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Forthcoming Anniversaries

- 25 November 1899: NSW Lancers in Battle of Graspan, South Africa
- 26 November 1942: HMAS Adelaide sinks German blockade runner Ramses in the Indian Ocean
- 1 December 1942: Japanese aircraft sink HMAS Amidale near Timor. Australians capture Gona, New Guinea
- 2 December 1914: First Australian military aircraft leaves for First World War

Guinea Gold

An early issue - 82 years ago - of the four-page newsletter printed and published by the (Australian) New Guinea Force Printing & Stationery Unit. The front page (shown) had war news - 90% of the remainder was local Australian news with the remainder from the US. Later on, *Guinea Gold* produced both an Australian and an American edition.

This issue reports "There is no end to women's jobs these days. Sydney now has its first crane driver in action. She is Miss Mary Carroll and is already proficient in handling an overhead traveller crane. Men's lives are at stake if the crane driver does the wrong thing, but Miss Carroll has the instinct of being able to anticipate what the dogman requires and she is always ready for him." (CFMEU to note! - Ed)



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

Defence

- Training in Australia is a big chance for Japan. Let's make it permanent: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)
- AUKUS nations ink new hypersonic tech sharing agreement: [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)
- Japanese marines to regularly rotate through Australia, as US-AUS-Japan military ties strengthen: [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)
- Pentagon announces hypersonic testing pact with UK, Australia: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)
- Canada, Australia jointly pledge \$474M to research hypersonic missile defense tech: [\(M\)BreakingDefense](#)

Army

- Armed Forces of Ukraine urban training: [\(F\)Defence](#)
- We get a 36-tonne tank BADLY bogged... taking Aus Army's \$24M Boxer 4WDing: [\(F\)4WD](#)
- Operation Kudu: [\(F\)Defence](#)

Navy

- All aboard HMAS Choules: [\(M\)Defence](#)

New Zealand

Army and NZDF set to welcome new workhorse utility vehicle: [\(M\)NZDF](#)

Papua New Guinea

Exercise Wantok Warrior 2024: [\(F\)Defence](#)

Indonesia

Check, but not check-mate: Indonesia's nine-dash line mistake: [\(M\)Lowy](#)

Pacific

China's Pacific aid is rebounding and recalibrated: [\(M\)Lowy](#)

In Fiji, defense diplomacy and rain-soaked rugby: [\(F\)DefenseOne](#)

Southeast Asia

Pentagon chief visits island near South China Sea in sign to Beijing: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

Southeast Asian defense chiefs discuss regional security with US, China and other partner nations: [\(M\)Military.com](#)

UK

Chief of the Air Staff ACM Sir Richard Knighton gives RUSI's Lord Trenchard Memorial Lecture: [\(F\)RUSI](#)

US

Trump's Pentagon pick Hegseth wrote of US military taking sides in 'civil war': [\(M\)Guardian](#)

Middle East

Lebanon's day after: will the country survive the war with Israel? [\(M\)ForeignAffairs](#)

Ukraine

Ukraine fires US-made longer-range missiles into Russia for first time: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

US to send Ukraine \$275M in new weapons to bolster Kyiv before Trump: [\(M\)MilitaryTimes](#)

Pentagon to send Ukraine anti-personnel mines 'soon,' US says: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

What does Russia's launch of an 'experimental' weapon at Ukraine mean for allies? [\(M\)DefenseOne](#)

Russia

Why undersea cables are targets in grey zone warfare: [\(F\)BFBSForcesNews](#)

China

China defense minister declines US meeting, breaking military talks: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

Military History

Adolf Hitler - secret agent: [\(F\)Felton](#)

Turning around a defeated army: Field Marshal Viscount William Slim: [\(P\)RUSI](#)

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