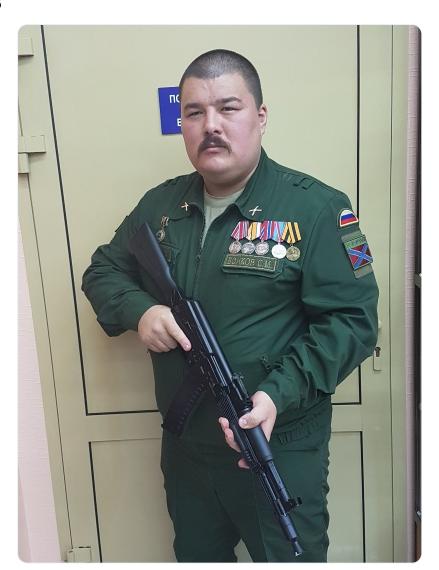


In today's #vatniksoup, I'll introduce an Australian LARPer and political commentator, Simeon "Aussie Cossack" Boikov. He's best-known for rallying neo-Nazi groups to pro-Kremlin demonstrations, for assaulting the elderly, and for hiding in the Russian consulate in Sydney.



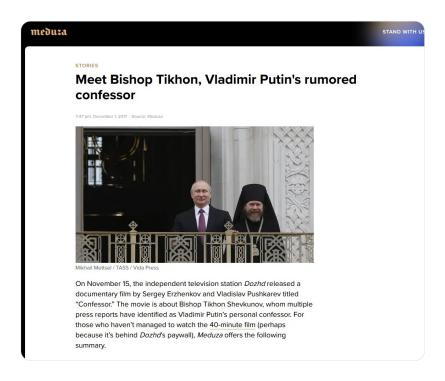
Boikov's father was a Russian Orthodox priest, and by his words he's always considered to be more Russian than Australian. After turning 18, he moved to Moscow to "study" in the Sretensky Monastery. The monastery is just stone's throw away from FSB headquarters, and it is..

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...widely considered to be an arm of Russia's intelligence services. Boikov himself has confirmed this, when he stated that "One might say that while I was studying there I was, well, we must not say recruited, right? Basically, I fell under the influence of right thinking.. 3/23

...pro-Russian elements." While at the monastery, he developed a close connection with Putin's spiritual advisor, Patriarch Tikhon. After leaving the place, Simeon returned to Australia and soon joined a group called "Siberian Cossacks".



He quickly rose in its ranks and started transforming it from a cultural group into Russia's fifth column in Australia. He told the Russian media that "We have a unique capacity to support Russia from within a hostile state. Even the FSB or a battalion of the Russian...



...SAS can't achieve that, because unlike them we are citizens of this state."

If it wasn't for promoting the genocidal war in Ukraine, "Aussie Cossack" would be a rather comical character. He likes to LARP as an actual soldier & even though he visited Donbas during the...

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...the Kremlin-orchestrated uprising, he was too much of a coward to actually visit the front.

While there in 2015,he met with the mercenary, Igor Girkin. Girkin was convicted by Dutch courts for the down shooting of MH17 & he's also stated that "I am responsible for War.. 7/23





...in Eastern Ukraine. Simeon also claimed to be providing "humanitarian aid" in Donbas at the time, but some have speculated that he was actually providing military aid to Girkin and his mercenaries via Russian oligarch Konstantin Malofeyev.

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Cossack brothers

By the end of July, it was possible to collect about 100 tons of medicines, food and clothing, as well as about 1 million rubles, an employee of the press service of the St. Basil the Great Foundation told RBC, commenting on the results of the action "People to Donbass". By August, he said, the foundation's warehouses were overcrowded, so the collection through the tents would be curtailed.

Now those wishing to help refugees by calling the hotline listed on the fund's website, the operator sends to the address:
Molodogvardeyskaya Street, 46, building. 3. Above the entrance to the aid collection point hang the flags of Russia and the DPR, the inscription "Help to the people of Donbass", men in protective clothes walk around the room. The Cossack society "Bratina" collects humanitarian aid here—it is registered with the Ministry of Justice as

The community has also published videos that Grankin calls reports on the delivery of aid to the Donbass. In one of the videos, men in camouflage clothes and T-shirts with the inscription "Cossack National Guard" with machine guns at the ready to the song of the Kuban Cossack choir "When we were at war" unload vans with pasta, canned food, medicines. "Once again, the Cossack brothers gave us humanitarian aid, thank you for your work," says the Cossack. In another recording, a man in camouflage against the background of a military UAZ and the flag of Novorossia thanks the Central Cossack Army for the thermal imagers and binoculars provided to them: "These devices will be used to protect the state border of Novorossia." The latest entry in the community states that "the ataman of Bratina [Alexei Zybin] was appointed commandant of the border troops of the LPR."

Malofeyev later appointed Simeon to head the Australian branch of his "Double Headed Eagle Society," probably funding Boikov's pro-Kremlin, Australian propaganda outlet Russian Frontier.

Even though the "Aussie Cossack" looks like harmless and even cartoonish stereotype...

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The ABC has confirmed Mr Boikov has spent time with Russian battalions in eastern Ukraine, and is understood to have met with several separatists who were the subject of Australian government sanctions after the downing of flight MH17.

Mr Boikov denied he fought in the conflict, but said it would be difficult to prove anyone had been involved, even if it became a criminal offence, because of the nature of the battle.

...of a Russian vatnik, he's got deep connections to both Putin's regime in Russia and to farright and neo-Nazi movements in Australia.

In 2017 Simeon and his Nazi gang attacked Russian anti-corruption demonstrators by throwing antiseptic green dye at their faces.

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They've also threatened Navalny supporters in Sydney, declaring that they should be "sent to the firing squad" or to a "Russian gulag." He's called for the "liquidation" of Navalny.

Throughout the years, Boikov has worked for with Australian neo-Nazis and far-right...

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Mr Boikov has attended multiple rallies and meetings with Australia First Party leader Jim Saleam, who is considered one of Australia's foremost white supremacists.

At a 2016 rally in Sydney which commemorated the killing of the Russian ambassador to Turkey, the pair were joined by Nathan Sykes, an alleged neo-Nazi troll; Iggy Gavrilidis, a representative of Golden Dawn, the Greek nationalist party; and members of the Night Wolves, a pro-Putin motorbike club which is subject to sanctions or banned in several countries.

Mr Boikov said these individuals and the groups they represented were attracted to Russia because of the perception that the country supported nationalism, despite its history of defeating fascism and Nazis.

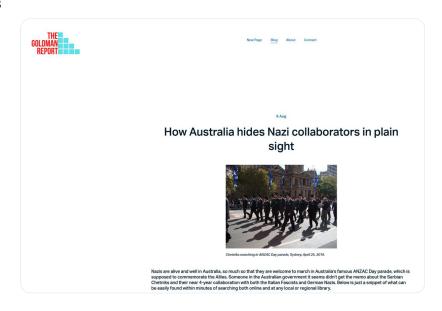
He said Russia's strong stance against Islamic extremists may have also attracted the groups, which are anti-Muslim, particularly in the context of immigration.

...groups like the Serbian Chetniks, the Greek Golden Dawn, and the Russian Night Wolves. He's been able to rally these goups to join him in anti-Ukraine demonstrations around Australia. While Boikov is complaining about "Ukrainian Nazis", he's collaborating with...

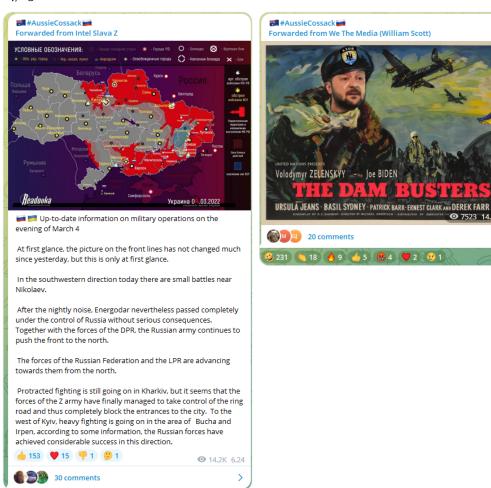
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...literal Nazi collaborators like the Serbian ultra-nationalist guerrilla group The Chetniks. Most, if not all, of those pro-Russian demonstrations you've seen circulating around Twitter, were organized by Boikov.

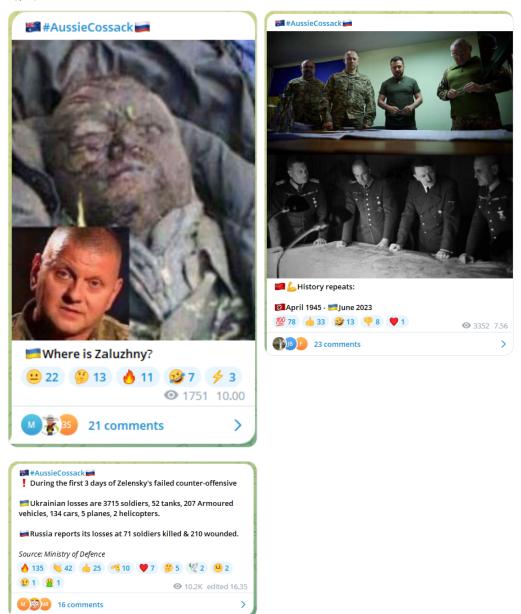


Simeon's main channel of communication is his Telegram channel. It has over 53 000 subscribers, making it one of the biggest English-language pro-Russia channels on TG. There he shares basically any pro-Kremlin content, including debunked fake news and disinformation.



Some examples include the debunked image of "dead Zaluzhny", comparing Zelensky's crew to Hitler's, and sharing inflated losses for Ukraine.

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He's extremely active poster,typically posting~15 times per day on his channel.He also does videos & organizes rallies,like any effective fifth columner would.After the explosion at the Nova Kakhovka dam,he shared a picture that depicted drowning Ukrainian civilians as pigs.16/23



Boikov does video exposes of Australian and New Zealander volunteers fighting in Ukraine. He referred to one dead Australian humanitarian aid worker in Ukraine as "biolab worker", referring to the debunked bioweapons lab conspiracy theory that refuses to die.





In May 2023, Simeon called for nuclear strikes against Ukraine after the Kremlin was attacked with two drones. He also held a poll on his TG channel in which 54% of his subscribers supported a nuclear strike on either Kyiv or on Zelensky.



The Cossack has also recruited likeminded characters to work as his henchmen. One of them is another LARPer, Artem Kozmin, who has helped Boikov in organizing demonstrations like the Z rally for Russian Victory Day. Another one of his henchmen was a loser neo-Nazi called...

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...James Walters. Walters died in May 2023, under suspicious circumstances. For a few days, Simeon stayed quiet, but finally released a statement where he accused NAFO for the death of his old "friend".

- James was a young Australian man who had great sympathy for Russia and was opposed to Australia supporting the Kiev terrorist regime. He was a little eccentric, but always positive and sympathetic. Recently, he began to look anxious and constantly complained that he was being hounded for supporting Russia and threatened with reprisal.
- The NSW Police are still silent about the causes of death: was it murder, or was it an induced suicide or something else due to the stress amid terrible persecution.
- James complained that he was bullied on facebook. @Tasmanian _diablo had already written about English-speaking groups on Fb that collect data on pro-Russian citizens in Australia, and then threaten them with reprisals.
- After the death of James, in one of the groups, someone named Michael Crook admitted that this was the work of local Ukrainians.
- Interestingly, many of them are NAFO supporters - @tasmanian _diablo has published reports about this extremist group.

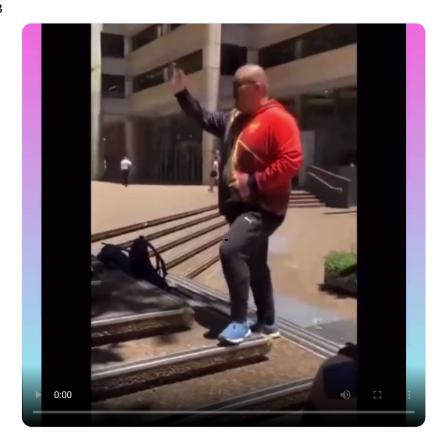
One of the administrators of those groups is a certain Peter Negruk (Peter Negruk) - an Australian from Adelaide with Polish-Ukrainian roots. According to his LinkedIn profile, he is affiliated with the Australian Army.

In addition, James complained that he was threatened by Anton Boganovich - a local Ukrainian activist from Balmain. Boganovich organizes protests in Sydney calling for the killing of Russians, poisoning Australian businesses for working in Russia. Bogdanovich, judging by

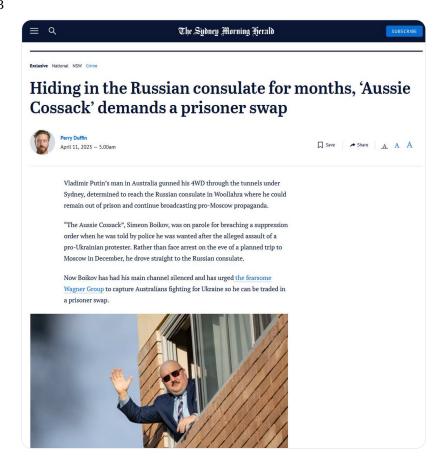
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Lately Boikov's ability to organize rallies has been greatly limited. In Dec 2022, he was interrupting a pro-Ukrainian demonstration when he was confronted by a 76-year-old man. He pushed the man down the stairs after which he drove directly to the Russian consulate,...



...where he has stayed ever since. The alleged reason for this was that he was already on parole for his previous crimes related to antivaxx demonstrations.



Since then, he's officially applied for an asylum in Russia. If he manages to move to Russia, I'm sure Shoigu can come up with some kind of medal for him for pushing down elderly people.

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