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Forthcoming Anniversaries

12 September 1944: US submarine Queenfish sank the Japanese transport Ryoku Maru of the Philippines with 1317 British & Australian POWs aboard. 152 POWs survived
14 September 1940: Convoy US5 carrying AIF reinforcements sailed from Sydney for the Middle East
14 September 1943: 26 Bde crosses the Busu river heading towards Lae, New Guinea
15 September 1943: 2/25 Bn patrols enter and raise Australian flag at Lae
19 September 1918: Australian light horse units ride around Turkish positions at Nablus, Jordan, sealing enemy escape routes.
19 September 1943: Australians take Kaiapit, New Guinea, from Japanese
20 September 1917: 2Lt Fredrick Birks, 6 Bn, awarded the VC (posthumously) for his actions during the attack on Menin Road, Belgium

RUSIV Defence Update

Celebrating our 132nd Year

Member contributions are always welcome

A weekly e-newsletter relating to our security & defence

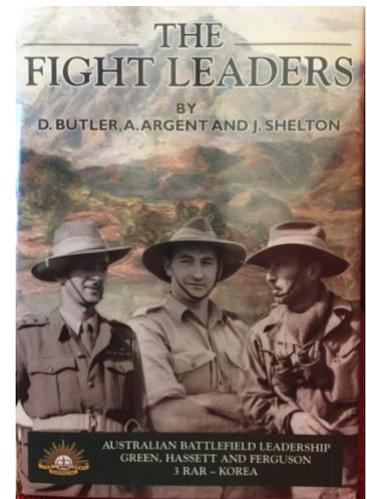
Books by RUSIV Members

This important and very readable book had two RUSIV members among its three authors.

David [Butler](#), AO, DSO (1928-2020) had a distinguished Army career - he retired as General Officer Commanding Training Command. He had served as a platoon commander with 3 RAR in Korea and did a further tour of duty there with 2 RAR. He commanded 6 RAR in Vietnam from 1969 to 1970.

Alf [Argent](#) (1927-2014) joined the AIF in 1944 and was, because of his youth, assigned to 22nd Garrison Battalion guarding the infamous POW camp at Cowra. The Commanding Officer, recognising his ability, had him apply for Duntroon and he graduated to infantry in 1948. He served as the Intelligence Officer of 3 RAR in the Korean War. A fellow officer described him as 'a very capable yet quietly spoken man and a great role model'. He later became a pioneer of the Australian Army Aviation Corps.

The links embedded above give some further details about these gallant former members.



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Defence & Foreign Affairs

Should governments buy into blockchain-enabled infrastructure? [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)
Australia refused to endorse China's claim to Taiwan in 1972 because it foresaw a time like this: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)
New report issued on veterans rejoining civilian life: [\(M\)AsiaPacificDefenceReporter](#)

Navy

HMAS Canberra & Supply return to Australia: [\(F\)Defence](#)

Army

Army participates in Exercise Chapel Gold 2022: [\(F\)Defence](#)

Chief of Army Symposium 2022: [\(F\)Army](#)

Air Force

US, British crew get a taste of Australia's E-7A command planes: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

Exercise Pitch Black 22 | Military Working Dogs: [\(F\)RAAF](#)

New Zealand

HMNZS *Wellington* combats illegal, unreported and unregulated Pacific fishing: [\(F\)NZDF](#)

Indonesia

Suspicious Papua tweets promoted Indonesian government's agenda: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

Pacific

ADF tackles illegal fishing with Operation SOLANIA: [\(M\)AsiaPacificDefenceReporter](#)

US

The bizarre and risky future of electronic warfare - the E-7 Wedgetail: [\(F\)DarkSkies](#)

UK

Royal Navy commissions Nnw Astute-Class nuclear submarine HMS *Anson*: [\(F\)Haba](#)

The implications of 3% for the UK Defence Budget: [\(F\)RUSI](#)

Project launch: UK national security and the net zero transition: [\(F\)RUSI](#)

Retreating Russians leave behind scores of tanks and armored vehicles: [\(F\)FWarthogDefense](#)

Ukraine

A Porsche compared to a Lada!: Ukrainian artillerists swap Soviet howitzer for Polish-built Krab: [\(F\)RadioFreeEurope](#)

Russian grip on north-east Ukraine collapses after Kyiv severs supply line: [\(F\)ABCNews](#)

China

China may draw lessons from Russian failures in Ukraine: [\(M\)USDefenseDept](#)

Russia

The chips are down: Putin scrambles for high-tech parts as his arsenal goes up in smoke: [\(M\)Politico](#)

The most dangerous days of Russia's war in Ukraine lie ahead: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

Military History

The first moon landing wasn't American! [\(F\)Felton](#)

Pershing Lecture Series: Austria at War in 1914: [\(F\)National WWI Museum and Memorial](#)

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