

24 March 2021

Dear RSL NSW sub-Branch Executives and Members,

ANZAC Day 2021 is fast approaching, and we encourage you to plan with your Council and Police Area Command for any local ANZAC Day commemorations. Please take on board any feedback they provide, including suggestions for possible alternative arrangements for Dawn Services, Marches, or any other commemoration.

We are pleased to advise that the NSW Government and its key agencies have been working with RSL NSW to increase the participation at 2021 ANZAC Day commemorations across NSW.

As of Monday 29 March 2021, the Public Health (COVID-19 Restrictions on Gathering and Movement) Order 2021 (the Public Health Order) will allow outdoor events with a COVID-19 safety plan to have up to 5,000 persons across the state. This will include ANZAC Day marches and services.

It is important to note the below conditions:

- There must be a nominated organiser for each outdoor ANZAC Day March or Service
- The nominated organiser must develop and comply with a COVID-19 safety plan
- Each person participating must provide their name, telephone number or email address to the nominated organiser.

An exemption under the Public Health Order has been granted for the Sydney CBD March which will allow no more than one person per 2 square metres of space – with a maximum of 10,000 persons.

Please note spectators are not included in the maximum numbers specified above.

Given the constantly changing nature of the COVID-19 pandemic, this advice is based on the current Public Health Order and exemptions. Your events may need to altered or be cancelled at any time should the environment change.

To assist you in preparing for ANZAC Day, RSL NSW has created a list of helpful information, which is available on the <u>website</u>.

Please contact RSL NSW Member Support team on 1300 679 775 if you require any assistance.

Thank you for supporting our veterans to commemorate this important day.

Yours sincerely,

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