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Forthcoming Anniversaries

9 November 1914: HMAS Sydney sinks
German raider SMS Emden at Cocos
Island

10 November 1900: Victorians capture
pompom gun and stores at Manana, South
Africa

10 November 1900: Australians force
Japanese to withdraw from Oivi, New
Guinea

10 November 1950: 3 RAR patrols to
Pakchon

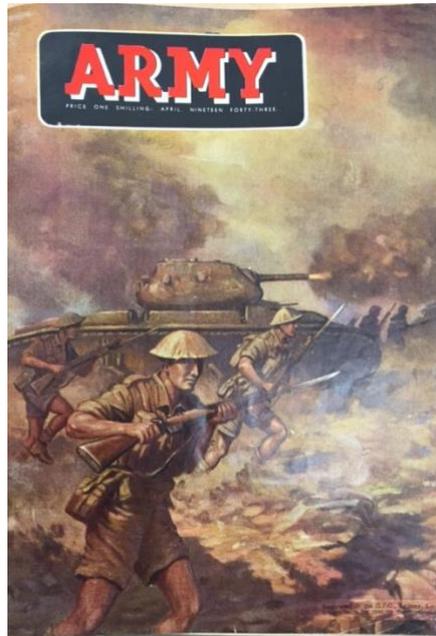
11 November 1918: Germany signs an
armistice ending the fighting on the
Western Front

13 November 1965: W02 Kevin Wheatly,
AATTV, awarded posthumous VC for his
actions at Tra Bong, Vietnam

14 November 1917: Anzac Mounted
Division pursues Turks towards Jaffa,
Israel

Member contributions are always welcome.

Army Magazine in the Second World War



The April 1943 Cover

Army was a quarto-sized monthly magazine for Australian soldiers during the Second World War. Its companions were the pocket-sized *Salt* and the semi-broadsheet *Army Newspaper*

Army commenced production in November 1942. Its issues were a generous 72 pages with predominantly black & white illustrations. Unlike the Melbourne-produced *Salt*, it was a Sydney-based production.

Each issue reviewed the results of the prior 'fighting month', fleshing out the details of Macarthur's press releases with details of Australian actions. There was also a history of various battalions adding recent

achievements to their First World War record. There were war-related articles by the magazine's reporters and similar contributions from serving soldiers. Most pages had artwork or battle photographs.

Army magazines are rare survivors. Our Library is fortunate to have all but a few issues.

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

Defence

Thales Australia to invest \$6.5 million to expand precision manufacturing in regional NSW:

[\(M\)AsiaPacificDefenceReporter](#)

What drove the United States to AUKUS? [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

Defence signs A\$1 billion deal with Telstra: [\(M\)AsiaPacificDefenceReporter](#)

AUKUS and France: awkward lessons for Australia: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

Australia already has a submarine capability gap: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

Australian defence force strengthens vetting procedures to prevent extremists from joining:

[\(M\)Guardian](#)

Army

Australian Army getting bulletproof swarming attack robots: [\(M\)Forbes](#)

2021 Chief of Army History Conference - "Contingencies and compromises: mobilising the Australian Army": [\(M\)Army](#) ([Booking for 10 Nov Zoom](#))

Navy

Delivering a stronger navy, faster: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

HMAS *Brisbane* works with US and Japanese Navies: [\(F\)Defence](#)

Air Force

Boeing commences 5th Loyal Wingman in Melbourne: [\(M\)AsiaPacificDefenceReporter](#)

Wheels up for the Loyal Wingman: [\(F\)Defence](#)

New Zealand

HMNZS *Aotearoa* and HMNZS *Te Kaha* conduct a replenishment at sea: [\(F\)NZDefence](#)

Singapore

US, Singapore continue to boost military ties: [\(N\)StraitsTimes](#)

UK

60 Second Update | November: [\(F\)BritishArmy](#)

The UK Astute Nuclear Submarine visit Australia for AUKUS Commitment: [\(F\)DefenseMilitaryReport](#)

US

A few dozen airmen set up a mini airfield in the Pacific to train for a possible war with China: [\(M\)TaskandPurpose](#)

What Australia needs to ask itself about the United States: [\(M\)LowyInstitute](#)

DARPA nabs Gremlin drone in mid-air for first time: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

France

Recommended: The French Navy's damaged nuclear sub is out at sea once more: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

Military History

Over the Front - original aircraft footage (b&w, silent): [\(F\)AWM](#)

China

What the New China Focus Gets Wrong: Competition Requires Balance: [\(M\)ForeignAffairs](#)

China likely to have 'at least' 1,000 nukes by 2030, Pentagon estimates: [\(M\)DefenseOne](#)

Xi is running out of time: China's economy heads for a hard landing: [\(M\)ForeignAffairs](#)