



Volume 12 | Issue 6  
6 June 2022

# RUSIV Defence Update

## Celebrating our 132nd Year

*A weekly e-newsletter relating to our security & defence*

Royal United Services Institute of  
Victoria  
[rusiv.org.au](http://rusiv.org.au)  
[secretary@rusiv.org.au](mailto:secretary@rusiv.org.au)  
Library Catalogue:  
[www.thecollectingbug.com/rusivictoria/](http://www.thecollectingbug.com/rusivictoria/)

### Forthcoming Anniversaries

- 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
- 8 June 1941:** 7th Div attacks Vichy French during the Syrian Campaign
- 8 June 1953:** Panmunjon negotiators sign agreement on POWs
- 10 June 1917:** Pte John Carroll, 33 Bn, awarded the VC for his actions at St Ives, France
- 12 June 1901:** Victorians trapped in surprise attack at Wilmansrust, South Africa
- 13 June 1941:** Australians involved in Battle for Jezzine, Syria
- 13 June 1945:** Australians capture Brunei

Member contributions are always welcome

## Japanese Equipment

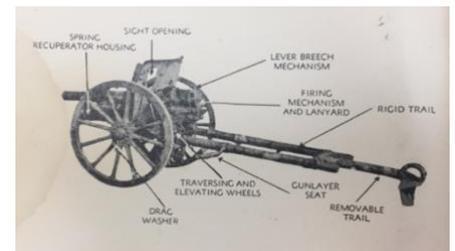


Australia and its allies faced a determined enemy in the south-west Pacific. The Japanese were often battle-experienced and always had a fanatical devotion to their emperor's cause.

Publications like this Australian pocket-sized compendium were widely distributed and used by planners, intelligence officers and commanders at

all levels.

The weapon illustrated (page 72) is the 75mm Type 41 Regimental Gun, four of which were, in theory, issued to infantry regiments. It was a copy based on a Krupp gun and could be disassembled and carried by manpack. Though of small calibre, it would have been of particular use to the Japanese and annoyance to the Australians during the Kokoda and other New Guinea campaigns until the development and deployment of the Australian Short 25-pounder.



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

## Defence

Hundreds of classified Home Affairs documents believed sent to unsecured address in 'serious' breach of security protocols: [\(M\)ABCNews](#)

Foreign espionage: an Australian perspective: [\(M\)LowyInstitute](#)

The Quad and AUKUS strengthen Australia's hand in a contested Indo-Pacific: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

## Navy

South Australian navy base re-commissioned: [\(F\)NavalNewsAustralia](#)

HMAS *Supply*'s tribute to ancient culture: [\(F\)RAN](#)

Exercise Autonomous Warrior wraps up: [\(F\)Defence](#)

Submarine sea ride for Teddy Sheean VC family members: [\(F\)RAN](#)

## Army

Signals training received loud and clear in PNG: [\(M\)AsiaPacificDefenceReporter](#)

Refuelling Army aviation assets at the forward arming and refueling point: [\(F\)Defence](#)

Electrification on the battlefield: [\(F\)Defence](#)

Exercise Crocodile Response: [\(F\)Defence](#)

## Air Force

Next-generation Top Guns to strike in Top End Storm: [\(M\)AsiaPacificDefenceReporter](#)

Exercise Diamond Storm 2022 takes off! [\(F\)RAAF](#)

## Tonga

Four months offline: post-quake, many Tongans are still without internet: [\(M\)RestofWorld](#)

## Canada

Report of the Independent External Comprehensive Review (Sexual Misconduct & Leadership): [\(M\)GovernmentofCanada](#)

Reforming Canada's military colleges will be a 'Herculean task,' experts say: [\(M\)GlobalNews](#)

## US

Is the US really committed to its new Indo-Pacific economic initiative? [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

US to send Ukraine advanced rockets; Kyiv promises not to fire into Russia: [\(M\)DefenseOne](#)

## UK

British troops on NATO exercise to help Estonian defence: [\(F\)ForcesNews](#)

Future soldier: people as the centre of gravity: [\(F\)RUSI](#)

Queens Royal Hussars | Exercise Arrow: [\(F\)BritishArmy](#)

## China

China shelves regional trade and security deal with Pacific island nations: [\(M\)SBSNews](#)

China's proposed security deal with Pacific islands falls short as Wang Yi tours region: [\(M\)SouthChinaMorningPost](#)

## Ukraine

Russian offensive campaign assessment, June 3: [\(M\)InstitutefortheStudyofWar](#)

Baykar Tech Donates TB2 For Ukraine After Lithuanian Crowdfunder: [\(M\)Oryx](#)

## Russia

What the experts got wrong (and right) about Russian military power: [\(P\)WarontheRocks](#)

Putin's Hard Choices: Why the Russian despot can neither mobilize nor retreat: [\(M\)ForeignAffairs](#)

Russia's blockade of the Black Sea demands a global response: impact on food supply chains has the makings of an international crisis: [\(M\)NikkeiAsia](#)

## Military History

The RUSI of NSW out and about – ANSTO visit and Sydney attacked harbour cruise: [\(F\)RUSINSW](#)

Anzac journeys: honoring the dead, acknowledging the living - Bruce Scates: [\(F\)NationalWW1Museum&Memorial](#)

Please pass this newsletter to your friends and invite them to join RUSI Victoria

© RUSIV 2022. The opinions expressed in the articles referenced are not necessarily those of RUSIV.