# ORDERS & INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE NATIONAL ANZAC DAY MARCH 25 APRIL 2022

#### Introduction

The RSL-A ACT Branch is honoured to conduct a National ANZAC Day March on 25th April 2022 in conjunction with the AWM. Unfortunately, due to the construction taking place at the AWM the usual parade ground is not available for this event. As a result, an alternative Forming Up Point (FUP) has been approved for this year.

## **Background**

RSL-A ACT Branch has approvals for the Branch to organise and co-ordinate the Ex-Service Organisations (ESO) who have registered with the Branch to conduct the March. On 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022, the (ESO) who have registered to participate in the National ANZAC Day March will be accorded the opportunity to parade with their Banners and contingent members from the (FUP) located on Limestone Avenue onto the Western Courtyard grounds of the AWM.

#### Aim

The permits and approvals to hold this event are subject to actions that ensure the event is conducted in a health safe and compliant manner required by the authorities who have issued the permits and approvals to hold this event.

The aim of these Orders and Instructions are to provide participating ESO with the necessary information so that attendees are aware of their obligations and responsibilities.

# **Covid -19 Requirements**

The permit holder is to comply with all current COVID-19 restrictions placed on social gatherings that are applied in the ACT, for more information visit <a href="https://www.covid19.act.gov.au">www.covid19.act.gov.au</a>

All attendees to the March are required to comply with the above direction and consider the following directions and advice received from the ACT Department of Health:

• Do **NOT** attend the March if you are:

Unwell or experiencing symptoms of Covid-1.
Waiting for the result of a PCR test.
Required to quarantine or isolate in the ACT or by another jurisdiction.

• All attendees to the March are reminded of the following Covid-19 smart behaviours that the RSL-A ACT Branch will expect while participating in the March:

Please be aware of the physical distancing requirement and maintain the 1.5m rule. Please bring your own hand sanitation, although a limited supply will be available for use at the Registration Desk and at the toilets.

The wearing of masks is a requirement when using public transport which includes taxis, Uber and other ride share facilities.

Whilst in the FUP it is strongly advised attendees wear a mask which can be removed once the March begins.

Attendees are reminded to download the Check in CBR app prior to attending, noting that you will be required to check in at the Registration Desk.

## **ESO** Registration

The March ESO Registration desk is located at the ANZAC Parade end of Limestone Avenue adjacent to the Hellenic Memorial. Each ESO must register their attendance providing name, contact phone number and email address. Each ESO will be provided with space number prior to the event for them to assemble their members and banner. Marshals are available to provide assistance as required.

Contingents are required to line up five abreast behind their Banner.

## **Timings**

ESO assemble at the FUP: 0830 hours

Step Off: 0930 hours Finish: 1030 hours

#### Route

Contingents will follow the route shown on the attached route map. Please note the route into the AWM access road becomes an incline to a steep gradient. Whilst the Branch has Public Liability insurance to cover this event, this March is not suitable for any veteran who has a health condition which causes breathing or mobility difficulties from participating in this March. The Branch strongly suggests these veterans use the vehicles provided. Please note this route is not recommended for those in wheelchairs and those who would normally assist them.

# **General Information**

- Toilets are placed at intervals along Limestone Avenue.
- Attendees are required to provide their own water.
- First Aid can be provided however serious issues will be dealt with by ACT Ambulance Service.
- Please manage the distancing required by the Covid-19 regulations.

## **Participants Responsibilities**

The following actions are required of participants:

- The Marshals will direct the Banner Bearers to their staging point. This will be the focal point for your members marching behind the Banner to assemble.
- Participants are required to remain in their allotted area and maintain social distancing.
- The Marshals will direct each Banner Party when to move off. Please follow their directions, and once on the AWM those direction given by AWM staff.
- Mobile phones must be switched to silent or switched off to maintain the dignity for this occasion.

# **Vehicles**

There are Land Rovers available to allow those veterans unable to march due to health factors. It would be appreciated if Contingent Commanders could advise the Branch of those who require this service.

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