

**THE LEGACY CENTENARY TORCH RELAY 2023**  
**FINAL LEG IN TASMANIA**  
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**ANZAC PARK LINDISFARNE, THURSDAY 5 OCTOBER 2023**

Good afternoon to you all here at ANZAC Park and a very warm welcome to the end of our Tasmanian leg of the Legacy Torch Relay.

I begin by acknowledging all veterans here, and the families and friends who support them. I would also like to pay my respects to all the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and women who have contributed to the defence of Australia in times of peace and war.

I am honoured as the Patron of Hobart Legacy to represent the people of Tasmania at this final Tasmanian Leg of the 2023 Legacy Torch relay.

In our State of Tasmania, the torch has passed through Launceston and also through Ouse. I mention Ouse because it is the birthplace of the founder of the Remembrance Club, General Sir John Gellibrand. The Remembrance Club was later to be known as Legacy.

This morning, the torch has been carried from Anglesea Barracks, which is the oldest continuously operating military base in Australia. The torch was then carried over the Bridge of Remembrance to the Cenotaph, to the eastern shore and now here to Lindisfarne.

In this centenary year of Legacy, let us reflect on the service of Legatees throughout Australia.

Legacy has cared for the widows and family members of those who have served. Legacy cares for more than 40,000 family members of deceased servicemen and women.

Here in Tasmania, Hobart Legacy supports widows ranging in age from 34 to 105. We have some 437 widows of veterans of World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, the Malaya and Borneo and Afghanistan and Iraq conflicts. Legacy also supports the children of those who have served.

From here, this torch relay will move to Melbourne, and next week will complete its six-month journey from the battlefields of France to the Shrine of Remembrance.

May I congratulate all who have participated or been involved in this relay. I congratulate and thank you for your impressive achievement. You have all raised the profile of this valued and important charity.

I thank you all.