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Forthcoming Anniversaries

31 May 1918: Gen John Monash succeeds Gen William Birdwood as GOC Australian Corps
1 June 1966: 5 RAR arrives in Vietnam via HMAS Sydney
2 June 1890: Major General Alexander Bruce Tulloch founds the United Service Institution of Victoria
2 June 1944: Australian troops land on Karkar Island, New Guinea
2 June 1967: 2 RAR arrives in Vietnam
3 June 1942: Battle of Midway begins
4 June 1900: Victorians and Western Australians heavily engaged in a conflict at Six Mile Spruit, South Africa
5 June 1919: 250 Australians land at the Port of Archangel, north Russia, with the British North Russia Relief Force
5 June 1941: Cyprus reinforced by Australian soldiers
6 June 1944: Allies land in Normandy. D Day
6 June 1969: 5 RAR in Battle of Binh Ba, Vietnam
7 June 1917: Australians in Battle of Messines. Capt Robert Grieve, 37 Battalion, awarded the VC for his actions nearby

RUSIV Defence Update

Celebrating our 132nd Year

A weekly e-newsletter relating to our security & defence

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Sheet Music



[Eric Campbell](#) (1893-1970) was a solicitor and leader of the right-wing paramilitary group the New Guard. In January 1932 Campbell stated that Lang would never open the Sydney Harbour Bridge and referred to him as a tyrant and scoundrel. Hence this satirical song in sheet music form

The song was considered very risqué at the time of release. The [lyrics](#) (you can play the song through the National Sound Archive) refer to the opening of the Sydney Harbour Bridge and the political controversy between Colonel Campbell and NSW Premier Jack Lang. Captain Francis de Groot, who rode up on a horse and slashed the

official opening ribbon for the bridge was a member of the New Guard.

Len Maurice and Jack Lumsdaine who sung the song used the pseudonyms Quip and Quirk. When sold in stores it was from 'under the counter'.

Lyrics include 'Oh Colonel Campbell, why don't you scramble your precious gang? They have been a source of worry since we opened up the bridge, and the way they cut that ribbon was a downright sacrilege!

Key to internet references: (M) – magazine or website; (N) - newspaper; (F) – film clip; (P) - podcast

Defence

Australia's reset with China has already happened: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)
New government can deliver what Australia needs to defend itself in a dangerous decade: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#).
US clears Australia to buy HIMARS: [\(M\)Contact](#)

Navy

HMAS *Parramatta* departs Sydney for a regional presence deployment: [\(F\)Navy](#)
New generation Remotely Operated Vehicles are being demonstrated at exercise Autonomous Warrior 22: [\(F\)Defence](#)
Navy Indigenous youth graduate at HMAS *Cairns*: [\(F\)RAN](#)

Army

Operational Training Facility expansion plans: [\(F\)Defence](#)

A message from the Chief of Army: [\(F\)Army](#)

Helicopters arrive at Charters Towers for Exercise Vigilant Scimitar: [\(F\)Defence](#)

9th Regiment deploy the Lightweight Multi-Mode Radar: [\(F\)Defence](#)

Air Force

Australians bring Wedgetail to Black Flag test as US preps for AWACS replacement: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

Air Force Band | Top Gun Anthem: [\(F\)RAAF](#)

Share Your Heritage | Series introduction by Air Marshal Mel Hupfeld, AO, DSC, Chief of Air Force: [\(F\)RAAF](#)

New Zealand

Royal New Zealand Navy: science in the Southern Ocean: [\(F\)NZDF](#)

New Zealand to train Ukrainians on L119 howitzer: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

Solomon Islands

HMAS *Ararat*'s crew rescues Solomon Islands police: [\(M\)Contact](#)

Canada

A Canadian Indo-Pacific strategy must link aspiration to pragmatism: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

US

US Army signs deal to backfill Stingers sent to Ukraine: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

China

China sends new Australian PM message of congratulations: [\(F\)ABCNews](#)

Ukraine

Winning in Ukraine: a French perspective: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#).

Ukrainian troops destroy Russian tanks hiding in gardens: [\(F\)UKSun](#)

What is Russia's Terminator vehicle? [\(F\)ForcesNews](#)

Russia appears to use thermobaric weapons as Donbas progress slow: [\(F\)ForcesNews](#)

Understanding the Russo-Ukrainian war: a guide from War on the Rocks: [\(M\)WarontheRocks](#)

U.S. and Ukraine discuss danger of escalation as new arms extend Kyiv's reach: [\(M\)Reuters](#)

Russia

Has Ukraine broken the Russian military? [\(M\)DefenseOne](#)

Russia says it won't use tactical nuclear weapons in Ukraine: [\(F\)BBCNews](#)

Military History

USN Patrol Wing 10 and Qantas fly Catalinas from Perth in WW2: [\(F\)OldFliersGroup](#)

A secret U-Boat where it shouldn't have been: [\(F\)DarkSeas](#)

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