



**INTERNATIONAL
SEA CADET ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL CONFERENCE
2017**



**HOSTED BY THE
AUSTRALIAN NAVY CADETS
20 – 24 OCTOBER 2017**

**TO BE HELD AT
THE TREASURY CASINO HOTEL
BRISBANE, QUEENSLAND
AUSTRALIA**

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INFORMATION

The Australian Navy Cadets is proud to have the opportunity to host the 2017 Annual Conference of the International Sea Cadet Association and provides the following information in order that members can prepare plans for their attendance. Please also visit the Queensland footage “teaser” on the front page.

Key Dates

1. The Conference will commence with the customary Cocktail Party on the evening of Friday 20 October 2017. It is requested that all members and partners arrive in Brisbane by midday on that day.
2. As Australia is quite some distance to travel for many members and as jet lag can spoil any occasion, it is strongly recommended that members plan their travel to arrive in Brisbane on Thursday 19 October 2017.
3. Most international airlines have direct flights into Brisbane from major overseas cities however flights into and out of the East coast of Australia can also be made through Sydney and Melbourne. The flying time from Sydney to Brisbane is approximately one hour with flights from Melbourne taking two hours. Connecting services are at frequent intervals during the day.
4. The Conference will conclude on Monday night 23 October 2017 with the Farewell Dinner and members are free to depart from Tuesday 24 October.

Entry into Australia

5. Australia welcomes millions of overseas visitors each year. Anyone who is not an Australian citizen needs a valid visa to enter and spend time in our country. The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) maintains an excellent website that will answer all your questions regarding entry into Australia as well as much useful background information about our country and its people. The website is located at www.dfat.gov.au. You may also wish to bookmark the following site that deals specifically with the visa entry requirements to come into Australia:
<http://dfat.gov.au/about-australia/visiting-australia/Pages/visa-and-immigration-requirements.aspx>
6. Visa application can appear to be a complex matter however reference to the following website may also assist: <http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/600->. We suggest that members apply for a Visitor Visa (Sub class 600). Members travelling from New Zealand have special arrangements that may apply.
7. All members and partners attending should ensure they have travel insurance including medical insurance.

- Please contact a member of the organising committee whose contact details are contained further down this document should you require any additional assistance or information and advice.

Customs and Quarantine

- Australia has very strict Customs and Quarantine regulations regarding items that can be brought into Australia. Visit www.border.gov.au then go to: "Individuals and Travellers".

Conference Venue

- The location chosen for the Conference and also your accommodation while in Brisbane is the Treasury Casino Hotel, 159 William Street, Brisbane 4000 Queensland, Australia. Refer to <https://www.treasurybrisbane.com.au/hotel>
- The Treasury Casino Hotel is a 5-star establishment in central Brisbane, close to the CBD and the South Bank tourist precinct with its restaurants and galleries is just a short walk across the bridge. The hotel has offered Deluxe King or Deluxe Twin rooms for a price of \$170.00 AUD per night. This price **does not** include breakfast so members can choose from a wide range of breakfast options. The rooms are illustrated below and overleaf.



Deluxe King \$170 per night



Deluxe Twin \$170 per night

- Members may also negotiate directly with the hotel should they wish to upgrade to a Parlour King Room for \$280 AUD per night. All prices have been specially negotiated for the ISCA Conference and the Deluxe Rooms in particular represent outstanding value for money. Members will be provided with a unique code for bookings to ensure appropriate discounts are applied. An accommodation form is included with this conference information to facilitate ease of booking.



ParLOUR King Room \$280 per night



Treasury Hotel Exterior

13. All rooms have been individually furnished and configuration may vary from room to room. The hotel is a heritage listed building that was originally the Queensland Government Treasury Offices.
14. The various Conference gatherings will take place in the function rooms on the ground floor of the hotel.
15. Most importantly, the hotel has agreed to pass on the special conference accommodation rates to any members wishing to extend their stay in Brisbane or for any arriving earlier than Thursday 19 October 2017.

Hotel Transfers

16. Members arriving on Thursday 19 or Friday 20 October will be met at Brisbane Airport (airport code BNE) by a uniformed ANC member and provided with transfer to the hotel. Please advise your arriving terminal number in advance. Those departing on Tuesday 23 October will be similarly provided with a transfer from the hotel to the airport. Members travelling outside these dates will need to make their own transfer arrangements, noting that Brisbane Airport is about a 20–30 minute drive by taxi depending on the traffic.

Weather and Dress

17. In mid-October, the weather in Brisbane can range from a minimum of 16-17 degrees overnight to 25-28 degrees during the day. A light-weight suit would be appropriate for formal occasions with smart comfortable casual attire for the remainder of the time.

Currency

18. Most shops, restaurants and other facilities accept American Express, Visa, and Master Card debit and credit cards, with a PIN (or pay-wave) to verify the purchase. A Visa Travel Passport card (available from banks and travel agents) may also be a safe alternative. Automatic Teller Machines (ATMs) are located in most shopping precincts. Charges may occur for withdrawals and conversion of currencies. Members should check with their bank about the most convenient method of accessing their funds.

Miscellaneous

19. Electrical power. Australia uses 240 Volt power with type “I” plugs.

Visit <http://electricaloutlet.org>. Type “I” is also used in China and Argentina.

20. Time zone for Queensland is UTC +10. Sunset in Brisbane in late October is about 1800. Queensland does not observe daylight saving.

21. The amount of the conference fee will be advised later.

Indicative Program

22. While the Conference Program and also the program for visiting partners is still being finalised, the following broad information can be used as a guide.

Date	Event	Time	Comments
Thu 19 Oct 17	Members arrive	All day	Preferred arrival time
Fri 20 Oct 17	Cocktail Party	Early evening	Members and partners
Sat 21 Oct 17	Conference Day 1	All day	Separate for partners
Sun 22 Oct 17	Cultural visit	All day	Members and partners
Mon 23 Oct 17	Conference Day 2	All day	Separate for partners
Mon 23 Oct 17	Farewell Dinner	Evening	Members and partners
Tue 24 Oct 17	Members depart	All day	Depart as required

Contact Information

23. Please direct any queries to the following contacts in Australia:

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24. Further information will be provided to all participating members early in 2017 and we look forward to welcoming you all to Brisbane in October 2017!

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