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Spit polish the boots, clean the medals, dust the beret, don the suit and find the yellow and black dress tie. Former RAN Junior Recruit 'Tingira Boys' are now preparing to parade for the national Anzac Day March, Sunday 25 April.

Seven weeks out from Anzac Day and the event status is not the normal after the Covid virus outbreak of 2020.

The National RSL initiative 'Driveway Dawn Services' was well represented nationally last year at such short notice. Conducted with pride and distinction by many service and ex-service members across the nation, it was a fitting tribute at the home front. There were many great images and reports with street and community households at 6am on that Anzac Day morning.

**2021** - The annual Anzac Day march is a rather confusing image across the nation.

Cities such as **Cairns, Brisbane, Canberra** and **Perth** have all made way for the Tingira Boys to parade their banner and march behind the Tingira flag, however several other States are still yet to decide to allow any form of Anzac march, let alone allow a small 'Mob' to march without banners and shipmates beside them.

The 'Aims and Objects' of the Tingira Australia Association are to 'unite and rekindle' the friendships of shipmates from over the past sixty years and to remain 'A political' association, we are guided by such principles on this occasion.

From his Bundaberg bunker in Queensland, National Tingira President, Lance Ker, made the following recent observations:

*"We will be watching carefully what develops in the 'corridors of power' amongst the Statewide RSL and State government agencies over the following weeks.*

*"We feel that the RSL's preference for the Sydney march to be limited to, 500 members from the three services via a lucky dip ballot; and with no crowds to line the route is not an option. With no onlookers to provide recognition of their service and with so few members allowed to march it is our estimation that very few if any members will attend.*

*"Fact - Football codes and other community groups have had thousands attend events in past months, some with and without authorization, all of which feel discriminated against.*

*"Watch this space is our message to our Tingira members, let's hope the ghost of 'common sense' can appear from the hallways of power.*

Tingira Australia Association will produce the annual Anzac Day Guide on 1st April with details nationally for the Tingira Boys to form up, the marching route to be followed and where to unite with shipmates for the traditional afternoon Anzac reunion.

Tingira President, Lance Ker, will be in Sydney for the Tingira Annual General Meeting and hopefully looks forward to leading the Tingira Boys down the new George Street on this occasion. New banner, large flag, shinny boots, polished medals and their famous Tingira navy berets, that's the easy part!

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**NATIONAL ANZAC DAY GUIDE**

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Sunday 25 April 2021

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