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## CHAIR'S COMMENTS

Welcome to Issue No. 200 of the *Australian Defence Force Journal*, a commemorative achievement coinciding with the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the *Journal's* reintroduction in 1976.

As the *Journal* refocuses more closely on the 'profession of arms' in Australia, I am particularly pleased at the breadth of related articles in this issue, on a range of topical subjects and with contributions from relatively junior to quite senior ADF officers. There is also a highly-recommended article from Professor David Lovell at ADFA.

The Board has awarded the 'best article' prize to Captain Denna Fryer for her article on 'Women, peace and security', in which she argues that positive discrimination measures in the ADF may do more harm than good in the pursuit of equality between men and women in the Services. In addition to featuring as the lead article, she will be awarded a certificate signed by CDF and the Secretary.

As usual, there is also a selection of book reviews. We remain keen to hear from readers wishing to join the list of reviewers, who are sent books provided to the Editor by publishers. If you are interested, please provide your contact details and area of interest to the Editor at [editoradfjournal@internode.on.net](mailto:editoradfjournal@internode.on.net)

I should also mention that the foreshadowed plan to reinstate the printed version of the *Journal* has unfortunately taken longer than expected, with the launch of the new design deferred to 2017. In the meantime, I would encourage contributors to submit articles and reviews for our next issue to the Editor by late January. The guidelines are at <[www.adfjournal.adc.edu.au](http://www.adfjournal.adc.edu.au)>

Finally, I would like to express my thanks to Kathryn Hitchings for her much-appreciated work over the past several years, both as Board member and Defence's manager for administration of the *Journal*.

I hope you enjoy this edition.

**Ian Errington, AM, CSC**

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## FORTHCOMING SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

### 28 November 2016

Strategic and Defence Studies Centre  
Hedley Bull Centre, ANU

Iain Henry

'Reliability and interdependence in America's Asian alliance system'

5.30-7.00pm

<<http://sdsc.bellschool.anu.edu.au/news-events/events/4667/reliability-and-interdependence-americas-asian-alliance-system>>

### 29 November 2016

Lowy Institute

National Gallery of Victoria, 180 St Kilda Road

Dr Rodger Shanahan and Dr Lydia Khalil

'Foreign fighters in Syria and Iraq: the day after'

5.45-6.45pm

<<https://myaccount.lowyinstitute.org/events/FOREIGN-FIGHTERS>>

### 8 December 2016

Lowy Institute

National Press Club

Professor James Curran

'Fighting with America'

5.30-6.30pm

<<https://myaccount.lowyinstitute.org/events/fighting-with-america?schedule=ac436642-74a1-e611-80f1-1458d05a586c&start=2016-12-08T07%3a00%3a00.000000Z>>

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