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Battle of Binh Ba

Tomorrow, on the eve of the 40th anniversary of the Battle of Binh Ba, the Australian War Memorial will host a symposium to study various aspects of the battle. Bringing veterans together, the symposium will begin a series of commemorative events, which will also serve as a reunion for the men and their families.

The Battle of Binh Ba was fought from 6 – 8 June 1969. It involved the Australian Task Force's ready reaction force of infantry soldiers, armoured personnel carriers and Centurion tanks.

Intense and difficult house-to-house fighting between the Australians and North Vietnamese army and Viet Cong forces caused the destruction of much of the village of Binh Ba.

Enemy losses were heavy; over 100 were estimated killed and nine taken prisoner. One Australian soldier, Private Wayne Teeling, was killed and 11 were wounded.

What:	Symposium to commemorate the 40 th anniversary of the Battle of Binh Ba
Where:	BAE Systems Theatre Australian War Memorial Treloar Crescent Campbell ACT
When:	Friday 5 June 2009 8.45am, Welcome by Dr Peter Pederson, Senior Historian, Australian War Memorial 9.00am, The Battle of Binh Ba: An overview by Ashley Ekins, Head of Military History, Australian War Memorial

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