



XVII AP&ES Games – Pre-Event Frequently Asked Questions

What are the AP&ES Games?

The Australasian Police and Emergency Services Games (AP&ES) originated in 1984. The event is held biennially (every two years) in a different city across Australia and New Zealand. 2018 marks the 17th instalment of the Games.

The event is a week-long multi-sport event for law enforcement and emergency service personnel.

What dates are the Games on?

Sunday 28th October - Saturday 3rd November 2018.

The Games seek to maximise participation by promoting the physical and mental benefits of competition. In addition, the Games will promote a positive sporting, cultural, social and tourism experience for all competitors and accompanying persons.

How many people are competing/coming to Mandurah?

We anticipate 3000 participants and registration numbers are tracking along nicely to meet this target.

An additional 2000 supporters are expected to travel to Mandurah alongside the participants.

Who is eligible to participate in the Games?

The event is open to all serving, retired and registered volunteers of law enforcement and emergency service agencies including:

- Police Officers
- Firefighters
- Paramedics
- Emergency Nurses
- Water Police
- Correctional Officers
- SES and DFES volunteers
- Rangers
- Border Control
- Surf lifesavers

Over 500,000 people are eligible across Australia and New Zealand.

To check your eligibility, please visit www.apandesgames.com.au under the Registrations tab.

Why Mandurah?

The City of Mandurah submitted a bid against the City of Perth for the event, who last hosted the event in 2004. Mandurah was successful in obtaining the hosting rights to the event based on the close proximity of several high-quality sporting facilities to the city centre. Approximately 75% of the sporting events are within a 4km radius of the Mandurah city centre. Participants will have access to a complimentary shuttle bus between 7am – 7pm that will loop between all of the sporting venues.



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What is in it for Mandurah?

The AP&ES Games are a great event for Mandurah to host, with an estimated \$2.5 million injection into the WA economy, with a large majority of that money to be spent in Mandurah.

This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase Mandurah as a tourism destination to both WA and interstate/overseas visitors. MAPTO and Tourism WA are both heavily involved in the promotion of the event.

The Games provide a unique opportunity to build and strengthen the relationships between members of our community and our emergency service personnel.

The Games are a great way to show off our sporting facilities and our ability to deliver all sorts of sporting events – we are hoping to attract more events of a similar calibre and secure Mandurah as a sports tourism destination.

The event is an opportunity for Mandurah local businesses to maximise their revenue during a shoulder season. Our aim is to fully activate the city during the week of the Games.

Is the City of Mandurah running the event?

The City of Mandurah is the major sponsor of the AP&ES Games.

The event is owned by the Australia New Zealand Police Games Federation.

The event is hosted by the WA Police Sports Federation.

The Games are managed by a Games Management Team from within WA Police.

Each sport has its own coordinator who has volunteered their time to run that particular sport.

What is that giant clock on the Eastern Foreshore?

As the AP&ES Games will be the longest-running and largest sporting event to come to Mandurah, we need to ensure all members of the community are aware that it is on. The clock highlights both some of the larger agencies that are eligible as well as some of the sports on offer. The countdown clock also marks the point where the Opening Ceremony athletes march will begin, as well as the start of the marathon later in the week.

How can I volunteer at the event and what volunteering roles are on offer?

The event cannot be delivered successfully without over 100 volunteers. To volunteer at the event, please visit www.apandesgames.com.au and refer to the Information tab.

With many positions still available, roles include:

- Distributing water and hydration sachets for event sponsor Aqualyte
- Assisting with processing participant registrations
- Course marshalling for various events such as cycling and marathon/half-marathon
- Re-theming and tidying the social hub

What do I get as a volunteer?

You will receive an event uniform, merchandise as well as a meal provided for all sessions four hours or longer in length.

What sports will be played in Mandurah?

AFL 9's Angling (Salt Water) Aquathon Badminton Basketball Cricket – Indoor Cricket – T20 Cross Fit Cue Sports (Pool) Cycling – Criterium Darts	Fast 5 Netball Firefighter Race Fire Truck Pull Golf Half and Quarter Marathon Hockey Jui Jitsu Lawn Bowls Netball	Ocean Surfski Race Rowing – Indoor Rugby 7's Shooting – Pistol Soccer Soccer – Indoor Softball Squash & Racquetball Stand Up Paddle Boarding Surf Lifesaving	Surfing Swimming – Open Water Swimming – Pool Table Tennis Tennis Touch Rugby Track & Field Triathlon Volleyball – Beach Water Polo
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Do I have to be really good at the sport to play?

The Games are focused on participation and comradery across the agencies. If you have an interest in participating (and are eligible to do so), you are encouraged to register and have a go.

How can my business benefit from the Games?

We encourage all local businesses to take part in our Event Passport. All athletes receive a registration pack when they arrive into Mandurah. This contains a booklet called the Event Passport. Alongside important information, the Passport will showcase special offers and discounts from local businesses. These offers can be redeemed by participants by showing their accreditation at that business. Participating businesses will receive signage to indicate that they are involved with the event.

To submit an offer or for more information, please contact jess.wright@mandurah.wa.gov.au
Offers must be received by 31 August 2018.

The City of Mandurah is also working with local businesses to pursue innovative ideas and unique trading opportunities during this week. Please email any ideas through to Jess Wright for discussion.

How can my school be involved?

High Schools

We are hosting a careers expo for high school students on Friday 2 November at Hall Park on the Western Foreshore. Please contact Rachel Bell from WA Police on (08) 9222 1564 for further information.

Primary Schools

We have an art project for primary school aged children to participate in. Please contact jess.wright@mandurah.wa.gov.au for more information

If your school is interested in bringing students to watch a particular sport, or to discuss other ideas, please email Jess Wright, as above.

Where can I get more information and stay up to date with the event?

Please see www.mandurah.wa.gov.au/apesgames

Alternatively, please call Recreation Services on (08) 9550 3601.