



Rottnest Voluntary Guides Association

School Holiday Activity Guide

5 to 24 January 2025



School Holiday Activities

The Rottneest 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 RVGA Family Quiz Night and Night Train to Oliver Hill, 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 boards outside of the RVGA information Booth, or talk to a guide.

20 Questions Challenge **Monday – Thursday, Weekly**

A detective trail challenge for the whole family. Follow the clues to find the answers. Winners go into the draw for a prize each Thursday.

There's a new challenge each week, pick up your entry forms at the RVGA Information Booth next to Island Gypsy. See the timetable for details.

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

Go behind the scenes and find out what brings Wadjemup / Rottneest Island to life. Join us for a guided bike tour, departing from the RVGA Information Booth and cycling approximately 4.5 km to the Basin, Longreach Bay and Geordie Bay.

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

School Holiday Activity Timetable

	Sunday 5, 12 & 19 January	Monday 6, 13 & 20 January	Tuesday 7, 14 & 21 January	Wednesday 8, 15 & 22 January	Thursday 9, 16 & 23 January	Friday 10, 17 & 24 January
From 9:00 am Monday to Thursday		<p style="text-align: center;">★ 20 QUESTIONS CHALLENGE ★</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Follow the clues to find the answers! Winners go into the draw for a prize.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pick up your entry form at the Guides' Information Booth (open 9:00 am – 3:00 pm daily)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A new challenge commences each Monday and entries close at 12:00 pm on Thursday</p>				
9:15 am		<p>Quokka Tales Playground next to the Bakery</p>	<p>Quokka Tales Playground next to the Bakery</p>	<p>Quokka Tales Playground next to the Bakery</p>	<p>Quokka Tales Playground next to the Bakery</p>	<p>Pirate Pete Thomson Bay North Beach Shelter</p>
10:00 am		<p>Beach Discovery Geordie Bay Beach Shelter</p>	<p>What's Behind Geordie? Departs from the Geordie Bay Mall</p>	<p>Sand Sculptures by The Sea Geordie Bay Beach</p>	<p>Behind the Scenes Departs from the RVGA Information Booth</p>	
10:30 am		<p>Bickley Battery Walk Departs from the Gun Barrel at Kingstown Barracks</p>	<p>Beach Discovery Thomson Bay North Beach Shelter</p>	<p>Bickley Battery Walk Departs from the Gun Barrel at Kingstown Barracks</p>	<p>Beach Discovery Thomson Bay North Beach Shelter</p>	
12:30 pm to 3:00 pm		<p style="text-align: center;">★ Ticket Sales: Buy your tickets for the Family Quiz Night and The Night Train to Oliver Hill ★</p> <p style="text-align: center;">★ at the Guides' Information Booth (Next to Island Gypsy) ★</p>				
4:00 pm		<p>Birds and Beasts of Rottnest Departs from the RVGA Information Booth</p>	<p>Birds and Beasts of Rottnest Departs from the RVGA Information Booth</p>	<p>Birds and Beasts of Rottnest Departs from the RVGA Information Booth</p>		
6:45 pm				<p>Vlamingh Lookout Sunset Departs from the RVGA Information Booth</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">23 January Only ★ SPECIAL EVENT ★ Night Train to Oliver Hill Settlement Station</p>	
7:00 pm to 8:00 pm	<p style="text-align: center;">8:00 pm Night Skies (Settlement) Departs from the RVGA Information Booth</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">8:00 pm Night Skies (Geordie Bay) Departs from Geordie Bay Mall</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">7:30 pm Mysteries and Legends Departs from the picnic area next to the Bakery</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">7:00 pm ★ 9 & 16 January Only ★ RVGA Family Quiz Night Golf Club</p>	

Bickley Battery Walk

Bike, hire or bus to 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 and 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. 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 Geordie Bay Beach 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 10:00 am indicating where to get to work.

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 and return along the coastal track that winds it's way back to Geordie from the beautiful Little Parakeet Bay.

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

The Night Train to Oliver Hill

Thursday 23 January Train Departs from Settlement Station at 6:45 pm and returns at 9:15 pm

A special one off summer holiday event. A unique opportunity to ride the train to Oliver Hill in the heart of the island at night. Bring a picnic, enjoy a beautiful sunset, entertainment, star gazing and watch as Perth lights up.

Ticket prices:

Adults \$30, School Students \$15, Family (2A +2SS) \$80.

The RVGA Family Quiz Night

Thursday 9 & 16 January Starts at 7 pm each Thursday night at the Rottnest Island Golf Course upstairs in the clubhouse

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.

Ticket prices:

Adults \$18, School Students \$9, Family (2A +2SS) \$48.

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

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

All ticket proceeds go to the Rottnest Voluntary Guides Association.