

**The Returned & Services League of Australia
(New South Wales Branch)**

**Notice of 2022 Annual Congress &
Annual General Meeting**



“The Price of Liberty is Eternal Vigilance”

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Agenda

The Annual Congress and Annual General Meeting will be held at Newcastle Convention and Exhibition Centre (NEX), 309 King Street Newcastle, over two days on Monday, 31 October and Tuesday, 1 November 2022 in-person and via remote access, commencing at 9.30am.

DAY 1 - ANNUAL CONGRESS

Welcome

Acknowledgment of Country
Pledge of Allegiance

Act of Remembrance

Wreath laying ceremony
The Ode
Last Post
Minute's Silence
Rouse
Australian National Anthem

National President Address

TBC

Patron's Address and Awards

Her Excellency The Governor of New South
Wales

Break

Strategic Plan Update

Jon Black CEO & Jonathan Childs PM

State President's Shield

Ray James OAM, President

Lunch

Board Report

Sophie Ray, Chair RSL NSW Board

ACNC

Deborah Jenkins, Acting Commissioner ACNC

District Presidents' Council

Derek Leslie, Chair DPC

Break

Young Veterans Committee

Sarah Watson, Chair Young Veterans
Committee

RSL LifeCare Veteran Services

David Anderson, EGM Veteran Services

Close

DAY 2 – ANNUAL CONGRESS / AGM

Welcome

Chief of the Defence Force

General Angus Campbell AO, DSC

Catalogue of Services

Launch of the RSL Catalogue of Services

DVA Secretary's Forum

Elizabeth Cosson AM, CSC

Royal Commission Update

TBC

Break

ANZAC House Q and A

Jon Black, CEO and Leadership Team

Annual General Meeting 2022

Chair, Ray James OAM, GAICD, JP

President's Report

Ray James OAM, GAICD, JP

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Nicole Hasrouni and PKF Auditors

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Notice of Annual Congress & Annual General Meeting

Pursuant to Clause 8.11 of the RSL NSW Constitution, the Board gives notice that the Annual Congress and Annual General Meeting of The Returned & Services League of Australia (New South Wales Branch) will be held at Newcastle Convention and Exhibition Centre (NEX), 309 King Street Newcastle, over two days on Monday, 31 October and Tuesday, 1 November 2022 both in-person and via remote access.

There are a number of items of business for consideration by Delegates. These include the approval of proposed amendments to the RSL NSW Constitution, motions submitted by sub-Branches and District Councils and the adoption of the financial statements and reports for the year ended 30 June 2022.

The Returning Officer appointed for the Annual General Meeting is Mr Jeff O'Brien, State Secretary.

For the purpose of Appendix B, clause 7(e) of the RSL NSW Constitution, Delegates have the right to appoint a proxy to vote on their behalf. A Delegate eligible but unable to attend the Annual General Meeting, for any reason, may appoint either the AGM Chair, an RSL NSW Director or their sub-Branch District Council Delegate as a proxy to vote on their behalf. The closing date for the appointment of proxies is Monday 24 October 2022. The Constitution requires a proxy appointment form to be submitted to the Returning Officer, Jeff O'Brien. Proxy appointment forms are available on the RSL NSW website: rslnsw.org.au/members-suite/congress/.

Items of Business

1. To consider and, if thought fit, to pass the proposed resolutions set out in Annexure A to the Notice of Meeting; and
2. To receive and consider the Financial Statements of RSL NSW and the reports of the Board and the Auditors in respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2022 set out in the Annual Report at Annexure B to the Notice of Meeting.