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Forthcoming Anniversaries

8 June 1941: 7 Div and British forces attack Vichy French during the allied Syrian campaign

8 June 1945: 19 Fd Amb and 31/51 Bn engage Japanese forces at Porton Plantation, New Guinea. Australian troops land on Bonis Peninsula, Bougainville

10 June 1917: Pte John Carroll, 33 Bn, awarded the VC for his actions at St Ives, France

10 June 1945: 9 Div lands at Brunei Bay, Labuan and Muar Islands, Borneo

12 June 1901: Victorians trapped in surprise attack at Wilmansrust, South Africa

13 June 1941: Australians involved in Battle for Jezzine, Syria

15 June 1901: Sgt James Rogers, South African Constabulary, awarded the VC for his actions at Thaba'Nchu, Orange Free State

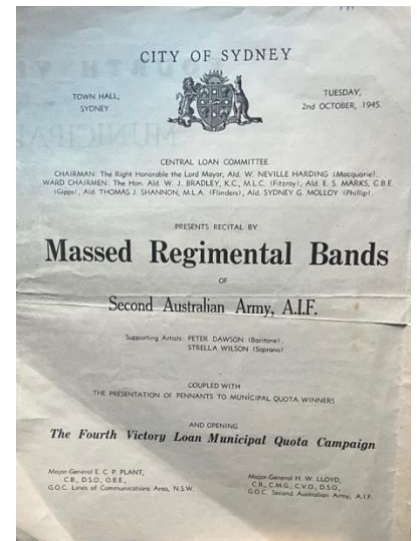


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Victory Loans – Second World War

This is a program for a performance by the massed regimental bands of the Second Australian Army, AIF in Sydney in October 1945. The Second Army was raised in April 1942 from the existing HQ Home Forces the formation remained in Australia throughout the war and was responsible for commanding forces in the Australian eastern states. Its commander was Major General Herbert Lloyd.

The purpose of the performance was to encourage the Fourth Victory Loan even though the war had ended. During the Second World War, the Australian government raised £903 million through 12 major public loan campaigns, including four Victory Loans. Promoted through patriotic rallies, posters, and the Reserve Bank of Australia, the drives helped fund the war effort and control inflation by urging citizens to buy war bonds.



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Defence

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Army

Army Apache fleet reaches six: [\(M\)Contact](#)

Navy

Why Japan's new warship has no funnel! Mogami-Class stealth: [\(F\)JingaShips](#)

Cutting-edge underwater tech for AUKUS forces to be developed through landmark partnership: [\(M\)Gov.uk](#)

Royal Australian Navy News in Brief 1 June 2026: [\(M\)AsiaPacificDefenceReporter](#)

AUKUS Pillar Two lunges for an operational capability – underwater: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

New Zealand

RNZN USVs complete major patrol missions: [\(M\)Contact](#)

Japan's *Mogami* vs UK Type 31: The frigate battle for New Zealand: [\(F\)MGGGeopolitics](#)

Indonesia

Managing mediocrity: Indonesia's defence-partnership portfolio: [\(M\)IISS](#)

Indo Pacific

Hegseth praises Indo-Pacific nations for improving defense capabilities, pragmatism: [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

Sorry, Mr Carney. At Shangri-la, Indo-Pacific countries backed the rules-based order: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

UK

Inside HMS *Duncan* - Royal Navy warship faces Russian standoff & ISIS threats: [\(F\)BattlefieldsofHistory](#)

Royal Navy ship delivers cargo for Strait of Hormuz mine-clearance ops: [\(M\)DefensePost](#)

UK running out of time to boost defense as investment plan stalls, military chief warns: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

NATO & EU

Norway becomes ninth country to sign up for French nuclear deterrence as trust in US falters: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

US

Recommended: Why the US military just changed Australia's position in its war plans: [\(F\)MGGGeopolitics](#)

How far is there to go until the US and Iran end the war? [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

The US is delaying weapon sales to allies. Will there be long-term impact? [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

Middle East

US forces fire Hellfire missile to disable ship trying to break its blockade: [\(M\)TaskandPurpose](#)

Ukraine

House passes Ukraine aid bill with new sanctions for Russia: [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

China & Taiwan

China's expanding frontiers: views in *The Strategist*: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

New large Chinese submarine with unique feature just caught on satellite imagery: [\(M\)WarZone](#)

Military History

N.Z. squadrons strike from Bougainville: [\(F\)BritishPathe](#)

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