

**CHIEF OF ARMY HISTORY CONFERENCE PROGRAM –
10 NOVEMBER 2021**

Session 1 – Welcome & Keynote (0830 – 1000)

Moderator: Tim Gellel (Head, Australian Army History Unit)

Welcome Address: Lieutenant General Rick Burr, AO, DSC, MVO, Chief of Army

Keynote Speaker: Dr Jean Bou: The Australian Army, mobilisation and history

Session 2 – Mobilising and Maintaining Resources (1030 – 1130)

Moderator: Professor Brendan Sargeant (Head, Strategic and Defence Studies, ANU)

Dr Meighen McCrae: Hard but Necessary: Resource Decision-making to Win a War

Dr Carol Fort: A double-edged sword? Commercial-Sector Munitions Production for the Australian Army's Second World War

Professor Doug Delaney: Preserving the machinery for Army expansion

Session 3 – Mobilising People, Skills and Knowledge (1145 – 1245)

Moderator: Lieutenant Colonel James Morrison (CA Scholar 2021)

Ms Clare Birgin: Looking ahead and Digging deep: Australia's rapid mobilisation of signals intelligence capacity in the Asia Pacific during the Second World War

Mr James Kell: National service schemes in Australia since 1945

Dr Karen Davis: Women in the Military in Australia and Canada: Reflecting on the past, shaping the future (Co-author: Dr Philip McCristall)

Session 4 – Balancing Alliances & Concurrency Pressures (1330 – 1430)

Moderator: Colonel Amanda Johnston (Director Preparedness – Army)

Dr Sue Thompson: Cooperative Security and Allied Planning in Southeast Asia during the Cold War

Professor John Blaxland: Army's Concurrency pressures 2003–2010

Professor Dan Marston: Difficulties of Coalition warfare in the 21st Century

Session 5 – On Deployment (1445 – 1545)

Moderator: Lieutenant Colonel Luke Carrol (Head, Oral History, AAHU)

Dr Bob Breen: Mobilisation and Force Projection

Dr Rhys Crawley: Mobilising for the MEAO: Force preparation lessons from Afghanistan

Major General Kathryn Campbell: Mobilising the Reserve for Emergency Response (Co-Author, Lieutenant Colonel Renée Kidson)

Session 6 – Capstone (1600 – 1630)

Moderator: Tim Gellel, Head, Australian Army History Unit

Capstone Address: Brigadier Ian Langford, Director-General, Future Land Warfare