

# WA State Rally Geraldton

## 4-6 April 2025

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**Welcome to all ACCWA Clubs and other State Association travellers.**

**You are very welcome to join ACCWA in Geraldton 2025.**

Add this destination to your Club Rally list for 2025 and plan a roving rally, make it a trip to remember. Hoping to have registrations organised for around September, more information coming soon. Some information below regarding local attractions.

## Local Attractions

### Horizon

A stunning piece of public art, check out the giant crystal ball at the beach near Beresford Foreshore. Filled with water, it spins everything on its head but in the most beautiful way. Horizon is a 1.5m sphere of clear 40mm acrylic with 1800 litres of water inside, which is why everything looks upside down.



### HMAS Sydney II Memorial

The loss of HMAS Sydney (II) is Australia's greatest naval tragedy. It's disappearance in 1941 without a trace left a legacy of uncertainty for decades. On 19<sup>th</sup> November 1941, HMAS Sydney, a light cruiser of the Royal Australian Navy with an impressive record of war service was lost following a battle with the German raider HSK Kormoran in the Indian ocean off the coast of Western Australia. On 16<sup>th</sup> March 2008 a small group of Australian volunteers discovered the Sydney shortly after locating the Kormoran wreck, around 100 nautical miles off the coast of WA. Soon after the ships were found an inquiry was launched that found it was an error of judgement that brought about the demise. The enquiry helps bring closure to the families who never knew for sure how their loved ones died.

### Houtman Abrolhos Islands

The Islands lie about 60 kilometres west of Geraldton, on the Western Australian coast, and consist of 122 islands clustered into three main groups: the Wallabi Group, Easter Group and Pelsaert Group, which extend from north to south across 100 kilometres of ocean.

Often described as the Galapagos Islands of the Indian Ocean, there are few places in Australia with more biodiversity.

Nature enthusiasts flock to the Abrolhos Islands for the fishing, bird watching, snorkelling, and diving opportunities.

**How to get there?** More information will be provided once we can confirm prices.



### Planning

With confirmation received from City of Greater Geraldton, Brigades Football Club, we continue to make progress towards a fun memorable State Rally. We look forward to seeing you there – 11 months away!

The ACCWA Website ACCWA.ASN.AU is being updated to include all information.

Your ACCWA Committee – supporting our members.

