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Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG)

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY



MCM acknowledges the traditional owners of the land that we meet on today, Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung. We also pay our respects to Elders, past and present, and acknowledge all First Nations people working throughout MCM. We also acknowledge the ongoing leadership role of First Nations Communities in creating services and supports to ensure that all First Nations children are raised in safe, healthy, and culturally rich families and communities, and have every opportunity for a bright future.

WE HAVE THE POWER TO END YOUTH HOMELESSNESS

A message from MCM's CEO

Welcome to MCM Sleep At The 'G 2024, an event dedicated to making a tangible impact on youth homelessness. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you for joining us to raise awareness and fundraise in support of young people experiencing youth homelessness in Victoria.

No other event in Melbourne provides you with the extraordinary opportunity to sleep-over for a night at the iconic MCG, and I express my deepest appreciation to our Principal Partner, the Melbourne Cricket Ground, for their continued support.

The statistics are sobering: according to the 2021 census data, 7,628 young people aged 12-24 are experiencing homelessness on any given night in Victoria. This represents a staggering 19.7% increase since 2016. These young people do not choose this path; rather, they are often forced to flee unsafe environments due to family violence, abuse, mental illness, or poverty. During the 2022-23 financial year, MCM Frontyard Youth Services had almost 3000 visits from young people, took an average of 826 calls per month and provided 969 nights of accommodation. In total, Frontyard provided different services and supports to 12,451 individuals over the year.

The consequences of homelessness are far-reaching, affecting education, employment, and overall wellbeing. We also know that the experience of homelessness in childhood or youth increases the likelihood of progressing into homelessness as an adult. With early intervention and the right supports, we can help disrupt the pathway into adult homelessness.

During MCM Sleep At The 'G, we have the power to make a difference. Your participation and fundraising efforts will directly contribute to providing support and resources to those in need. MCM is at the forefront of addressing the root causes of homelessness. With your generous support, we can continue to build safe homes and offer vital assistance to many thousands of young Victorians.

This year's campaign has had a new look applied to it, with a bold and aspirational headline, "We Have The Power To End Youth Homelessness". I truly believe that together, as a strong community, we do have the power to make systemic changes to the youth homelessness landscape that currently confronts us all.

So, let us come together, enjoy this memorable evening, and raise essential funds for a cause that truly matters. Together, through the power of community and the power of our actions we can break the cycle of youth homelessness and build a brighter future for all.

Thank you for your commitment and dedication.



Vicki Sutton
CEO, MCM



MCM Frontyard
Youth Services

WELCOME TO THE MELBOURNE CRICKET GROUND

A message from MCC's CEO

As ground manager of the MCG, the Melbourne Cricket Club (MCC) is thrilled to once again host MCM Sleep At The 'G.

We know there are too many young people doing it tough in Melbourne and we value the vital work that MCM does each day in our community.

The MCC is committed to giving back to our community, and by partnering with MCM, this event aims to raise awareness about youth homelessness and drive positive change.

Thank you to everyone who is taking part – your efforts are helping support young people in need break the cycle and rebuild their lives with the right care and resources.

We look forward to another successful event together.



Stuart Fox
CEO, MCC



THE POWER OF COMMUNITY. END YOUTH HOMELESSNESS



Every night in Australia more than 122,000 people are estimated to be experiencing homelessness. That is more people than the MCG on a sold out AFL Grand Final day! Over 30,000 of these people are Victorian and over 7,600 are aged 12–24 years old.

But we have the power to change that.

As Victoria's largest and leading youth homelessness service provider, MCM has built a renowned reputation for tackling the root causes of homelessness.

That means supporting young people, including those who have experienced considerable trauma, in their transition out of homelessness and into adult independence.

The longer homelessness lasts, the harder it is for a young person to rebuild their lives.

Without support, a young person can become further entrenched in long term homelessness, increasing trauma and poverty, losing all hope of reaching their full potential.

Through the power of your actions, money raised from this one-night sleepover at the MCG will go towards funding the many essential support services that help young Victorians become independent, thriving adults.



Remember the hashtag **#MCMSleepAtTheG**

We're going to keep fundraising until the very end. We hope you will, too!

That means:

1. Taking plenty of photos during your Sleep At The 'G experience
2. Sharing them on social media using the hashtag **#MCMSleepAtTheG**
Other hashtags to add include **#youthhomelessness** and **#homelessness**

And, of course, don't forget to tag MCM in your posts! This small act will help us spread the word – and support one last push in our drive to raise essential funds for youth homelessness.

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THE POWER OF ACTION.

GET INVOLVED

Whether you're ready to groove or prefer to find your zen, we've got you covered with activities to suit every mood.

Welcome to Country

We'll all gather in the famous stands of the MCG for a Welcome to Country, including a moving didgeridoo performance, followed by official welcomes from our CEO, Vicki Sutton, MCC CEO, Stuart Fox, and Deputy Lord Mayor Nicholas Reece.

Lived experience fireside chat

Listen to our panel of young people as they share their lived experience with homelessness. Learn about the reality of being homeless in Melbourne. It's a session you will not want to miss.

Content warning: During this session, you may encounter content that resonates with your own experiences. We want everyone to feel safe and respect the resilience in the room. Please use your support networks to address any distress triggered by the session's content.

Live music with Phil and Robbo

Join Phil Ceberano and Russell Robertson as they rock the 'G. with some all-time pop and rock classics.

Stand up comedy

We all need a good laugh, so come along and get your funny bone ready for Geraldine Hickey and Maddy Weeks who will serve up barrels of laughter for your comical enjoyment.

Club life

Let loose with DJ Shimmy Barnes as she serves you all bangers – no mash – from a nostalgic blend of disco, pop and everything in between.

Close-up Magic

Nick Kay, one of Australia's best magicians, will be roaming the concourses and sleeping areas conjuring up his magic which will have you spellbound. Make sure you look out for him before he disappears!

Yoga and meditation

Calm your mind and stretch your body through sessions that will leave you feeling at peace.

Handball competition

Put your handball skills to the test against AFL and AFLW footballers from the Melbourne Football Club. How many bullseyes will you get?

Brass Trio

What's an event at the MCG without hearing a horn get blown! This talented brass band trio will be tooting their horns to some popular tunes to help guide you into the MCG.

Fashion parade

Feeling fabulous in your onesie? Do you have the best PJs? Show off your nighttime attire in a fun and interactive fashion parade hosted by our MC, Geraldine Quinn.

360-degree video booth

Take an incredible 360-degree video with your friends, family and colleagues! It's an exciting way to capture the fun and memories from every angle.

LEGO workshop

This is where LEGO Masters meets The Block! We want to see a room full of LEGO houses by the end of the night. You be the master and build us your best block of homes.



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Sleeper's sing-along

Join your fellow sleepers as we close the night with an unforgettable, open-air sing-along hosted by Phil and Robbo.

Jumbo games

Challenge your fellow sleepers to a friendly game of giant Jenga, Cornhole, Quoins and Connect 4 – and find out who leads the pack in these classic favourites.

Mandala art

Need a low-key moment to unwind? Grab some textas and coloured pencils and enjoy the meditative and creative benefits of mandalas. Embrace the power of colouring in for mindfulness.

MCM Group Expo

Want to learn more about the MCM Group? Drop by the Hugh Trumble Cafe and say hello to some of our staff from our Advocacy team, MCM Housing and Hester Hornbrook Academy. Find out more about the incredible work that occurs within these services and the difference we are making in the community.

All activities are designed to be family friendly, however, parental guidance and supervision is recommended for children aged 15 to 17 years old.



PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Time	Outside Gate 2	Gate 2 Atrium (Level 1)	Gate 2 Atrium (Level B1)	Main Stage (Grandstand)	Gate 1 Atrium (Level 1)	Blazer Bar (Level 1)	Hugh Trumble Café (Level 1)	Tower 6 Café (Level 1)	Bullring Bar (Level B1)	Members' Dining Room (Level 2)	Long Room (Level 2)	Boundary Line (Rear of Bay M42)
5pm - Gates open												
5pm	Brass Band Trio	Registration, 360° Video Booth & DJ Shimmy Barnes	Jumbo Games									
5.30pm	Brass Band Trio	Registration, 360° Video Booth & DJ Shimmy Barnes	Jumbo Games		Handball Competition			Dinner & tea/coffee commences				
6.30pm				Official Welcome & Welcome to Country				No dinner service during Official Welcome				
7pm		360° Video Booth	Jumbo Games + Magician Nick Kay (throughout all areas of the concourse until 9:15pm)		Handball Competition	LEGO Workshop	Mandala & MCM Group Expo	DJ Shimmy Barnes				
7.15pm		360° Video Booth	Jumbo Games + Nick Kay		Handball Competition	LEGO Workshop	Mandala & MCM Group Expo	DJ Shimmy Barnes	Comedy (starts 7:10pm)	Fireside Chat		Yoga (Session 1)
8.00pm		360° Video Booth	Jumbo Games		Handball Competition	LEGO Workshop	Mandala & MCM Group Expo	DJ Shimmy Barnes	Live Music with Phil & Robbo	Fireside Chat (concludes 8:15pm)		Yoga (Session 2)
8.30pm		360° Video Booth	Jumbo Games	Fashion Parade	Handball Competition	LEGO Workshop	Mandala & MCM Group Expo	DJ Shimmy Barnes	Live Music with Phil & Robbo		Meditation (Session 1)	
9.00pm		360° Video Booth	Jumbo Games	Fashion Parade (concludes 9:00pm)	Handball Competition	LEGO Workshop	Mandala & MCM Group Expo (concludes 9:15pm)	DJ Shimmy Barnes	Live Music with Phil & Robbo			
9.15pm		360° Video Booth (concludes 9:45pm)	Jumbo Games (concludes 9:45pm)		Handball Competition (concludes 9:45pm)	LEGO Workshop (concludes 9:45pm)	Mandala (concludes 9:45pm) & Dinner & tea/coffee (concludes 9:30pm)	DJ Shimmy Barnes (concludes 9:45pm)	Live Music with Phil & Robbo (concludes 9:45pm)		Meditation (Session 2)	
10pm				Sleeper's sing-along								
11pm - Lights out												
5.45am								Breakfast from 5:45am				

Program and activities are subject to change. Capacity is limited in some activities so get in quick to secure your spot or seat. Program activities and times correct as at 8 May 2024.

THE POWER OF PLANNING.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



From entry details to packing tips, here are all the details you need to plan an unforgettable night at the 'G.

Event entry

Entry to MCM Sleep At The 'G will be via Gate 2, just a short walk along the MCG concourse/ Yarra Park from the corner of Jolimont Terrace and Jolimont Street, East Melbourne. Have your ticket, bags and belongings ready for checking.

How to get to the MCG by public transport

The following stops and stations service the MCG:

- Jolimont Train Station via the Mernda or Hurstbridge lines
- Richmond Train Station via the Alamein, Belgrave, Cranbourne, Frankston, Glen Waverley, Lilydale, Pakenham or Sandringham lines
- Tram stops 7C or 7B (Route 70) or stops 10, 11 or 13 (Routes 75 or 48)

To plan your journey, visit www.ptv.vic.gov.au

How to get to the MCG by foot or drop-off

The best drop-off location is the corner of Jolimont Terrace and Jolimont Street, East Melbourne.

Gate 2 is then just a short walk along the MCG concourse/Yarra Park.

How to get to the MCG by car

Limited car parking in Yarra Park will be open (dependent on weather conditions) from 5:00p.m. to 8:00p.m. on Thursday 16 May. Access is via Gate 3 (Wellington Parade South).

Parking costs \$10 (EFTPOS only), and all money is re-invested back into the park's upkeep.

The car park will reopen on Friday morning at 5:30a.m. for you to leave.

For alternative parking options, visit the [MCG website](#).

When to arrive

Gates will open at 5:00p.m. with the official festivities kicking off at 6:30p.m. with a Welcome to Country.

We recommend you arrive between 5:00p.m. and 6:00p.m. This will give you plenty of time to register, choose your sleeping spot and head out to the stands for the official event start.

The gates will close at 8:00p.m. and re-open the next morning at 5:30a.m. Pass outs will be allowed.

What to expect on arrival

The MCG has introduced touchless security screening technology at all gates. This system allows patrons to simply pass through the security gates without needing to remove personal items from their bags.

As patrons pass through the gates, the technology detects any prohibited items. If an item is flagged, security will do a secondary search of the patron's bag or with a hand wand.

Alcohol, glass and other dangerous items are not permitted inside the MCG. For more information, please refer to the [MCG Conditions of entry](#).

What to wear

We highly recommend you dress *warm!*

This is also your chance to show off your best onesie or Oodie – the brighter and more elaborate, the better! And don't forget to join in our fashion parade on the night. After all, MCM Sleep At The 'G is a fun night to dress up and raise essential funds for a serious issue – youth homelessness.

Where you'll sleep

There is plenty of space for everyone inside the MCG, with most sleeping spots located on Level B1. A "Families Only" area for families with under 18s is located on Level 1, along with a few dedicated areas for larger teams.

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Our volunteers will help you find the right place to bed down for the night.

Sleeping spaces are available on a first-come, first-served basis. So, we recommend getting in early to secure your preferred spot.

Please be mindful not to block any stairs, doors, or safety equipment when choosing your sleeping location for the night.

No matter where you sleep, you'll be inside the MCG and undercover. **Note:** There is no sleeping on the playing surface of the MCG.

What you'll eat

You'll receive a delicious dinner of soup and a roll, plus an egg and bacon roll breakfast (vegetarian options available). Plenty of tea and coffee will be available too.

There will be a small selection of snacks available for purchase at your own cost on the night. The MCG is a cashless venue, card payments only.

If you have nut allergies, please be aware that our food may have been prepared where nuts have been present.

Family Ticket Holders (children aged 15 -17)

Children will only obtain entry into the event, when accompanied by their parent or guardian, who is also registered to attend the event. Please ensure that all tickets are ready for checking, when entering the MCG.

Upon entry, families with children will receive wristbands that must be worn throughout the event. Family ticket holders, including youths, can sleep in general areas or in a designated Families Only section.

MCM Sleep At The 'G is a family friendly event, however it may contain program content that is sensitive or confronting as it contains first-hand stories of young people experiencing homelessness in Melbourne. Parents are recommended to supervise children and apply their individual discretion to program content exposure.

No pass outs will be provided to anyone aged 15 to 17 years old, unless accompanied by their parent/legal guardian.

What to bring with you

For easy access – and an enjoyable night – don't forget to bring these essential items:

- ☑ **Your ticket.** Without it, you can't enter! You can download tickets from your MCM Sleep At The 'G account under the 'dashboard' tab.
- ☑ **A sleeping, camping or yoga mat (single-sized only).** We will not provide bedding. A limited supply of cardboard boxes will be available to use as additional insulation.
- ☑ **A sleeping bag and blankets,** plus a pillow for a little extra comfort.
- ☑ **Warm clothing.** Melbourne autumn nights can get frosty! You won't be out in the elements, but if you've been waiting for the perfect opportunity to wear that onesie in public, this is it!
- ☑ **An empty water bottle** that you can refill inside the MCG.
- ☑ **Toiletries.** There are no showers at the MCG, but you'll still want basic toiletries for your MCG sleep-out.

We also recommended bringing

- ☑ **A fully charged mobile phone (and portable power bank).** You will not be able to charge your phone from any power outlets. Please bring a fully charged phone and a self-sufficient charging source, like a portable power bank.
- ☑ **Your favourite sweet and salty snacks.** We'll provide a basic dinner and breakfast. But if you want anything else to snack on during the event, please bring it along. A couple of MCG food outlets will be open for sleepers to purchase snacks, and barista made coffee will be available for purchase in the morning.

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- ✓ **Earplugs.** Essential if you're a light sleeper!
- ✓ **Games and puzzle books.** For anyone who is happy to settle in their sleeping bag all night, cards and board games work a treat!

We highly recommend limiting the number of personal items you bring. This is a public gathering of approximately 1,000 people, with no cloakroom facilities or lockers. Please take responsibility for your belongings at all times.

What NOT to bring

These items are strictly prohibited at the MCG:

- ✗ Glass bottles and containers
- ✗ Alcohol
- ✗ Any liquid or partially opened/filled drink containers
- ✗ Any weapons or sharp objects
- ✗ Speakers or sound devices

For a full list of items prohibited at the MCG, visit: <https://www.mcg.org.au/the-stadium/visitor-information/conditions-of-entry>

Where to get help

Please make your way to our information desk, located in the Gate 2 atrium, or chat with the nearest volunteer. You can spot them walking around the MCG in MCM hoodies or vests.

How to get help in the middle of the night

First aid trained security personnel will roam the sleeping areas throughout the night. So if you need help, you won't have to look too far to find someone.

If you need First Aid, seek out a staff member or volunteer, or go to First Aid Room 3 (located behind the escalators, near the Bullring Bar on Level B1)

IMPORTANT:

MCM Sleep At The 'G is a family friendly event. Please be mindful of children who have joined us this year. All children and young people who are participating in Sleep At The 'G have the right to feel and be safe, respected, valued and protected from harm. We create and maintain a child safe environment. The welfare of children and young people is a top priority and we have zero tolerance for child abuse or any behaviours that threaten the safety and wellbeing of children

Video recording is prohibited during Geraldine Hickey's comedy performance.

In respect of our lived experience panelists, we ask that **no photography or video/audio recording** occurs during this session.



THE POWER OF ENTERTAINMENT.

OUR SPECIAL GUESTS



Welcome to Country

Wurundjeri Elder Aunty Joy Murphy Wandin will welcome everyone, followed by a yidaki (didgeridoo) performance by Ganga Giri.

In 2002 Aunty Joy was awarded the Victorian Aboriginal Women's Award for being involved with Aboriginal Issues for thirty years. In 2006 she was made an officer of the Order of Australia.



Geraldine Quinn

MCM is thrilled to welcome back Geraldine Quinn – a rock comedy icon and a great friend of Sleep At The 'G.

As a singer, writer and director, Geraldine has performed her award-winning pop/rock cabaret shows worldwide for almost two decades. Geraldine is no stranger to television and has appeared on ABC TV's Spicks and Specks, Adam Hills Tonight and Rockwiz.

Now, fresh from the 2024 Melbourne International Comedy Festival and gearing up for the Sydney and Brisbane Comedy Festivals, Geraldine will bring her unique blend of talents to Sleep At The 'G 2024.



Geraldine Hickey

Geraldine's deceptively effortless knack for turning low-key yarns into high-stakes, endlessly funny narrative rollercoasters, means she is one of Australia's most beloved stand-up comedians.

Her 2021 award winning "What a Surprise" was nominated for Best Stand Up Special at the 2022 AACTA Awards. In 2022, Geraldine was selected to perform at the Just For Laughs festival in Montreal.

Geraldine is also a regular on hit TV shows such as The Hundred with Andy Lee, Would I Lie to You Australia and Have You Been Paying Attention.



Phil and Robbo

Phil Ceberano and Russell 'Robbo' Robertson have played music together for over seventeen years at venues, functions and private parties Australia-wide. Always entertaining and ever engaged with their crowd, Phil and Robbo are committed to giving their audience a good time, every time. A must if you want to kick your night up a gear.

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DJ Shimmy Barnes

DJ Shimmy Barnes has been heating up dance floors since her early high school days and has gone on to play at some of Melbourne's most loved venues, events and festivals. You can expect to groove to a nostalgic blend of disco, golden oldies, pop, house, 90s dance hits – and everything in between!



Nick Kay

As one of Australia's best magicians, Nick Kay began his 16-year career at age 23 with nothing but a deck of cards and a passion for enchanting others. Nick's superpower lies in his magic and his ability to make anyone smile. From close-up magic to stage performances, Nick Kay is a true entertainer who blends humour, charisma and spellbinding magic to create unforgettable moments for his audience.



Maddy Weeks

Maddy Weeks (they/them) is a comedian, producer and content creator based in Naarm. They are a rising star on the Australian stand-up scene, performing with some of the biggest names in comedy, such as Hannah Gadsby and Celia Pacquola. Maddy is also an award-winning TV personality - winning a 2023 Antenna Award for their role as host of Channel 31's live-to-air variety show, 'Wait, We're Live!?'



Happy Melon Studios

Happy Melon is a mind and body studio that blends meditation with yoga, fitness and Pilates. The Happy Melon team believes this powerful combination of mental and physical practice is the answer to living a happier, healthier and more fulfilling life.

Happy Melon Studios will run several yoga and meditation sessions during Sleep At The 'G.

THE POWER OF QUESTIONS. HERE ARE THE ANSWERS



The Sleep At The 'G team is here to help.

If your question isn't answered here, or you need support:

Call us on 1800 626 572

Or email events@mcm.org.au

Visit SleepAtTheG.com.au

Can I gain entry by showing you my ticket on my phone?

Yes, you can. You can use your phone or bring a printout of your ticket. You'll need to show your ticket to enter and exit the event during the night while the turnstiles are open.

If you are attending, with your family, please ensure that you present all your family tickets.

What security measures will be in place?

The MCG's venue security provider is SECUREcorp, which has generously supported Sleep At The 'G for several years.

The SECUREcorp brand stands for 'Reliability, Integrity and Results', so we're confident that our sleepers, volunteers and guests are in very good hands.

Your ticket will be scanned upon entry, and all patrons will be subject to security screening before entering the stadium.

Can we bring alcohol, drinks or other liquids into the MCG?

This is an alcohol-free event. No alcohol is permitted in the venue. Glass containers and knives are also prohibited. Security will confiscate these, and you may be refused entry.

You CAN bring with you:

- Non-alcoholic drinks in plastic containers that are sealed and unopened

- An empty re-usable drinking bottle and fill this with water from one of the water stations inside
- Any food you wish to eat during the night (although dinner and breakfast will be provided)

Whether you're arriving on foot or by car, all bags and belongings will be searched. So please ensure you understand the MCG Conditions of Entry before arrival. You can view Conditions of Entry at mcg.org.au/the-stadium/visitor-information/conditions-of-entry

What do we sleep on?

As part of the unique experience of Sleep At The 'G, you will sleep on the concourse (concrete flooring). Therefore, we encourage you to bring your own single-size sleeping, camping or yoga mat to soften the impact.

We will have limited cardboard boxes to sleep on for the night.

Don't forget: Melbourne autumn nights can get frosty! So make sure you pack your bedding!

Will there be power/electricity facilities available?

No power points are available, so you won't be able to plug-in any mobile phone chargers or any other items of technology.

What about phone charging?

Please bring your fully charged phone and a self-sufficient charging source, like a portable power bank.

Will my personal belongings be safe?

This is a public gathering of approximately 1,000 people, so we can't guarantee your stuff is safe if it's unattended. Please take responsibility for your belongings at all times.

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Will there be provisions for special dietary needs at the event?

There will be a vegetarian soup option for dinner and a vegetarian roll for breakfast. If you'd like to see an ingredient list, email events@mcm.org.au.

Beyond this, we encourage you to bring your own meals and snacks if you have special dietary requirements.

Can I take a morning shower?

Unfortunately not. There are no showers available for public use.

Can I get into the MCG playing arena?

We'd love to get the footy out for some fun, but unfortunately, it's not on. This is a serious condition of entry, and any person attempting to access the arena will be swiftly apprehended by security staff, removed from the venue and could face a hefty fine.

If I can't attend for some reason, can I get a refund or transfer my ticket to someone else?

As Sleep At The 'G is MCM's flagship fundraising event, participants are not entitled to refunds of registration fees should their circumstances change and they cannot attend the event. Tickets are not transferrable.

Will there be a Prayer Room?

Yes. The MCG Multi-Faith Prayer Room will be available for use during the evening. It can cater to more than 50 patrons at once and is suitable for people of all faiths, including Christian, Muslim, Jewish and Hindu.

If you'd like to use the room during Sleep At The 'G, please present to MCM staff or security on the night.

Will there be a Quiet Room?

Yes. It's located in Outer Bar, further along from Hugh Trumble Café.

Can I bring my pet?

As much as we love pets, they are not allowed at the event.

However, guide dogs or assistance dogs are allowed.

Is there a place where I can smoke or vape?

The entire MCG external concourse is a smoke-free zone. If you want to smoke, you must exit the venue and walk to the perimeter of the external concourse (just inside Yarra Park). You'll need to show your ticket to exit and obtain a pass out to re-enter. Ask someone from SECUREcorp for assistance.

Can I leave the MCG during the night?

If you want to leave the MCG before the event concludes you are free to do so at any time, however re-entry without a pass out will not be permitted. Guests will depart the MCG via Gate 2. No pass out will be provided to anyone aged 15 to 17 years old, unless accompanied by their parent or legal guardian.

I'm attending with my children (aged 15-17). Is there anything I need to know?

Any children aged 15-17 years must be registered to attend the event and have a ticket. Children will only obtain entry into the event when accompanied by their parent or guardian, who is also registered to attend the event.

For safety, everyone **must** be at least 15 years old on the event day, with a minimum of one guardian for every two youths.

Upon entry, you and your children will receive wristbands that must be worn throughout the event. Family ticket holders, including youths, can sleep in general areas or in a designated Families Only section at the MCG.

If you require any support, please head to the information desk, located at Gate 2 atrium.

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