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* **COMING EVENTS SUMMARY**

Largest contingent of US Marines, yet, arrives in Darwin to train and prepare with Australian Forces for a war against China

The first of this year's 2,500 US Marines, the largest contingent yet, have arrived in Darwin for training and exercises.

Roughly the size of a Marine Expeditionary Unit, or MEU, it's the

largest deployment by Marines to Australia under the Force Posture Agreement signed in 2014 between the US and Australian Governments.

One of the major war exercises they will undertake with the Australian Defence Forces is Talisman Sabre, from 11th to 24th July, 2019. It will be based on and off the coast of Queensland, in particular Shoalwater Bay, Stanage Bay and the Great Barrier Reef. In the past it has been difficult to determine the purpose of this exercise from the Defence Minister but this year, in an environmental report done by the ADF prior to this exercise, a diagram, shown below, was printed showing the concept behind the Talisman Sabre war exercises this year.



Figure 1-1: Conceptual depiction of Exercise Talisman Sabre 2019⁴

The diagram shows, bottom left, the SPMAGTF (Special marines air-ground task force) is carried by a ship with amphibious landing gear and transported to an island, which they seize and on which they set up an advanced base for a composite crisis response force. From this island base, attacks are made on a mainland. This is repeated with many islands and constitutes a new US Marines battle field concept of dispersed island forces which it is claimed will make it difficult for China to counter. Recently the US Marines carried out an island capture war exercise of Ie Shima, an island off the coast of Okinawa.

The Australian naval ships, HMAS Adelaide and Canberra have been modified to support amphibious landing gear and in recent exercises US marine have been imbedded on these Australian naval ships.

It has become clear that the US is embroiling Australia in its preparation for war with China and that Talisman Sabre is a practice exercise for such a scenario.

Nick Deane, spokesperson for IPAN campaign to end the stationing of US Marines in Darwin, commented:

"At last, the true story behind the presence of US marines in Darwin is starting to emerge! The US publication 'Marine Corps Times' has openly disclosed the fact that the marine contingent in Darwin is part of a broad, new strategic plan to disperse US marines cross the Pacific. This is part of a 'battle plan' to counter so-called 'rising threats' from China's 'tech-adapt' military. The concept is known as 'expeditionary advanced base operations' and Marine Rotational Force - Darwin is very much a part of it.

Australians should be under no illusions about the real intent of having a US marine garrison stationed on their territory. There is nothing benign about it! The US is clearly muscling up to China, in preparation for a military confrontation. And, in that eventuality, Australia would be involved in a hot war, whether it wants to be or not!"



Media Release -25th April, 2019

PO Box 573, Coorparoo, Qld, 4151

The US Marines stationed in Darwin under the Force Posture Agreement are leading Australia into a war scenario with China.

IPAN calls on our government to terminate the Force Posture Agreement and end the stationing of US troops in Darwin.

The largest contingent of US marines yet, 2,500, have started to arrive in Darwin. Among the war exercises they will carry out with the ADF is the Talisman Sabre war exercises on and off the coast of Queensland and the Great Barrier Reef. This year the stated concept for the exercise is the invasion and 'capture' of an island to enable back up forces and a command structure to be established

and from which an attack can be made on a 'mainland'.

IPAN calls on the Australian Government to take cognisance of this situation and the potential to draw Australia inevitably into a military conflict with China, our major trading partner.

The US Marines in Darwin and their involvement with the ADF is clearly not for the defence of continental Australia but for projection of US military force in our region with the potential for escalation and war with China.

In the interests of the peace and economic security of Australians,
IPAN calls on the Australian Government to terminate the Force Posture Agreement which underpins the stationing of the US Marines in Darwin and send them home as soon as possible.

IPAN calls on the Australian Government *to pursue an independent foreign policy based on peaceful solutions to conflict and inter-country relations of peace, friendship and trade to mutual benefit.*

For IPAN's Darwin Conference Bookings, Go to
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Australia at the crossroads:

Time for an independent foreign policy

National IPAN Conference

Darwin, August 2nd - 4th, 2019



Topics Addressed include:

- US/China contention risking war in the South China Sea
- Ending US Marines in Darwin & the Force Posture Agreement
- Hosting of US facilities on Australian territory such as Pine Gap and North West Cape
- Millions of refugees fleeing the wars that Australia has supported and participated in
- Environmental damage from war and military activities
- Asia Pacific regional struggles against foreign bases
- Costs of war and military spending versus socially useful spending
- Militarisation of society, universities and manufacturing

Booking details to be announced

For more information contact IPAN at ipan.australia@gmail.com or Annette on 0431597256 or Bevan 0418697528

**Join us in Darwin- Australian and International speakers-workshops for action
An independent and self-reliant Australian foreign policy IS possible**

This year's IPAN conference is being held in Darwin as it is the centre for the most recent establishment of a foreign troop presence in Australia with the numbers of US Marines planned to rise to 2,500 and an undeclared strength of US air-force at Tindal and Darwin and US naval forces using Darwin Harbour.

The conference is being held in the ominous shadow of contention in our region between the US and China which might break out into hostilities at any time; and Australia is currently joined militarily 'at the hip' with the US military and their objectives.

Never has there been a more important time for Australia to pursue

an independent foreign policy for the economic well being and national security of the Australian people and that of our neighbours.

Let's keep Australia out of US wars !

Topic areas include:

- * Why Australia needs an Independent Foreign Policy
- * The extent of foreign military facilities in Australia
- * The impact of militarism on the environment
- * The costs of militarism to Australians

Speakers include international and Australian personalities such as Lisa Natividad from Guam, Richard Tanter, Robin Taubenfeld (FOE), Susan Harris Rimmer, Margie Beavis, Warren Smith, Alison Broinowski, Sue Wareham and contributions over the internet from John Pilger and Abby Martin and Mike Prysner.

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Emphasising commemoration at the expense of the living?

Margaret Beavis

The controversial proposal to spend nearly half a billion dollars on a massive expansion of the Australian War Memorial has been justified by director Brendan Nelson as providing a way for veterans to heal.

Certainly the war memorial has an important place in recognising some past conflicts (despite omitting the frontier wars) and respecting and valuing veterans.

But the healing claim is an astonishing trivialisation of the complexity and long-term treatment needed to successfully treat mental illness such as post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and depression.

The \$498 million spent on the war memorial is \$498 million not spent on veterans' health care.

As NSW RSL president and veteran James Brown commented in 2018: "We had 85 veteran suicides last year, we need to get that number down."

In April 2018 the government released the outcomes of its largest ever research project into the impact of Australian Defence Force participation on military personnel's lives.

It found nearly half of veterans experienced a mental disorder within five years of leaving: one in three suffering anxiety, 18 per cent PTSD and 12 per cent depression. One in five had suicidal thoughts, plans or attempts. Veterans were four times more likely to have serious issues with alcohol abuse.

If healing is the justification, then advocacy pushing for this expansion represents a very misplaced set of priorities; between caring for living defence force personnel and respecting those who have died.

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Anzac Hall to be demolished in the \$500 million expansion of Australian War Memorial

Press release- MAPW- 25th April,2019

“NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST” CLAIM BY WAR MEMORIAL DIRECTOR REJECTED

The Guardian (Australia) this morning, in an article by Christopher Knaus, drew attention to the fact that the Director of the Australian War Memorial Dr Brendan Nelson currently receives payments from a large weapons making company, Thales, for his work as a Thales board member. The AWM states that Dr Nelson donates his payment to the Memorial and strongly denies that there is a conflict of interests.

However Dr Sue Wareham, President of the Medical Association for Prevention of War (MAPW), states that simply donating his payment from Thales to the Memorial does not absolve the Director or the Memorial of any conflict of interests. Dr Wareham said, “It seems that Dr Nelson has served Thales very well in his position as AWM Director. In December 2015, he extolled the virtues of the Bushmaster Protected Mobility Vehicle, specifically mentioning its maker Thales, when the vehicle was installed on the AWM grounds.”

MAPW first drew attention to this problem in a submission in May last year to a parliamentary inquiry into Canberra’s national institutions, stating then:

“Among the AWM’s financial donors are several of the biggest names in weapons manufacturing globally, the very companies that profit financially from the horrors that we commemorate.....The problem goes further than the mere acceptance of donations from

war profiteers, and even extends to the promotion of brand names.” Dr Nelson has indeed promoted the brand name Thales, among others, at the Memorial.

Much progress with Ban-the-Bomb Treaty campaign in Australia-ICAN Report

-Gem Romuld

The next Australian federal election has been announced for 18 May, which could result in a Labor Government. As you may know, Labor made a policy commitment to signing and ratifying the nuclear weapon ban treaty in government, at their national conference in December. While there are still opponents within Labor, their public policy commitment is a big step forward and an excellent campaign tool.

We're encouraging election candidates to "pre-pledge" to work for Australia to sign and ratify the ban. If they are elected, they will automatically become signatories to the Parliamentary Pledge and new allies for us to work with! So far 41 candidates have pre-pledged, including 29 from Labor. A number of these are in marginal seats and likely to be elected.

The Cities Appeal is tracking well with 15 cities and towns signed up. Our supporters around the country have been using a handy [action tool](#) to email their local councils, encouraging them to endorse.

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WILPF members sign petition calling on Government to sign UN Nuclear Weapons Ban Treaty



WILPF Tasmania held a celebration of International Womens' Day on 8th March at Parliament House, Hobart. The Guest Speaker was WILPF National President, Chris Henderson from Brisbane.

WILPF members have signed the petition requesting the Government to sign the ICAN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.



**Organised by the Ngara
Institute**

**John Pilger speaks out
at Byron Bay, April,
2019**

**Why do we tolerate
Lies and Propaganda
?**

Extract from Pilger Speech at Byron Bay April 2019

John Pilger opened his speech by referring to the Appeals QC Lionel Murphy who was acting for an Aboriginal man, Mr Neil, who had been jailed for being an agitator/stirrer. Lionel Murphy opened his appeal by quoting Oscar Wilde: "Agitators are interfering meddling people who sow the seeds of discontent among the contented. Without them we would not advance towards civilization". Lionel Murphy won the appeal.

John went on to talk about Nazis propaganda but said this is not Nazis Germany , why then do we tolerate propaganda almost every time we open a newspaper, almost every time we turn on TV, nearly every time we scroll through the news sites on that device we hold in our hand almost like rosary beads. At Nuremburg when the Nazis

were tried for war crimes, the prosecutor, the Allied prosecutor said this of the German media and I quote him: "Before every major aggression they initiated a campaign to weaken their victims to prepare the German people psychologically for war. In the propaganda system it was the press and radio (no TV then) that were the important weapons".

That's what happened in Australia, Britain and the United States before the invasion of Iraq, Afghanistan, Libya, Syria, Serbia and many more. They too were crimes against humanity under the Nuremburg standard. In Iraq a million people died as a result; four million people became refugees. Set that against the few who tried to make Australia by boat. The question is, how did they get away with the lies and propaganda? That's a question for all of us. Why have we allowed a rampant bully across the pacific dictate how we see the world?

"War in the Middle East ?" – no problem boss !

"Move our embassy to Jeruusalem?"- no problem mate !

"Threaten China ? " – we're on the case sport !

"Today intimidate Chinese in Australia"- yes sir !

"Recognise a fake president in Venezuela " – consider it done !

For the complete video click on [VIEW](#) and use the password "courthouse".



The Martyrdom of Julian Assange

Information Clearing House, 15th April 2019

The fake charge against Julian Assange proves that the US government has no integrity

by Paul Craig Roberts

“If Julian Assange is criminalized and incarcerated for revealing the truth about what our rulers are doing, have done, then you might as well deliver yourself behind those walls, you might as well volunteer for a prison cell yourself, because you’ll no longer be free, and you’ll never be free again.”

George Galloway

Let’s be sure that we understand that Assange is not charged with anything related to Russia or Russiagate or even with breaking a law. Assange is charged with being in a conspiracy with Manning “to commit computer intrusion.” The charge is not that Assange succeeded in hacking a government computer and obtaining classified information. It merely says that Assange discussed the

possibility with Manning and had an intention to hack a computer. Most likely, even this noncrime is an invention of prosecutors instructed to indict Assange in the absence of any evidence. It is all that they could come up with.

Chris Hedges writes in "Truth dig" 11th April, 2019:

We all must resist. We must, in every way possible, put pressure on the British government to halt the judicial lynching of Assange. If Assange is extradited and tried, it will create a legal precedent that will terminate the ability of the press, which Trump repeatedly has called "the enemy of the people," to hold power accountable. The crimes of war and finance, the persecution of dissidents, minorities and immigrants, the pillaging by corporations of the nation and the ecosystem and the ruthless impoverishment of working men and women to swell the bank accounts of the rich and consolidate the global oligarchs' total grip on power will not only expand, but will no longer be part of public debate. First Assange. Then us.

**REMEMBERING
CLARRIE O'SHEA
AND THE
DEFEAT OF THE
PENAL POWERS
50th ANNIVERSARY**

Celebrate, remember and learn from millions of ordinary men and women who dared to struggle and won!

Where did Clarrie and more than a million workers find the courage to collectively defy unjust anti-worker laws and fight for the right to strike?

What are the lessons for us today as we gear up for a major battle to *Change the Rules*?

Wednesday May 15th
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What can the peace movement learn from the Clarrie O'Shea Penal Powers struggle

-Shirley Winton-Spirit of Eureka

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the magnificent struggle against the anti-union Penal Powers Laws and release of Clarrie O'Shea, Victorian State Secretary of Tramway and Bus Union, from gaol.

On 15-21 May 1969 more than a million working people across the country went on strike, held stop work meetings, protested and marched in the streets demanding the government abolish the anti-democratic and anti-union Penal Powers Laws and free Clarrie O'Shea from gaol.

And they succeeded. Clarrie O'Shea was released from gaol immediately and the Penal Powers were pushed back.

Why are the lessons from this struggle still relevant to the peace movement today after 50 years? What role did the anti-war movement play in this campaign? How did the unions' involvement in the peace movement contribute to the success of the broad

based anti-Vietnam war campaign? What can the peace movement learn today from the 1969 Penal Powers struggle as we build a broad campaign against US marines in Darwin, imperialist wars and for an independent and peaceful Australian foreign policy.....

At the same time, it was the courage and militant activism of many young workers and students in the anti-war movement who actively supported the penal powers campaign that gave courage to workers and many unions to challenge the anti-union Penal Powers. The union movement's mass mobilisation and success against the Penal Powers and its involvement and support for the peace movement had inspired and gave confidence and courage to the broad anti-Vietnam War movement.

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Acknowledgement to Pearls and Irritations, 5th April, 2019

The anti- China 'think tank' receives farewell largesse from the Coalition

-John Menadue

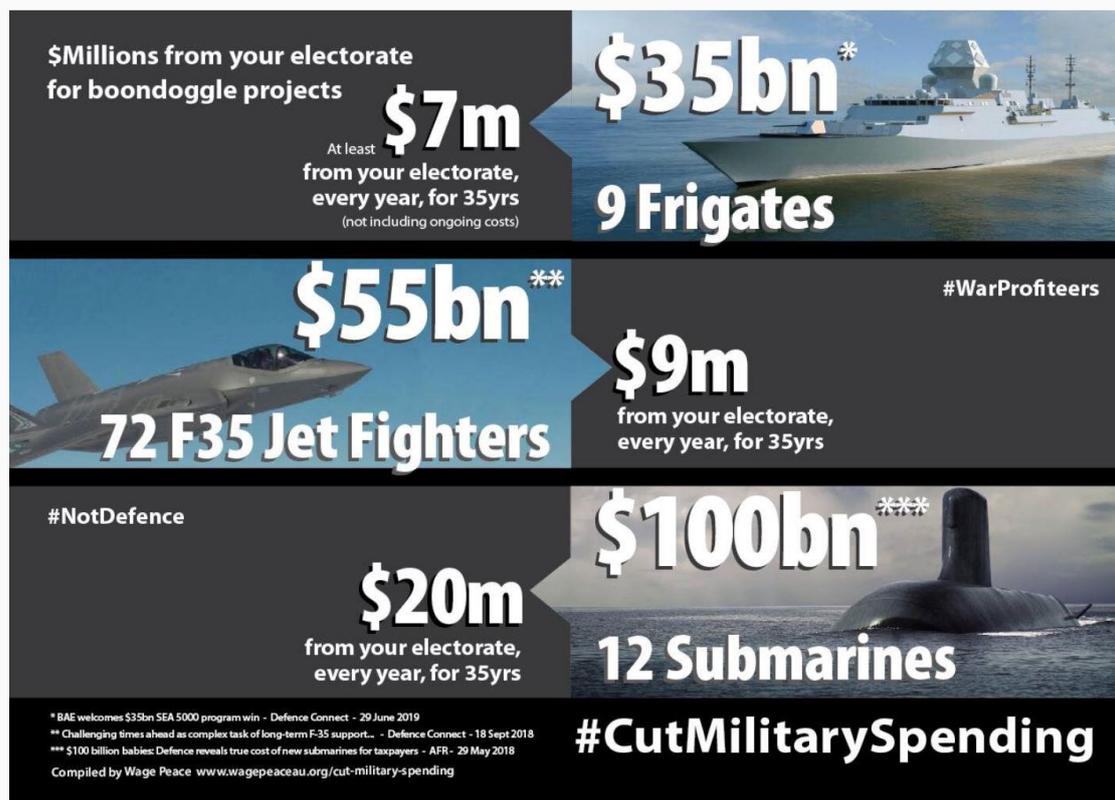
In this week's budget the Australian Strategic Policy Institute received an enormous increase in government funding from \$3.528m in 2017/18 to \$20m in 2018/19. (Budget Papers -3.1.2 Grants ,Tables 39 and 40) .If the grant is for more than one year why is it all lumped together in 2018/19. Is it because ASPI fears that a new government might reduce it's funding,as well it should.?

The ASPI is not an 'independent' think tank that it claims to be. It is 'joined at the hip' to the US defence/arms and intelligence complex and an enthusiastic supporter of almost all things American . It is hostile to China and has become the 'go to' organisation for anti-

Chinese commentary.

ASPI, based in Canberra, is dependent on Department of Defence and defence supplier funding. It is an enthusiastic member of that 'complex'

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Courtesy of Wage Peace

Just Peace and an Earth Community

Keynote address delivered to the Earth@Peace Conference

Melbourne 23-24 April 2019

By Heather Eaton (St Paul's University, Ottawa, Canada)

-Excerpts

We know that we are at a crossroads, with many difficult issues facing much of humanity and most of the Earth Community of life.

Where we are is from a trajectory of many pathways: social inequities, economic greed, ecological disregard, arms proliferation - the legacy of patriarchy – social systems build on relations of domination, exploitation and persistent violence.

I offer three themes for our discussion.

1) Knowledge and understanding

We need understanding, ecological literacy, awareness of social structures and systems, and an acute sense of the common good.....

2) Nonviolence and Just Peace

There is no future without a cessation of the endless violence that saturates most cultures and social imaginations.....

3) Wonder

My third comment is about what can inspire us, offer courage, energy and wisdom as we enter this most difficult era of Earth life. No simple answers. There are old sources of wisdom: wonder,

awe, reverence.....

For complete speech [READ ON](#)



Lest we forget the Frontier Wars

About thirty people joined with Quakers in a silent vigil at the Shrine of Remembrance in Ann Street Brisbane from 6 to 7 pm on Anzac Eve. Most stood in silence for the whole hour

Palm Sunday Rally in Canberra



An estimated 1,000 attended the Palm Sunday Rally in Canberra and heard refugee Behrouz Bouchani from Manus Island by skype who gave a moving speech about the situation there.

Palm Sunday March in Melbourne



The Melbourne Palm Sunday Rally for Refugees started at the State Library and marched down Swanston Street. Melbourne. Sunday, April 14th, 2019. Source: AAP Image/Ellen Smith

Refugee advocates and migrant groups have criticised the Coalition's plan to freeze refugee intake levels for the next three years, saying the language used to promote such policies is divisive.

The national body representing migrants, Federation of Ethnic Communities Councils of Australia (FECCA) says such language only creates division and negative sentiment towards migrants.

"Our politicians need to be mindful that this sort of messaging has an impact on public sentiment towards migrants, particularly given the rise in far-right racist groups in Australia," said FECCA chairperson Mary Patetsos.



Palm Sunday Rally for Peace and Refugees in Brisbane

This year 500 people gathered outside Parliament House in Brisbane to hear some powerful speeches about the situation of refugees at present, and the need for building peaceful resolution rather than wars as a way of settling the many international conflicts which lead to refugees fleeing their homeland.

Following this rally, the crowd marched along busy Brisbane streets and over the river to finish up at Kurilpa Park. The rally and march were organised this year jointly by Refugee Action Collective, and Just Peace Qld.

Many Australian Groups oppose Australian Armed Forces increasing cooperation with the

military and police of The Philippines

An Open Letter to the Australian Government through the Minister for Foreign Affairs

Dear Minister,

We, the representatives and members of various organisations and residents of Australia express our opposition to Australia's increasing military and police cooperation with the Philippines.

As Australians, we have always prided ourselves to be great human rights and social justice advocates. It is thus our responsibility – be it here or overseas - to promote, uphold and exercise these principles.

Within this context, we raise grave concern over Australia's increasing military and police cooperation vis a vis the worsening human rights and social justice situation in the Philippines.

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**ALICE SPRINGS PEACE ACTION
THINK TANK (ASPATT)**



World War 1 Stories: Phone App developed in Alice Springs

A new phone app – ‘World War 1 Stories’ was developed in Alice Springs last year and launched on Remembrance Day at Untyeyetwelye (Anzac Hill) on the Centenary of the Armistice that ended World War 1.

The App was developed by the Alice Springs Peace Action Think Tank (ASPATT), a small group of locals committed to peace, in partnership with 8CCC Community Radio Inc

The app contains oral stories of soldiers and a nurse who served in World War 1, told by those who served or by a family member.

ASPATT has developed the app project with an aim to increase public awareness of the experiences of soldiers and others who served, and the human cost of World War I and to encourage critical thinking and exploration of alternatives to war as a means for resolving human conflict.

The app is available on both android and apple devices and can be downloaded throughout Australia and New Zealand.

Google Play link:

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=au.com.worldwaronestories> Apple Appstore link: <https://itunes.apple.com/au/app/world-war-one-stories/id1441207859>

SBS News 24/4/19

The US undermines women’s rights at the United Nations

The US has been actively undermining women’s rights at the UN this weekend. They have been wreaking havoc with negotiations for a Security Council resolution on wartime sexual violence.

Women's rights activists who have worked on these issues for decades are blown away by the fact that the US might not even allow the Security Council to call for survivors to be given access to [“sexual and reproductive health, psychosocial, legal, and livelihood support and other multi-sectoral services”](#).

The actions of the US risk the very lives of women affected by sexual violence in armed conflict all around the world. They are putting the lives of women at risk who may die in childbirth, in unsafe abortions, or due to complications from social ostracism.

SBS News 27/4/19

Trump tells NRA he is pulling US from UN global arms treaty

President Donald Trump, seeking re-election and support from the NRA, has announced the US will not ratify a treaty that regulates the global trade in weapons.

"We will never surrender American sovereignty to anyone," Trump said in a speech to the National Rifle Association in Indianapolis.

"We will never allow foreign bureaucrats to trample on your Second Amendment freedom," he said, referring to the constitutional right to bear arms.

"And that is why my administration will never ratify the UN arms trade treaty."



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FIGHTING FOR THE
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Join fellow unionists to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the 1969 General Strike, the fight against the penal powers and Clarrie O'Shea's courage, resolve and leadership in the campaign.

With our movement of working people now facing more challenges than ever from the unjust laws that serve the greed of the bosses and capital, 1969 is history we must remember and learn from more than ever.

Together with today's union leaders, historians and veterans of the strike, we will remember and celebrate the millions of ordinary men and women who made history and struck a triumphant blow for democracy and the right to strike in Australia - and most importantly of all, remember the lessons of 1969 that we must break the rules to change them.

"ALL BOSSES ARE BASTARDS!"
- Clarrie O'Shea

Commemorate 50th anniversary of the momentous Clarrie O'Shea and the Penal Powers struggle on 15 May in Melbourne.

This event is jointly organised by the RTBU (Railways, Tram and Bus Union) Victoria and Spirit of Eureka, under the theme of Fighting for the Right to Strike.

Speakers include:

Humphrey McQueen - Marxist Historian and activist

Sally McManus - ACTU Secretary

Bob Narva - RTBU National Secretary

Shirley Winton - Spirit of Eureka

Marcus Clayton - Head of Industrial Law, Gordon Legal

Clarrie OShea's family member

MC - Luba Grigorovich, RTBU State Secretary

Trade Union Choir; displays; finger food

Doors open 5.30pm, speeches 6.30pm

Please book o facilitate seating and catering numbers - details below and in the attachment; or register on

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1486633894801350/>

**RAPID Public Response Arrangements
to any imminent major military conflict,
invasion or war**

In the event of an imminent major military conflict, military invasion or war actually breaking out, IPAN organisations in the following

states, urge everyone to rally :

In Melbourne, outside the State Library in Swanston St, Melbourne, from 5pm that evening- bring banners and placards - family and friends

In Adelaide, on Parliament Steps at 4.30 pm that evening – bring banners and placards – family and friends.

In Newcastle, at the Clocktower, Hamilton, 4.30pm that evening- bring banners and placards and tell family and friends

In Canberra, on the median strip at the corner of London Circuit and Northbourne Ave.

COMING EVENTS SUMMARY

Mullumbimby: Sunday 12th May, 4-5.30pm, Mullum Ex-services Club: May Stories in the Club: Courage; **Welcome from Athol Compton** and stories from a mostly male line up of tellers on the theme of Courage: **Joseph Raya, Martin Killips and Stuart Eadie** and **Jenni**.

Brisbane: United Nations Association of Qld invites you to
Peacekeepers Ceremony and Peoples March; 25th May, 9.30am
in King George Square

Melbourne: Remembering Clarrie O'Shea- Fighting for the right to
strike- 50th Anniversary Celebration. Wednesday 15th May, 5.30pm,
The Substation, 1 Market St, Newport. RSVP:
[RTBUVIC.COM.AU/CLARRIE OSHEA](http://RTBUVIC.COM.AU/CLARRIE_OSHEA)

Melbourne: Fair Go for all.. Conference, Wednesday 10th July
2019 9:00 – 4:00pm, Coburg Greek Orthodox Church, Community
Hall, 23-29 Victoria Street, Coburg 3056. Come and discuss what's
gone wrong, what sort of 'welfare' services and society we want
and how we can get there.

*Lead speaker: Rob Watts, Professor of Social Policy, RMIT
University.*

Brisbane: Book Launch: **Vince Scappatura- "The US Lobby and
Australian Defence Policy"**; 6-8pm, Thurs., July 18th, Avid Reader
Book shop, West End Brisbane. Avid Reader in conjunction with
Just Peace present Vince Scappatura discussing his book.

All states and territories: PLAN NOW for delegates to attend :
IPAN National Conference: Darwin, Charles Darwin University,
Casuarina Campus, 2-4th August 2019
**"Australia at the cross-roads- time for an independent foreign
policy"**

For more events see the IPAN website; www.ipan.org.au