



ANZAC Day Update No.2

This update is to remind Units and Associations, Band and sub-Branch members of the criteria for participating in the Sydney ANZAC Day March and provide some general guidelines. **It is important that this information is disseminated as widely as possible.**

We ask that people keep an eye on the RSL NSW website at rslnsw.org.au

Eligibility

There are three ways by which an individual can participate in the March: (i) as an Australian veteran, (ii) as the descendant of an Australian veteran (iii) as a veteran or descendant of a Commonwealth or Allied force.

i. as an Australian veteran;

Veteran eligibility to march is based on anyone who has served in the Australian Defence Force. Veterans should assemble with one of the service units of which they were/are a member. The choice of where to march is a personal one however, it is recommended that those who served together should march together as an act of remembrance and mateship.

ii. as the descendant of an Australian veteran;

A descendant of a veteran can march with veterans as a carer (one per veteran marching), banner party or flag carrier, regardless of whether they have served in the ADF or not. All other descendants should march with the descendants associations in a place of prominence in front of the Allies contingent. One descendant of a deceased veteran may honour their relative's service in the March and may wear his/her **medals on their right breast.**

iii. as a veteran or descendant of a Commonwealth or Allied force;

Veterans should be clearly identifiable by their campaign medals and should be at the head of each national group. No medals or awards earned whilst a nation was in conflict with Australia or the Commonwealth shall be worn in the March. Dress should reflect the occasion i.e. traditional/national costume or dress (including headdress) is not appropriate. Displays of foreign national flags are restricted to one per group. No flag of a nation that was used when that nation was in conflict with the Commonwealth or Australia is permitted to be displayed. Display of historical flags or ensigns of countries that no longer exist is inappropriate. Banners are restricted to one per group and are not to contain any political slogans. The display of photos or other memorabilia is not permitted.

Act of Remembrance

The Act of Remembrance will be observed as units pass the Anzac Memorial on Elizabeth Street. A marshal will be positioned in the correct area in order to assist unit leaders with giving the eyes left command.

At this command, veterans in civilian dress are to remove their hats, place their right hand over service medals and keep in that position until the unit is clear of the Memorial, when the reverse is to be followed.

Heads are to be turned towards the Memorial when passing it. Banners and Flags are to be dipped. Defence Force formations are to salute the Memorial as they pass it.

Dispersal Point

Formations are to be dismissed under the direction of Dispersal Marshals in Liverpool Street, east of Elizabeth Street. Dismissal is to be kept brief and formation commanders are requested to refrain from taking salutes etc as it is essential that the roadway not be blocked for those following close behind. Once dismissed, veterans can then proceed to the Commemoration Service at the Anzac Memorial.

Current Serving Units are to disperse right into Liverpool Street, please follow directions of the Dispersal Marshals.

All bands will wheel right into Liverpool Street when they have completed the March. If a band is continuing onto its next circuit of the March they should wheel right into Liverpool Street, right again into Castlereagh Street and proceed north to the band chute at Elizabeth Street.

For anyone wishing to head across to the west side of the city once they have been dispersed, please use Nithsdale Street (off Liverpool Street) down to Goulburn Street and then head west. This will allow a less congested route for you away from fellow participants being dispersed.

Banner Carriers

If your Association or Unit requires a carrier for your banner, please advise ANZAC House in writing to Events@rslnsw.org.au by Wednesday 3 April 2019. In your request please advise the following:

- Name of your Association or Unit
- How many people are required to carry your banner
- Form up location (including map reference number) – March Map can be found [here](#)

Participant Meeting

Reminder that a meeting of participants will be held on **Tuesday 26 March 2019, 10.30am at ANZAC House** (Level 5, 341 George Street Sydney, entrance is through Westpac Bank building off Wynyard Street).

Places are still available. We kindly request that only one person per unit or band attends. Please RSVP by sending the name of the person attending, unit or band name and contact phone number to: Events@rslnsw.org.au

Order of March & Map

The Order of March and Map can be found on the RSL NSW website:

- [March Map](#)
- [Order of March \(updated\)](#)
- [RAAF Order of March \(NEW\)](#)

An Order of Bands is being completed and will be available on the website.

The March map and more details will be provided in the next edition of Reveille due out soon.

ANZAC Day website and information

Reminder that information for ANZAC Day 2019 has been updated on the RSL NSW website. Please head to rslnsw.org.au to find all the information you need for the day.

ANZAC House

Should you have any questions in relation to ANZAC Day, this update or information provided on the website, please get in touch with ANZAC House on the below details:

- Phone: 1300 679 775
- Email: support@rslnsw.org.au
- In person: Level 5, 341 George Street, Sydney (entrance is through Westpac Bank building off Wynyard Street)