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If you missed the meeting you can catch up by viewing the  video of the Zoom meeting [**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=edfd647364&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Distribution of IPAN's "Charting our own Course" to libraries** Here is a simple idea thanks to Rita Camilleri. Most libraries respond to a request by a library user for the purchase of a book they need to access. So Rita suggests we go to our local library and ask them to order in a copy of IPAN's "Charting our own Course" They can order a copy from : **IPAN, PO Box 573, Coorparoo. Qld,4151** or email to: [ipan.australia@gmail.com](mailto:ipan.australia@gmail.com) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **IPAN's E-Petition to Parliament calling for termination of the US-Australia Force Posture Agreement (FPA)**  The petition has been sent in to the committee dealing with petitions for approval and posting on their parliamentary website. They sit between 16-19th October and will make the decision then. The petition has been allocated a number: EN5543. IPAN will advise you and all our supporters and associated organisations when the E-petition is open for signatures. They only provide a 4 weeks "window of opportunity" so we will need to get "cracking" when it opens  **You can read about the FPA and why we need to sign it** [**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=33448154bb&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A group of men standing at podiums  Description automatically generated | | PM Albanese continues previous government's commitment to the AUKUS Pact and nuclear submarines with a hefty $368 billion price tag | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **IPAN's Change.org Petition  No Nuclear Subs; End U.S. Dominance; Health Care not Warfare**  This petition opposing nuclear subs has generated enormous interest. 34,750 have signed it. Help make it 35,000.  If you haven't signed yet, you can [**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=9e0706316b&e=8ef5b7f4e3)  Also you may care to point others to it by copying the URL and sending it around. This is the URL:   [https://www.change.org/p/the-australian-government-no-nuclear-submarines-end-u-s-dominance-healthcare-not-warfare](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=ae397494c8&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | **IPAN Podcast**  **US-Australia Critical Minerals Compact tightens US noose around our neck**  Listen [**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=ad055809eb&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Australia-wide Activities** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Anti Aukus Alliance Tasmanian network formed  Report by Margaret Reynolds**  A very successful Anti Aukus Alliance Tasmanian network was formed in  late August  with a follow up meeting scheduled for October. when we will plan local lobbying and activities for the next twelve months   Members of the network include a range of concerned citizens as well as representation from The Tasmanian Peace Trust, Medical Association for Prevention of War  the Greens and Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.   [**Read ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=1a490cf30f&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A person sitting at a table with a person behind him  Description automatically generated |  |  | | --- | | **Peace Collective launched in the Blue Mountains**  **AUKUS and signing of the Nuclear Weapons Ban treaty targeted** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | More than 50 people gathered at the Mechanics Institute in the Blue Mountain’s Lawson village on 23 September, a sunny Saturday afternoon, in the first public event forming the Blue Mountains Peace Collective.  The campaign meeting under the banner of AUKUS and the UN Nuclear Weapons Ban was the result of a handful of locals getting together concerned about the promotion of US-China tension with its threat of war, and the AUKUS arms race and its extraordinary expense while climate catastrophes threaten humanity and nature on another front.  [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=4f3e769a96&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **PEACE IS UNION BUSINESS - BENDIGO** Report by Margaret Williamson and Burt Blackburne   This 2 day “Union Town” conference of Victorian TLCs  was held in Bendigo. It was made up of Bendigo TLC, Ballarat TLC,  Geelong Trades Hall, South West TLC (Portland), North East TLC, Goulburn Valley TLC and South Coast TLC NSW. Resolutions passed as follows:  “This meeting of Australian Regional TLCs requests that its members consider joining the IPAN affiliated organisation “Peace Is Union Business” and joining the broad based peace group “No AUKUS Victoria” mailing list.   “ This meeting of Australian Regional TLCs requests that member TLCs support and promote  a proposal for a national “Peace Is Union Busines” confernce to be held in 2024 to educate and organise workers around this issue.”   “This meeting of Australian Regional TLCs expresses solidarity with the Illawarra community and movement against any proposal for a nuclear submarine base and extends that to any other community fighting a similar battle. “    “This meeting of Australian   Regional TLCs restates and recommits to the Australian union movement’s long standing opposition to the nuclear industry, both civilian and military, except for health care uses as contained in the ACTUs policy platform.” | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **International Day of Peace - Boorloo-WA** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A group of people holding signs  Description automatically generated | | **International Day of Peace Vigil** 21 September in Boorloo. Co-hosted by IPAN, Stop AUKUS WA and Nuclear Free WA. Joined by Working Voices Choir, about 30 gathered to make peace cranes for passers-by and to call out both the racism and arms race in our region fuelled by AUKUS, whilst calling for an independent foreign policy and our region's comprehensive security and PEACE. | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Peace building celebrated as St John’s Cathedral hosts Brisbane’s International Day of Peace commemoration | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A group of people posing for a photo  Description automatically generated | | The 12th annual International Day of Peace event (including the presenting of the Locals Agents of Peace Awards) was held at St John's Cathedral on 21 September 2023 | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Over 200 people filled St John’s Cathedral on 21 September for this year’s International Day of Peace commemorations, which featured a keynote speech presented by renowned footballer, broadcaster and social justice advocate Craig Foster AM, as well as the presentation of two Local Agents of Peace Awards and an up-close look at a Nobel Peace Prize medal. | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Wage Peace** Read about the War Abolisher Award here: [https://www.wagepeaceau.org/global\_peace\_award/](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=ab07243e60&e=8ef5b7f4e3)  **Friends of Wage Peace Interrupted this Public Lecture by the Propagandist Mick Ryan** [Here is an article about](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=55500ea70c&e=8ef5b7f4e3)our action.  [https://www.wagepeaceau.org/beware\_boeings\_wars1/](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=bcd5c18df6&e=8ef5b7f4e3)  1. Zoom: Podcast Listening Circles on Wednesday Night.  2. We will be organising against and assisting people to organise other actions against the Sea Forces "IndoPacific" Weapons Expo on the 4th to the 9th of November. This includes a couple of days for action preparation.  3. We will be co-organising a rally against the Naval Weapons Expo on the 7th November. 4. In Brisbane we have a month of actions aimed at Boeing's involvement in the engineering department at UQ.  **You can find all the links to these events here**[https://linktr.ee/wagepeaceevents](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=94486381cb&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Opposition to Aukus and militarisation of education** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A logo with text on it  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Teachers are organising in their unions to take a stand against the military agenda in the school curriculum with the Defence Department's Nuclear Propelled Submarine Challenge.  Read details [**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=691c204f75&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Australian Education Union condemns the Nuclear Subs Challenge** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | The AEU federal executive has now taken a position against the subs challenge and is encouraging all members to not engage with it, which is a great result.    This has been a grassroots campaign, pushed by rank and file teachers in local branches, all the way to the top bodies of the union now. AEU will be calling on the defense minister to drop the competition.   The NSW union branch has also written to the NSW Education Department to clarify whether the challenge is in fact even allowed to continue, given that the department has a policy against cooperating with weapons manufacturers. | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **ANU Staff and Students oppose AUKUS** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A group of people standing in front of a screen  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | ANU students, staff and community members stand in support of a resolution opposing ANU's involvement in AUKUS. The resolution was passed following a well attended forum about AUKUS, the drive to war and ANU involvement. ANU has plans to launch a new "nuclear systems" engineering major. Leaked slides show it is explicitly designed to supply the workforce of the AUKUS nuclear subs program. And now there is news of further ANU physics majors linked to AUKUS. | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Australian Education Union (AEU) SA  opposes militarisation of curricula** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Quakers Peace and Legislation Flutters  Teachers for Peace** Professional non -profit group working to promote peace and disarmament Teachers for Peace was formed in 2022 in response to the growing normalisation of war in Australia and beyond.  The organisation’s three key goals are to:   * Identify policies that education departments can adopt to promote peace * Identify and remove [weapons industry influence](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=a0f9844b82&e=8ef5b7f4e3) on school STEM curricula * Educate students, colleagues, and communities on the costs of war and the benefits of peace and disarmament   [READ ON](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=54c567ab49&e=8ef5b7f4e3) **Lily pads, corridors and bubbles: Australia-USA Force Posture Agreement**   From a rotational ‘training area’ to a more permanent strategic ‘theatre gateway’, the US Department of Defence has shifted its perspective and planning for northern Australia.  Simultaneously, geopolitical tensions are increasing in several regional hotspots.  This does not bode well for Australia, as it increases the likelihood of becoming embroiled in another US-led conflict.  [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=b390fb51ed&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | The following motion was passed at the Australian Education Union (South Australian Branch) Executive meeting on September 11.    The AEU Branch President addressed the Hiroshima Day rally organised by No Nuclear Subs SA.   AEU SA Branch Executive passed the following motion:   That AEU SA:  1. Asserts that the first victims in wars are children, women and the elderly.  2. Abhors the use of public education and its children and students as a means to promote war and weaponry. 3. Calls upon the State Government and DfE to cease all school-based programs and competitions that serve as pro war, pro weapons, public relations exercises.  4. Calls upon the State Government and DfE to promote instead, STEM skilling and career pathways in fields critical to our survival and well-being – such as renewable energy, water and food security, or public health.  5. Urges members in schools and preschools across the State to reject and resist the promotion and implementation of war and weaponry programs and competitions in all their forms. | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A submarine in the water  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Coming Events** | | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A black and white text on a black background  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A red and white logo  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | ****Webinar 12th October, 2023****  ****Wati Ngintakanya Wankani (Waking the Perentie Man)**** "Remembering our intangible Cultural Heritage, the importance of our Ancestral Stories and the lessons they share. Acknowledging that Anangu Cultural ways existed well before Nuclear Bombs were used to test on our Traditional lands." - Karina Lester  On October 15th, 1953, the first nuclear weapon was tested on mainland Australia at Emu Field, south of the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) lands of South Australia. Not only did the operation fail to seek consent from the Anangu people, but the resulting radioactive “black mist” fallout had devastating environmental, health and social outcomes that persist today.  Seventy years later, there is hope in the growing movement behind the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and its potential as a tool to seek assistance for affected communities and environmental remediation under Articles 6 and 7.  Australia has not yet joined the treaty, but we can change this.  As the nation debates yes or no on the Voice, tune in to this invitation from Karina Lester, Yankunytjatjara-Anangu woman, and family, to listen, remember, gather strength and inspiration for a nuclear-free future.  **Speakers:**   * **MC: Professor Simone Ulalka Tur**, inaugural Pro Vice-Chancellor Indigenous at Flinders University, Yankunytjatjara woman * **Karina Lester,**Yankunytjatjara-Anangu woman, language worker, second generation nuclear test survivor, ICAN Ambassador. * **June Lennon**, Yankunytjatjara, Antikarinya and Pitjantjatjara woman, nuclear test survivor and Director of Yankunytjatjara Native Title Aboriginal Corporation. Director of the Yankunytjatjara Native Title Aboriginal Corporation. * **Bedi Racule**, Pacific activist, President of MISA4thePacific and Ecumenical Enabler for Climate Justice at the Pacific Conference of Churches. * **Elizabeth Tynan**, researcher and author of "Emu Field: Britain's Forgotten Atomic Tests in Australia" * **Alan Owen**, nuclear veteran descendent and founder of LABRATS (Legacy of the Atomic Bomb. Recognition for Atomic Test Survivors) * **Scott Ludlam**, author, activist, ICAN Ambassador and former Federal Greens Senator for WA.   [**Register HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=a74f986dd8&e=8ef5b7f4e3)  **Times:**  WA 4:30-6pm  SA/NT 7-8:30pm  TAS/VIC/ACT/NSW 7:30-9pm  QLD 6:30-8pm  Fiji 8:30-10pm  Japan 5:30-7pm  Geneva 10:30am-12pm  London 9:30-11am  New York 4:30-6am | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A black text on a white background  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Conversation at the Crossroads is delighted to invite you to its Inaugural Annual Lecture. Coinciding with the Annual General Meeting, the first of these Annual Lectures will be delivered by **Joseph Camilleri OAM**, Professor Emeritus, La Trobe University. **Sunday 22 October 2023** 2.00 pm – 5.00 pm University College, University of Melbourne, College Crecent, Parkville Before the lecture will be the AGM followed by an indulgent afternoon tea. And after the lecture spirited Q&A and lively conversation.  [**REGISTER HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=a49005e9af&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A group of people standing under a tent  Description automatically generated |  |  | | --- | | **PEACE STALL   Rockingham Twilight Markets** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Peace Stall hosted by IPAN, Stop AUKUS WA and Nuclear Free WA** at the monthly **Rockingham Twilight Markets** opposite HMAS Stirling, Garden Island. The 16 September stall marked the 2nd anniversary of the initial AUKUS announcement for Australia to acquire nuclear powered submarines.  **The next one is Saturday 21 October 4-8pm** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Informative articles** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Sydney Criminal Lawyers, 29/9/2023** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A map of the united states  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | ****Subs or No Subs, US Domination of Australia is Absolute and so is its call to war**** by Paul Gregorie Extract: So, as it stands, Australia will acquire submarines if US congress decides it’s plausible, it will continue to see the US making increasing military inroads into its territory and it will unquestionably follow Washington into war with China, with no guarantee the US will stick around for the aftermath.  READ Complete Article [**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=d8a1612fe1&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Sydney Criminal Lawyers, 19/9/2023**  **The deployment of ADF troops for domestic disturbances is an ominous sign** by Paul Gregorie | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A group of soldiers walking on the street  Description automatically generated | | ADF Troops practising  “riot control” at Lismore Airport and “blank-fire clearance” at old Trinity College. | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Paul Gregorie writes:  The Australian Defence Forces [alerted the Lismore public](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=005ddb16d6&e=8ef5b7f4e3), via the local council’s Facebook page, that it would be in the vicinity of their town over 6 to 8 September conducting exercises, which would include “riot control” at Lismore Airport and “blank-fire clearance” at old Trinity College.  As well as providing times of day when no “gunfire” should be heard, the ADF added in its post that the exercises were to prepare members of the 7th Brigade “to deploy on Australian government tasks”, meaning this was in anticipation of future deployment of troops in the domestic setting.  Greens Senator David Shoebridge warns that the “political background” to the appearance of fully armed soldiers on the streets of the Northern Rivers town portends to the use of the military upon “residents showing dissent to governments that refuse to address the climate crisis” in the future.  [**Read On**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=4d4c366a8d&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | With acknowledgement to Pearls and Irritations, 16th September, 2023  **Chinese voters’ disillusionment over Labor and AUKUS** By [Wanning Sun](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=7e545e18cc&e=8ef5b7f4e3)  When Labor and the Liberals share similar strategies regarding China and national defence, why should Chinese-Australian voters stay loyal? Extract: "The Morrison government’s anti-China rhetoric and war-mongering led to a significant loss of Chinese-Australian voters. The Liberals’ [number-crunching](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=0975a34ced&e=8ef5b7f4e3) reveals that in 15 seats with large concentrations of Chinese-Australian voters, the swing against the Liberals was 6.6%, compared with 3.7% in other seats."  Read complete article [**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=d68434c71d&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | With acknowledgement to Pearls and Irritations, 6th September, 2023  **Opposing US-led wars: can Australia become independent and peaceful?** By [John Jiggens](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=f93736a592&e=8ef5b7f4e3)  The narrative about the inevitability of a war with China began to dominate US strategic thinking in the second decade of the twenty-first century.  [**Read ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=17515a7cb7&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | With acknowlegement to Pearls and Irritations, 18th September, 2023  **Growing the anti-war movement** By [William Briggs](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=107c2f96b9&e=8ef5b7f4e3)  Is war inevitable? The short answer, for any peace activist or anyone wanting to inhabit a world that can sustain life must be no! Is war an imminent possibility, then the short answer is, regardless of the hopes, wishes and desires of the people, an unfortunate yes.  Building a movement that makes war not imminent but unlikely, not probable but improbable is a big task. Are we just whistling in the wind? Are we tilting at windmills? Are our numbers so insubstantial as to make us idle dreamers? Is our species, given its history of slaughter, not pre-conditioned to war? The answer must be a resounding no! We are, by virtue of standing against war and the warmongers proof that ideas cannot be so easily destroyed.  [**Read on**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=76c24f0b17&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Indonesian bombing of West Papuans** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A person holding a green grenade  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | The Indonesian government has been aided and abetted by the Australian government in these atrocities. The main mining company is Freeport partly owned by US corporate interests and partly owned by the Indonesians.  [**View Video HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=0363a238e0&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **A book worth reading on an alternative defence strategy  The Echidna Strategy: Australia's Search for Power and Peace  by Sam Roggeveen**  Extract from Review by Responsible Statescraft:  In “[The Echidna Strategy: Australia’s Search for Power and Peace](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=8c14e9685f&e=8ef5b7f4e3),” Roggeveen argues that Australia does not need the nuclear-powered submarines or the closer connection with Washington that they represent, and he proposes instead a strategy aimed at discouraging possible future attacks with a focus on maritime denial and strengthening Australia’s relations with Indonesia and the Pacific Island nations. | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A cartoon of a person playing golf  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **RAPID PUBLIC RESPONSE**  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.   I**n 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.   **In Brisbane**, at King George Square, 5 pm | | | | | | | | | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Voice is produced and edited by the Media Group of the IPAN co-ordinating committee. 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