



Affiliate membership was introduced to allow family members of serving and ex-serving members of the defence force, and others who want to be part of an organisation which supports the ideals of camaraderie, loyalty and selflessness. The annual membership fee of \$30 includes *Reveille*, the official magazine of the Returned and Services League of Australia New South Wales Branch (RSL NSW). For more information on how you can become an Affiliate Member please contact the Membership Department on (02) 9264 8188 or email [admin@rslnsw.org.au](mailto:admin@rslnsw.org.au)

**Note: No sub-Branch is compelled to admit Affiliate Members**

### **What the Badge Represents**

The Affiliate badge includes 3 colours, red, white and blue and was designed by Mr Eric Smith, a past President of the South Australian Branch of the RSL. The symbolism of the colours is the same as that of the Service members' badge:

The red represents the blood tie of war upon which the Returned and Services League was originally founded;

The white stands for the purity of your motive in joining the League – to render service without thought of personal gain or ambition;

The blue indicates your willingness to render that service to a comrade anywhere under the blue sky – wherever that comrade may be.

The crown at the top of the badge symbolises the League's loyalty to the Queen of Australia.

At the heart of the badge is a Tri-Service emblem representing the Army, Navy and Air Force and the link between Affiliate members, the RSL and our Armed Forces. The placement of this symbol at the centre of the badge is representative of the fact that at the heart of Affiliate membership is a commitment to honour those who have served our nation in war and peace through their enlistment in Australia's Armed Forces.

The badge is a statement of your membership of the New South Wales Branch of the Returned and Services League of Australia, and should be worn with pride. It declares your commitment to render service at all times to your country, your comrades and the League. It joins you with a time honoured organisation that was founded by the most revered in our land and it is a privilege to wear this symbol of unity with the legend of ANZAC.

We ask that you look upon your badge as an inspiration to good citizenship, cherishing it as a symbol of all that is best in our national life. That you wear it with pride and honour all that it stands for.



## Previous Membership

Previous membership (tick one) No:  Yes:  Date previously joined: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
(if applicable)

Badge Number of previous Membership: (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

State and sub-Branch of previous Membership: (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

## Declaration

- I DECLARE: \*  
(i) I am an Australian citizen and am prepared to swear/affirm loyalty to the sovereign of the Commonwealth and will uphold the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia.  
(ii) I am not an Australian citizen and am prepared to swear/affirm loyalty to the sovereign of the Commonwealth and will uphold the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia.  
(iii) I am not an Australian citizen and request exemption from making the declaration of loyalty under the provisions of By-Law 2-2, items 3 and 4 of the Constitution.

(\*Delete the declaration that is not applicable to you)

- (iv) I have never been found guilty of an indictable offence.  
(v) I will abide by the Constitution of the League, and its By-Laws, and I will abide by and promote its Standing Policy and be bound by the Rules and By-Laws of the above sub-Branch.  
(vi) I have read and understood the Privacy Statement and consent to my personal information being used and disclosed by the RSL in accordance with the Privacy Statement.  
(vii) That the information contained on this application is true and correct.

(if you do not sign this consent we will be unable to process your application)

✕ Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

## Sub-Branch Administration

1. The applicant is eighteen years of age or older. Yes
2. Eligibility Confirmed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
Checked by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_
3. Date of consideration of applicant by sub-Branch Committee Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_
4. Date of sub-Branch Meeting at which applicant was elected to provisional Membership Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_
- Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ sub-Branch Secretary Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

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