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Forthcoming Anniversaries

4 July 1918: Battle of Hamel, France, the first set-piece operation planned and conducted under Lieutenant General Sir John Monash. It came to be regarded as a model for later Western Front battles. LCpl Thomas 'Jack' Axford, 16 Bn, and Pte Henry Dalziel, 15 Bn, are awarded VCs for their actions

4 July 1941: Wg-Cdr Hughie Edwards, RAAF No. 105 Sqn awarded the VC for his actions during a raid on Bremen, Germany

6 July 1918: Cpl Walter 'Wally' Brown, 20 Bn, awarded the VC for his actions at Villers-Bretonneux

6 July 1941: Lt Arthur Roden Cutler, 2/5 Fd Regt, awarded the VC for his actions at Merdjayoun and Damour, Lebanon

7 July 1951: Last RAAF transports return from Korea.

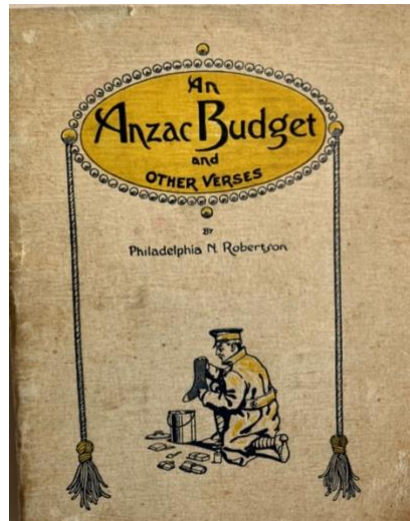
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First World War Poetry



Though the British soldier-poets of the Great War seem to be the most published, there were many poets of that war from other places. There were soldier-poets from allied and enemy nations, many of whom wrote significant verse. Like their British counterparts, many died in the war.

There were many Australian poets of that war, some of them of high quality. Of course, there also were non-soldier poets and many women. RUSIV Library has a collection of some of these.

As RUSIV's part of Rare Book Week Melbourne there will be a free talk on *Female Australian Poets of the First World War* at 6.30pm on Friday 29th July at Tonic House, 386 Flinders Lane Melbourne. Bookings can be made at rarebooksmelbourne.com.

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Defence

Department of Defence Project Management - meet Gordon: [\(F\)Defence](#)

Defence outsources technical trades training: [\(M\)Contact](#)

Former defence minister David Johnston: weigh carefully the use of lethal force: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

Australia defence budget to register CAGR of 5.2% through 2028: [\(M\)AsiaPacificDefenceReporter](#)

Australia's space future is at risk, with massive implications: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

A guide to Australia's planned strike missiles: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

Defence Strategic Review - Implications for Australian Industry: [\(F\)Rusinsw](#)

Labor axes Morrison government's billion dollar Australian satellite program: [\(M\)ABCNews](#)

Informing Australia's next independent intelligence review: learning from the past: [\(M\)ASPI](#)

Navy

HII execs visit Australia, prepping for 'generational partnership' for AUKUS: [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

Army

Building up Infantry resilience - Exercise Hardcorps: [\(F\)Defence](#)

Air Force

Retired RAAF Hornets pitched for Ukraine 'can fly another two years': [\(M\)AFR](#)

Papua New Guinea

Bougainville - what's next? [\(M\)Lowy](#)

NATO

The future of NATO's European Land Forces: plans, challenges, prospects: [\(M\)IISS](#)

US

'This capability didn't exist 30 days ago': How military exercises can drive software development: [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

Why the US is considering giving Ukraine cluster munitions: [\(M\)TaskandPurpose](#)

UK

General Sir Patrick Sanders' opening keynote speech | RUSI Land Warfare Conference 2023: [\(F\)RUSI](#)

Royal Marines' race to evacuate British nationals from Sudan: [\(F\)ForcesNews](#)

With an eye on Ukraine, head of British Army says 'mass is still indispensable': [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

Ukraine

Ukraine's counteroffensive: [\(P\)RUSI/FinancialTimes](#)

Russia

"Russia's Reserves are Threadbare" | Secretary of State Ben Wallace at RUSI Land Warfare Conference: [\(F\)RUSI](#)

Russian general believed to be detained in aftermath of Wagner mutiny: [\(M\)MilitaryTimes](#)

Conversations: Bobo Lo on Russia, Wagner and the Ukraine War: [\(P\)Lowy](#)

China

Russian uprising sparks muted reaction from China; 'unlimited partnership' under strain? [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

Perceptions and trust: Chinese views of Canada and Australia amid geopolitical tensions: [\(M\)Lowy](#)

Military History

The 'good German' - Marlene Dietrich vs. the Nazis: [\(F\)Felton](#)

In the Huey Gunship | Pilot Peter Barrett | RAAF 9 Squadron: [\(F\)AustralianMilitaryAviationHistory](#)

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