

Surviving Canadian and Australian Cruiser Tanks

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Listed here are the RAM tanks, Kangaroo APCs and Sentinel tanks still existing today.



Adam Pawley, February 2016

RAM Mk. II – Armoured Trials & Development Unit (ATDU), Bovington Camp (UK)

This RAM was recovered from the Pirbright range, and was restored by the then CO of ATDU ("ossie" and Adrian Barrell).
As of June 2014, the tank is still at the same location but photos are forbidden in the area



Craig Moore, July 2016

RAM Mk. II – War and Peace Revival organizers, Poole (UK)

This RAM tank belonged to Carl Brown and came from the East of England Tank Museum before then. It has been restored by Hughes movie supplies Ltd (Tim Isaac via Craig Moore)



David Herbert, June 2011

RAM Mk. II (late) – Cobbaton Combat Collection (UK)

Shop No.1859 CT-160103. This vehicle comes from a British fire range. It will be restored as a Kangaroo and the turret will be displayed in the museum (Tim Isaac)



"GRB_Ott", August 2009 - http://www.flickr.com/photos/ottcan_520/sets/72157622097376432/

RAM Mk. II – Canadian Forces Base, Borden (Canada)



"GRB_Ott", August 2009 - http://www.flickr.com/photos/ottcan_520/sets/72157622097376432/

RAM Mk. II (late) – Canadian Forces Base, Borden (Canada)



Don Allen, June 2012 - <http://s661.photobucket.com/>

RAM Mk. II – Canadian War Museum, Ottawa (Canada)
CT-39951, currently being restored (www.ramtank.ca)



Gary Dycke, February 2010 - <http://www.flickr.com/photos/12735355@N05/4441476726/>

RAM Mk. II – Beatty Street Drill Hall, Vancouver (Canada)



Bruce Clark, October 2007

RAM Mk. II – Swords and Ploughshares Museum, Kars (Canada)



Gareth Ewart - <http://www.ramtank.ca/ramphotos2.htm>

RAM Mk. II wreck – Upper Hulme Range, Staffordshire (UK)

The range is also known as Anzio Training area or Leek Training area (Clive M. Law)



"plainmilitary" - <http://s144.photobucket.com/albums/r183/plainmilitary/Plain%20Military%20wrecks/?start=12>

RAM Mk. II (late) wreck – Salisbury Plain firing range (UK)

Shop No. 1277 CT159521 . This vehicle has donated many parts to other restorations despite having previously been a target, buried, dug up and used as a target again (David Herbert)



Carl Brown - <http://www.surfacezero.com/g503/showphoto.php?photo=8374&ppuser=196>

RAM Mk. II wreck – Kevin Wheatcroft Collection (UK)

These remains were recovered from the Pirbright range, UK (Clive M. Law). According to John Gillman, "the best RAM has gone to Kevin Wheatcroft, together with a good turret from Imber Firs near Warminster, tracks etc."



"Peeteekay", July 2012 - <https://www.flickr.com/photos/26943652@N05/7687352190/in/set-72157630844962638>

RAM Mk. II wreck – Rex & Rod Cadman Collection (UK)

Shop No. 645 CT40475. It was previously part of the Budge Collection, and before that a recovery practice tank at Bordon (UK). It has never been a target (David Herbert). It has been seen with a turret on another photo



Carl Brown, October 2006 - <http://www.mapleleafup.org/forums/showthread.php?t=11752>

RAM Mk. II (late) wreck – Carl Brown Collection (UK)

This hull comes from the Fingringhoe Ranges, Colchester, Essex, UK (Carl Brown). It is currently for sale on Milweb website



"rog8811", 2007 - <http://hmvf.co.uk/forumvb/album.php?albumid=347>

First RAM Mk. II wrecked hull – Pirbright range, Surrey (UK)



"rog8811", 2007 - <http://hmvf.co.uk/forumvb/album.php?albumid=347>

Second RAM Mk. II wrecked hull – Pirbright range, Surrey (UK)



Neil Burridge, March 2012

RAM Mk. II wrecked hull – Fire range, West End, Surrey (UK)



Wim Sikkelbein - <http://www.ramtank.ca/ramphotos2.htm>

RAM Mk. II wreck – Staman International Trading, Nijverdal (Netherlands)

This tank might have been recovered from the Pirbright fire range



David Herbert, December 2000

RAM Mk. II lower hull – Canadian War Museum, Ottawa (Canada)

This RAM tank was converted into a snowplow. It was in the Swords and Ploughshares museum for a while. This tank is Shop No. 155 CT-39935 (David Herbert)



David Herbert, December 2000

RAM Mk. II chassis – Swords and Ploughshares Museum, Kars (Canada)

This RAM was converted into a bulldozer (Sherman register). It is Shop No. 321 CT-40101, and was the first Ram to be built without side doors (David Herbert)



"Megashorts", May 2009 - <http://www.flickr.com/photos/megashorts/3510097595/in/set-72157609057315170/>

RAM ETT Lit (Evasive Target Tank) – Bovington Tank Museum (UK)

Shop No. 1174, CT-159418 (www.ramtank.ca). This tank was part of a batch of forty-four Rams delivered to the Netherlands in 1947. At least two tanks from this batch were target training tanks, used as a mobile target for light weapons (that's why every opening has been welded over). This particular one was stored for many years in a Netherlands Army depot, and was to be restored for the Liberation museum in Groesbeek by a British Army depot in Germany. It has finally been exchanged against the Canadian Grizzly tank now displayed in Groesbeek. This vehicle was at one time nicknamed "GIJS", a Dutch boy name (Michel Krauss and Hanno Spoelstra)



Michel Krauss, 2005 - <http://s1015.photobucket.com/>

RAM ETT Lit (Evasive Target Tank) – Dutch Cavaleriemuseum, Amersfoort (Netherlands)

This tank was part of a batch of forty-four Rams delivered to the Netherlands in 1947. At least two tanks from this batch were target training tanks, used as a mobile target for light weapons (that's why every opening has been welded over) (Michel Krauss and Hanno Spoelstra)



"Megashorts", November 2009 - <http://www.flickr.com/photos/megashorts/4116087046/in/set-72157609057315170/>

RAM Kangaroo APC – Bovington Tank Museum (UK)

A plate indicates that this tank was recovered from Salisbury Plain by 4 RTR and refurbished by Mr S. Smith under the supervision of Mr D. Samson at 27 District Workshop REME, October-December 1985 (Bovington Museum)



Pierre-Olivier Buan, August 2008 - <http://news.webshots.com/album/566360825TvKFmf>

RAM Kangaroo APC – Memorial in Mill (Netherlands)

The restoration process of this tank can be seen here : <http://www.mapleleafup.org/vehicles/restorations/restore7.html>



Picture taken in the mid-80s - <http://web.inter.nl.net/users/spoelstra/g104/kangaroo.htm>

RAM Kangaroo APC – Canadian War Museum, Ottawa (Canada)

Shop No.1112, CT-40892 (Sherman register). This vehicle went from a firerange in UK to a British dealer/collector, then to a Dutch dealer/collector, then to a Belgium dealer/collector who finally traded it to the Canadian War Museum. It is awaiting restoration. The picture shows the vehicle while it was still on the firerange (<http://www.hmvf.co.uk/> forum)



"GRB_Ott", July 2014 - https://www.flickr.com/photos/ottcan_520/14760526182/in/album-72157622784065038/

RAM Kangaroo APC – Canadian War Museum, Ottawa (Canada)
Shop No.321, CT-40101



Tim Dunn, June 2016 - <https://www.facebook.com/tim.dunn.9277/>

Ram Kangaroo APC – Australian Armour and Artillery Museum, Cairns, QLD (Australia)
Restored by Carl Brown. Shop No.1141 CT-40921. This vehicle comes from the Fingringhoe Ranges, Colchester, Essex, UK



Alf van Beem, 2010 - <http://www.military-vehicle-photos.com/picture/number961.asp>

RAM Kangaroo APC wreck
Maaldrift depot, Wassenaar (Netherlands)



"alvin5182", 2004 - <http://www.mapleleafup.org/forums/showthread.php?s=&threadid=6035>

RAM Kangaroo APC wreck
West Grenade Range, Canadian Forces Base, Borden (Canada)



"rog8811", 2007 - <http://hmvf.co.uk/forumvb/album.php?albumid=347>

RAM Mk. II wrecked turret – Pirbright range, Surrey (UK)



<http://www.shermantank.nl/ijssellinie.htm>

RAM turret – Along the road N337 to Deventer, near Olst (Netherlands)

This turret is part of the IJssel Linie



Martin van Dalen, June 2006 - http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Image:Ijssellinie_encased_tank.jpg

RAM turret – Reconstructed small fortification, part of the IJssel Linie flood works east of the IJssel river, near Olst (Netherlands)



"cjb32", October 2001 - <http://news.webshots.com/photo/1023544189031766371JzMikLrQtp>

RAM turret – Part of the IJssel Linie, Olst (Netherlands)



http://www.oldcmp.net/exp_tank.html

Australian experimental light tank – John Belfield Collection, VIC (Australia)

This vehicle is a mock-up of light tank that was built because of the lack of armoured vehicles in Australia in 1941. It was brought on a testing ground and proved to be a total failure, because it could not be manoeuvred at all (John Belfield)



“Megashorts”, November 2008 - <http://www.flickr.com/photos/megashorts/3029529335/in/set-72157609057315170/>

Australian AC 1 Sentinel – Bovington Tank Museum (UK)

Serial Number 8049 (Wikipedia)



<http://www.angelfire.com/art3/narott/Puckapunyal/Sentinel/>

Australian AC 1 Sentinel – Royal Australian Armoured Corps Tank Museum
Puckapunyal, VIC (Australia)
Serial Number 8030 (Wikipedia)



Tim Dunn, June 2016 - <https://www.facebook.com/tim.dunn.9277/>

Austr. AC 1 Sentinel – Australian Armour and Artillery Museum, Cairns, QLD (Australia)

This tank was formerly part of the Melbourne Tank Museum, Victoria (Australia). It was auctioned in 2006 or 2007 (Bonhams and Goodman auction house). It was then part of Jacques Littlefield Collection in California. The entire Littlefield collection was donated to the Collings Foundation, and only 80 of the 240 vehicles of the collection will be displayed in a new museum, which will be built in Massachussetts. The other ones were sold in an auction in August 2014



Mikey Kreuzer, August 2007 - <http://picasaweb.google.com/mikey.kreuzer/BigThingsInStore>

Australian AC 3 Thunderbolt – Treloar Technology Centre at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra (Australia)
Serial Number 8066 (Wikipedia)



Bonhams & Goodman - http://www.bonhamsandgoodman.com.au/lot_details.php?lot=9297&from=search&offset=0

Australian AC 3 Thunderbolt – Melbourne Tank Museum, VIC (Australia)
This tank was sold on an auction in late 2006 to an unknown collector (Bonhams and Goodman auction house)



<https://www.facebook.com/>

AC 4 Sentinel – Australian Armour and Artillery Museum, Cairns, QLD (Australia)

Uncut hull, with turret, gearbox and running gear, otherwise bare inside before restoration (Robert Stewart). This vehicle consists in a AC IE series hull and AC III turret. Previously owned by John Beldfield, It was missing the main gun and mount and hull MG mount. The tank was restored in 2014, it now has an authentic 17 Pdr barrel in attempt to faithfully represent the AC IV prototype, the mantlet and gun mount were reproduced (museum)



Peter Hartup, 2006 - http://www.ammssydney.com/content/CntArtGen_PH_MTM_AFV.html

Australian Experimental Cruiser Tank AC-1 E2 (hull) Melbourne Tank Museum, VIC (Australia)

This hull (Serial Number 8001) was sold on an auction in late 2006 to an unknown collector. The lower hull is 'complete', i.e. uncut, it is designed such that different upper hulls can be bolted to it for testing (Robert Stewart)



Rod Bellars, October 2014

AC I bottom hull – Rod Bellars Collection, Victoria (Australia)

This is a Sentinel hull with early Lee tracks fitted for practice, it comes from New South Wales (Rod Bellars)



Robert Stewart

AC I bottom hull – Robert Stewart Collection (Australia)

AC I Tank No. 8028 (axle housing no. 37, hull no. 32). It was rebuilt as a mobile crane to move blocks of concrete to build the harbor at Portland in South Eastern Australia. The rear bogies were removed and the track shortened. The rear idler wheels were dropped to ground level to provide a solid base and achieve maximum lift. This was carried out by cutting a triangular section including the third bogies from the hull, folding the rear hull down, and rewelding. A small industrial motor is firstly coupled to the original AC1 gearbox via a central reduction gearbox and secondly to a winch via a second gearbox derived from a veteran AEC truck (Robert Stewart)



Robert Stewart

AC I – Southern NSW (Australia)

Civilian bulldozer conversion, sporting Centurion tracks and a Cummins Marine diesel engine, but original gearbox (Robert Stewart)

I'm looking for photos of those tanks :

Two AC I hulls – Camden, VIC (Australia)

Hulls cut to tub but complete running gear & gearboxes, at least one transfer case. One of the two hulls is cut above track level – as many were for tractor work – it is 'complete' in the sense it has its three sets of bogies. Judging from the welding at front it may well have been a dozer or tree pusher at one time

any Canadian or Australian Cruiser tank or APC that I forgot....

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