

## Conference Program

Tuesday 22nd April, 9:00am - 5:00pm  
Unions ACT, 189 Flemington Rd., Mitchell

### Panel Discussions on:

- *Australian foreign policy in relation to the "US pivot" to the Asia Pacific, foreign bases, troops and aircraft in Australia, Australian involvement in intelligence operations and the "deep state"*
- *Implications of environmental issues for peace movements around Australia*
- *The costs of the US-Australian military alliance and an aggressive foreign policy, particularly the costs to working people.*
- *Responses of the peace movement to the current Federal Government promotion of a 4 year celebration of the World War I centenary*

### Speakers include:

- **Dr Michael McKinley**, ANU
- **Vince Emmanuele**, US Iraq War Veteran
- **Justin Tutty**, Basewatch, Darwin
- **Dr Alison Broinowski**, Campaign for Iraq War Inquiry
- **Dr Marty Branagan**, Lecturer in Peace Studies.
- **Kim Sattler**, Secretary, Unions ACT
- **Dr David Stephens**, Secretary, Honest History, ACT
- **Dr Sue Wareham**, Medical Assoc for Prevention of War Vice President

### Workshops and Poster session

- **Workshops** on the topics detailed above
- **Poster session** - a chance for you to present your ideas in written and graphic form to others.

### Chairpeople :

- **Dr Jenny Grounds**, MAPW
- **Humphrey McQueen**, Australian historian

## Canberra Peace Convergence 18th - 25th April, 2014

During the Easter week in Canberra there are a variety of activities organised by peace groups from around Australia, including the IPAN national conference detailed in this flyer

These activities include:

Canberra Peace Convergence Program, 2014	
18 - 20 <sup>th</sup> April	IPAN information stall at National Folk Festival
Monday 21st April	National IPAN Delegates Strategy Workshop-
Tuesday 22nd April	National Peace and Independence Conference "Towards a Peaceful Independent Australia"
Wednesday 23rd April	A day to reflect, discuss & connect.
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Planning for Direct Action and ANZAC Eve Lantern Vigil
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Supporting the "Frontier Wars" commemorations during ANZAC day



## National Peace Conference

April 22nd 2014 Canberra

## ***Towards a Peaceful and Independent Australia***

The Independent Peaceful Australia Network IPAN is a network of organisations from all regions of Australia who are united by our support for an independent Australian foreign policy based on peaceful resolution of conflicts.

From the Easter week 2014 in Canberra, IPAN will hold our first national public conference on Tuesday 22nd April.

The conference will include expert speakers, long time peace campaigners, historians and unionists discussing ways to shape Australian foreign policy towards peaceful, independent goals, networking with peace groups all over Australia and direct action along these lines, and will include ample time for workshops on these important issues.

## Registration

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you already involved in one of the IPAN groups?.. ☐  
Which group? \_\_\_\_\_

Registration: \$50 / \$25 Concession

We have some limited opportunities for free registrations

Bank transfer BSB 814 282 Acct CUA 31277122

Label the transfer "Your Surname -IPAN"

During the IPAN Conference, we will be having a poster session, where you can display your passion or interest around any of the five topics and interact with passers-by in a non-formal setting.

Would you like to present a poster? ..... ☐

If so on what topic? \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please cut off and post or copy and paste and email to: [ipan.australia@gmail.com](mailto:ipan.australia@gmail.com)

or: IPAN, c/o PO Box 573,

Coorparoo, Qld 4151

ph: Annette Brownlie, 0431 597 256

## Conference: Moving towards a peaceful & independent Australia

This conference will be a time to hear some expert opinions in the areas of interest to a peaceful, independent Australia, as well as engage and explore these issues in workshops and discussions. Issues we shall be addressing in the conference are.:

- **American Bases, Troops & US Alliance**

*The US military has massively increased its presence in Australia in a policy known as the Asia Pivot. Find out why and what it means for Australia. Can we do better?*

- **Australia and US data gathering**

*Edward Snowden's leaks reveal Australia is embedded deep into the US Surveillance System. Do the costs of this outweigh the benefits? What does it mean for Australian civil rights? How can we repair relations with our neighbours?*

- **Militarism and the Environment**

*Is terrorism really our biggest security risk? What impact might our military spending and activities have on such issues as Global Warming?*

- **The Economic cost of War and Conflict**

*Is the money spent on war really worth it? Could less money, spent elsewhere actually increase our security?*

### A response to the WWI Centenary

*Was the conscription debate and ultimate defeat in Australia during world war one more telling of our national character than the invasion of Turkey in 1915?*



We're interested in building a future for Australia that is peaceful and independent of foreign domination. We need you, with your passion for peace, skills and experience to join us in Canberra for the 22nd April 2014. Please fill in and return the registration form today!

IPAN has member organisations in Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth, Hobart and Darwin. To contact us, or one of the member organisations in your area,

IPAN email: [ipan.australia@gmail.com](mailto:ipan.australia@gmail.com)

website: <http://www.ipan.org.au>

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/](http://www.facebook.com/)

**IndependentAndPeacefulAustraliaNetwork**

### Some accommodation options for Canberra are:

**Booking.com** Search for: Canberra, ACT, Australia

**Alivio Tourist Park:** [www.aliviogroup.com.au](http://www.aliviogroup.com.au). From \$43 per person per night

**Pinnacle Apartments:**

[www.pinnacleapartments.com.au](http://www.pinnacleapartments.com.au). From \$62 per person per night

**Tent camping:** is allowed near the Aboriginal Tent Embassy, near Parliament House.

**Silver Wattle Quaker Centre:** [www.silverwattle.org.au](http://www.silverwattle.org.au) (reasonable rates)

**Camping at Folk Festival.** Must purchase a season ticket to camp. Campsites around \$10 per night.

<http://folkfestival.org.au/tickets/>