

Dear Presidents, Secretaries and RSL members,

Via a State Executive Communique issued on the 12 October 2021, our President, Dr Robert Webster advised the network that we were establishing an Electoral Reform Advisory Group (ERAG).

Part of the reason for the creation of this group is to look at how we do things within the context of State Annual Conference elections. Whilst the systems and methods we've used in the past have served the League and the Membership well, many are no longer best practice. We must ensure that our League remains the Ex-Service Organisation of choice for Victorian Veterans and their families. We must ensure that our League remains beyond reproach with regard to its integrity and governance, so that our elected leaders can advocate freely and without prejudice on behalf of all its Members. To achieve this, we need to continue to improve our processes and ensure we are fit for purpose now and into the future.

To this end, please find attached an information package that the ERAG have created regarding proposed electoral changes.

What we're asking of you is to take the time to read this and the attached documents:

- ERAG Proposal PowerPoint;
- One Veteran One Vote model analysis;
- Hybrid Voting System model analysis, and;
- Current Voting System model analysis.

...and think about their contents. Whether you're a Sub-Branch President or only joined the league last week, we need your help in providing feedback and suggestions on these proposals. We're seeking the opinions of all members of RSL Victoria, from top to bottom, including individuals, committees, regions or any other group.

We know the immense amount of experience and knowledge that exists in the league, and we want to harness that because we recognise that our greatest strength is our members.

Any and all feedback can be sent to <u>ERAG@RSLVIC.com.au</u> and we ask that it be provided between now and the 28 February 2022. This will give ERAG time to consider these proposals both individually and also at a Sub-Branch level in the new year.



For secretaries, we ask that the information package and this letter be sent to your members so they can be involved.

We need your help...

Yours in service,

Glen Ferrarotto



State Executive member

President Montmorency Eltham RSL sub-branch

On behalf of

Ash Power, President Wangaratta RSL sub-branch
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Mackenzie Craig, President Nathalia-Picola RSL sub-branch
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