Anzac Day commemorations in 2020

Queenslanders are proud of our servicemen and women, both past and present, and are strong supporters of Anzac Day as an important opportunity to recognise their service and sacrifice.

We are encouraged to commemorate Anzac Day from home this year to support our vital response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

While beloved traditions such as dawn services and marches will sadly not proceed, many different commemorative opportunities have been developed for you and your loved ones to show your respects, while staying safe at home.

How to commemorate from home on Anzac Day, Saturday 25 April 2020

- Tune in to a private, nationally televised Anzac Day commemorative service from the Australian War Memorial, airing from 5am on ABC Television with a pre-service presentation before the service commences at 5.30am.

- Participate in the Light up the Dawn initiative organised by the Returned and Services League Queensland. At 6am, join other Queenslanders in lighting a candle while standing in your driveway, balcony or living room. Visit https://rslqld.org/News/Latest-News/Light-up-the-Dawn to get involved.

- Participate in the Music for Mateship initiative. Musicians across the country will play the Last Post from their driveways, just prior to the one-minute silence at 6am, and then end proceedings with the Rouse. Visit https://musicformateship.org/ for more information, including sheet music.

- Access the State Library of Queensland’s Anzac Stories content for voice assistants (details available at www.anzacsquare.qld.gov.au) to:
  - listen as Queensland war veterans share their stories
  - hear a recording of the Last Post
  - participate in the one-minute silence
  - request for a poppy to be placed on your behalf in the Anzac Memorial Gallery in Anzac Square.

- Take time to reflect on what Anzac Day means to you. In addition to the one-minute silence, consider calling a friend or family member who has served, visiting the Australian War Memorial online, or even watching a documentary to increase your knowledge.

Thank you for your continued support of Anzac Day.

Lest we forget.