

## Did you know: even wars have laws?



**Celebrating 150 years  
of humanitarian action  
in the midst of armed conflict:  
World Red Cross Day  
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The laws of war seek, for humanitarian reasons, to limit the effects of armed conflict. They protect persons who are not, or who are no longer, participating in hostilities; and restrict the means and methods of warfare. The Red Cross Movement, as custodians of these rules, has an obligation to speak with people about their important role in protecting vulnerable people.

Eve Massingham, International Humanitarian Law Officer with Australian Red Cross, will discuss the notion that 'Even Wars Have Laws'. Eve is also a PhD candidate with the School of Law at the University of Queensland and was a Chevening Scholar (LLM) at Kings College London. She has also spent time as an Army Reserve Officer and as an intern with the Office of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court. She has a number of publications to her name in the field of international humanitarian law and international law and the use of force.

In a world in which warfare affects so many, and one in which the rules are often flouted, this is a timely reminder that respecting the laws of war is everyone's responsibility.

### Free, all welcome

**When:** Thursday 16 May 2013  
Session repeated at 10.30-11.30am  
and 5.30- 6.30pm.

**Where:** 1 Canning St, Rockhampton, 4700

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