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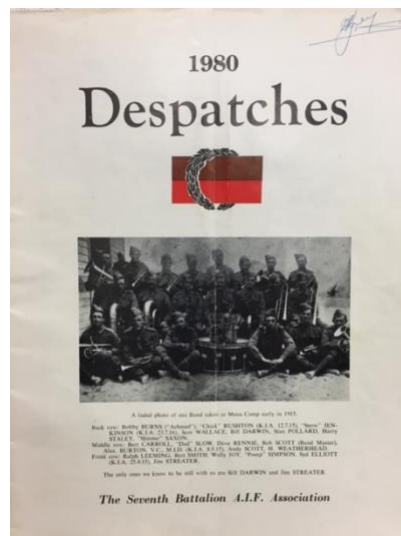
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A weekly e-newsletter relating to our security & defence

Forthcoming Anniversaries

- 2 August 1950:** RAAF 77 Sqn completes 800 sorties in Korea
- 3 August 1860:** Second Maori War begins
- 4 August 1900:** About 3000 Boers attack [Elands River Post](#), killing most of 1500 horses, mules and oxen. 500 Australian, Rhodesian, Canadian and British soldiers were present
- 4 August 1914:** Britain declares war on Germany
- 5 August 1914:** German ship SS Pfalz captured in Port Phillip Bay, the first enemy vessel seized in Australian waters.
- 5 August 1944:** Japanese POWs break out of Cowra camp. The late Alf Garland, RUSIV member, was a camp guard
- 6 August 1914:** Australia is tasked to secure German New Guinea
- 6 August 1915:** Battles for Lone Pine and Sari Bair begin
- 6 August 1945:** Enola Gay drops the atom bomb on Hiroshima

The Regiments Depart – and then what?



It is a sad fact that no regimental association survives from the First World War and very few from the Second. Associations for those who served in the Korean War have been similarly depleted. Veterans of the Vietnam War, the youngest of whom are around 75, are fewer and fewer.

In very many cases the associations of these veterans produced informative newsletters during their heyday. In many cases the magazines provide historical facts and anecdotes far beyond those recorded in official or unit histories.

We are fortunate to hold detailed records and magazines for both the 7th Battalion AIF and its successor World War Two 2/7th Battalion together with the 7th Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment from the Vietnam war. *Despatches*, from the 7th Battalion Association is in the process of being digitised, further ensuring its survival.

As regimental associations from Navy, Army and Air Force dissolve, we remain committed to preserving their records.

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

Defence

Australian Industry Defence Network and its role in improving Australia's regional security:

[\(F\)RUSINSW](#)

AUKUS Joint Steering Group meetings: [\(M\)AsiaPacificDefenceReporter](#)

The Australian way of war: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

Navy

Exercise RIMPAC 22 fleet formation: [\(F\)Defence](#)

RAN and JSMDf dive on USS Midway during RIMPAC 2022: [\(F\)RAN](#)

Army

Faces of RIMPAC: Private Jack Green: [\(F\)Defence](#)

Air Force

Exercise Urban Nomad: [\(F\)Defence](#)

New Zealand

An address by New Zealand Prime Minister: [\(M\)LowyInstitute](#)

Indonesia

Why Indonesia isn't scared of Huawei: [\(M\)AsiaTimes](#)

UK

Meet Britain's new ship that will test autonomous and lethal technologies: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

US

FBI investigation determined Chinese-made Huawei equipment could disrupt US nuclear arsenal communications: [\(M\)CNN](#)

U.S. announces another \$550m In Ukraine military aid: [\(M\)DefenseOne](#)

Al Qaeda leader killed in US drone strike, Biden says: [\(M\)DefenseOne](#)

Air Force grounds most F-35s in US due to faulty ejection seats: [\(M\)DefenseOne](#)

At RIMPAC 2022, new efforts to boost sustainability, lethality of combined force in the Pacific: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

USS *Ronald Reagan* strike group enters South China Sea amid Taiwan tensions: [\(M\)StarsandStripes](#)

Ukraine

Ukraine bids to retake Kherson from Russia: [\(F\)BBCNews](#)

Recommended: The Kviv Independent: [\(M\)KyivIndependent](#)

China

Who is APT41? [\(M\)TheWireChina](#)

Russia's war viewed from China: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

Russia

Russia-Ukraine war: list of key events, day 159: [\(M\)AlJazeera](#)

Cyberspace

Chinese Government asked TikTok for stealth propaganda account: [\(M\)Bloomberg](#)

Military History

Action in Vietnam: [\(F\)AWMCollection](#)

WW2 Panther tank found in Ukraine: [\(F\)Felton](#)

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