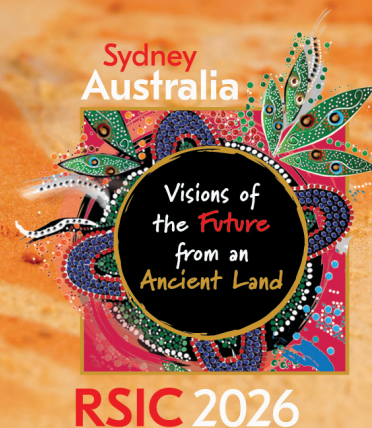




Barker

College

Round Square International Conference 2026



PROGRAM

DAILY RYHTHM

- Delegates start each day in their Homeroom for check-in, roll marking and the day briefing.
- Student delegates will also meet in Baraza groups for activities, discussion and reflection throughout the Conference.
- Barker students are allocated as Baraza Group and Homeroom Group Leaders
- Delegates are organised into four streams. Baraza Groups and Homeroom Group are allocated within each stream:
 - Dharug (Green)
 - Darkinjung (Red)
 - Wonnarua (Blue)
 - Yolngu (Yellow)
- Delegates must wear their conference identification and stay with their assigned group during movements and off-site activities.
- Hotel delegates travel by conference bus. Homestay delegates follow the arrangements provided by their Barker host family.

PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

TIME	PROGRAM
MON 28 SEP	Australia Fair: arrival, Australian cultural experiences, the Great Barker Race, Delegates meet Homestay families
TUE 29 SEP	Australian Story: Opening Ceremony, Keynote Speakers and Baraza activities
WED 30 SEP	Australian Experience (Adventure, Service, Environment): Urban Challenge, Anglicare Project, Hornsby Quarry Park Project and school cultural performances
THU 1 OCT	Australian Experience (Adventure, Service, Environment): Streams swap experiences
FRI 2 OCT	Tomorrow's Actions: Keynote, talent show, Closing Ceremony and Bush Dance
SAT 3 OCT	Departures: hotel transfers to Sydney International Airport

MONDAY | 28 September - Australia Fair

A warm Australian welcome, registration and the beginning of new friendships.

TIME	PROGRAM
9:30 am-1:30 pm	Rolling arrivals, registration and Australian cultural activities. Lunch is available from 12:00 pm in Dining Marquee
10:00 am-11:00am	(by invitation only) Student interactions with the Round Square Board
1:30 pm	Australian Stockman presentation on the Main Oval
2:00 pm	Welcome and instructions, including an explanation of the Great Barker Race
2:30 pm	The Great Barker Race begins
3:00 pm	Homestay Family Afternoon Tea (CRU Courtyard)
3:30 pm	Homestay Family Briefing (Rhodes Theatre)
3:45 pm	Race finishes in Baraza Group rooms
4:15 pm	Homestay delegates meet host families (Homerooms) Hotel delegates take part in Baraza activities
4:30 pm	Homestay delegates leave with host families
5:00 pm	Adult delegate briefing (Leslie Hall) Hotel student delegates activity rotation
6:15 pm	Buffet dinner for hotel delegates
7:15 pm	Hotel delegates collect luggage and move to buses
7:45 pm	Buses depart for hotels

TUESDAY | 29 September - Australian Story

Opening Ceremony, shared stories, keynote presentations and Baraza team building.

TIME	PROGRAM
8:15 am	Homestay delegate drop-off
8:30-8:45 am	Homeroom check-in, roll marking and day briefing
9:00 am	Optional prayer and worship in the Chapel
10:00 am	Opening Ceremony (Rosewood Centre)
11:30 am	Stream activities: international bingo, pin swapping and photos. Follow your stream instructions
11:45 am – 1.30pm	Lunch (Dining Marquee)
2:00 pm	Keynote presentation: Benson Saulo (Rosewood Centre)
2:45 pm	Keynote presentation: Lisa Sthalekar (Rosewood Centre)
3:30 pm	Panel discussion (Rosewood Centre)
4:15 pm	Afternoon Tea in Baraza Group rooms
4:45 pm	Baraza Headpiece Fashion challenge (Baraza Group Rooms)
5:15 pm	Baraza discussion and reflection (Baraza Group Rooms)
6:15 pm	Homestay delegates move to Homerooms for collection
6:30 pm	Homestay delegates leave with host families Dinner for hotel delegates (Dining Marquee)
8:15 pm	Hotel buses depart

WEDNESDAY | 30 September - Australian Experience (Adventure, Service, Environment)

Wednesday Stream allocation:

- Dharug and Darkinjung: Urban Challenge.
- Wonnarua and Yolngu: Anglicare Project, Hornby Quarry Project and school cultural performance.

TIME	DHARUG & DARKINJUNG PROGRAM
8:00 am	Arrive at Barker, take luggage to Homeroom, roll call and briefing
8:30 am	Depart with Urban Challenge leaders
	Explore Sydney through a program that includes the Harbour Bridge, Circular Quay, a ferry to Barangaroo and Chinatown
6:00 pm	Return to Barker
6:30 pm	Supper (Dining Marquee)
7:15 pm	Collect luggage from Homeroom
7:45 pm	Buses depart for hotels.

TIME	WONNARUA PROGRAM
8:15 am	Arrive, take luggage to Homeroom, roll call and briefing
8:45 am	Meeting in Baraza Rooms
9:15 am	Depart on buses to Hornsby Park Quarry from Mint Gates
12:00 pm	Return to the Mint Gates
	Lunch (Dining Marquee)
1:30 pm	Anglicare Briefing (Leslie Hall)
2:00 pm	Clothes sorting (Gamson Gym / Bowman Field)
3:15 pm	Afternoon tea and preparation for the Cultural Performance.
4:00 pm	Cultural Performance (Leslie Hall)
5:45 pm	Dinner (Dining Marquee)
7:00 pm	Baraza discussion and reflection (Baraza Group room)
7:45 pm	Collect luggage and depart by bus
8:15 pm	Buses depart for hotels

TIME	YOLGNU PROGRAM
8:15 am	Arrive, take luggage to Homeroom, roll call and briefing
8:45 am	Meeting in Baraza Rooms
9:15 am	Anglicare Briefing (Leslie Hall)
9:45 am	Clothes Sorting (Gamson Gym/Bowman Field)
11:45 am	Lunch (Dining Marquee)
1:00 pm	Depart on buses to Hornsby Park Quarry from Mint Gates
3:45 pm	Return to Mint Gates
4:00 pm	Preparation for Cultural Performance
4:45 pm	Dinner (Dining Marquee)
6:00 pm	Cultural Performance (Leslie Hall)
8:00 pm	Buses depart for hotels

THURSDAY | 1 October - Australian Experience (Adventure, Service, Environment)

The streams swap experiences so that every student takes part in both major programs.

Thursday stream allocation:

- Dharug and Darkinjung: Anglicare Project, Hornby Quarry Project and school cultural performance.
- Wonnarua and Yolngu: Urban Challenge.

TIME	WONNARUA & YOLGNU PROGRAM
8:00 am	Arrive at Barker and take luggage to Homeroom
8:30 am	Depart with Urban Challenge leaders Explore Sydney through a program that includes the Harbour Bridge, Circular Quay, a ferry to Barangaroo and Chinatown
6:00 pm	Return to Barker
6:30 pm	Supper (Dining Marque)
7:15 pm	Collect luggage from Homeroom
7:45 pm	Buses depart for hotels

TIME	DHARUG PROGRAM
8:15 am	Arrive, take luggage to Homeroom, complete roll call and briefing.
8:45 am	Meeting in Baraza Rooms
9:15 am	Depart on buses to Hornsby Park Quarry from Mint Gates
12:00 pm	Return to the Mint Gates Lunch (Dining Marquee)
1:30 pm	Anglicare Briefing (Leslie Hall)
2:00 pm	Clothes sorting (Gamson Gym / Bowman Field)
3:15 pm	Afternoon tea and preparation for the Cultural Performance.
4:00 pm	Cultural Performance (Leslie Hall)
5:45 pm	Dinner (Dining Marquee)
7:00 pm	Baraza discussion and reflection
7:45 pm	Collect luggage and depart by bus. Follow your stream instructions
8:15 pm	Buses depart for hotels

TIME	DARKINJUNG PROGRAM
8:15 am	Arrive, take luggage to Homeroom, complete roll call and briefing
8:45 am	Meeting in Baraza Rooms
9:15 am	Anglicare Briefing (Leslie Hall)
9:45 am	Clothes Sorting (Gamson Gym/Bowman Field)
11:45 am	Lunch (Dining Marquee)
1:00 pm	Depart on buses to Hornsby Park Quarry from Mint Gates
3:45 pm	Return to Mint Gates
4:00 pm	Preparation for Cultural Performance
4:45 pm	Dinner (Dining Marquee)
6:00 pm	Cultural Performance (Leslie Hall)
8:00 pm	Buses depart for hotels

FRIDAY | 2 October - Tomorrow's Actions

Turning shared experiences and inspiration into action, then celebrate the friendships formed.

TIME	PROGRAM
8:00 am	Delegate drop-off and move to Homerooms
8:15 am	Homeroom briefing and roll call
8:45 am	Baraza activity: Talent Show preparation in Baraza Group Rooms
10:00 am	Keynote presentation and Q&A: Samantha Gash (Rosewood Centre)
11:15 am	RSIC 2026 Conference Photo (Alyssa Healy Fields)
11:30 am	Morning tea
	Talent Show performances
	- Dharug in Leslie Hall
12:00 pm	- Darkinjung in Rhodes Theatre
	- Wonnorua in Rosewood Courts #1 & 2
	- Yolgnu in Gamson Centre
1:00 pm	Lunch (Dining Marquee)
2:00 pm	Baraza discussion, reflection and afternoon tea (Baraza Group rooms)
4:00 pm	Closing Ceremony (Rosewood Centre)
5:45 pm	Bush Dance begins (Dining Marquee)
6:30 pm	Aussie BBQ dinner (Phipps Field)
7:00 pm	Bush Dance continues. (Dining Marquee)
8:00 pm	Buses depart for hotels from 8:00 pm

SATURDAY | 3 October - Departures

Hotel delegates: Conference buses will collect delegates from hotels and transfer them to Sydney International Airport.