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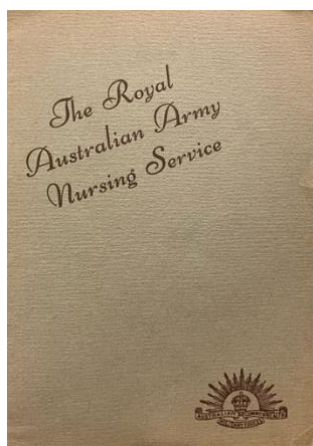
Forthcoming Anniversaries

12 October 1943: RAAF Beaufighters attack Japanese positions at Rabaul
13 October 1944: Australian naval squadron departs Hollandia for Leyte
15 October 1918: Lt George 'Morby' Ingram, 24 Bn, awarded the VC for his actions at Montbrehain, France
18 October 1943: Strong attack by Japanese 20 Bde on Australian 9 Div at Scarlet Beach, New Guinea
18 October 1944: HMAS Geelong sinks off New Guinea
18 October 1950: – 3 RAR, with American tanks in support, captures Samgapo, Korea
20 October 1942: 16 Bde attacks Japanese positions at Eora Creek
20 October 1944: RAN supports US landings on Leyte, Philippines.

RUSIA Defence Update

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The Royal Australian Army Nursing Service



The Royal Australian Army Nursing Service (RAANS) was the predecessor to the Royal Australian Army Nursing Corps (RAANC). Established as the Australian Army Nursing Service (AANS) in 1902, it served as a reserve of volunteer nurses for national emergencies and was a key part of Australia's military nursing during both World Wars. The "Royal" title was granted to the service in 1948 for its contributions, and in 1949, it was incorporated into the Australian Regular Army, leading to the formation of the RAANC in 1951.

To complicate the acronym soup, RAANS incorporated the Australian Army Medical Women's Service (AAMWS).

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Defence

Without supply chain resilience, Australian defence is brittle:
[\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

Navy

Mine hunters reach new depths: [\(M\)Defence](#)

Army

Chief of Army Symposium 2025 | Closing Remarks by Lieutenant General Simon Stuart, AO, DSC:
[\(F\)TheCove](#)

Theory becomes reality for combat engineers: [\(M\)Contact](#)

Air Force

Australian Space Command considers 'space control' options: senior officer: [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

New Zealand

NZ Army and RNZAF test high-readiness interoperability: [\(M\)NZDF](#)

Asia Pacific

Philippines, France near agreement for joint military exercises: [\(M\)DefensePost](#)

UK

RUSI annual report: [\(M\)RUSI](#)

RAF spy planes patrol almost entire NATO border with Russia: [\(M\)UKDefenceJournal](#)

US

Senate passes \$914B defense policy bill after resolving gridlock on amendments: [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

Recommended: Official signals changes to Taiwan military aid, potential AUKUS alterations: [h\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

Poll: most Americans say military should be apolitical and face only 'external threats': [\(M\)TaskandPurpose](#)

United Nations to cut 25% of its global peacekeeping force in response to US funding strains: [\(M\)APNews](#)

Marines head home from Australia after 6 months of drills, humanitarian missions: [\(M\)Stars&Stripes](#)

Long-dismissed 'Gulf War Illness' finally recognized with international medical code: [\(M\)TaskandPurpose](#)

NATO & EU

Denmark commits \$4.5 billion for additional F-35 jets, invests in Arctic defense spending plan: [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

Combat mass and speed: Europe moves to unlock Ukraine's drone insights: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

European military Autonomy: what comes first? [\(M\)IISS](#)

NATO tracks surfaced Russian submarine off France: [\(M\)UKDefenceJournal](#)

Germany signs off on \$4.4 billion Eurofighter Typhoon deal: [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

Middle East

The strange resurrection of the two-state solution: how an unimaginable war could bring about the only imaginable peace: [\(M\)ForeignAffairs](#)

US sending about 200 troops to Israel to monitor Gaza ceasefire deal: [\(M\)MilitaryTimes](#)

UN is ready to surge aid into Gaza and waiting for green light from Israel after deal: [\(M\)APNews](#)

The 12 days of war that didn't ignite the Middle East or the World: [\(M\)WarontheRocks](#)

Ukraine

The Russia-Ukraine war has entered a new phase: [\(M\)IISS](#)

Ukraine's new missiles and drones cause gas shortages in Russia, Zelenskyy says: [\(M\)APNews](#)

Russia

The Kremlin can afford the luxury of a second anti-NATO front: [\(M\)RUSI](#)

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Citizen soldier: [\(F\)NFSA](#)

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