5-7	08:30 - 13:00
Afternoon Tour 2: Option A	13:00
Afternoon Tour 2: Option B	13:00
Gala Dinner	19:00
End of Amiens Conference	
Sun 27th April   Day 5 TRAVEL DAY	Amiens, Ypres
Hotel Breakfast	07:00 - 08:30
Travel Day - Amiens to Ypres	12:00
3 nights at Albion Hotel	

The Last Post (27/04)	18:00
Mon 28th April   Day 6 THE WINDEYER SESSIONS CPD	Ypres
Hotel Breakfast	07:00 - 08:30
The Windeyer Sessions 8-9	08:30 - 13:00
Afternoon Tour 3: Option A	13:00
Afternoon Tour 3: Option B	13:00
The Last Post (28/04)	18:00
Tue 29th April   Day 7 THE WINDEYER SESSIONS CPD	Ypres
Hotel Breakfast	07:00 - 08:30
The Windeyer Sessions 10-11	08:30 - 13:00
Afternoon Tour 4: Option A	13:00
Afternoon Tour 4: Option B	13:00
The Last Post (29/04)	18:00
Farewell Dinner	19:00
Wed 30th April   Day 8 DEPARTURE DAY	Ypres
Hotel Breakfast	07:00 - 08:30
End of Conference	

## Detailed itinerary

Further details on CPD conference sessions will be provided closer to the date.

## Wed 23rd April | Day 1

(i) Arrival from 15:00 onwards

#### (a) 4 nights at Mercure Amiens Cathedrale Hotel



Located in the heart of Amiens, just 54 yards (50 m) from the cathedral, which is a Unesco World Heritage Site, and 15 minutes' walk from the train station, the Mercure Amiens hotel is the perfect destination for business or leisure. The historic Saint Le u district, the floating gardens and Jules Verne's house are all just a stone's throw from the hotel.

Board: Bed & Breakfast





To welcome delegates to The Windeyer Sessions 2025, a cocktail party and welcome dinner will be hosted in a private dining room extending to a delightful outdoor terrace. This will be the perfect opportunity for all delegates and partners to get to meet each other before the conference commences.

### Thu 24th April | Day 2



The hotel buffet breakfast is included with your stay and served from 7am-8.30am daily. Attend at your leisure.



#### (CI) The Windeyer Sessions 1-2

- 8.30 9.00: Delegate welcome (tea and coffee provided)
- 9.00 9.15: Welcome address by MB Evans, Head of 8 Windeyer Chambers
- 9.15 10.45: Session 1 (1.5 CPD)
- 10.45 11.00: Morning break
- 11.00 12.30: Session 2 (1.5 CPD)
- 12.20 13.00: Questions and Afternoon Tour Overview

(i) Session details to follow





08:30 - 13:00





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07:00 - 08:30

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#### - Self-drive guided WWI tour lead by Michael Evans

For those who have cars (or can car share) enjoy an interesting and insightful driving tour visiting highlights of the Australians on the Somme in 1916 including visits to The Australian Memorial, Villers Bretonneux, Pozieres and Moquet Farm. Michael Evans has spent many years researching and travelling the region to better understand and appreciate the Australian perspective of the battles that took place. Michael has planned several stops along the route as you will drive in convoy where he will be able to provide commentary at each site. Personal histories of family members who served and perhaps are buried at one of the many cemeteries are encouraged and where possible Michael will try to assist in finding those who remain behind. Some walking is involved. For more information on any of the battle sites to be visited in any of the battlefield tours on option please visit https://www.awm.gov.au/



#### Afternoon Tour 1: Option B

#### - Walking tours of Amiens lead by Eva Lee-Gabriel

Casual stroll around Amiens town taking in The Cathedral, the Jules Verne Museum and the Museum of Picardie: 2 hrs easy walk approx. 3km over 2 hours.

(Additional cost for museum entry and afternoon tea at delegates own expense).



### Fri 25th April | Day 3

#### **ANZAC Day Memorial Service**

The Australian Government conducts the Anzac Day Dawn Service on 25 April each year at the Australian National Memorial, Villers-Bretonneux, France. The service takes place with the permission and support of the host nation, the French Republic and is only possible with the cooperation and generous assistance of the French Government.

Throughout early April in 1918 Australian units helped defend Villers-Bretonneux from this onslaught, but at dawn on 24 April the Germans attacked and captured the town. Leading the British counter attack, the Australian 13th and 15th Brigades enveloped the town and successfully cleared it of Germans on 25 April, coinciding with the third anniversary of the Anzac landings at Gallipoli".

For Further information please visit the Anzac Portal or https://www.dva.gov.au/recognition/commemorations/commemorativeservices/overseas-commemorative-services/anzac-day-villersbretonneux-france

\*3.00am: Private minibus departs hotel

4.00am: Pre-service program commences

5:30am: Official Anzac Day Dawn Service

7.00am: Private minibus returns to hotel\*



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04:00 - 07:00



- 13.00 14.30: Session 3 (1.5 CPD)
- 14.30 14.45: Afternoon break
- 14.45 16.15: Session 4 (1.5 CPD)

(i) Session details to follow

Sat 26th April | Day 4

The Windeyer Sessions 5-7

- 8.30 9.00: Delegate welcome (tea and coffee provided)
- 9.00 10.30: Session 5 (1.5 CPD)
- 10.30 10.45: Morning break
- 10.45 12.00: Session 6 (1.5 CPD)
- 12.00 13.00: Session 7 (1 CPD)

(i) Session details to follow

#### **ANZAC Day Breakfast**

**Free Time** 

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08:30 - 13:00





#### - Self-drive guided WWI tour lead by Michael Evans

Another opportunity to visit the Australian on the Somme but this time in relation to 1918. Today's self-drive visit will include a visit to Morlancourt, Dernancourt, Villers Bretonneux, Mont St Quentin, and a visit to the extraordinary Museum of the Great War at Perrone and finally the Hindenburg line. Some walking is involved. For further information on the museum please visit https://www.historial.fr/en/

#### Afternoon Tour 2: Option B

- Walking tours of St Pierre, Botanical Gardens and St Leu lead by Eva Lee-Gabriel

Explore the beautiful watery parkland of St Pierre, the historic and richly diverse Botanical Gardens with its origins from 1751 as the Jardin du Roy; and a stroll around the historic St Leu area which dates to the middle ages, with many of its canals the location of mills weavers and tanners. 2 hrs easy walk approx. 3.5km over 2 hours.



A 3 course gala dinner has been scheduled to mark the conclusion of the Amiens component of the conference and to bid farewell to those delegates departing the conference at this junction.

The Hyacynthe restaurant, is a restaurant of "Committed Cuisine" The restaurant are committed to providing it's diners with quality products that respect human, animal and environmental well-being. They mainly work with local products within a radius of less than 100 kilometres and also seasonal products. Everything is homemade without adding preservatives or artificial colours. The vegetables come from hortillonnages, Ch'biogarden and Jardins du Marais, between permaculture and organic. Beef, veal, pork, poultry and lamb come from Picardy. The duck with its liver arrives from Périgord. They buy meat on carcasses to allow uncommon cuts to mature. The fish are selected taking into account their size (whether they have reproduced), the reproduction period and only selected from species that are not in danger of extinction.

#### **End of Amiens Conference**









13:00

### Sun 27th April | Day 5

#### 07:00 - 08:30

#### (D) Hotel Breakfast

The hotel buffet breakfast is included with your stay and served from 7am-8.30am daily. Attend at your leisure.



#### 👜 Travel Day - Amiens to Ypres

12:00

Private coach transfer leaves the hotel at 12pm.

For those who are driving themselves, an optional tour will drive via Bullecourt (1917), on the way to Ypres.

#### (a) 3 nights at Albion Hotel



The Albion Hotel is a 3 star hotel in the centre of Ypres, just a short stroll from the main square and the famous the famous Menin Gate. Parking is available for delegates with their own car.

Address: Sint-Jacobsstraat 28, 8900 leper, Belgium



#### The Last Post (27/04)

A short walk from the hotel, join the crowds to watch the daily ceremony of the last post, a traditional daily event held by the Mayor of Ypres to Honour those who fought.

## Mon 28th April | Day 6

#### Hotel Breakfast (ຕາ)

The hotel buffet breakfast is included with your stay and served from 7am-8.30am daily. Attend at your leisure.



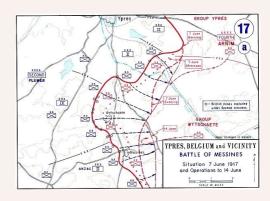
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- 9.00 9.15: Daily conference housekeeping update
- -9.15 10.45: Session 8 (1.5 CPD)
- 10.45 11.00: Morning break
- 11.00 12.30: Session 9 (1.5 CPD)
- 12.20 13.00: Questions and Afternoon Tour Overview
- (i) Session details to follow

#### Afternoon Tour 3: Option A

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#### - Self-drive guided WWI tour lead by Michael Evans

The self-drive tour will follow the route to the Battle of Messines, which was fought on 7 June 1917 and was the first large-scale action involving Australian troops in Belgium. It also marked the entry of the 3rd Division into a major battle. Messines was an important success for the British Army leading up to the beginning of the Third Battle of Ypres several weeks later, which leads into the next tour that Michael will be hosting from Ypres.









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18:00

Ypres

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07:00 - 08:30

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#### - Walking tours of Ypres lead by Eva Lee-Gabriel

Walking tour to Lille Gate, City Walls and Flanders Fields Museum: 2 hrs easy walk approx. 3.5km over 2 hours.

(Additional cost for museum entry and afternoon tea at delegates own expense).

#### The Last Post (28/04)

A short walk from the hotel, join the crowds to watch the daily ceremony of the last post, a traditional daily event held by the Mayor of Ypres to Honour those who fought.

### Tue 29th April | Day 7

#### (CO) Hotel Breakfast

The hotel buffet breakfast is included with your stay and served from 7am-8.30am daily. Attend at your leisure.

#### The Windeyer Sessions 10-11

- 8.30 9.00: Delegate welcome (tea and coffee provided)
- 9.00 9.15: Daily conference housekeeping update
- 9.15 10.45: Session 10 (1.5 CPD)
- 10.45 11.00: Morning break
- 11.00 12.30: Session 11 (1.5 CPD)
- 12.20 13.00: Questions and Afternoon Tour Overview
- (i) Session details to follow







08:30 - 13:00

Ypres

07:00 - 08:30

#### - Self-drive guided WWI tour lead by Michael Evans

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Afternoon Tour 4: Option B

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#### - Walking tour of Ypres lead by Eva Lee-Gabriel

Walking tour along bike tracks and through fields to Palingbeek Wood via Railway Dugout cemetery, Larchwood cemetery, rest stop for afternoon tea at Palingbeek then along the abandoned canal to Spoilbank cemetery and back to Ypres. Approximately 4 hours and 13km of easy walking.

(Additional cost for afternoon tea at delegates own expense).

#### The Last Post (29/04)

A short walk from the hotel, join the crowds to watch the daily ceremony of the last post, a traditional daily event held by the Mayor of Ypres to Honour those who fought.

#### **Farewell Dinner**

Join us for a final gathering at The Depot Restaurant, a short stroll from the Hotel. The Depot is a modern casual dining experience where everything is for sale except the staff! Innovative Flemish food with a modern twist. This farewell dinner will mark the conclusion of the Windeyer Sessions 2025.







### Wed 30th April | Day 8

#### (CI) Hotel Breakfast

The hotel buffet breakfast is included with your stay and served from 7am-8.30am daily. Attend at your leisure.



(C) End of Conference

07:00 - 08:30

## Booking and Payment

### How to Register

For all booking inquiries please email Kalani at clerk8@windeyerchambers.com.au with the subject field noted as "The Windeyer Sessions".

Please register ASAP as limited places are available.

#### Payment

- 25% deposit payable by 15 August 2024
- Balance payable by 15 January 2025

#### Other

Any delegate wishing to present a CPD paper is invited to send their expression of interest to Kalani upon booking.