



Rottnest Voluntary Guides Association

# School Holiday Activity Guide

2 July to 14 July 2023



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# 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 lasts approximately one hour.

Apart from the Family Quiz Night, there is no need to book tickets for these activities. Just meet your guide at 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.**

## 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.

# School Holiday Activity Timetable

	Sunday 2 & 9 July	Monday 3 & 10 July	Tuesday 4 & 11 July	Wednesday 5 & 12 July	Thursday 6 & 13 July	Friday 14 July
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>14 JULY ONLY</b> <b>Pirate Pete</b> Thomson Bay North Beach Shelter
10:00 am		<b>10 JULY ONLY</b> <b>Beach Discovery</b> Thomson Bay North Beach Shelter	<b>11 JULY ONLY</b> <b>Birds and Beasts of Rottnest</b> Departs from the Salt Store	<b>12 JULY ONLY</b> <b>Bickley Battery Walk</b> Departs from the Gun Barrel at Kingstown Barracks	<b>13 JULY ONLY</b> <b>Birds and Beasts of Rottnest</b> Departs from the Salt Store	
10:30 am		<b>Bickley Battery Walk</b> Departs from the Gun Barrel at Kingstown Barracks	<b>Beach Discovery</b> Geordie Bay Beach Shelter	<b>Sand Sculptures by the Sea</b> Thomson Bay Beach (near Hotel Jetty)	<b>Beach Discovery</b> Thomson Bay North Beach Shelter	
12:30 pm – 3:00 pm	<b>10–13 JULY ONLY</b> ★ <b>Ticket Sales:</b> Buy your tickets for the Family Quiz Night at the Rottnest Voluntary Guides Information Booth (next to the Salt Store) ★					
3:00 pm		<b>Birds and Beasts of Rottnest</b> Departs from the Salt Store	<b>What's Behind Geordie?</b> Departs from the Geordie Bay Mall	<b>Birds and Beasts of Rottnest</b> Departs from the Salt Store	<b>Behind the Scenes</b> Departs from the Salt Store	
4:45 pm			<b>4 JULY ONLY</b> <b>Who Lived Here?</b> Departs from the Salt Store	<b>Vlamingh Lookout Sunset</b> Departs from the Salt Store		
7:00 pm	<b>Night Skies (Settlement)</b> Departs from the Salt Store	<b>Night Skies (Geordie Bay)</b> Departs from the Geordie Bay Mall	<b>11 JULY ONLY</b> <b>Mysteries, Myths &amp; Legends</b> Departs from the picnic area next to the Bakery		<b>13 JULY ONLY</b> ★ <b>Family Quiz Night</b> ★ RIGC Clubhouse	

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Quiz Night  
Ticketing  
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**Booking is essential:** Purchase your tickets from the Rottnest Voluntary 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](mailto:holidayguiding@rvga.asn.au).

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

## **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 Island 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 Thomson Bay Beach (near Hotel Jetty)**

### **Celebrity Judge – Pirate Pete**

Come and create your amazing sand sculpture on the beach. Use only the sand and what nature provides on the beach to create your very own work of art. Look out for the banner on the beach at 10:15 am indicating where to get to work. Judging commences around 11:15 am.

## **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.**

## Who Lived Here?

Join us on a twilight stroll along 170-year-old Nyi Nyi Bidi and hear stories about some of those who lived in the historic houses on this street.

## 20 Questions Challenge 3-7 JULY ONLY

Pick up your entry form at the Rottnest Voluntary Guides Information Booth next to the Salt Store. Get them all correct and go into the draw for a prize.

## Family Quiz Night

**7pm, Thursday 13 July**

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.**

For information on other activities during the school holidays visit

**[rotnnestisland.com/schoolholidays](http://rotnnestisland.com/schoolholidays)**