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Forthcoming Anniversaries

11 February 1864: Capt Charles Heaphy, Auckland City Volunteers, receives first colonial VC for his actions during the Maori Wars
12 February 1942: 64 nurses escape during the fall of Singapore on board SS Vyner Brooke
13 February 1965: 1 SAS Sqn advance party departs Perth for Borneo
14 February 1942: Vyner Brooke sunk off Banka Island, 62 nurses survive only to be shot by Japanese. Sr Vivian Bullwinkel (Statham) fakes death to survive
15 February 1942: Fall of Singapore
16 February 1951: Australians and Chinese battle for Hill 327 in Korea

RUSIA Defence Update

A weekly e-newsletter relating to our security & defence

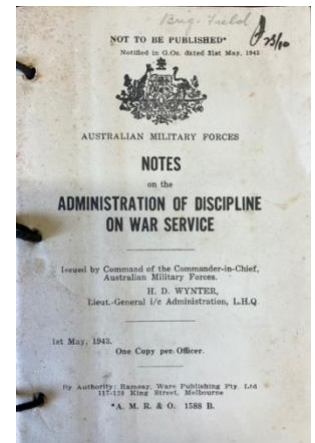
Military Law in the Second World War

This Australian military pamphlet was issued in May 1943 by Command of the Commander-in-Chief, Australian Military Forces (General Blamey) by Herbert Douglas Wynter, the Lieutenant-General in charge of Administration, Land Headquarters, Melbourne. *Notes on the Administration of Discipline on War Service* was issued to every officer.

The small pamphlet summarised (but did not replace) *The Manual of Military Law 1941* (Australian Edition) which contained the Army Act and the Rules of Procedure and the Defence Act and Australian Military Regulations.

The pamphlet emphasised that 'punishment is the last resort for obtaining obedience to military law'.

This copy belonged to Brigadier John Field, CBE, DSO, ED, a former commanding officer of the 2/12th Battalion in the Middle East and of the 7th Brigade at Milne Bay.



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

Defence

Hegseth to host Australian leader in first visit with a foreign peer: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

How an Australian uni student helped create China's revolutionary AI platform DeepSeek: [\(M\)ABCNews](#)

Stopping anti-Semitic terrorism in Australia: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

Trump makes huge call on big Aussie deal: [\(M\)MSN](#)

New Zealand

New Zealand Special Air Service soldiers were required to 'look after' 501 deportees in MIQ facilities during Covid pandemic: [\(M\)NZHerald](#)

India

Indian defense budget boosted 9.5%, but analysts say pensions hindering weapons spending: [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

Indo Pacific

Recommended: Setting the stage: an overview of Chinese and Russian interests and influence in the Indo-Pacific: [\(M\)FPRI](#)

UK

The UK's ambition for defence and security with the EU and NATO: [\(F\)RUSI](#)

Recommended: A vital springboard: the future of University Officer Training Corps: [\(M\)RUSI](#)

US

Senate Republicans release budget plan with \$150B more for defense: [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

US Navy hits drone with HELIOS laser in successful test: [\(M\)NavyTimes](#)

Army, Navy pull down web pages devoted to women in military service: [\(M\)Military.com](#)

NATO

Severed undersea cables raise legal challenges for NATO: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

On eve of visit, Europe braces for new defense demands from team Trump: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

Middle East

The path to a transformed Middle East: [\(M\)ForeignAffairs](#)

Pentagon caught flat-footed on Trump's bombshell proposal to seize Gaza, potentially with US troops: [\(M\)Military.Com](#)

Israel backs Trump plan and orders military to prepare for Palestinians to leave Gaza: [\(M\)CNN](#)

US approves sale of \$7.4 billion in bombs, missiles to Israel: [\(M\)NewArab](#)

Days after showing off 'Gaza' drone, Iran unveils its first drone carrier: [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

Ukraine

Ukraine receives first Mirage 2000 fighter jets from France: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

Russia

Russia's modernized nuclear battlecruiser finally powers up its reactors: report: [\(M\)Warzone](#)

The implications of Russia's new nuclear doctrine: [\(M\)NIPP](#)

China

Preventing China's DeepSeek in space: [\(M\)MilitaryTimes](#)

The dragon and phoenix: how Beijing is winning battles in its "peaceful war" with the United States: [\(M\)AIIA](#)

Military History

The real-life maverick who took on 7 Soviet jets in a classified Korean War dogfight: [\(M\)TaskandPurpose](#)

MV *Krait* & Operation Jaywick - the fishing boat deadlier than a U-Boat: [\(F\)Drachinifel](#)

This warship was converted into a floating brewery for allied troops during World War II: [\(M\)TaskandPurpose](#)

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