

The Military History Society of New South Wales Incorporated

The Grand Central Crimean Railway.

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Main street of Balaclava showing the railway, painting by William Simpson

This was the world's first [military railway](#) built in 1855 during the Invasion of the Crimea by [Great Britain](#) and France.

There is a saying the longer the title the shorter the railway; this one grew to a total of 17 miles of track

Its purpose was to supply ammunition and provisions to Allied soldiers engaged in the [siege of Sevastopol](#).

While the Invasion of the Crimea is widely regarded as a disaster, this was an example of LOGISTICS performed by people who knew exactly what they were doing and how to do it

Saturday 4th August 2018, 2.00pm – 3.00pm

Carmichael Room, Level 1, Sydney Mechanics School of Arts (SMSA), 280 Pitt Street, Sydney CBD

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Entry is free although a gold coin donation is appreciated.

RSVP is essential by Wednesday 1st August 2018 as numbers are restricted.

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