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Since 1934, Western Australian Rovers have taken a major part in celebrations in Western Australia by holding a vigil around the State War Memorial at Kings Park. Rover Crews perform half hour shifts "guarding" the memorial from 6.00 pm on 24 April until 6.00 am, when they form part of the Honour Guard for the annual ANZAC Day Dawn Service commences.

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