Every Ribbon. Every Conversation. #EveryVoice.

National Survivors' Day

10th Nov 2026

Recognising & commemorating the courage and journeys of Survivors of Sexual Assault and Institutional Abuse, their Supporters, and whistle-blowers across Australia.

What is National Survivors' Day?

Held each November, the week after Melbourne Cup, National Survivors' Day recognises and commemorates the courage and journeys of survivors of sexual assault and institutional abuse, along with their supporters and the whistle-blowers who spoke up.

Its multicoloured ribbons carry the spirit of the LOUD Fence, which began here in Ballarat in 2015, when ribbons were tied to church and school fences so that survivors would no longer have to carry their stories in silence.



How we can acknowledge this week

1 Wear a ribbon

Pin on multicoloured ribbons and wear them across the week.

2 Tie a ribbon

On a school, parish or front fence, a gate or a letterbox, somewhere it will be seen.

3 Make space to pause

Hold a moment of reflection or prayer at a staff briefing, assembly or Mass.

4 Join the conversation

Share #NationalSurvivorsDay and #EveryVoice, and find more at nationalsurvivorsday.org.au

If this day stirs something for you, support is here

Blue Knot Helpline
1300 657 380 Every day, 9am–5pm AEDT

1800RESPECT
1800 737 732 24 hours, 7 days

National Survivors Foundation (casework)
1300 12 44 33 Monday to Friday

Lifeline
13 11 14 24 hours, 7 days