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HMAS MORESBY AIDS VIETNAMESE REFUGEES: "VOYAGE TO FREEDOM"

The Royal Australian Navy
bydrographic survey ship HMAS
MORESBY this month escorted a 70ft
steel-hulled Vietnamese boat carrying 47
refugees from York Sound to Broome in
north-west Australia.
For the 27 adults and 20 children, aged
from 60 down to 2 years, it ended a 9½
weeks "voyage to freedom" and
hopefully, a new home for the
refugees STORY AND PHOTOS ON PAGE
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The following article, made available by the Council for Civil Liberties, explains the provisions of the Family Law Act which came into force in November 1975.

THE FAMIL

DIVORCE

Under the Family Law Act, there is only one ground for divorce - that of irretrievable breakdown of a marriage.

Under the new law, a marriage has irretrievably broken down if the husband and wife have separated and have lived apart from each other for 12 months, and there is no reasonable likelihood of their reconciliation. A court may accept evidence that the parties lived separately and

apart in the matrimonial home. This is difficult to prove and would entail sleeping in different rooms

and leading completely separate lives. On resumption of cohabitation for a period of not more than 3 months

does not bring the separation to an end. Thus two periods of separation with an intervening period of resumed cohabitation no greater than 3 months can be added together to make the

necessary 12 months separation. The court hearing is held in private.

If the proceedings are uncontested only the applicant or a legal practitioner need appear except in the case of children under 18 years when the person having actual control of the children must attend.

After one month a decree becomes absolute and the parties are no longer regarded as husband and wife and are free to remarry.

The main change is that fault is no longer taken into account as a ground of divorce.

Under the new law there are no more divorces on the grounds of adultery, cruelty or desertion.

If people have already begun divorce proceedings under the old law they can continue to have their cases heard under that law.

However, if they have been separated and have lived apart for 12 months up to January 5, 1976, the applicant for divorce can switch to the new ground of irretrievable breakdown.

If the parties applying for divorce have been married for less than two years, the Court will not normally hear proceedings unless it is satisfied that the parties have considered reconciliation with the assistance of a marriage counseller.

PROCEDURE

An application (Form 4) for divorce is lodged with the Family Law Court.

Application forms may be obtained from the Court or from law stationers.

The forms must be completed either with typing or printed longhand. A certificate of marriage must be lodged with the Court.

The Application sets out the particulars of marriage, the period of separation, the children if any of the marriage and the applicants proposals for their welfare.

A short affidavit attached to the application must be sworn indicating that the contents of the application are true.

A copy of the application is served on the other party by post or by someone other than the applicant handing the document to the other costs associated with Court proceedings.

party. If served in post, the other party should sign and return an acknowledgement of service.

If served in person the other party should be identified by approporiate

questions and asked to sign and acknowledgement. An affidavit of service must be filed with the Court with a copy of the

application annexed.

It is important to ensure that service is effected properly and it is advisable to use the County Court Bailiff or a licenced process server for personal service.

If the other party cannot be located it will be necessary to obtain an order for substituted service.

CHILDREN

The Court has the special task of protecting and promoting the welfare and rights of dependent children.

The paramount consideration which will guide the Court in the these matters will be the welfare of the child.

Although the Court is not concerned with fault, the conduct of the parties will be relevant in awarding custody.

A feature of the new law is that both parents of a child have custody of the child as a matter of law.

However one parent can ask a Court for sole custody of a child. In disputes over custody, the child may be separately represented.

The wishes of children over 14 will be given special consideration.

MAINTENANCE

The right to maintenance under the new Act is based on the needs of the party seeking it and the ability of the other nartner to pay.

There are specific matters for the Court to consider when it is dealing children. with maintenance applications.

These include the age and state of health of each of the parties, the income and financial resources of each of the parties and their financial obligations whether either party is entitled to a pension or superannuation and the length of the marriage and what is an appropriate standard of living for each party.

In deciding what payments should be made, the Court will consider whether persons seeking maintenance have to care for children, and also the extent to which a marriage has affected the earning capacity of the marriage partners.

It will also look at the possibility of the persons concerned taking on training courses or further educational courses to improve employment prospects.

Both parties are liable to maintain their children according to their respective means, and the Court is to be guided by similar considerations in deciding what order to make.

MATRIMONIAL PROPERTY

The Court has power to settle disputes about the family assets.

THE PERSONNEL PEOPLE'S COLUMN

The Personnel People's column is a fortnightly "Navy News" feature designed to give serving personnel a broader understanding of matters of general interest, such as "pay", "DFRDB Scheme," "leave", "furlough" and other conditions of Service. The articles are prepared by the Chief of Naval Personnel and his staff in Canberra.

After a divorce, and in certain other cases where the parties are unable to agree how the family assets should be split-up, the Court can order how it should be done.

When doing this, it will consider the interest each of the parties has in the property and the contribution made by each party during the marriage.

The new law directs the Court to look at the financial contributions made by the parties and at the contribution made by either party in the capacity of homemaker or parent.

CUSTODY, MAINTENANCE AND PROPERTY MATTERS

Custody, Maintenance and Property Matters need not be resolved before a divorce is granted.

However a Court can grant a divorce whether or not custody, maintenance and property have been resolved between you and your spouse.

However, the divorce decree will not become final unless the Court is satisfied that proper arrangements have been made for the children of the marriage.

When seeking a divorce you may have already reached agreement with your spouse on arrangements for your children, on the division ofproperty between you and on the payment of maintenance by one of you to the other.

This would avoid the need for a contested case.

An agreement between the parties on these issues can be registered with the Court.

If you have not reached agreement on these matters or some of them, either you or your spouse can apply to Court for an order for custody of or access to your children, maintenance, and the transfer of property, by one to the other issuing proceedings (form 6) supported by affidavit.

The application can be made before or after the divorce.

However, in the case of maintenance or property, if you have not made such application before the divorce becomes final, and you wish to do so, you should make it within 12 months of the divorce being granted.

Either you or your spouse can apply for a variation of a maintenance order on the ground that the financial circumstances of either of you have changed or there has been a change in the cost of living.

After a divorce the Court is, as far as it can, to make a final order between you.

LEGAL AID

The new law recognises that even with the simplest procedures, many people will not be able to afford the legal

Specific provision is made in the Act for legal assistance to be given to people who are unable to afford legal representation.

The Australian Legal Aid Office, which has regional offices in each State and Territory, is specially equipped to deal with problems under the Family Law Act.

A means and needs test is applied by the ALAO and a financial contribution may be required.

If you need legal advice and assistance contact the branch of the Office

closest to you. Where there is no local legal aid office information can be obtained

from the local Magistrates Court. The Family Law Association may also be of assistance especially in

simple divorces.

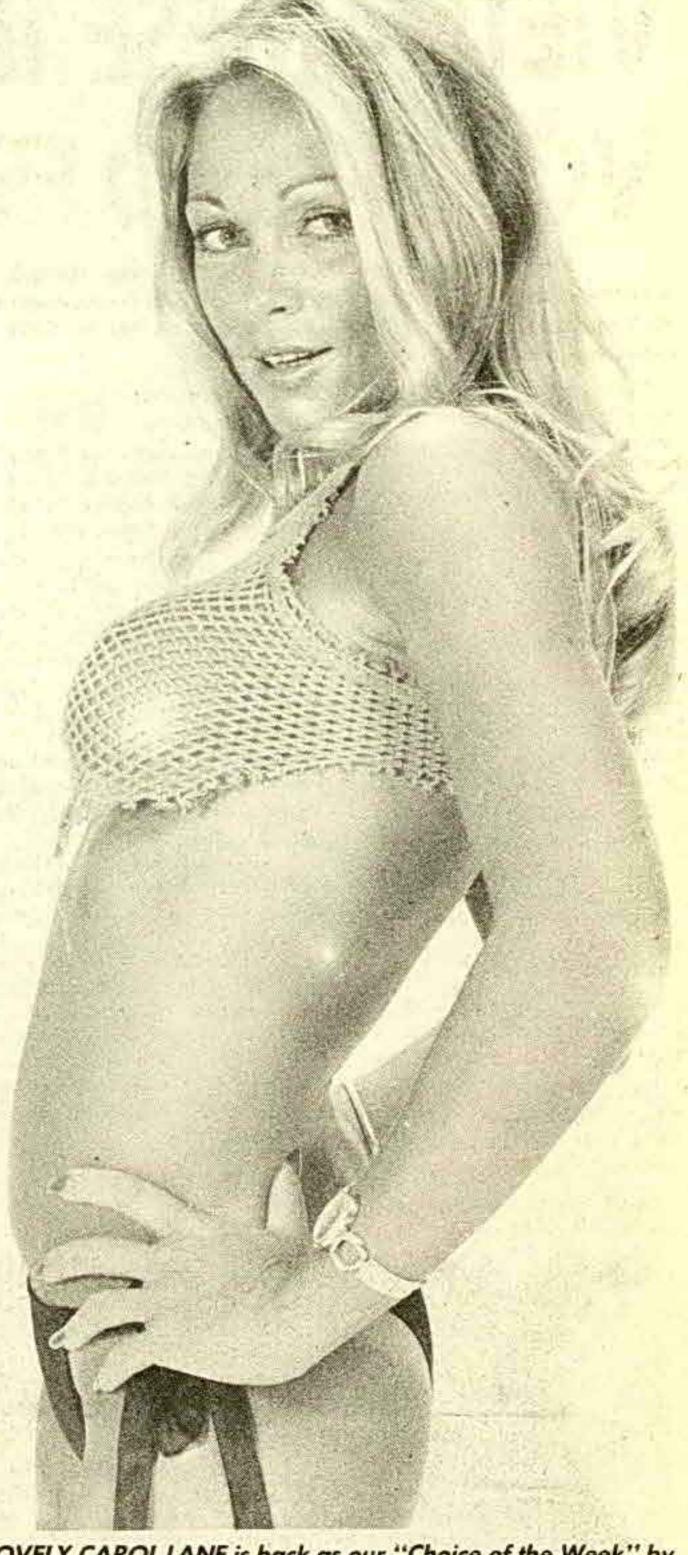
COUNSELLING

The Family Court aims to be a 'helping' court. Welfare officers and marriage counsellors are assigned to each branch of the Court to help parties sort out their problems.

Then help is available to people who are not even contemplating divorce proceedings but who may be experiencing some problems in their marriage and need counselling assistance.

These services complement the services already being provided by voluntary agencies.

CHOICE OF THE WEEK



LOVELY CAROL LANE is back as our "Choice of the Week" by popular demand. It seems that since her TV spot at 7 pm on Channel 10 went off the screen, her sailor-fans have missed her charming smile, etc., etc!! - Photo by Vince Hayes.

The new law increases greatly the opportunities for people with marriage problems to make use of counselling and to obtain help not only in reconciliation but also to put an end to a marital relationship with a minimum of bitterness and recrimination.

Many problems arising out of dissolution of marriage and concering custody and access to children can be helped by counselling.

Where proceedings have been started, the Court must consider from time to time whether there is a possibility of reconciliation and, if so, it may refer parties to counselling.

People may approach the Court counselling service directly - in person, in writing, by telephone - or through a legal adviser.

The addresses of the Family Court counselling service and the telephone numbers are set out in the following paragraph. LOCATION OF FAMILY COURTS. The Family Court of Australia is

located at the following addresses: VIC MELBOURNE, Marland House, 570 Bourke Street. Phone 67 6973.

NSW SYDNEY: 220 George Street, Phone 241 3801. QLD BRISBANE: 294 Adelaide Street. Phone 228 2505. SA ADELAIDE: 25 Grenfell Street. Phone 212 2400. WA PERTH: Supreme Court, Barrack Street. Phone 25 9433

TAS HOBART: MLC Building, Liverpool Street. Phone 34 2466. ACT CANBERRA: 21-23 London Circuit. Phone 45 3666.

CUSTODY and ADOPTION

When a family is broken through the death of one or both of the parents or through their divorce or separation, provision may have to be made for the custody of the

Normally the arragements for the care of children in these circustances is left up to the family and it is only when there is some dispute between members of the family or when children are left without any family, that the law steps in to protect the child.

Various statutory provisions have given courts wide powers to make orders for the care and custody of children, and to arrange for visiting rights when dealing with the matrimonial relief of the parents.

In each case the interests and welfare of the child is of paramount importance in the considerations of the Court.

Adoption proceedings are more or less uniform throughout Australia. The consent of the parents or guardians of the child is required before any adoption order can be made; in the case of an illegitimate child the consent of the father is not required unless he is guardian of the child.

Consent may be revoked within 30 days, the consent of a mother is ineffective if it was made before the child's birth, and an order will-not be made relying on a mother's consent given within five days after its birth unless the court is satisfied that she was capable of giving a proper consent.

In some situations the court may dispense with consents, for instance, if the appropriate person has abandoned or ill-treated the child.

In the case of the adoption of a child over 12, an order will not be made

without the consent of the child itself unless special circumstances exist to enable the court to dispense with such consent in the child's own interest and welfare.

During the period after consent has been given and before an order is made the Director-General of Social Welfare is the guardian of the child.

Once an adotion order is made the child becomes for all purposes the child of his adoptive parents.

OTHER HELP

The Navy is very much aware of the hardships and strain which can be imposed on human relationships by the demands of Service life.

Against the framework of the Family Law Act, the Navy provides assistance through the Personal Services Organisations in your area.

Navy Social Workers are readily available for marriage guidance counselling and members of the Naval Reserve Legal Panel are available at certain times to give advice on matters concerning the Law.

Appointments for either forms of aid can be made through your local Personal Services Organisation.

MORESBY ESCORTS REFUGEE BOAT TO BROOME

VIETNAMESE IN LONG VOYAGE TO FREEDOM

The RAN Hydrographic survey ship HMAS MORESBY was diverted from a survey task in the Yampi Peninsula area this month to escort a 70ft steel-hulled Vietnamese boat carrying 47 refugees from York Sound to Broome in northwest Australia.

The two vessels arrived at Broome on July 15 where the Vietnamese who had spent nine-and-ahalf week onboard the boat, were handed over to Immigration officials.

MORESBY was diverted following a combined search operation, involving an RAAF Orion long-range maritime reconnaissance.

On reaching the boat, MORESBY anchored close and an RAN medical officer went aboard the refugee boat to carry out medical checks on its passengers.

The health assessment was reported good.

The refugee boat, carrying the registered number 0694KC, and with "SOS" painted on the forecastle, had 47 people on board comprising 11 families.

There were 13 male adults, 14 female adults and 20 children, with ages ranging from 60 down to two.

When found, the boat was without food and water and provisions were ferried across from HMAS MORESBY.

Refugees reported that they had left the Island of Phu Quoc, off the west coast of Vietnam, on May 5, and arrived in Thailand on May 20.

Subsequent ports were Singapore, June 14, Billaton, June 16, Surabaya, June 18, Sawa, no date given, and York Sound, July 12.

The refugee boat was first sighted on the morning of July 12 by the Motor Vessel "NYANDA" while on passage south to Koolan Island in the Yampi Sound area.

"NYANDA" reported its sighting to the Marine Operations Centre in Canberra and early that afternoon an Orion, which was carrying out a routine mission off the west coast, was diverted to the general area.

It was on task by 4 pm and 26 minutes later sighted the refugee boat.

A waterproof cannister was dropped containing a message, in both English and French, instructing the boat to remain in the area until a naval vessel arrived.

The naval patrol boat HMAS ADVANCE was first ordered to proceed to the area, but mechanical problems forced her to be withdrawn from the task.

HMAS MORESBY, carrying out a hydrographic survey job some 120 miles south, was then deployed. MORESBY's helicopter, a Bell Kiowa, took off soon after first light and pinpointed the position of the refugees.

The two vessels arrived in Broome after a three-day passage from York Sound.

PERMITS

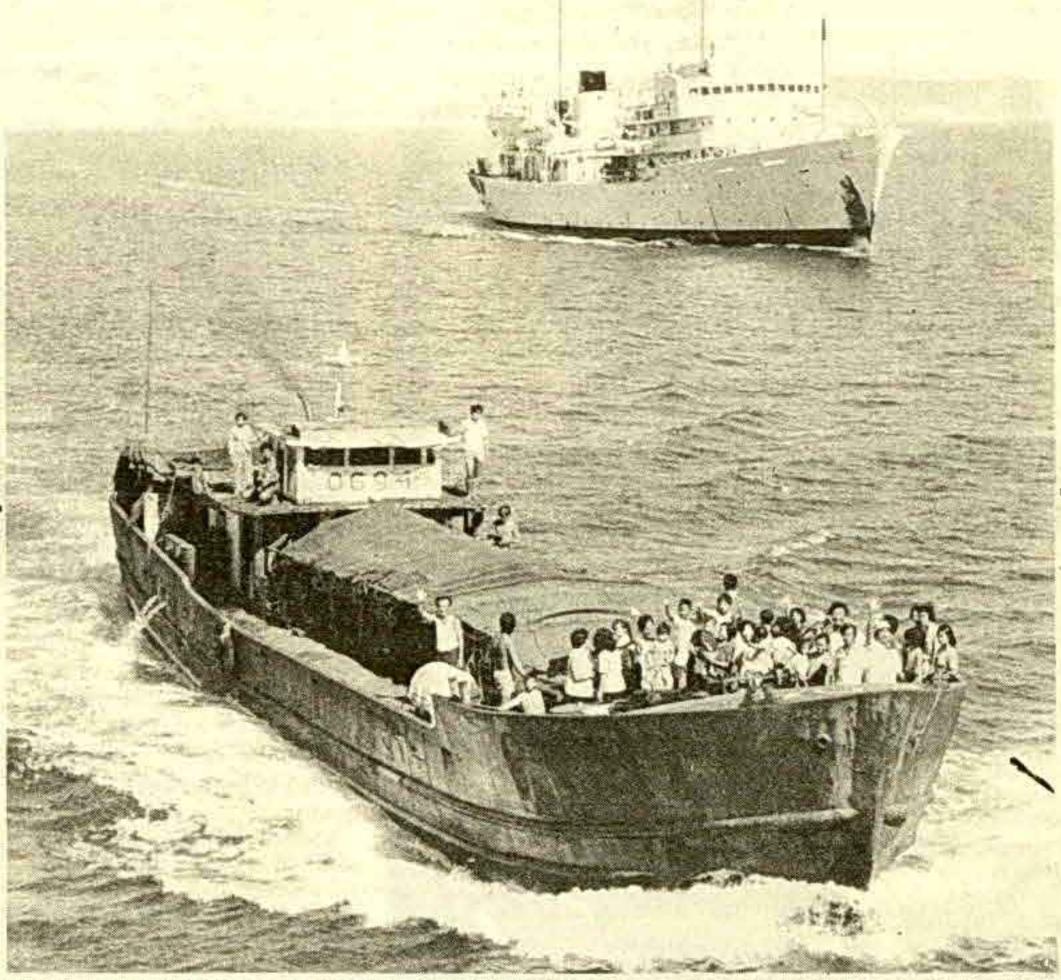
It was later reported that the 47 Vietnamese refugees would be given temporary permits to stay in Western Australia.

The WA regional director of the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs, Mr J. B. Mackay, said that the permits would allow the refugees to stay for a month.

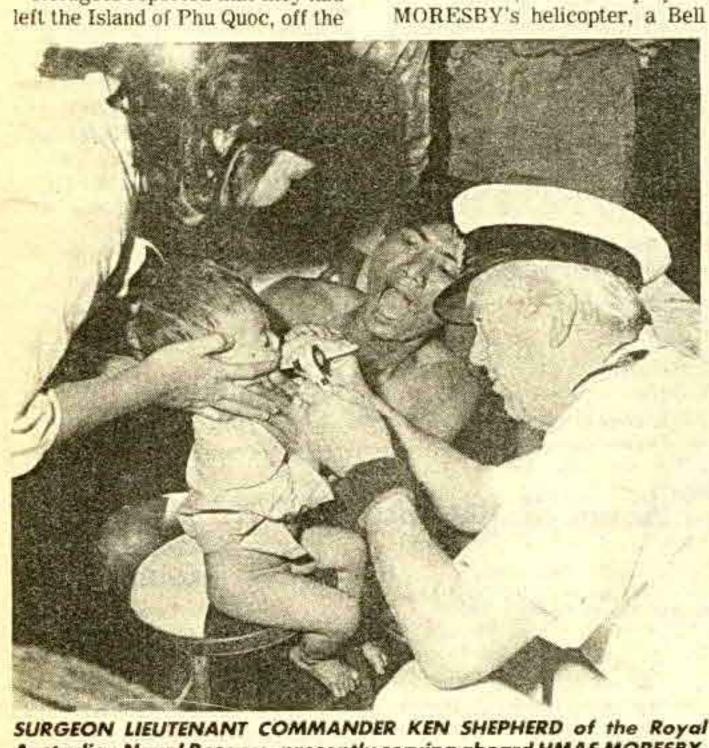
If they were found to be genuine refugees and suitable residents, they were likely to be given permanent residence.

It would have to be an extreme case before a refugee was not allowed to stay permanently, he said.

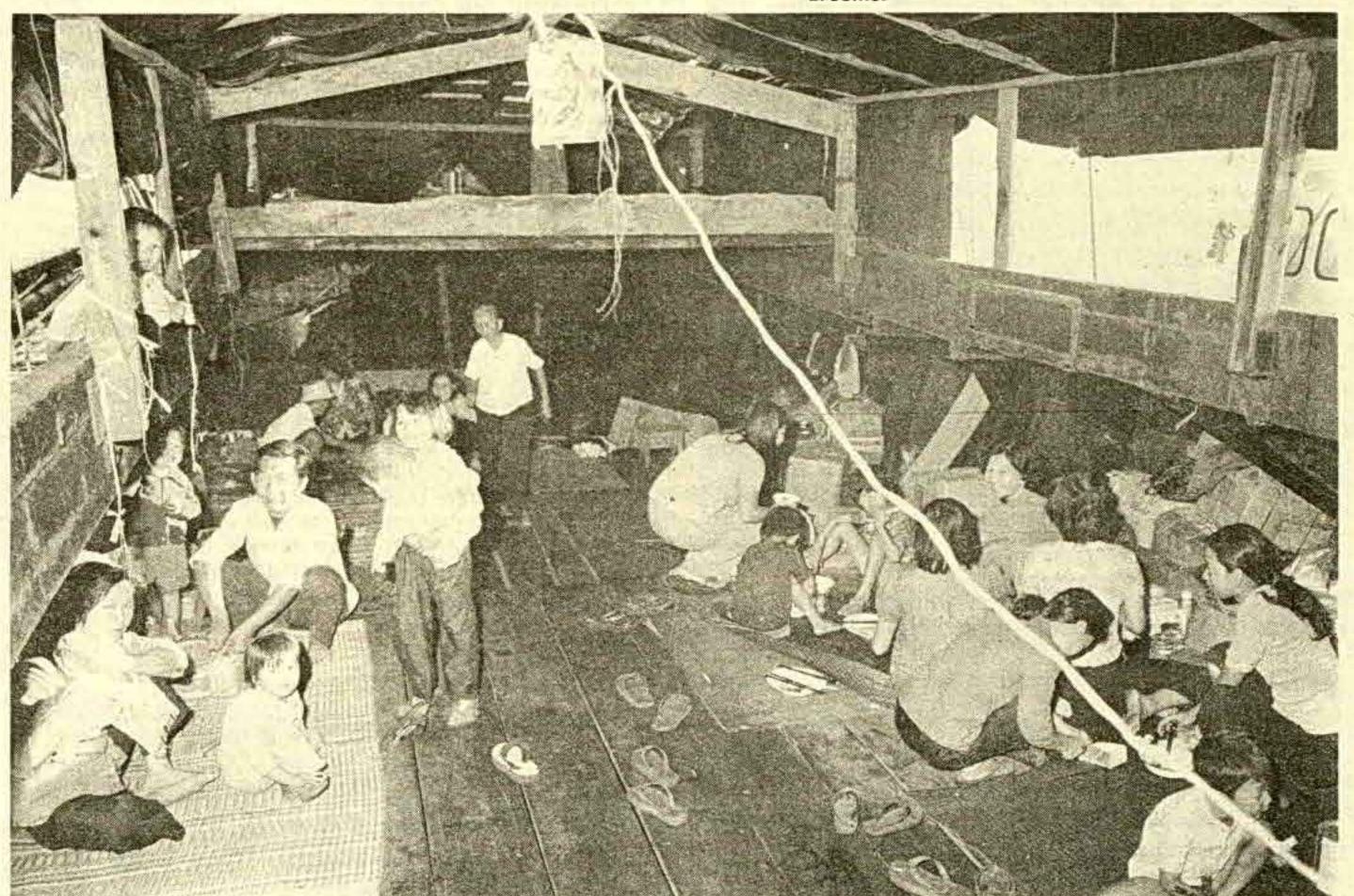
About 273 refugees have reached Australia in nine small boats.



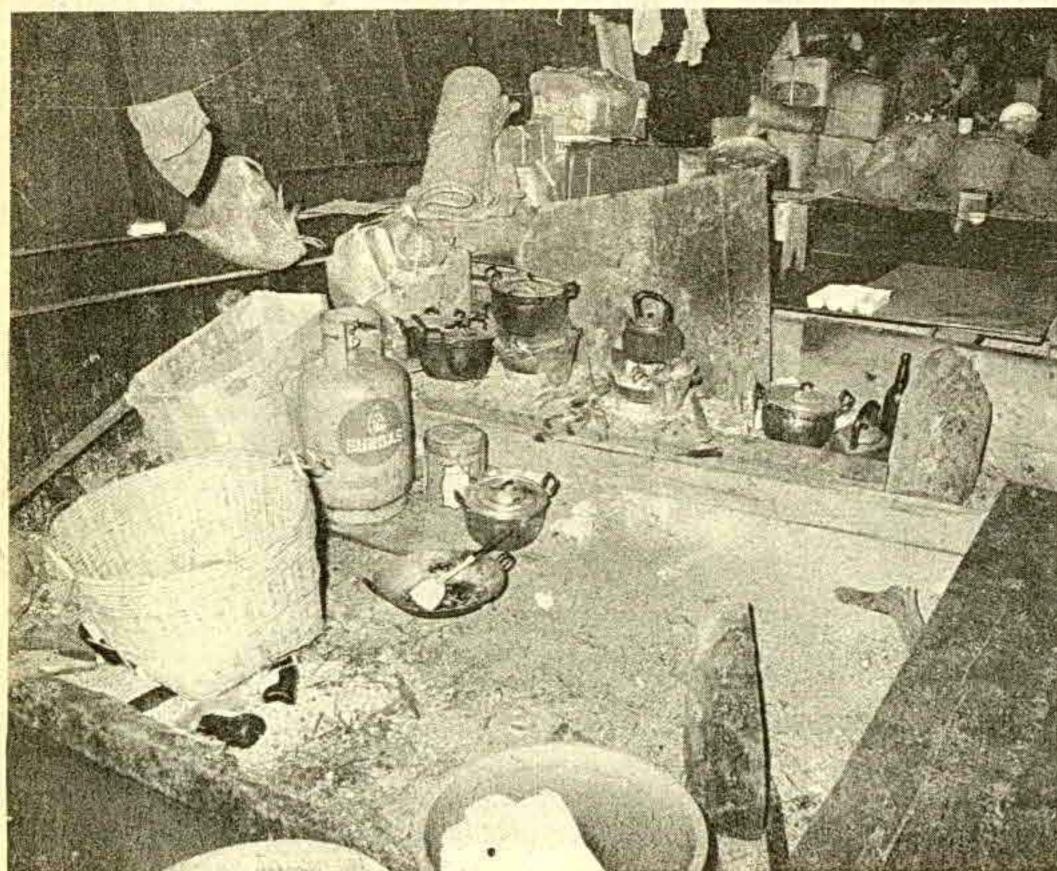
UNDER COMMAND OF A NAVAL BOARDING PARTY and closely escorted by the RAN Hydrographic survey ship HMAS MORESBY, the Vietnamese refugee boat with 47 men, women and children aboard steam down the north-west coast towards Broome. The Vietnamese, who fled from the island of Phu Quoc on May 5, reached York Sound in the north-west on July 12 and took three days to make the passage south to Broome.



SURGEON LIEUTENANT COMMANDER KEN SHEPHERD of the Royal Australian Naval Reserve, presently serving aboard HMAS MORESBY, examines one of the 20 children found aboard the Vietnamese refugee vessel when it reached York Sound. The general health of the children, and the 27 men and women aboard the 70ft steel hull vessel, was assessed as good.



THE LIVING AREA FOR 47 ADULTS AND CHILDREN for 91/2 weeks aboard the Vietnamese refugee vessel.



THE COOKING AREA onboard the refugee boat.

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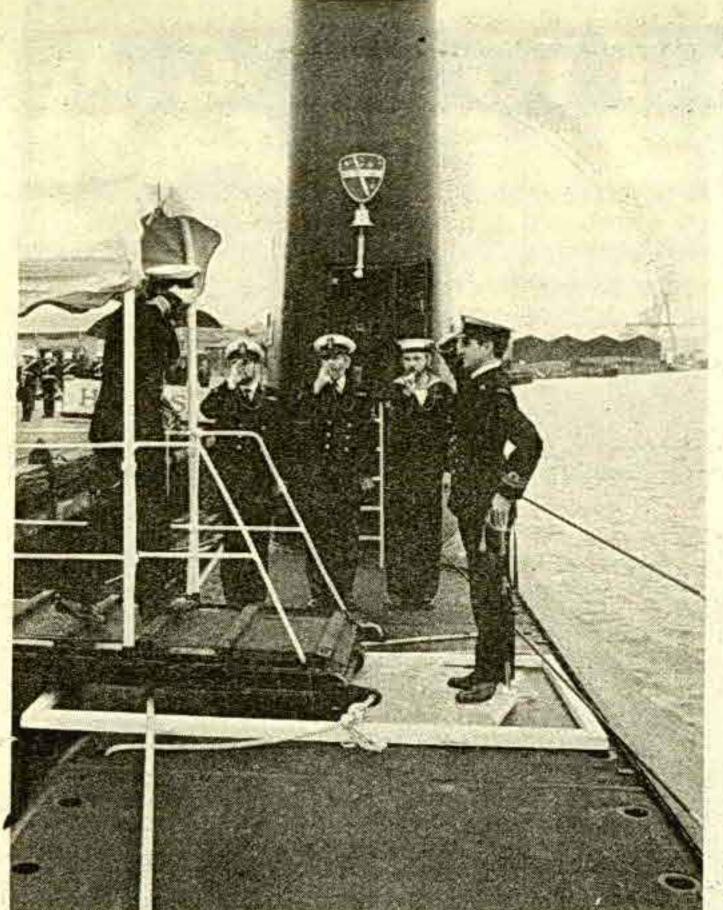
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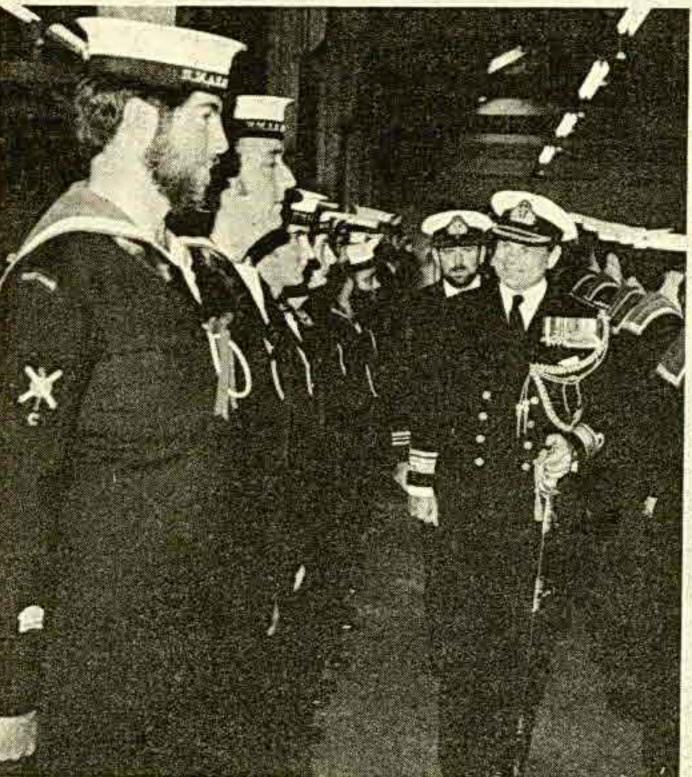
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PREFERENCE



THE COMMANDING OFFICER LCDR R. M. Woolrych being received onboard by Lieutenant K. Pitt (Executive Officer) and the piping party consisting of CPOCOX K. Mills, POUW A. Wootton and LSUC E. Bylett.



RADM A. J. ROBERTSON, head of the Australian Defence Staff in London, inspects the ships Company. In the foreground are LSUC Walters and LSETP Phelan.

HMAS ORION COMMISSIONED Oberon-class submarine HMAS ORION which commissioned in Scotland on June 15, will spend six months in British waters before commencing its delivery voyage

ORION — the fifth submarine of its class in the Aus-

The Royal Australian Navy's newest warship, the RAN since the River-class destroyer escort HMAS TOR-RENS commissioned in 1971.

The new submarine, with its ship's company of 62 and under the command of Lieutenant Commander R. H. Woolrych, RAN, is expected to arrive in Australia in April next year.

Building of the submarine commenced in April, tralian Fleet — is the first new "fighting ship" to join the 1972, and it was launched on September 16, 1974, by

Was Naval history made at the commissioning of Australia's newest submarine HMAS ORION in Scotland last month?

Authorities present at the commissioning believe that the "handing over" of the submarine by one Naval brother to another, may well have been an unique occasion in the history of all

to Australia.

At the ceremony which took place at Customs House Quay, Greenock on June 15, the commissioning warrant was read by the LCDR R. H. Woolrych RAN . . . the warrant being authorised by the Australian Naval Representative in the U.K., Commodore G. J. H. Woolrych RAN (elder brother of the C.O.) on behalf of the Chief of Naval Staff.

Those present at the ceremony ould not recall a similar occurrence of Naval brothers having a warship "donated" one to the

From Scotland comes this report of the commissioning, highlights of activities leading up to and following the ceremony, and some background notes on ORION's predecessors.

"On commissioning day, we lunch down with a rather excellent were indeed fortunate to have with us our "launching lady", Mrs J. Armstrong, the wife of an ex-Australian High Commissioner to the United Kingdom

Mrs Armstrong arrived in the U.K. the day before the ceremony planning her trip around the comissioning and we welcomed her

inspected at the ceremony by Rear Admiral A. J. Robertson, DSC, Head of the Australian Defence

Another distinguished guest present was Captain Heathcote DSO RN (Ret'd) who was captain of the previous ORION at the end of World War II.

An attempt was made to have oresent Vice Admiral Sir Harold Squadron, Mediterranean in 1947. At this time Captain Heathcote

was his Flag Captain and deputised for Admiral Kinahan as he was unable to attend due to ill health Captain Gornall DSO RN (Ret'd) is another ex-Commanding Officer still residing in the U.K. but he was

overseas on the day and we hope to

catch up on him later. The music at the ceremony was provided by the Royal Marine band belonging to Flag Officer Scotland and Northern Ireland, and afterwards, during the commis sioning luncheon, their 5-piece 'combo' provided soothing background music as we washed

Sixth to bear the name

Australian wine.

HMAS ORION is now the sixth ship in a line of Commonwealth

Man-o-Wars to bear the name. The crest which HMAS ORION now carries, was first carried

ORION'S Ships Company mus-

tered on the wharf prior to offi-

ORION which was launched on 1st Maiden Huntress, the sister of

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of the Greek coast.

Mottos beneath our ships crest Artemis became ORION'S comonly became official in the early panion and so Apollo became 1900's as did our crests, and our jealous and deceived Artemis into motto . . . "ORBE CIRmaking a mistake and then shot CUMCINCTO" is the motto which Orion was first introduced to a 22,500-ton

After his death, ORION was Battleship bearing the name changed into a constellation in the form of a warrior wearing a girdle of three stars and a lion's skin carrying a sword and a club. difficult for we 'non-Latins' but the

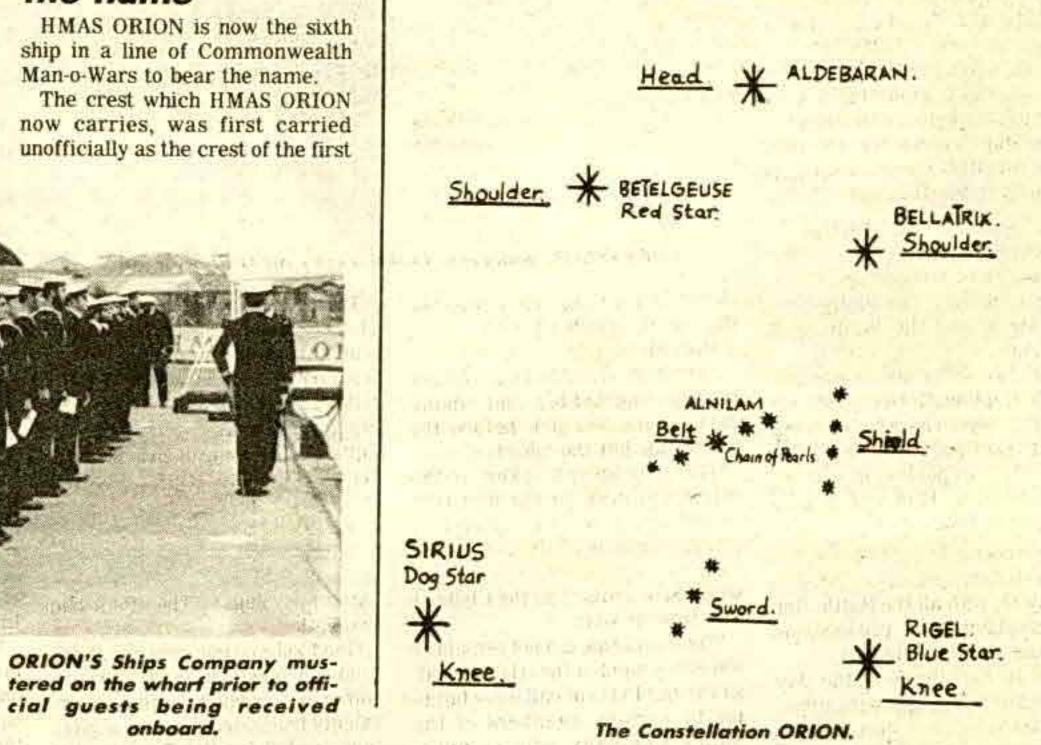
The constellation of Orion contains the major stars of Betel-PASS THE WORLD' or 'OVER geuse, Aldebaran, Sirius, Rigil and ORION is said in Greek Mytho-

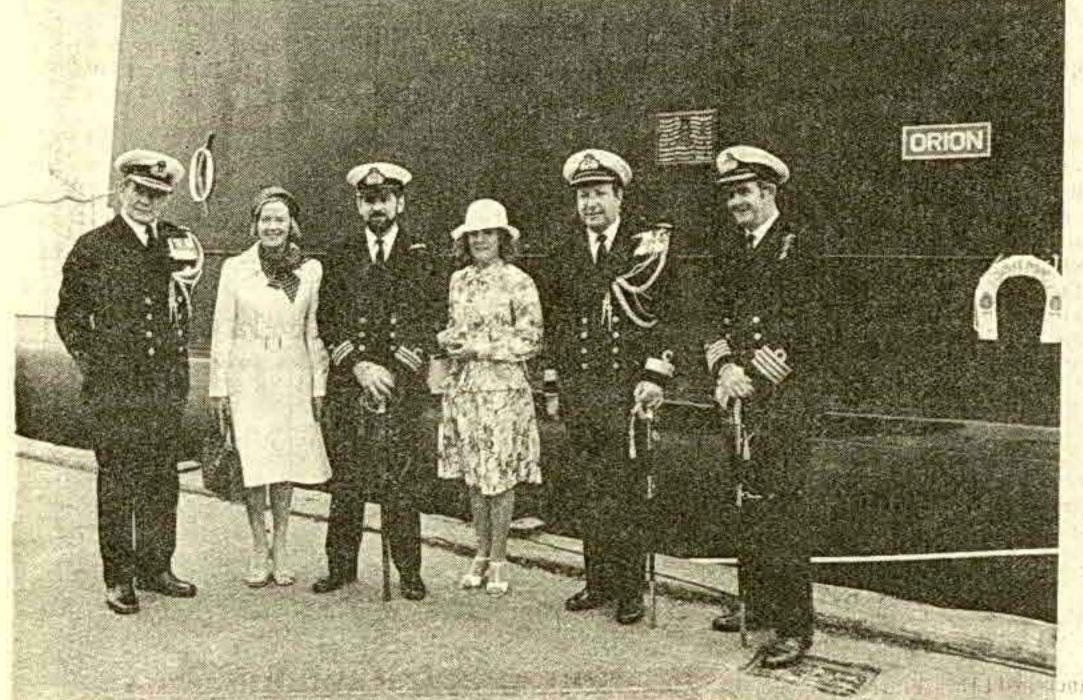
This ORION is now the sixth in a Poseidon (Lord of the Sea). He is a long line to carry the name of a God mighty hunter of great beauty and of gigantic strength, great beauty gigantic strength. He was beloved and who was a mighty hunter 'to of Eos the Greek Goddess of Dawn,

who carried him to Delos, an island The first was a 74-gun ship launched on the Thames on 1st Previously he had been struck June, 1787. She served in the blind by Dionysus, the Greek God French wars.

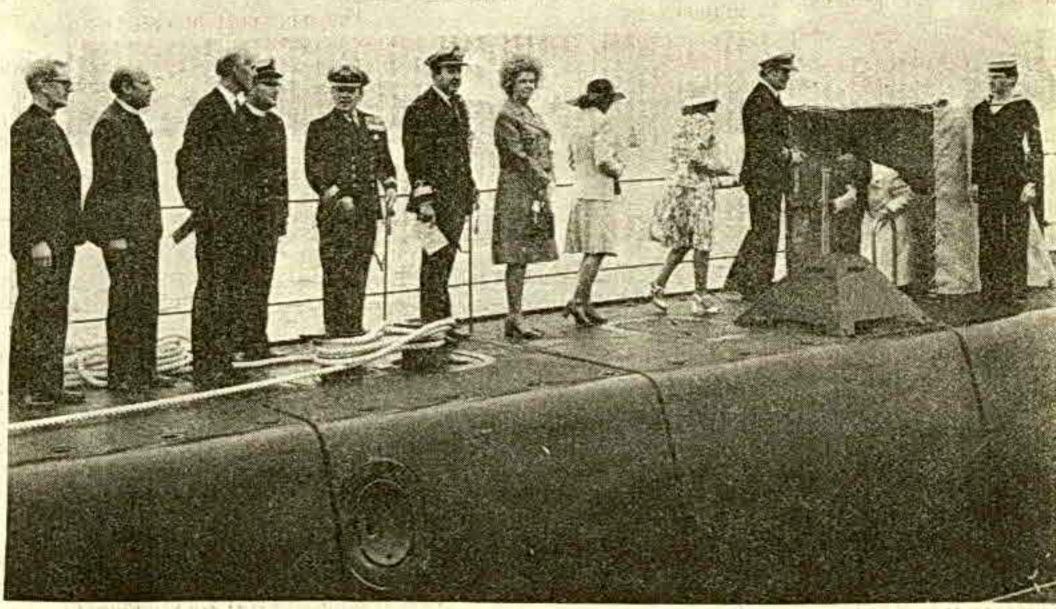
of Wine (he gave comfort to man In a long fighting career she won by giving power to the grapes). His Battle Honours of "1st June 1794" eyesight, however, was restored under Lord Howe: "Groix Island" under Lord Brideport in 1795 and by exposing his eyeballs to the rays "St Vincent" under Sir John Jervis Her task was to open the gates of against the Spanish Fleet in 1797. Under Nelson she fought at "The have indeed been a lady of great Battle of the Nile" 1793, and at Trafalgar in 1805.

Being a mighty hunter he is In the final phases of the Napole alleged to have known Artemis, the onic wars, she served in the Baltic.





THE OFFICIAL party after inspecting the Submarine; RADM A. J. Robertson; Mrs Armstrong; LCDR R. H. Woolrych; Mrs Woolrych; CDRE G. J. H. Woolrych and CAPT Greenier, RN, (Captain 5M3).

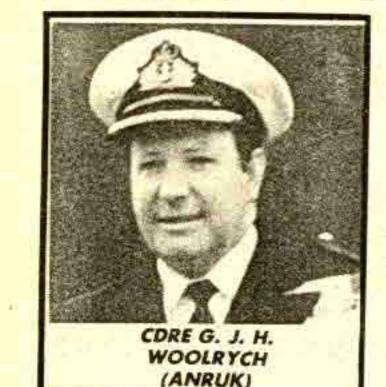


THE OFFICIAL PARTY preparing to enter the submarine for their first visit.

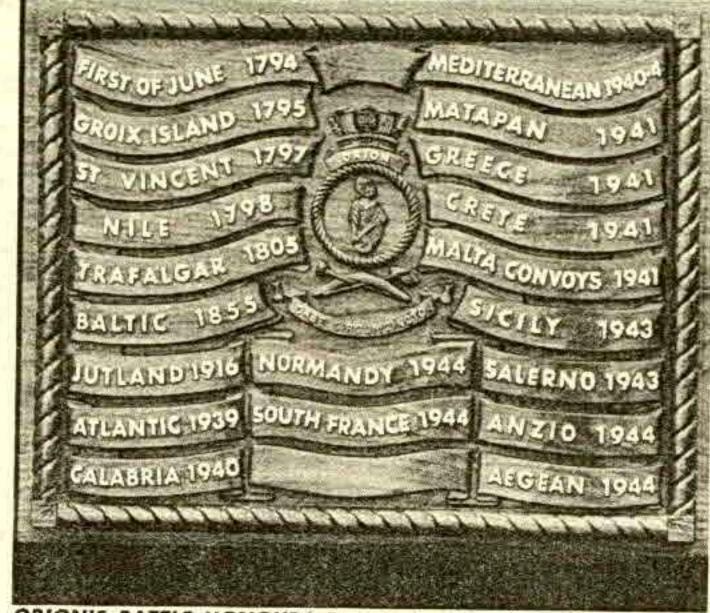
IN SCOTLAND

the wife of the then Australian High Commissioner in London, Mrs. John Armstrong.

HMAS ORION is equipped with a new type of passive range-finding sonar, a modified "snort" system, and a radio antenna system of improved design. It is 90m long, displaces 2070 tonnes, and is armed with anti-shipping and anti-submarine torpedoes which are fired from six tubes in the bow.



LCDR R. H. WOOLRYCH (CO ORION)



ORION'S BATTLE HONOURS Board showing the many Honours

before paying-off and being broken The second ORION was a line of

battleship of 3281-tons laid down in 1850 as a sailing ship but was converted on the stocks to a screw steamer mounting 91 guns. The engines produced a massive 600hp.

up in 1814.

Completed in 1855, she served in Lord Dundas' fleet in the Russian War, earning the Battle Honour "Baltic 1855". She was sold out of service in 1867.

ORION three was a 4830-ton 'Ironclad' laid down as BURJI ZAFAR for the Turkish Navy but transferred to the Royal Navy and re-named ORION while still under construction in 1879.

She served with distinction in the Egyptian wars in 1882-1883.

In 1901 she became a depot ship for Torpedo Boat Destroyers in the Mediterranean and in 1901 whilst still serving as the depot ship, she was re-named ORONTES.

The fourth ORION was a 22,500ton Battleship, mounting 10 x 13.5" and 16 x 4" guns. She was commissioned at Portsmouth on 2nd January 1914 as the Flagship to Rear Admiral 2nd Battle Squadron, Home Fleet, Rear Admiral II. G. King Hall CB CVO DSO.

She served with the British Grand Fleet as Flagship throughout World War I, earning during this period, the Battle Honour "Jutland 1916". She was finally decommissioned in 1922.

In 1934, the fifth ORION, a Cruiser of 7215-tons, mounting 8 x 6" guns was completed at Devonport. This Ship famous for her part in the Mediterranean campaigns earned 13 Battle Honours.

She was at the Battles of Calabria and Matapan, the evacuations of Greece and Crete, Malta Convoys, the Sicily-Italy campaigns and the landings in Normandy.

In the words of her ex-captain 1943-45, Captain Gornall DSO RN (Ret'd), "She was always being shot at. Shot up, and never being sunk". She was paid-off into the reserve fleet in 1946 and finally scrapped in 1949.

Now there is HMAS ORION which started operational work-up on July 11, with all the Battle Hon- that time of year. ours displaying our predecessors long and proud service. Now to hark back to the days

past in the building programme. Contractor's Sea Trials (C.S.T.'s) on March 1, 1977. For the members on the Clyde.

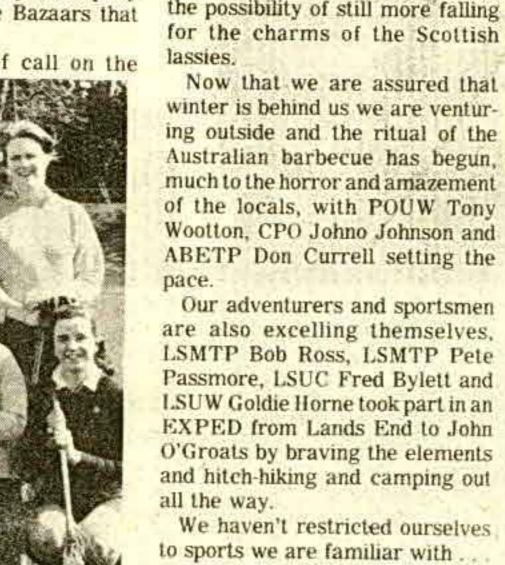
HMAS ORION underway in the murky mists of Scotland. of the Ship's Company it was the ROTHESAY was our first visit and after securing to a buoy the

Suitable C.S.T.'s weather was Ship's Company proceeded ashore supplied by the Scottish weather for a bath at the local Hotel, to be bureau, the bridge and casing followed by a Dram or two of the party being sea-sick before the National drink. (For the uninitiated, the home of good Scottish submarine left the wharf! The photograph taken of the Whiskey is the Highlands and submarine prior to the first trial Islands, of which approximately turned out to be even more of a 2000 various blends originate.) problem than any part of the initial

The Hotel bath facilities left trials period, as you cannot argue much to be desired, as none of the with "Scot's Mist" on the Clyde at baths had plugs! (The Hotel had

The submarine did not remain at Good submarine improvisations sea every night of the trials period, followed however, and it was i so various Ports of call were familsomewhat cleaner, although deiar to various members of the cidedly frustrated Ship's Company Ship's Company who commis- that headed for the Bazaars that sioned previous RAN submarines

The next port of call on the



Berg for organising a game of Lacrosse against a local ladies team, but even so we managed to

agenda, after successful completion of further trials, was CAMPBELLTOWN, where luckily the Hotel had plenty of hot water and bath plugs. As the submarine was ahead of

trials scheduled at the time. ORION spent two nights in this delightful, if not remote, part of the Western Islands of Scotland. After a successful completion of

Contractor's Sea Trials, ORION returned to Greenock on March 17. one day ahead of the planned itinerary, to recommence the next programme of the construction.

Although we are a somewhat remote part of the Submarine Arm at present, it is good to know that we are not forgotten in the promotion

Since joining, various members of ORION have been promoted. and congratulations go to the following sailors . . . POUC Michael White, LSMTP Mick Carew, LSUC Ross Walters, CPOMTP Dennis Buck and LSUW Mick Close:

Since our last appearance in "Navy News", more of us have managed to venture out of the country with LEUT Kim Pitt, ABUC Shaun Edwards, ABMTP Jimmy Dorante and ABMTP Dave Gregg leaving for Ireland to kiss the Blarney Stone and trying to drink Ireland out of Guiness, and even more going across the channel to mainland Europe.

CPOMTP Johno Johnson, LSUW Goldie Horne, and ABUW Mick Close visited various topical points of Hamburg, Copenhagen, Oslo, Stockholm and Amsterdam.

LRO Dave Harrison also visited Amsterdam and strongly denies it was for anything more than

LEUT John Hodges ventured even further afield to the Casbahs of Morocco, and denies reports that he tried to sell his wife into a

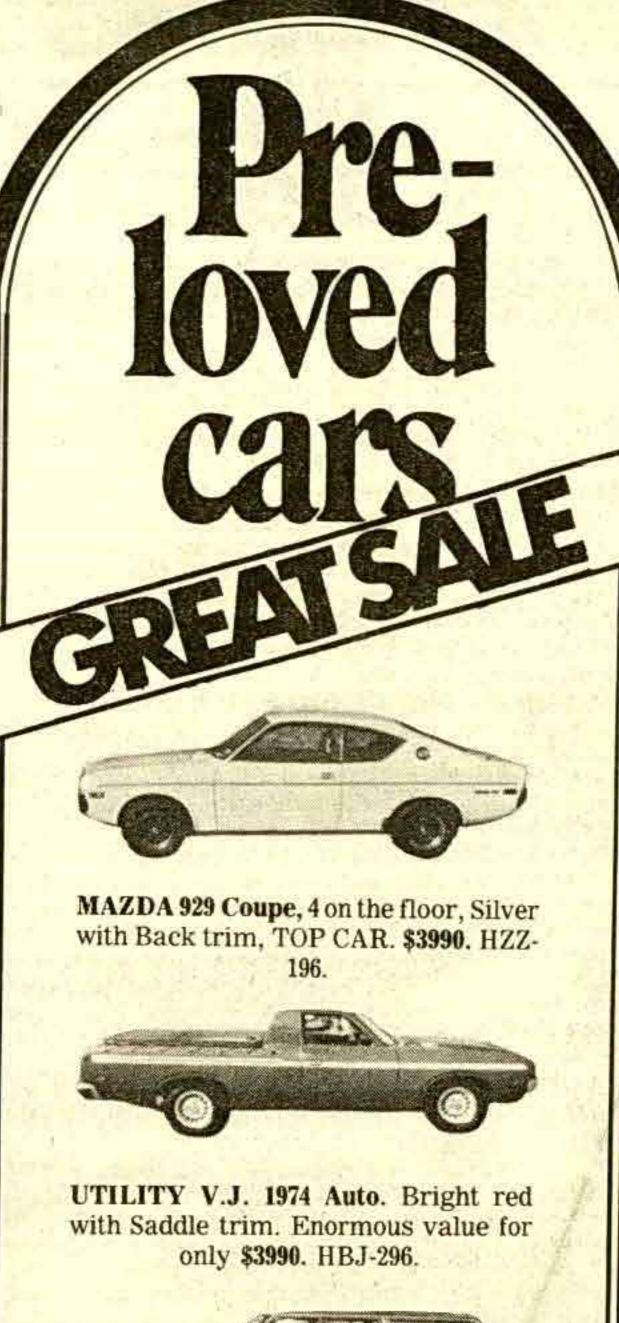
On a more cultural note, ABUC Mitch Mitchell, LSUC Wombat Walters, LCK Micka Masterson and ABUW Mark O'Neill took in some Western European cities including Brussels, Paris, Zurich, Cologne, Rome and St Moritz.

Meanwhile LSRP Donkey Bray is still savouring the delights of Inns and Pubs of the Clyde area. With plenty of time to ourselves in the Building Group, we have lost one of our staunch bachelors in the shape of ABMTP Ian Prodger and the possibility of still more falling

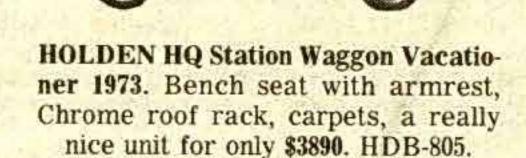
Now that we are assured that winter is behind us we are venturing outside and the ritual of the Australian barbecue has begun, much to the horror and amazement of the locals, with POUW Tony Wootton, CPO Johno Johnson and ABETP Don Currell setting the

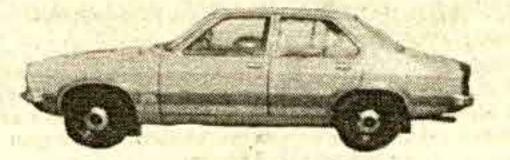
Our adventurers and sportsmen are also excelling themselves, LSMTP Bob Ross, LSMTP Pete Passmore, LSUC Fred Bylett and LSUW Goldie Horne took part in an EXPED from Lands End to John O'Groats by braving the elements and hitch-hiking and camping out

We haven't restricted ourselves to sports we are familiar with our thanks to LSMTP Connie Francis and LEUT Frank Van der go down 5-2.

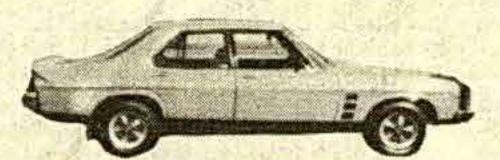








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start of 17 days hard work.

maybe it was only the sheer size of their team that beat us. ABUC Shaun Edwards (back-row, far left) played goalie for the ladies.

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A SAILOR'S 'THE BIG DAY'

What do men think of when they fall in for a parade? To what greener pasture does their mind wander? Last night's run ashore perhaps - the girlfriend at home - work - the parade - or

maybe tonight's run ashore? Really, it is dictated by the situation.

The following are some thoughts on the Silver Jubilee Review a

The flight deck of HMAS MELBOURNE, 1345 on Review Day. "CLEAR LOWER DECK.

HANDS FALL IN TO MAN SHIP"

Well, here I am - Spithead - the big day - glad the wind we had yesterday during the rehearsal has died - don't want to lose my cap over the side like Nobby did - teach him to wear his good cap to a rehearsal - cap - hope my chinstay is tacked up OK - look a right fool if it fell down during "cheer ship" - Guns would crack right down the middle - those clouds look pretty black - hope the rain holds off.

"MELBOURNES HO. MARCH ON THE GUARD AND BAND"

Glad I'm not in that lot - they've worked hard - at least they are moving - keep them a bit warm - Hearts of Oak - doesn't the Bandy know any other - not a bad sort of tune though - kind of makes the hairs on the back of the neck stand up a bit - not the goose pimple type of tune though.

"MELBOURNES STAND AT EASE"

That's better - these shoes are killing me already and we've still got a couple of hours to go. - Now, what have I got to look at - can't turn too far - there's the HERMES - a bit bigger carrier than us but not much - at least we still fly fixed wing - hear she will be getting Harriers in 1980 - a new lease of life for the ship - that's FEARLESS next - assault ship - decent size flight deck down aft - reckon they must be able to get three or four Wessex on that without too much

"YOU ARE STOOD AT EASE NOT EASY. THERE IS TOO MUCH FIDGETING STARBOARD SIDE FORWARD"

Give it a go, Guns - you try standing down here for a change - now where was I - oh yeh - no wonder they call that one the "Ugly Duckling" - TIGER, I think - that's right - strange looking thing with that flight deck and hangar down aft - twin six-inch she had there before she was converted into a helicopter carrier - must have been a good looking ship once - wonder how long before something happens -this cap is too tight.

"MELBOURNES HO. THE BRITANNIA IS NOW ENTERING THE LINES"

At last - action - wish I could turn around and have a look someone cheering - can't be too far away.

"SOUND THE ALERT"

This is it - guard to the royal salute - band - God Save The Queen love to turn the old head for a little look but Guns would kill me wouldn't be the only one either - Gosh that TIGER looks strange something is coming – a blue bow – can't be the BRITANNIA – too small – the PATRICIA the TRINITY HOUSE vessel leading the Review column - pretty old looking ship - looks in good nick though. "PREPARE TO CHEER SHIP. MELBOURNES OFF CAPS. UP"

At least I didn't drop it and the chinstay is still sewn up - now which way do we rotate the cap - left or right - what a time to forget that - here comes the Royal Yacht now - where is the Queen - she won't be in that crowd on the bridge - wouldn't see anything there.

"MELBOURNES 'THREE CHEERS' FOR HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN. 'HIP HIP HIP'

Hooray – to the right – thank goodness I remembered in time. "HIP HIP HIP"

Hooray - there's the Queen - on the gallery deck - wearing a pale suit - can't see her very well. "HIP HIP HIP"

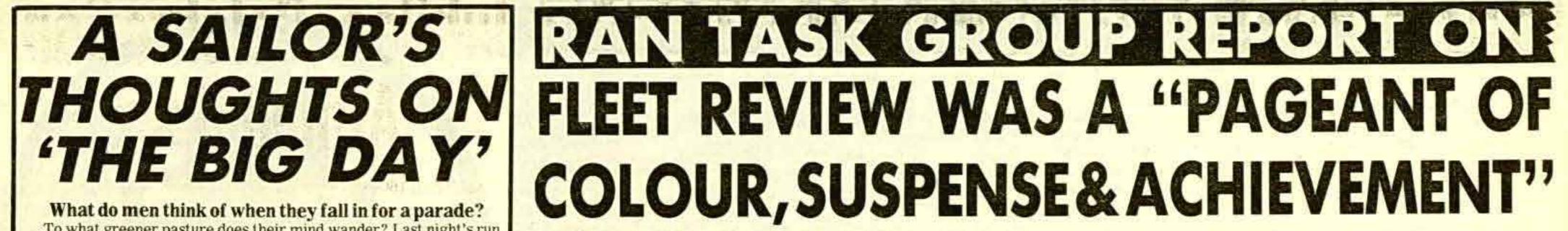
Hooray - that must be the Duke of Edinburgh with her - hope we went OK - the hull of the Royal Yacht is gleaming - could do my hair in that shine - bet they use Kitten number two on that lot. "MELBOURNES ON CAPS"

Better jam it down pretty tight - don't want it coming off - Her Majesty is going over to the starboard side of BRITANNIA - wait until she sees TIGER - that's our part over for now -

I'll just turn the head-a little to watch the Royal Yacht- what's thi one - HMS BIRMINGHAM - Admiralty Board embarked in her - one of the new Type 42 Sheffield class destroyers - nice looking ship mean looking missile fit she carries - a Wasp helicopter too - very good - only the press boats to come now - that was over quickly - still - worth coming to - a once in a lifetime experience for me - these shoes are killing me - come on Guns - stand us at ease.

'MELBOURNES STAND AT EASE"

Well done, Guns - you must be a mind reader - nothing exciting happening at the moment - ah well - back to the TIGER



Queen Elizabeth II's Silver Jubilee Review of the Fleet at Spithead on June 28 last "will be a long-remembered pageant of colourful bunting, booming gun salutes, suspense and achievement," reports our correspondent onboard the aircraft carrier, HMAS MELBOURNE.

The Solent, between Portsmouth and the Isle of Wight, became a spectacular meeting place for over 170 ships from 18 countries.

Navies representing the Commonwealth, NATO, CENTO and EEC nations sent their ships and 30,000 men to share in this colourful, traditional ceremony the Fleet Review.

RAN participants were the MELBOURNE and the guided missile destroyer, HMAS

Our correspondent takes up the

From the sheer wonder at the number of ships representing so many nations, to the special and universal appeal of ceremonial occasions the Review has meant something important to every-

And not just the tens of thousands of men in their ships, but the hundreds of thousands of men. women and children in the streets of Portsmouth, Gosport and the Isle of Wight will remember the cheers and the flashing caps as the Royal Yacht BRITANNIA slid past ship after ship on that very special

From early morning there was something different about the 28th

Rehearsals and long days preparation did not dull the tension in the air of that day.

With the atmosphere set by the ships in their Review order dressed brightly in colourful dressing lines, something special was

HMS ARK ROYAL was in pride of place, just west of THV PA TRICIA, which would lead the Re view, and HMY BRITANNIA.

The Royal Standard, flying regally in the freshening breeze, was easily visible from HMAS MELBOURNE, signifying that Her Majesty the Queen was on board that very handsome ship.

BRITANNIA's royal blue hu white superstructure and gold fun nel never fail to attract admiring

On this occasion, 23 years after her commissioning, that admiration had extra significance.

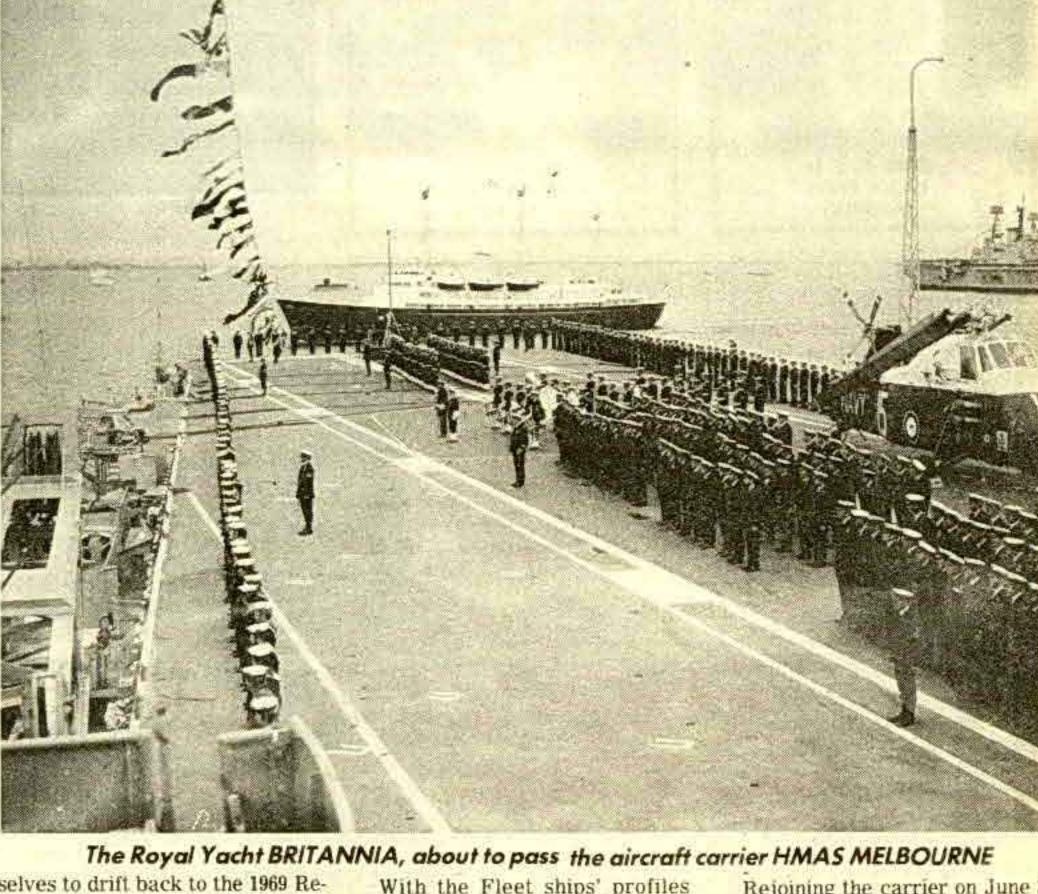
For 23 years she had safely and comfortably carried her Royal passengers for 500,000 miles to Australia and Antarctica, Canada and the Caribbean.

Now she was about to travel an other 15 miles to review the Fleet

At last she was under way, 1 PATRICIA leading, into the eyes cars, boats and lounge-rooms. Many of those viewers must have

been pilgrims to previous Fleet

Many will have allowed them



outlined in silhouette by white

lights, sprays of green capped with

Just audible the rockets boom

skywards, spraying silver

streamers high above open-

mouthed crowds below.

come to an end.

blossoming red light the skyline.

view in Torbay, or the 1953 Corona-How many can recall George V's

1914 Review, with its 40 miles of ships, including 59 battleships, drawn up in 12 lines? A happier occasion today than

that yesteryear when the Fleet dispersed not to their homelands,

But tomorrow's history is unfold-A muffled roar of cheers from

We see a tiny figure waving.

The familiar grey shape of HMS

f the Review column.

And yet more, with Wessex and

Seaking, including 817 Squadron

from MELBOURNE's Carrier Air

Now the bobbing corks of boats

feel the sense of jubilation and dash

in all directions, flying bunting and

One boat sails happily past

MELBOURNE, the crew singing

"Waltzing Matilda" at the top of

What more colourful way to

complete such a colourful day than

display of fireworks?

flags saved for the occasion.

Group, cloud the sky.

heir voices.

It is all over.

But not yet.

Tomorrow they will all be gone, ARK ROYAL, white caps flashing concluded our correspondent n time; closer now the French MELBOURNE and BRISBANE destroyer DUQUESNE, with her have visited Fremantle and Co-French Fleet, transited the Suez the now, cheering for their Queen as Gibraltar, Portsmouth and And now MELBOURNE's turn, a multi-nation maritime and air

"HOORAY! They are due back in their home port in late September. Our correspondents have sent And she's gone from sight.

the following reports:

IN THE MED BIRMINGHAM, carrying the Admirally Board and flying their red flag with yellow anchors is third in terranean Sea, rendezvous with the the Review procession, followed by Type 21 Frigate HMS ARROW, operating from Malta, and the RFA TIDEREACH was made on tar and transit of the Suez Canal Live television of this very June 1 - an opportunity to receive The 15-day official visit to moment is available to the world. fuel and long-awaited mail Next comes the guest ships

exercise in the North Atlantic.

LYNESS and SIR GERAINT, with the three escorts BRISBANE, SIR TRISTRAM forming the end CANTERBURY and ARROW turned west conducting exercises in an area to the South of Crete; pendently to Soudha Bay, Crete, to cruiser of the Chatham class which The air drones to the sound of over 100 helicopters in two huge offload freight.

Remaining together throughout in December, 1935. waves, passing directly over BRITANNIA, now back at anchor the night of June 1, HMS ARROW to the east of the Fleet, and then departed the group, mid-evening cluded tours of historic areas and on the following day, at the same London, day excursions to view the Squadrons of Lynx, Gazelle, time CANTERBURY and BRIS- Australian cricket team during Scout, Wessex and Waspin the first BANE parted company to search Test matches, and sporting wave fly over in formation, for MELBOURNE making her fixtures against Royal Naval ships thrilling those who see them so way around the north of Crete.

Rejoining the carrier on June 3, flying operations resumed after a spell of nearly nine days - the exer cise program and upper-deck work progressing well in the warm Medi-

From dawn that day the force was subjected to airborne strikes And finally the day really does from carrier aircraft of the United States Sixth Fleet.

The crowds have gone home, the In her familiar air defence role boats are resting, the ships all the STEEL CAT provided area protection to MELBOURNE. simultaneously extinguish their defiantly launching her aircraft in counter-attacks.

Operating to the north of Sicily Since leaving Sydney last April, for two days, passage was finally continued to the west, taking the lombo, exercised with units of the BALEARIC ISLANDS onward to BRISBANE berthed on June 7 Plymouth, and have participated in concluding an 18-day period at sea.

PORTSMOUTH

HMA ships MELBOURNE and BRISBANE commanded by CAPT R. W. Burnett, RAN, berthed at the Royal Naval Dockvard Portsmouth on June 13 in company with the New Zealand frigate. HMNZS CANTERBURY. The passage to the United

Kingdom took 46 days, including stopovers at Colombo and Gibral Portsmouth culminated in partici Detaching from MELBOURNE pation in the Spithead Naval Review, part of the Silver Jubilee

For HMAS BRISBANE this visit came 49 years after the arrival of MELBOURNE continuing inde- the first HMAS BRISBANE, a light paid-off for disposal at Portsmouth

Activities during the visit inand establishments.

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impressive sight as they flew low over the assembled fleet. The ship's company of HMAS MELBOURNE, anchored in the Solent off Spithead, had a perfect view as this squadron of Royal Navy helicopters flew overhead.

MELBOURNE & BRISBANE IN MAJOR UK EXERCISE

The Royal Australian Navy Flagship, HMAS MELBOURNE and the guided missile destroyer HMAS BRISBANE, following their participation in the Queen's Silver Jubilee Spithead Review, thi month took part in a major maritime exercise, south-west of the English Channel.

The two Australian ships. number of ships from the Royal Navy and representative units from the United States, Canada and New Zealand, took part in "EXERCISE HIGH-WOOD", covering the English Channel, south-western approaches and the Atlantic to the west of Ireland.

A large number of Royal Air Force squadrons also took part in the exercise.

For HMAS MELBOURNE and HIGHWOOD" was the third and largest exercise involvement since, accompanied by HMNZS CANTERBURY, the task group left Sydney late in April.

In that time the task group has visited Fremantle and Colombo, exercised with units of the French Fleet, transitted the Suez Canal and visited Crete, Gibraltar, Portsmouth and Plymouth Although the basic reason for the

deployment to the United Kingdom was to take part in the Spithead Re-

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BRISBANE have been kept ex- Swan, CBE, flew the Flag of Rear A Wessex helicopter 823 from HS tremely busy during passage be- Admiral G. V. Gladstone, AO, DSC, 817 Squadron, embarked in HMAS

So, too, have members of the carrier Air Group embarked aboard HMAS MELBOURNE, particularly since arrival in UK waters. Skyhawks, Trackers, SeaKings the Royal Australian Navy, Royal rier, acting as SAR helicopter for and a Wessex have been operating Navy and Royal New Zealand the launch of Skyhawk fighter out of Royal Naval Air Stations in Navy. the United Kingdom, with the highlight being the RAN partici-

At this tattoo, which attracted solo low-level Skyhawk flying fixed wing aircraft during bags attached to the wheels display of Lieutenant D. J. Ramsay, son of the Governor of

which restricted the full pro- than 100 metres at times.

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Naval units taking part in the HIGHWOOD" exercise came from Australia, pation in the International Air New Zealand, United States and the United Kingdom.

RADM Gladstone had command

CISE HIGHWOOD".

Australian Fleet, during "EXER- North Atlantic Ocean, east of the

of a task group comprising ships of aircraft was hovering near the car-

Faroe Islands, on July 13.

HIGHWOOD".

component aboard the carrier.

tralian waters.

At the time of the accident the

bombers in "EXERCISE

Besides aircraft from the Aus- ABATA Richard Stanford, all of 260 military aircraft from 12 tralian Fleet Air Arm, air power Nowra, NSW, were rescued uninnations, the RAN staged an during "HIGHWOOD" came from jured from the water by HMAS impressive static display with the air forces of NATO countries. BRISBANE, which was at the Skyhawks, Trackers and HMAS MELBOURNE was the scene SeaKings, and also an eight-minute only aircraft carrier operating

The weather was not always In the fresh wind and moderate suitable for aircraft carrier seas, the aircraft rolled over but operations with fog, drizzle and low remained suspended by the flota-Because of inclement weather, cloud reducing visibility to less tion bags, just below the surface.

Despite these conditions, the led by LCDR Ian Wegener, was flypast, the only RAN represen- Australian carrier had aircraft in tative was a Wessex helicopter the air whenever possible, both lines to the submerged helicopter mer night of the northern latitudes deck by the ship's crane. HMAS MELBOURNE, com- between Scotland and Iceland and The extensively-damaged helimanded by Commodore R. C. met all her major exercise copter was examined by engineers

With the maximum temperature findings will be presented to a hovering between 12 degrees Board of Inquiry to be convened to Celsius, the flight deck crews - establish the cause of the accident. swathed in jumpers, gloves and balaclavas - kept reminding them- operations, MELBOURNE and selves that it was really summer in BRISBANE rejoined other forces the Northern Hemisphere. MELBOURNE withdrew temp-

orarily from the exercise in the North Atlantic on July 5 to transfer steaming down the English an injured crew member to a shore Channel, carried out a full day of hospital for further treatment. The sailor, LSMED Mark Doran, of Waterloo, Sydney, injured his

back when he slipped and fell in the sickbay of the carrier. Surgeon Commander Ian Parker, of Nowra, NSW, advised that LS Doran should be trans-

ferred ashore for treatment The Medivac was carried out by a Sea King helicopter of HS 817 Squadron, part of the Carrier Air Group embarked in HMAS MELBOURNE.

The helicopter, piloted by LEUT Tony Kinross, of Nowra, NSW, landed the injured sailor at RAF Airfield, Lossiemouth, in the North

massed tri-Service parade outside Parliament during The Queen's visit to Canberra in March. * RAAF, Navy and Army flypasts The culmination would be on the week-end of December 3-4 with Defence Force celebrations staged country centres. * Naval ship visits involving at more than 20 major metro-

services or by combined groups, * Open days at 23 Service

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The Minister for Defence, Mr D.

He said that as far as the Ser-

★ Massed tri-Service parades at ★ Band concerts. marchers, military vehicles,

over capital cities and many

major fleet units, including at-

* Displays by the RAAF Roulettes

Activities would be well publicised to give members of the public every opportunity to attend or view events.

PLAQUE AS ESSAY PRIZE

First prize in a Queen's Silver Jubilee Naval History Competition being conducted by The Naval Historical Society of Australia is a silver plaque commemorating the Silver Jubilee Year.

cluded in a book to be printed for the Queen recording the events of

The Society's President, Mr Lew Lind, said the object of the competition was to encourage

tanks, guns and floats.

people to write on navy history. The competition is open to all. Essays between 1200 and 1500 and Bar former Commander of the MELBOURNE, ditched into the words must be founded on naval

> historical fact. Entries must be typewritten. There is no entry fee. The Judging Panel will be the Executive Committee of The Naval Historical Society

> The winning entry and other entries of special merit will be published in the Society's quarterly journal, "Naval Historica

The competition closes on 1st November, 1977 and the Jubilee

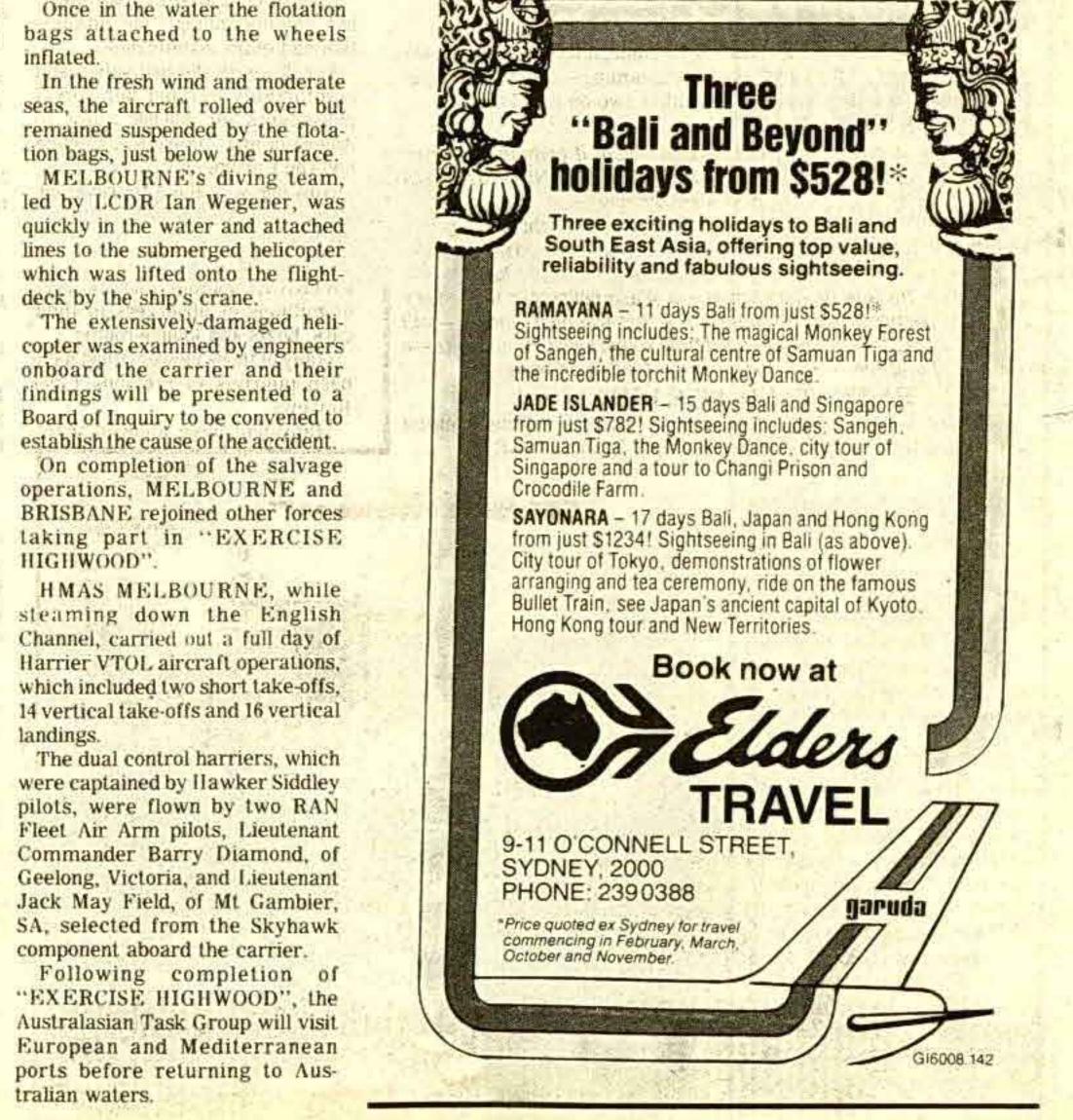
plaque will be presented to the winner at the Society's meeting on Friday, 4th November, 1977. The face of the Queen's Jubilee Plaque is shown above.

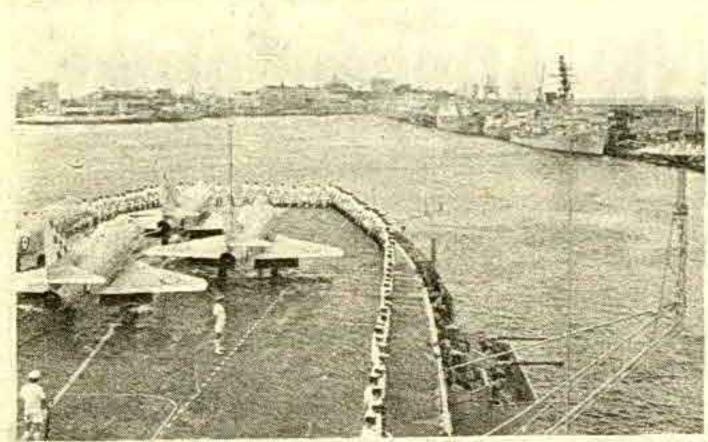
Entries should be forwarded to Naval History Competition, Box 3 Post Office, Garden Island, NSW

ADMIRAL AS SPEAKER Admiral Sir Victor Smith will ad-

dress the meeting of the Naval Hislorical Society on Friday, August 5. The former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee and Australia's senior naval officer will speak on his early years in the

The meeting will be held in the Theatrette, Building 68, HMA Naval Dockvard, Garden Island and commences at 7.30 pm. The meeting is open to members and





HMAS MELBOURNE arriving in Colombo. Pictured right is HMAS



LSATW Peter Dore (left) and ABATC Glen Gibson at Independence

Hall, Colombo.

The Suez Canal entrance. At the Image of the Lord Buddha, Municipal Council Park, Town Hall Road, Colombo. (L to R) LSATW Peter Dore, ABATC Glen Gibson, ABATA David

Beattie, ABATA Ross Fitzgerald, ABATA Trevor Angel.



LEUT Kevin Scarce reports "Ascot detail for your inspection" to CDRE R. C. Swan, CBE, on the flight deck of HMAS MELBOURNE in Portsmouth Harbour on the morning of Gold Cup Day at Ascot. The elegantly attired officers are (left to right) LCDR Lee Wells, LEUT Ross Sampson, SBLT Glen Robinson, LEUT John Dolan, LCDR Alan Smith, LEUT Peter Jacobson, LEUT Paul De Graaf, LEUT Ernie McIntyre, LEUT Roy Christie, and LEUT Dave Gaul. (The masts of HMS VICTORY are visible in



HMAS MELBOURNE "at night" with other Silver Jubilee Task Group ships.



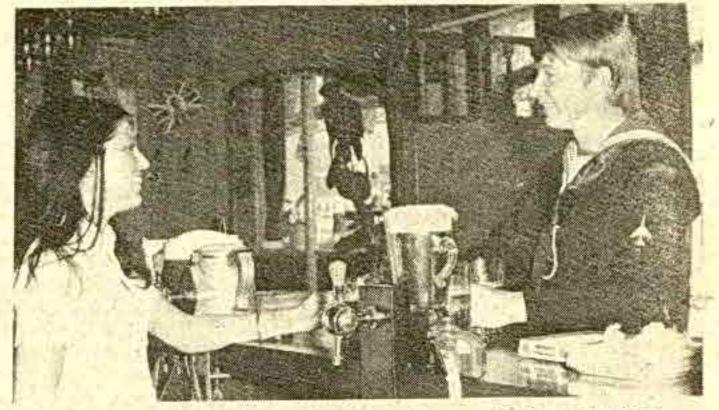
It wasn't all work in preparation for the Spithead Review. (L to R) ABATC Wayne (Stevo) Stephen, ABATA Lee Schleusener and ABATA Paul (Coggs) Coggins relax with a pint under the photograph of Sir Alex Rose in the 'Lone Yachtsman,' a landmark in old Portsmouth. From that point, Sir Alex Rose departed England on his single-handed voyage around the world.



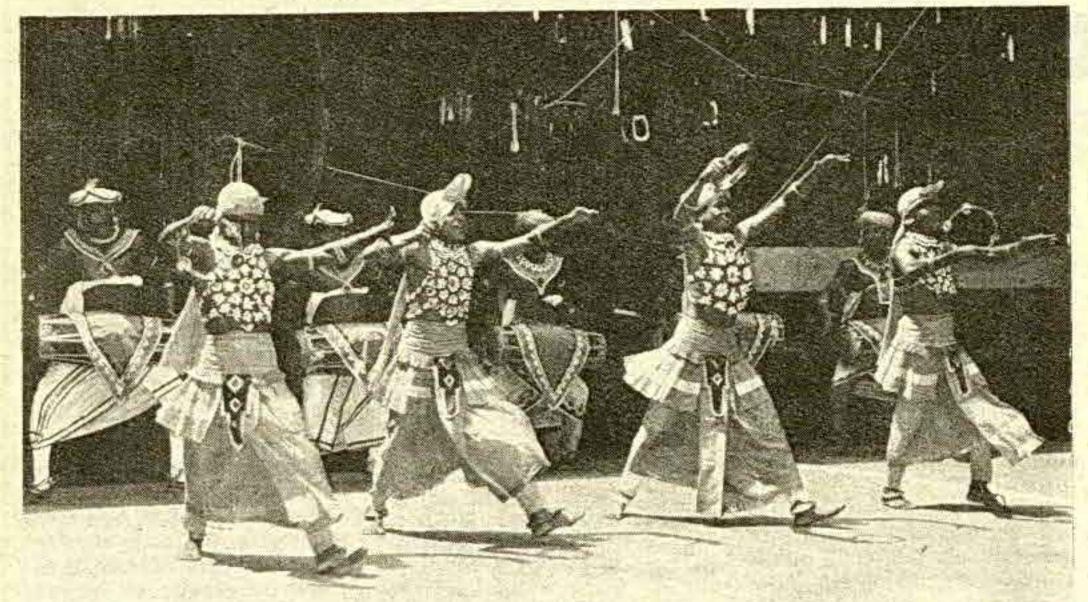
While in Portsmouth, one of the local radio stations had a live show. interviewing a few of the ships' company. The radio station was Radio 2 Victory and LEUT "Jack" Kinross is shown being interviewed by Chrissie Pollard, who has her own show called "TRENDS".



Colin Betts, who travelled to Portsmouth with MELBOURNE to look after Australia's Admiral's Cup yachts is seen here dressed in a Petty Officers rig, about to fire the saluting guns on entering Portsmouth Harbour. He is under the instruction of POQMG Trever Stark.



Even a "half" tastes better when served by a pretty face. ABATC Wayne (Stevo) Stephen, of South Grafton, NSW, buys the beer for his mates in the Lone Yachtsman pub in Old Portsmouth, England.



· The SRI LANKA navy put on a ceremonial dancing display for MELBOURNE's ship's company on the forward lift.

Fort Widley, visited by ship's company of HMAS MEL-BOURNE and HMAS BRIS-BANE, is one of a series of artillery forts built around Portsmouth in the 1860s on the recommendation of a Royal Commission set up to "Consider the Defence of the UK.

In 1859-69 there was a sudden crystallising of the long dormant fear that France, under the leadership of a third Napoleon, would attempt t avenge the defeat at Waterloo.

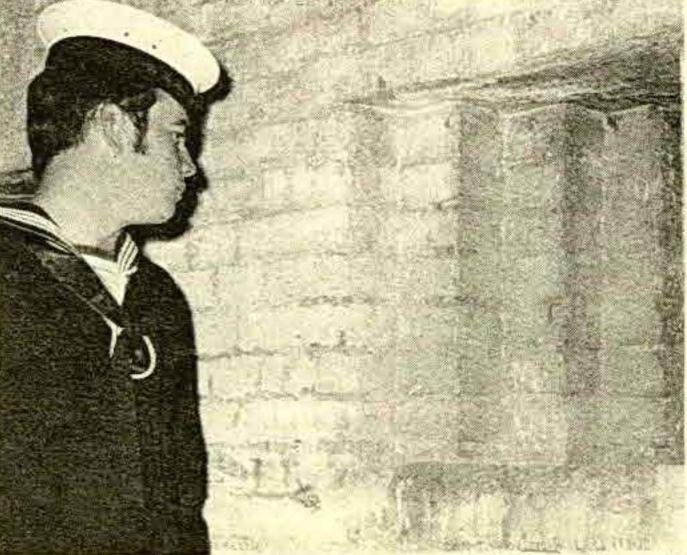
France's supremacy, in terms of the numbers of the newly developed Ironclad warship she possessed, turned this fear into almost panic proportions, and this panic coincided with the development of a gun which doubled the range of heavy artillery from 400 to 800

Portsdown Hill, 7000 yards away from the country's premier naval dockyard, was an obvious weakness, as was Spithead if it could be penetrated by an enemy fleet. Work on the Portsdown Forts began in 1860 and carried on in the face of a political storm

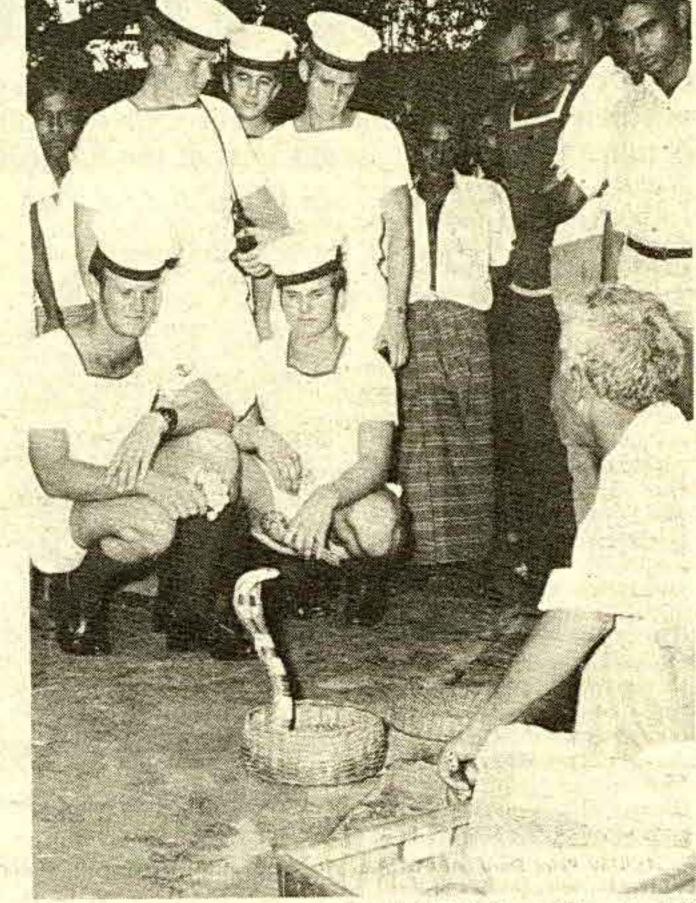
over the value of such defences. Fort Widley remains as a monument to what some have called a "folly" and what was certainly the last and greates overhaul of Britain's coasta



"This would make a great salbting gun," according to ABATA Lee Schleusener (L) ABATC David (Wimpy) Mowday and ABATC Graham (Roscoe) Ross. They found this rather imposing field piece in the grounds of Fort



"I see no Frenchmen," says ABAVN Alan Charles (AI) Ward taking a sight through the gun port of Fort Widley.



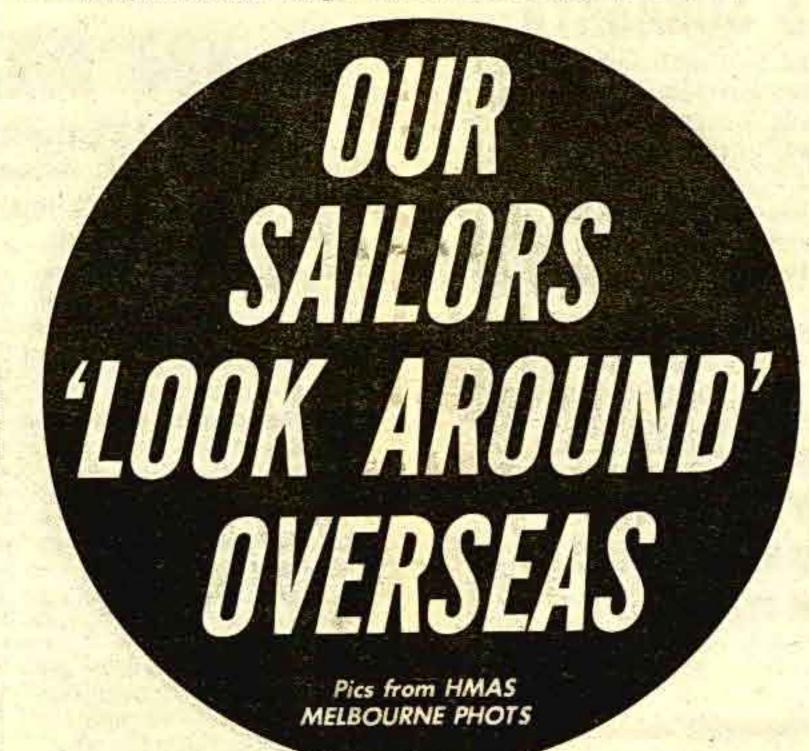
Closely watching a snake charmer at Hyde Park Corner, Colombo, are (L-R) ABATA Ross Fitzgerald, ABATA Trevor Angel, ABATA David Beattie and (front) LSATW Peter Dore and ABATC Glen Gibson.



"A little different from the ammunition hoists onboard HMAS MEL-BOURNE" was the conclusion of LSATWL Paul (Alex) Alexander as he examines the ammunition winch in the magazine of Fort Widley.

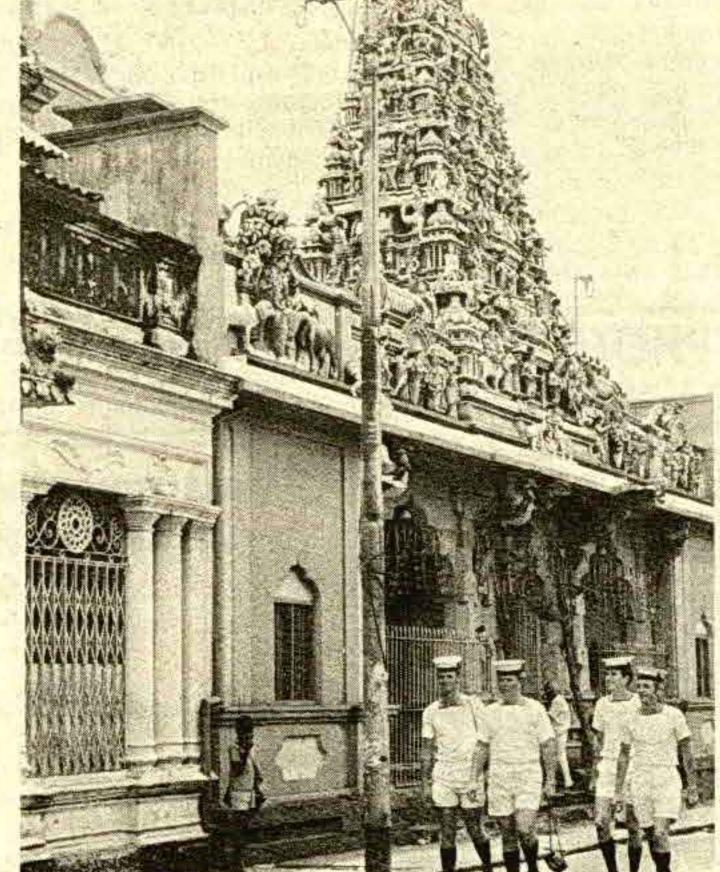


ABAVN Malcom ("Backy") Back inspects a carving done last century by one of the garrison of Fort Widley, built on the heights overlooking Portsmouth. NY 177 YEX 15 huy 27 1577 11351 5 E TT 301 461 01 84375 July 25, 14007

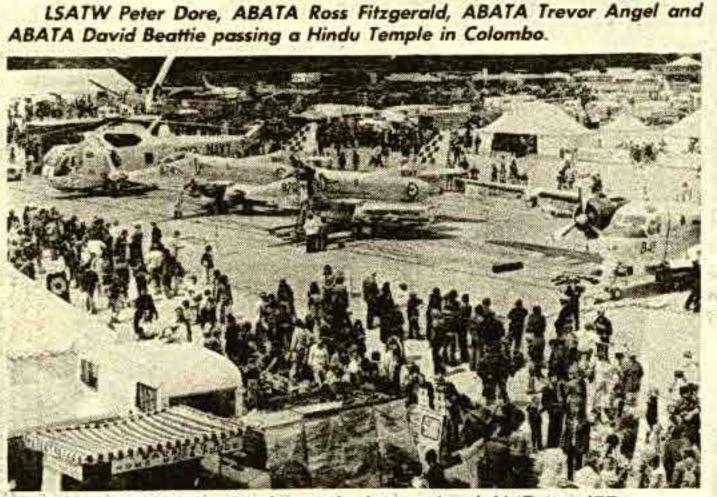




Ships Company from HMA Ships MELBOURNE and BRISBANE visited the Sir Francis Drake Memorial at Plymouth during the Silver Jubilee Celebrations in the United Kingdom. The men are (from left to right): ABRP Hill, ABRP Collett, ABRP Brien, ABFC Collins, LSFC Van Vliet, LSQMG Hearne and ABSIG Shaw, Well and the confidence of the party of the



LSATW Peter Dore, ABATA Ross Fitzgerald, ABATA Trevor Angel and





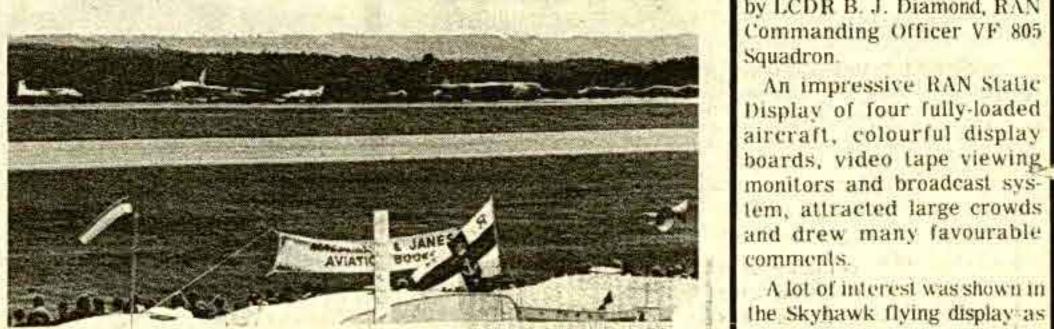
A VF805 Douglas A4G Skyhawk and two RAF Hawker Siddeley Harriers on the flight line at the International Air Tattoo '77, RAF Greenham Common Newbury, UK.



The RAN Band touring the grounds at RAF Greenham Common, the location of the International Air Tattoo '77.



LEUT D. J. Ramsay, RAN, about to 'Strap-In' for Skyhawk flying display at the International Air Tattoo '77.



LEUT D. J. Ramsay making a 'slow and dirty' pass in a Douglas A4G Skyhawk

at the International Air Tattoo '77.

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Aircraft from HMAS

MELBOURNE'S Carrier

Air Group and the RAN

Fleet Band were wel-

come visitors to the

International Air Tattoo

77 at RAF Greenham

Common, Newbury

25 and 26.

year's display.

United Kingdom on June

Acclaimed by the world's

aviation press as the "biggest

and best military flying

display", the Tattoo is held

yearly and drew over 260

aircraft from 12 nations for this

The detachment from the

Carrier Air Group, consisting

of three Douglas A4G Sky-

hawks, one Grumman S2E

Tracker, one Westland Sea-

king MK50 and 25 aircrew/

groundcrew, was commanded by LCDR B. J. Diamond, RAN Commanding Officer VF 805

An impressive RAN Static

Display of four fully-loaded

aircraft, colourful display

A lot of interest was shown in

the Skyhawk flying display as

this type of aircraft is rarely

seen in the United Kingdom.

A series of safety articles presented by DONS, Directorate of Naval Safety.

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

How many of us protect our most expensive assets — homes and cars — with relatively inexpensive fire extinguishers? A survey would show very few!

Yet for an outlay of just over \$20 we can be in a position to extinguish most fires that may occur in

house or vehicle provided early action is taken with the right type of extinguisher. DON5 recommends a BCF extinguisher as the best all round aid for fighting a fire. BCF (BROMOCH-

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BCF extinguishers are produced under a number of manufacturers names but can easily be identified by the bright yellow cylinder containing the agent.

HOW TO DEAL WITH AN OIL FIRE IN THE KITCHEN

Here's some advice for the Home Executive (formerly answering to that misnomer "Housewife").

You are heating cooking oil on a hotplate in the kitchen and junior demands attention — or the phone rings - or someone knocks on the front door.

Next thing you know, flames are leaping out of the container on the kitchen stove. Other than call for help, what can you do?

Well, first of all here are three DON'TS . . .

O DON'T PANIC

O DON'T THROW WATER OR USE A WATER EXTINGUISHER ON THE FIRE (THERE WILL BE AN EXPLOSION IF YOU DO)

O DON'T PICK UP THE BURNING CONTAINER (YOU RISK BURNING YOURSELF AND ALSO SPREADING THE FIRE)

Now comes the DOs . . .

• IF YOU CAN SAFELY GET AT THE HEAT CONTROL, TURN IT OFF

• IF YOU HAVE A BCF EXTINGUISHER, DETACH IT FROM THE WALL BRACKET, STAND ABOUT SIX FEET FROM THE FIRE (TO AVOID THE INITIAL BLAST FROM THE EXTINGUISHER BLOWING FLAMING OIL ABOUT), POINT THE EXTINGUISHER AT THE TOP OF THE CONTAINER AND SQUEEZE THE LEVER AND THE FLAMES WILL BE EXTINGUISHED. (A SHALLOW CIRCULAR MOVEMENT OF THE EXTINGUISHER AS IT DISCHARGES WILL HELP.)

• IF YOU HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO TURN OFF THE HEAT AS YET, DO IT NOW OTHERWISE RE-IGNITION WILL OCCUR.

 IF YOU HAVE NO BCF EXTINGUISHER, LOOK AROUND FOR A SUITABLE FLAT OBJECT THAT CAN BE PLACED ON TOP OF THE CONTAINER. BY ELIMINATING AIR FROM THE BURNING PROCESS YOU WILL EFFECTIVELY PUT OUT THE FIRE. A LARGE METAL LID OR WOODEN BOARD - BIG ENOUGH TO COMPLETELY COVER THE OIL CONTAINER WILL DO THE TRICK. TAKE YOUR TIME DOING THIS AND DON'T UPSET THE CONTAINER.

• IF YOU CAN NOT FIND A SUITABLE FLAT OBJECT, AS A LAST RESORT, WET A TOWEL, WRING IT OUT, HOLD IT UP TO PROTECT YOUR FACE AND GENTLY EASE IT OVER THE CONTAINER. THIS WILL STOP THE OXYGEN IN THE AIR FROM FEEDING THE FLAMES AND ALTHOUGH THE HOT CONTAINER WILL SINGE THE TOWEL YOU WILL HAVE PUT OUT THE FIRE AND CAN GET THAT HEAT TURNED OFF.

NHBS RATES INCREASED

The committee of management of the Naval Health Benefits Society has decided that medical contribution rates are to be increased to counter the very high claiming rate from its contributors.

The new and old WEEKLY rates of basic medical fund contributions and the increase for each category of member are as follows:

	NEW	OLD	INCREASE
Naval member - wife only	2.90	2.00	0.90
Naval member – family	3.55	2.48	1.07
Civilian - single	2.10	1.38	0.72
Civilian – family	4.20	2.75	1.45

The committee of management is aware that for civilian members these increases bring the NHBS rates up to a level that is only a little below the charges of the major funds.

The surplus reserves which permitted NHBS members to enjoy a contribution advantage have been expended and the society must now charge rates that will produce sufficient income to meet its commitments.

The new rates are effective from July 1, 1977, and pay accounting instructions for allotment changes will be issued separately.

Alterations to civilian salary deductions will be arranged by the Department of Finance. The pay centres for wages personnel employed in the Dockyards will be sent instructions by letter.

RENTED ACCOMMODATION IN SYDNEY? CALL CPSO!

Owing to an increasing number of calls from members of the general public who have houses/flats to rent, the Command Personal Services Organisation has reconstituted a special roster to deal with such enquiries.

Personnel looking for rented accommodation may contact C.P.S.O. (Sydney) telephone 232 2222 extension 608.

There is no guarantee that C.P.S.O. will always have a large number of suitable dwellings on their books, but as rented accommodation is often hard to find, this service is being provided as an additional aid to assist in their search for somewhere to live.

At the moment the list is very small, but it is hoped that once this service is expand.

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known, the roster will with the details; Expected Rental, Approximate du-If you or your friends are ration of Availability, Num-

HMAS STUART, commanded by Commander W. E. Rothwell RAN, one of six Australian Destroyer Escorts, forming the Third Australian Destroyer Squadron, arrived in Surabaya on Friday, July 22, for a three-day goodwill visit.

The 2700 tonne destroyer, which left Sydney on July 5 for a six-month deployment to South-East Asia, departed its last Australian Port, Darwin, on Monday, July 18.

During the ship's stay in Surabaya the goodwill and co-operation which exists between the Tni-Al (Indonesian Navy) and the RAN, manifested itself in sporting events and reciprocal social occasions.

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Fire destroys military

Transit Road - a name which will evoke memories of Singapore for thousands of British, Australian and New Zealand servicemen - has been reduced to a shadow of its former self.

In the early morning of June 6, a massive fire swept through shops on one side of the street; ten shops were completely destroyed and goods, estimated at 5\$1,000,000 in value, were destroyed. No one was hurt in the blaze. The street, a mere 400 metres in length, leads from the main road north of

Singapore City to the gates of the Nee Soon Camp. The somewhat temporary-looking shops which grew up on either side of the street were extensively patronised during the sixties and early seventies by

servicemen from Britain, Australia and New Zealand. For many years it had been one of the cheapest places in Singapore to purchase electrical equipment, from stereo sets to electrical hair rollers.

With the withdrawal of all but a few British and the Australian servicemen from Singapore, New Zealanders have become the Street's main clientele, along with diplomats from the city and 'in the know' tourists.

It appears unlikely that the shops will be rebuilt and the future for their tenants remains to be seen.

HMAS STUART NAVY WIVES TOUR SINGAPORE AND HONG KONG



Following the departure of HMAS STUART to the Far East, Singapore Airlines have organised a tour for relatives and friends of the crew to visit the ship in Hong Kong.

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The tour departs Sydney Monday, October 17 for 2 days in Singapore followed by 9 days in Hong Kong.

Included in the tour is air transportation on Singapore Airlines B747 or B707 services, accommodation at the Singapura Forum Hotel in Singapore and the Furama Hotel in Hong Kong, transfers and porterage plus exciting tours in both Singapore and Hong Kong.

Anyone interested in joining the group should contact Singapore Airlines.



AFTER THE FIRE . . . looking down Transit Road to the main road.

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ADROIT'S FOURTH "CATCH"

Darwin-based Patrol boats have this year apprehended 11 Taiwanese fishing vessels for allegedly operating inside Australia's 12-mile Declared Fishing Zone.

One boat HMAS ADROIT (pictured) "landed" her fourth "catch" this month while on patrol to the north of Arnhem Land. ADROIT (Lieutenant G. C. Biscoe) intercepted the wooden-hull "TAI YIH SHANG" to the north of Cape Stewart.

The TAI YIH SHANG, with a crew of 16, was escorted by ADROIT to Darwin.

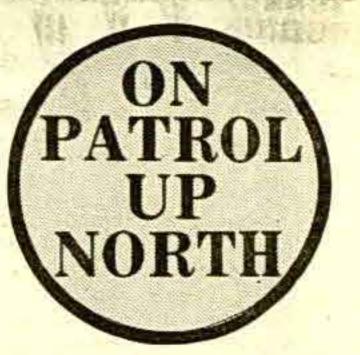
In Darwin, the fishing boat was handed over to Fisheries Officials of the Department of Primary Industry for further investigation.

ADROIT started her tally of "catches" in January when she apprehended two Taiwanese boats inside the 12-mile limit.

Her third came late on June 27 when she intercepted the 30-metre steel-hull drift-netter "No. 3 DER YUNN" operating off a small island to the north- a crew of 16, also was due north of Darwin.

The "DER YUNN", with officials.

west of Melville Island's escorted to Darwin by Cape Van Diemen, almost ADROIT where it was handed over to fisheries





WHAT HAPPENS TO THE FORFEITED BOATS?

What happens to the Taiwanese fishing vessels once forfeited in Australian

courts?

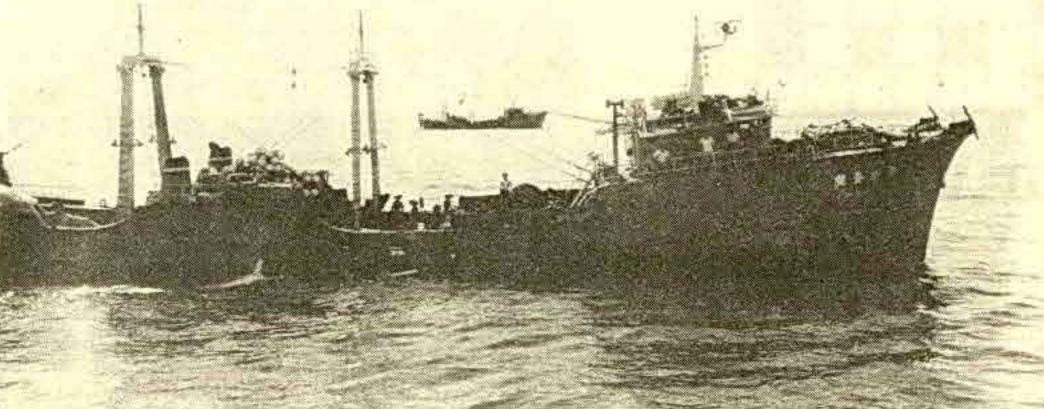
A large number of them are bought by Australians, are resold to Taiwan, some some sink, and some are or-

dered by the courts to be returned to their original owners.

The price varies considerably and depends on the vessel's size, age, general condition, gear onboard and the catch. Money received is paid into Consolidated Revenue.

The catch is dumped if illegal (giant clam meat and so on) or unfit for consumption, or is sold to Australian buyers or the vessel purchasers.

The crews are maintained and repatriated to Taiwan at Australia's expense, or refern home on the vessel if it is sold to buyers in Taiwan.



Two of the Taiwanese fishing vessels apprehended by HMAS ADROIT during her patrols "up north".

ADROIT tows one of the vessels into harbour.

ADELAIDE'S KEEL LAID TODAY

The Keel for the first Royal Australian Navy FFG-7 class guided missile frigate, to be named HMAS ADELAIDE on launching, will be laid at Todd's shipyard, Seattle, USA today (July 29).

The Minister for Defence, Mr D. J. Killen, said HMAS ADELAIDE, which was the first of two FFGS planned for the RAN (the second would be named HMAS CAN-BERRA), was expected to be ready for handing over to the Navy in about August, 1980.

It was expected that the Keel for HMAS CANBERRA would be laid at the same shipyard early next vear.

Attending a brief keel-laying ceremony to mark the physical start of the FFG at Todds today would be the Australian Naval Attache in the United States, CDRE R. G. Loosli, the FFG Project Director.

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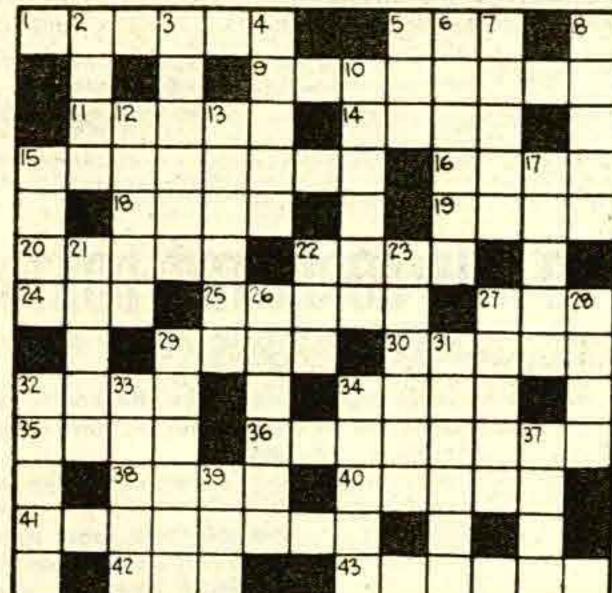
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THE HARD WAY

ACROSS

1 Staff. 5 Runs before the wind.

10 European river. 11 Painter.

12 Lowest one can earn.

15 Avoid. 16 City. 17 Turf.

18 Wounds. 21 Stone. 25 Regally.

26 Fibre.

28 Congo river. 30 Lies.

31 Spoil.

32 Chieftain.

33 Watched.

34 Animal. 35 Figure.

DOWN

1 Ditto. 2 Tripod.

3 Name. 4 Cancel.

6 Keeps under.

7 Java tree. 8 Take in.

9 Discovered.

13 Confused.

14 Decoration.

18 Make less glaring.

19 Plant. 20 Dogs.

22 Part of flour. 23 Two affirmatives.

24 Corrects. 27 Hit.

29 Type of detector.

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Both sets of clues fit the one crossword grid. Test your skill.

THE EASY WAY

ACROSS

1 Upper air.

proclaimed 5 Something by authority. 10 Hill-slope (Scot.).

11 Superficial extent. 12 Sport of exciting bulls

with dogs. 15 Mud volcano.

16 Cosy retreats. 17 Toward the stern. 18 Nipa palms.

21 Bird. 25 Lake (N.Z.).

26 Mimics. 28 False god. Writings not in verse.

31 Newspaper craze. 32 Balsam.

33 On the sheltered side. 34 Unit of current (abbr.) 35 Brother (It.)

DOWN

1 Recedes. 2 One who absents him self from school.

3 Australian bushranger.

4 Fish. 6 Appointment (colf.).

7 Flag-lily. 8 Middle. 9 Labels.

13 Animal.

14 Bury.

18 Makes suitable.

19 Small area. 20 Australian marsupia. 22 Musical instrument.

23 Mollusc's tongue. 24 Inclined.

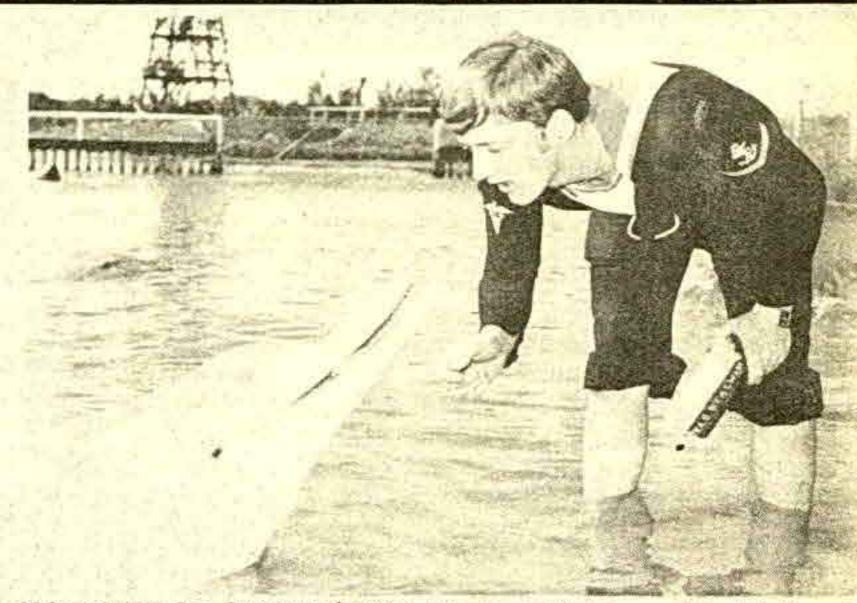
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STALWART VISITS BRISBANE



POWTR GRAHAM PARRY is pictured feeding a 1/4 ton sea elephant, one of the 500 lb of fish that is it's daily diet.



ABOVE: LSMED Ron Greenwood gets a "thank-you" from one of the dolphins after feeding it.

· Story and photographs POPH Noel Levy.

Much has happened onboard HMAS STALWART since the destroyer tender completed her lengthy refit at Vickers Cockatoo Island Dockyard last month.



SAILORS FROM STALWART enjoyed an outing at "SEA WORLD" on the Gold Coast during the ship's visit to Brisbane recently.



FIRST TIME ONBOARD . . . CPOSV Geoff Cunnington entertains his family (I to r) Dudley, Jeanne, Chris and Monica Cunnington, all from Wavell Heights, Brisbane, during their first visit to an RAN Ship.



LORD MAYOR'S VISIT . . . Lord Mayor of Brisbane, Alderman Sleeman, accompanied by CMDR McNamara, chats to POMTP Peter Luxton in STALWART's engine room during his visit.



STALWART'S Executive Officer, CMDR D. G. Debus, chats with Pat Wylie, Bruce and Shirley Price during the reception.

command, CAPT M. W. Hudson handing over to CAPT D. J. Orr on June 17, various visits by VIPs, and a most enjoyable visit to Brisbane. The run to Brisbane was a welcome break for the Ship's Company, particularly after the refit,

and the hospitality of the people of

There has been a change of

Brisbane was greatly appreciated by everyone. The locals showed great interest in the ship . . . some 4500 visitors toured the ship on the two days she

was open to the public. Highlights of the visit included: bus tours to the Gold Coast, a visit by His Excellency, Commodore Sir James Ramsay, Governor of Queensland, and the Lord Mayor of Brisbane, Alderman F. Sleeman and Mrs Sleeman, who embarked for the trip down the Brisbane River before commencing the return passage to Sydney.

Onboard STALWART for the visit to Brisbane was the runner-up to the Apprentice of the Year, Kevin Chappelow, an employee of Email Australia.

Kevin accepted the Brisbane visit as a prize offered by the Navy, to view his trade from another angle.

He took the opportunity to see STALWART's workshops in action and to taste the life of being at sea in an RAN ship and by all accounts, he enjoyed the experience. For the return passage from

Brisbane, STALWART became Flagship with COMAUSFLT, RADM N. E. McDonald, embarked. While onboard, RADM McDo-

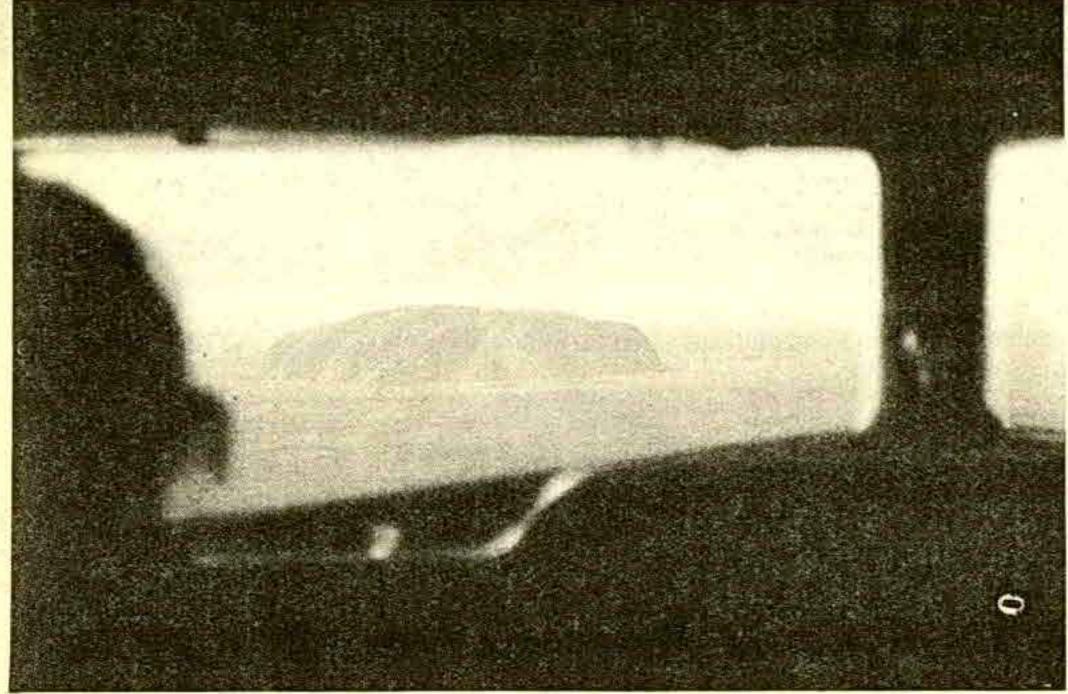
nald walked around the ship, spoke to a large number of the Ship's Company and viewed the many functions of STALWART in action at sea.

STALWART is now back at her usual mooring at Garden Island preparing for her forthcoming deployment.

TRAINING AIDS FOR CHIL-DREN'S HOMES . . . During the ship's visit to Brisbane, STAL-WART's main workshops produced training aids for the children at the Montrose Children's Home. These aids assist in the normal senses that are lacking in their development. CPO "Bluey" Garrick and CPO Mal Castledean visited the Home giving them a chance to see the aids in action. CPOSBA Castledean is pictured with two of the children from the Home.



BRISBANE RECEPTION . . . STALWART officers, LCDR Brown (left) and LCDR Kent (right) pictured with two very attractive young ladies, Anne Tosh and Dianne Flemming during the reception onboard.



PILOT'S VIEW OF AYERS ROCK.

MANY "FIRSTS" LOGGED WHEN NAVY VISITED CENTRAL AUSTRALIA

A series of "firsts" were established when a Navy HS 748 Hawker Siddley aircraft visited Central Australia recently.

The opportunity to fly to "the Alice" came when LEUT Col Jenkins of VC 851 Squadron, HMAS ALBATROSS, was required to fly a long-range navigation route check as part of the normal progression to Captaincy of the HS 748.

Providing a realistic payload for the flight, the South Coast Australian Rules Football League's representative side, comprising serving members from Albatross and the RAN College, HMAS CRESWELL, flew with the aircraft to play the Central Australian Football League in Alice Springs.

The flight to the "ALICE" went as planned and that evening the crew and team were hosted magnificently at the Alice Springs R.S.L. Club by the local Naval Association.

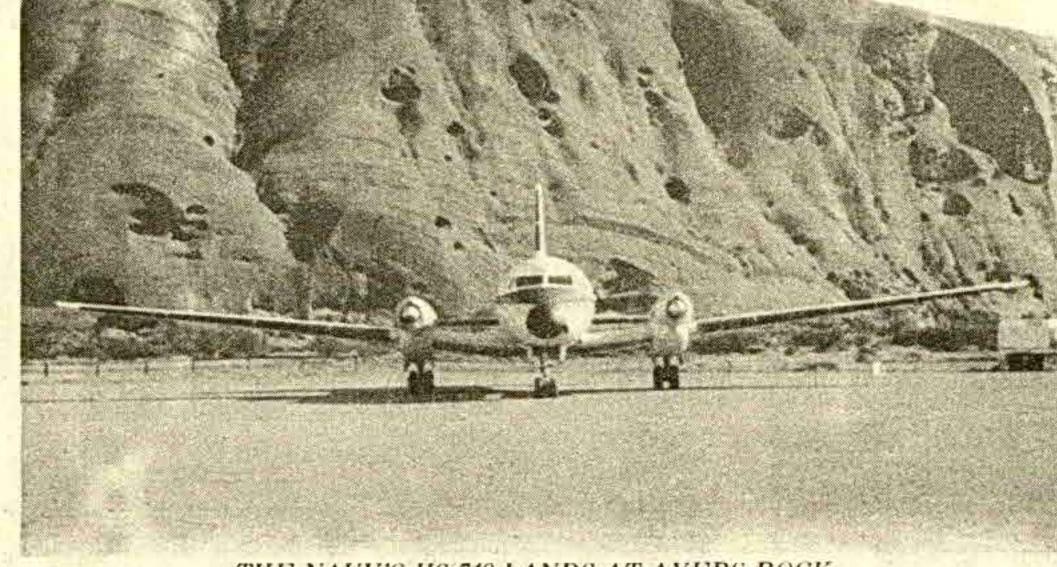
The next day whilst the football side were going through a light training run in preparation for the big game, the arrival of the "NAVY" 748 at Ayers Rock created a certain amount of

interest. Constables Frank Morris and Trevor Bell of the Northern Territory Police Force acted as friendly hosts to the visiting aircrew and took them on a guided tour of the Rock area.

Realising that back at ALBA-TROSS it was a sports afternoon, our diligent airmen formed into a "ROCK SCALING TEAM" and sallied forth on the 1140 foot, 1.6 kilometre climb to the Summit.

"SHERPAS" Leut Col Jenkins and CPOATA Allen Woodrow were first to the top with a record, (Navy) 35 minutes climb, the rest of the team consisting of, LCDR Peter Adams, LCDR John Le Dieu, LCDR John Wenban, MAJOR War-side, 6-3 to 4-1. ren Feakes, LEUT Barry Bromfield, LEUT Gary Caldow, and POATA Chris Ormond, arrived in various physical and mental condition up to 30 minutes later.

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THE NAVY'S HS 748 LANDS AT AYERS ROCK.

crowd estimated at 4500, the South Coast side ran onto Tregear Park football ground quietly confident of knocking-off the local team.

In the meantime local radio station, 8HA had their broadcasting facilities at the ground ready to give a full coverage of the events of

the day's play. At precisely 1530 the ball was bounced in the centre to start the first game of Australian Rules played in Alice Springs, against a

By quarter time the home side led, 4-6-30 to 2-2-14.

Navy and a N.S.W. team.

The second term saw a revitalised New South Welshmen take the initiative and stage a great fightback to out-score the home

The third term was a do-or-die effort by both teams as they endeavoured to get on top and by the last change the home side were in front by one goal.

Back in Alice Springs, before a ... The last term was a fitting finale

to a great game of football that is unique in the history of South Coast and NSW Country Australian Rules.

The large crowd were on their feet for the full 25 minutes, a large number supporting the "sailors"

and the majority for the locals. The lead changed once in that term whilst the scores were locked together three times.

At the 20 minute mark, the visitors lost their star ruckman, LS Glen Taylor at a time when both reserves were on the field.

This was the opportunity the Alice were looking for and ran out winners, 14-19-103 to 14-8-92.

Trophies were awarded to players on both sides in a short ceremony after the game.

Both Central Australia and South Coast Leagues donated these trophies with a jumper from both sides being given to the respective skippers in memory of their

AB Greg Perry was awarded, "BEST ON THE GROUND" BY THE HOST League and he received an attractive trophy for his brilliant performance.

Other players to perform well were, LS Glen Taylor, CMID Craig Bates, LS Graham Williams, LS Graeme Charles, LS Greg Kearney and LEUT Allan Clark.

In appreciation of the hospitality shown by the members of the Central Australian Football League and the supporters of the code in Alice Springs, a colour portrait of both sides is on its way to the "ALICE".

The return flight to Nowra tracked over the vast Simpson Desert, overflying the Birdsville Track and landing for fuel at the outback town of Windorah. Queensland.

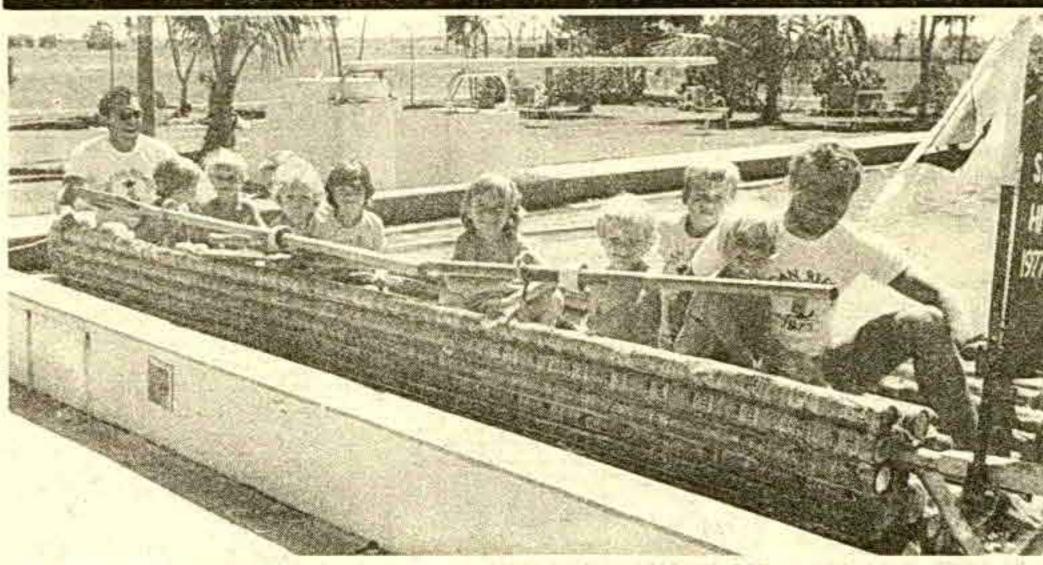
Again the IIS748 arrival caused considerable interest and POATW "Scruffy" Allen showed the local school children around the arcraft much to their obvious delight.

LEUT Caldow dispersed yet another handful of "NAVY" stickers which should baffle tourists for years to come when they appear out "back of Bourke".

The football team earned their fares by lending weight to the task of pushing 44,000 pounds of aircraft back after tefuelling on the cramped tarmac.

After a total of 15 hours flying time in a little over two days, covering some of Australia's most remote and mose scenic landscapes and being the FIRST Navy aircraft to land at Ayers Rock, and the FIRST Navy team to climb it and the FIRST team of sailors to play Aussie Rules in the "ALICE", there can only be one further comment . . . "WHEN DO WE GO AGAIN?"

COONAWARRA'S BEER-CAN BOAT PRESENTED TO LOCAL SCHOOL



THE KIDS AT COONAWARRA enjoy a ride in the Navy's beer-can boat "KARA KARA" prior to its recent appearance at the Darwin Beer-can regatta and the Katherine Karnival. The boat has since been presented to the newly opened school in Katherine and its presence in the playground should give the local children loads of pleasure.

win's Beer Can Regatta (reported in the last edition) did not mean the end of adventure for "KARA KARA", the elegant yellow 2672 Fourex Beer-Can flagship of the Senior Rank's Mess COONAWARRA.

The completion of Dar-

'Kara Kara' kaptivates Katherine Karnival

Six hectic days after she was carried from the waters of Vestey's Beach in Darwin, scene of the beer can regatta, she was to be found 333 km south taking pride of place in the annual Katherine Karnival.

Katherine Karnival organisers invited the RAN to enter their 17ft long Beer Can Boat in the Grand Parade, which is the highlight of their Karnival weekend.

DADFA once again organised his helpers and their families for the trip down the Stuart Highway.

"KARA KARA" was loaded onto a truck and secured for the long ride and camping gear (and 'survival rations') were loaded into a bus and other vehicles which were to transport the 15 adults and 8 children to Katherine.

The excited convoy set off and after a pleasant drive through the lovely scenery of the Top End, it

arrived in Katherine. By dark camp had been set-up in Katherine Gorge National Park, a tasty bush supper was cooked, and washed down with some of the survival rations.

At the same time, a birthday party was held for David Robinson, son of CPOMTH Robinson, who turned six that day and must have been thrilled to be able to have his party in such unusual and exciting surroundings.

The parade on the Saturday was a varied and colourful event with marching girls, floats, horses and of course, "KARA KARA".

Navy personnel took full advantage of the situation and handed out NAVY stickers and other 'sign-on'

material to the large crowd of

sightseers. Katherine was to be "KARA KARA'S" last public appearance.

After the Karnival it was planned to bring her back to Darwin and scrap her.

However every story must have a happy ending, and this one is no exception.

The Headmaster of the newlyopened Clive Fenton School in Katherine, requested the boat be left in the school playground and there she was duly deposited.

There is no doubt that she will bring hours of pleasure to the local children as they play their makebelieve games aboard her sturdy

The remainder of the weekend was taken up with trips through Katherine Gorge, swimming and boating in the river (keeping a wary eye out for crocodiles) and generally having a good time and it was a weary but happy group who packed up on the Sunday afternoon for the long drive back to Darwin.

The return trip was full of reminiscing . . . a giggle about the way the children had used POCK 'Bull' Strachan's stomach and sleeping bag as the breakfast table for the local friendly emu . . . some smiles at the way CPOETC Dave Duffy bravely stared down one of the resident crocodiles face to face . . . but the northbound party felt strangely lonely without that long slim yellow hull they had worked so hard on and achieved so much with, following them home! -XRNR

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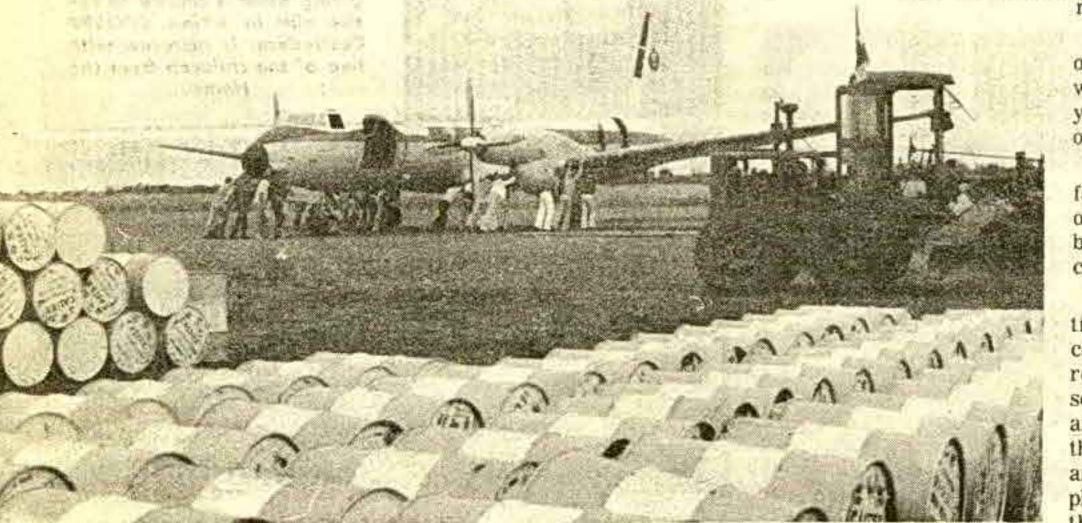
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THE FOOTY TEAM "earn their fare" by lending weight to the task of pushing 44,000lb of aircraft back after refuelling on the cramped tarmac.

NAVY SPORTS COLUMNISTS HAVE THEIR SAY

"FLEET 2 WILL WORRY WILLS GOLF LEADERS"

Fleet 2 certainly have welcomed the return of top VENDETTA golfers Jimmy Diggerson, Lance Foxon, "Nosey" Parker, Bob Holden and Warren Sheard.

BENCH & BAR

WERE BETTER

In the annual golf match at Royal Sydney recently,

The strong Naval contingent was led by FOCEA,

There was evidence that the hospitality and superb

facilities provided by the club were enjoyed to the full by

The brunt of the organisation was once again taken by

RADM N. E. McDonald has kindly consented to be

President of the RANGS, which now has a membership

The next society match is at Moore Park on August 19,

Membership of the RANGS can be readily obtained by

forwarding \$2 to Stan Coppinger at HMAS NIRIMBA.

when the Service Officers meet the Defence Regional

Captain Bill Cooke RAN (rtd), with his usual friendly

Rear-Admiral Davidson, who proposed the toast to the

the Bench and Bar beat the Service Officers by nine

matches to four in a four-ball, better-ball contest.

Bench and Bar at the subsequent dinner.

of 37 officers, with room for many more.

The Destroyers-Escorts team recently notched their first win of the season - at the expense of the experienced PENGUIN combina-

And the Balmoralities were ably supported by Surgeon Captain Brian Treloar, who mustered 38 points from a stableford handicap of five at Gordon on July 13.

The final score was a close 195 to 189 win to Fleet 2.

members of both teams.

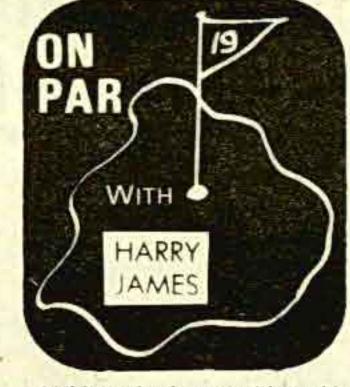
and unassuming efficiency.

Secretaries' team.

I'm further tipping Fleet 2 will prove a hand full for other top sides in this second round of matches leading to the semi-finals.

In other Wills Cup matches on July 13, KUTTABUL again defeated arch rivals ALBATROSS 241-227 while NIRIMBA took the points from PLATYPUS/ WATERHEN on a forfeit.

KUTTABUL's win was their third in a row against 'TROSS.



And it again shows just how this seasons's seven-a-side rule has made the competition more even.

KUTTABUL's top scorers for the day were "Wacka" Payne, Harry ("The Handicapper") James, 36, and Neil Shepherd and Alan Kyd, 35 each.

ALBATROSS's best were their new Captain CPO Dave Varley, 37, and Eric Arnell, 36.

Owing to postings, KUTTABUL will sadly miss the services of POCK Dick Denaro, who will soon post out to PLATS/WHEN for HMAS YARRA.

East Australia Area golfers will recall how Dick, in last year's Grand Final, was able to defeat his opponent from ALBATROSS by six points to give KUTTABUL a onepoint victory.

In a deferred match played on July 20, fourth-placed WATSON caused an upset by downing leaders NIRIMBA 252-219.

KUTTABUL now join NIRIMBA at the top of the competition ladder on 16 points, both clear of ALBA-TROSS 12 points, WATSON 10, FLEET 1 (BIG SHIPS) 6, PENGUIN and PLATYPUS/ WATERHEN 4, and FLEET 2 (DESTROYERS/ESCORTS) 2.

Well, that's it for another issue. Hurry back from CERBERUS, Pedro, I'm running out of ideas!

As the handicapper will be away for one month, new handicap sheets with revised handicaps will not be dispatched until prior to the schedules games for Wednesday, August 24.

"Black Wednesday" for NSW I-S 'Rules team

Wednesday, July 13, 1977, proved to be "Black Wednesday" for the EAA NAVY Inter-Service Australian Football team when they suffered their second loss of the series at the hands of the RAAF.

"CENTRE

BOUNCE"

The scores were RAAF 12 gls 13 bhds 85 points to NAVY 9 gls 6 bhds 61 points.

It was the first time RAAF had beaten NAVY in 10 years and NAVY certainly went down with a lack-lustre performance and without showing the fierce determination that was evident in the two previous years.

The Combined Service selectors were obviously unimpressed with the NAVY's performance.

Only six NAVY players were selected to represent NSW Combined Services:

Congratulations to Archie Dewitt, who also won the trophy for the best NAVY player over the series, Hugh Pattison, Shane Redenbach, Ted Callister, "Squizzy" Taylor, "Sleepy" Haddock and Gary Harman.

Bill Huntriss, who did a sterling job as Manager of the NAVY team, was selected as Manager of the Combined Services team and Tony Heywood (who incidentally is the New South Wales State Trainer), was selected as Combined Services trainer.

The question now arises: In which direction are we going to head in relation to Inter-Service Australian Football or in fact with Inter-Service sport generally?

I can recall when it was deemed to be a great honour to represent the NAVY in Inter-Service competition.

Unfortunately, it would appear that to many, the current level of thinking is "he who has the ability to gain selection to represent the with Jim Smail

NAVY in whatever sport he or she excels at, is one who is looking for a method to escape a day's work".

This attitude could be borneout by the fact that out of the 30 members selected in the NAVY Squad, only 13 were released for training.

One member of the victorious NAVY hockey team was forced to take 14 days of his seasonal leave to represent NAVY.

Surely this is not the attitude which encourages people to play sport and keep fit.

Let us not just talk about ways and means of overcoming this way of thinking.

It's high time to act and consider that if we are going to encourage Service personnel to maintain a high level of physical fitness then every endeavour is to be made to encourage sport in the RAN.

And, if we are to retain Inter-Service sport in our curriculum, then those who are selected for representative teams are to be released for such purpose.

A very pleasing aspect of my

visit to Nowra last week was the news of the formation of the South Coast Australian Football

Umpires' Association. Chief architect of the formation

of the association is Leigh Costain. He tells me that he is getting solid support from Bill Huntriss and that at the moment he has 11 budding umpires.

This is great news for the code on the South Coast as previously they have had to call on the services of the NSW Umpires' Association and

ACT Umpires' Association. Unfortunately both associations have been short of umpires and have not always been able to help them out.

Keep at it, Leigh, you need all the encouragement and support you can get.

Any followers on the South Coast interested in taking up umpiring and giving something to the game, can contact Leigh at HMAS ALBATROSS.

For a league to go ahead you must have an official umpiring

Talking of umpiring, the NSW Australian Football League Umpires Association still requires umpires.

Anyone interested may contact me at HMAS KUTTABUL on ext 3613 and I'll give you full details.

We have a very strong association here in Sydney and I can assure you that one can gain a great deal of satisfaction from umpiring as well as giving something to the

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CERBERUS HAVE HIGH HOPES IN C-S RUGBY

CERBERUS continues to go well as the third grade side for Combined Services.

They are equal top in their competition and, barring postings and injuries, should take out the flag.

If my information is correct they have not won the competition since 1971 or 1972 when the team took it out with great services of "Engines" Whaley, "Buck" Rogers (the prop), Ray Hattineel, "Bungy" Williams (the pay bob), Jim Fern and Coy.

Players really firing are "Rocket" Roughan, Jim Fern, "Froggy" French and "Ducky" Drake.

WATSON are withdrawing all stops to make this their year in the Dempster Cup.

Coached by the inimitable, Buck Rodgers, who is taking all before him this year what with winning the Inter-Service and coaching NSW Combined Services.

The manager is Rugby stalwart, Jim Robinson.

The team this year did what I could not do in all my time.

They defeated ALBATROSS at ALBATROSS 12-11. This, my spy tells me, despite a

doubtful try. The referee awarded a penalty to

ALBATROSS and the kicker told the referee he intended to kick for goal.

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The referee ordered the touch

judges behind the posts. The kicker noted WATSON had turned their backs.

He tap-kicked and forced the ball over the line.

Quite illegal!! WATSON are now running third in the Dempster Cup with a very good pack of forwards laying the foundation.

They include Paul Batman, "Bunny" Wilkinson (who recently played Inter-Service in Victoria), Greg Gordon (who was unavailable for Inter-Service), John Gallagher and last but not least Barry Conroy. Some of the toughtest and most vigorous forwards in the game.

WATSON certainly showed that individual establishments can have their own "mini olympics".

They recently had a gala day at Randwick, featuring touch Rugby (teams must field two WRANS each), tug-o-war, three-legged races and general rubbishing. The WRANS lent a certain amount of colour to Rugby. WRANS to feature were LWRREG Williams, SWRMTD Cameron (Scot-import), WRRP Joyce, WRRP Cole, Sam Johr, WRRP Devereaux, SWRSV Boyle, Vaneilbracht, SWRSV Wilson and SWRWTR Theodore. Referees

on sport



Cliff Linsdel and Peggy O'Neill contributed to fast games and punctual starts. ADMIN/TECH defeated TTB to the tune of 3-2. I don't know how TTB scored two points, although it may have been the number of tries. ADMIN/ TECH took off the tug-o-war, no doubt due to "Spike" Jones, the anchor man, nearly blowing a valve. The three-legged race was won brilliantly by Maddox and Caldwell, the TAS team. Statistician, Sue Barnes, had a busy day and her efforts were appreciated. Keen supporters Bob Morris, Ross McDonald, Jim Kinnear, Rob Hill, "Spunky" Buckhold, Frank King, Frank Ross, George Carpenter and Ken Clements were interested. biased spectators, duly oiled by Jim Robinson, who ran the refreshments section.

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EAA INTER-SERVICE SPORT ROUNDUP

NAVY TAKE HOCKEY & BASKETBALL TITLES

NAVY have taken out the 1977 EAA inter-Service men's hockey and basketball series after close competition in both sports.

NAVY's "most outstanding" hockey player of the series, Keith Chay, hit two goals in the last five minutes to give his team a 2-1 win over ARMY.

ARMY went on to down RAAF 2-

AIR FORCE made NAVY struggle for their 1-0 win - and the trophy - in cold and windy conditions.

In the women's hockey, WRANS lost to WRAACS 0-1 and to WRAAF1-2.

Goalie Jenny Washington, who had a busy series, was judged NAVY's best.

In the men's basketball, NAVY's "most outstanding" player, Peter Liderth, shot 14 goals in a strong second half to give NAVY a fourgoal win (60-56) – and the trophy –

over RAAF.

Peter in the previous match shot 33 points in NAVY's confortable 81-52 win over ARMY.

And in a real cliffhanger, RAAF edged out ARMY 77-76.

In the women's NAVY lost narrowly to eventual trophy winners ARMY (30-34) and RAAF (26-50). ARMY took the final against

RAAF 41-20.



NAVY men's hockey EAA I-S team (I-r): Front row, Bruce Sloper (Coach), Phil Brown, Bryan Stotard, Rahim, "Rusty" Rushton, "Blue" Cumberland, Bob Woodrow, Lee-Shimbel, Con Vlismas. Back Row, Bruce Freeman, "Dutchy" van Doom, Mark "Lead" Leddy, Ian Cruickshank, Ian Hall, Bruce Dutton, Keith Chay (Captain) Geoff Worth, Jim Egan, "Smiley" Lisle (Manager).





NAVY EAA BASKETBALL TEAMS: The winning men's squad (left):
Standing: Mark Hewish, Peter Fox, Peter Liderth, Keith Puyenbroek, Kn

Standing: Mark Hewish, Peter Fox, Peter Liderth, Keith Puyenbroek. Kneeling: Phil Herron, Phil Pryer, Ian Sausverdis, John Cowlishaw. Sitting: Keith Calligan, Laddy Kocz. The women's squad: Standing: Rod Cooper (Coach), Denise Halley, Barbara Gordon, Chris Dare, Terry Carroll. Kneeling: Julie Martin, Margie Longman, Kerry Bergus, Jo Duncan.

Sitting: Joy Lynch, Pam Tapim, Ruth Eddington.

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NAVY's "most outstanding" basketballers — Chris Dare and Peter Liderth.

SERVICES' BOWLS AT ROSEHILL

The annual lawn bowls tournament between Combined Services and the Rosehill Bowling Club will be held at the Rosehill Club on Sunday, August 21, commencing at 1300.

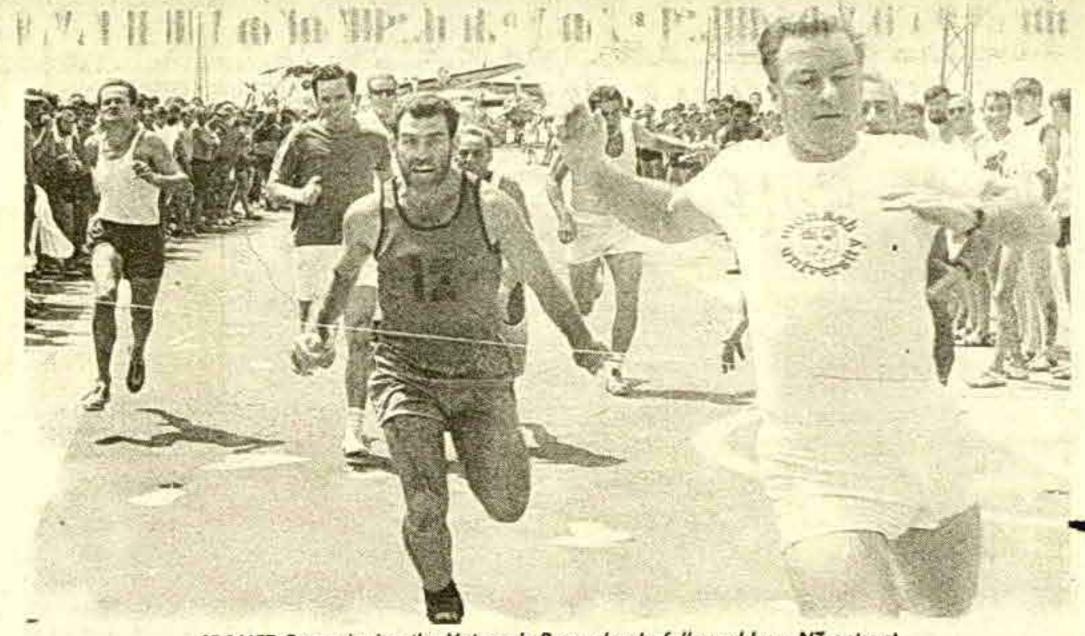
Rosehill, one of Sydney's top bowling clubs and 'home' of the prestigious "Golden Slipper" tournament, has hosted this trophy event since its inception in 1971 and intending players can be assured of a high standard of bowls and over powering

hospitality.

High Tea will be provided at the completion of play, followed by the presentation of trophies.

As Navy is Host Service this year, a good roll-up of players is required and those interested should contact Navy Bowls Club President, LCDR Don Meares at WATSON, phone 337 0225 ASAP.

LCDR Meares also seeks players to make up a Navy 'Four' to play at Marrickville Memorial Bowling Club's Services' Day on Sunday, August 28, at 1330. Interested? Then ring him on the above number.



CPOMED Barr winning the Veteran's Race, closely followed by a NZ entrant.

TASK GROUP'S 'MINI OLYMPICS'

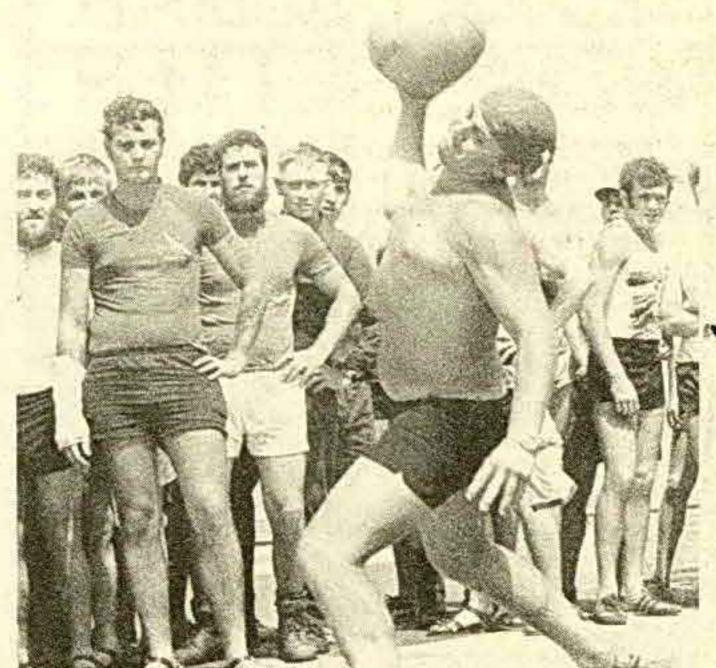
The RAN-NZ Task Group, on deployment to the UK for Silver Jubilee celebrations, recently staged their own "Mini Olympics" in the Red Sea.

Several teams were entered from the aircraft carrier, HMAS MEL-BOURNE, while HMAS BRISBANE and HMNZS CANTERBURY each entered one team.

A variety of sports were contested.

Overall winners were CANTERBURY, followed closely by CAG with SUPPLY DEPARTMENT third.

ABPH KENNING captured some of the action.



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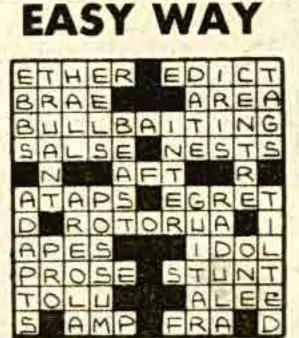
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"THE ROCK" IN THEIR SIGHTS . . .

Ships company of the Silver Jubilee Deployment Task Group – comprising the aircraft carrier HMAS MELBOURNE, HMAS BRISBANE and HMNZS CANTERBURY – could not resist the challenge of "The Rock" on their recent visit to Gilbraltar.

A team from each ship formed a large contingent at the starting line for what has become a well-known "ROCK RUN".

The overall winner was a New Zealander but team winners were AMAS MELBOURNE.

Their time of 146 minutes 18 seconds was only 13 minutes three seconds outside the record held by HMS ARK ROYAL.

As a matter of interest, the individual record is 19 minutes 30 seconds.

The RAN's closest runner was WO Rossington with a time of 23 minutes 10 seconds.

RAN lose Egerton for Vic. I-S 'Rules

NAVY have lost stalwart Lindsay Egerton with a leg injury and five other top players but are still determined to retain the Victorian Inter-Service Australian Rules trophy being defended at Sale this week.

Our sports correspondent "down south" - SALTY - reports that the Vic NAVY side was rocked by NSW's poor performance in losing both their recent I-S matches - and the trophy - in Sydney.

The NAVY squad for the Vic-

torian I-S series is: Capt/Coach Edward "Noddy" Mellish, CPO Andy Blackman, CPO Peter Bull, PO Bob Jeffries, PO Brian Eagles, PO Gordon, POMTH Wilson, LSETS Phil Smith, LSPT Gary Saunders, ABETC "Bungy" Williams, AB John Kennebury, ABSIG Gary McDermott, ABSR "Bluey" Rothacker, ABQMG "Polly" Pollard, ABRO Clark, LSPT Clark, ABQMG-Westlake, ABQMG Conway, ABRO McKeowin, ABCK Studley, ABCK Stewart, ABCK Maloney, CPO Barry Smith, POETW Chambers, POSY Gallagher, Chaplain Davis - Manager.

CONSISTENT NIRIMBA SET UP A COMFORTABLE LEAD

Members of the Silver Jubilee Deployment Task Group at the starting line for their "assult on "The Rock" at Gilbraltar.

NIRIMBA have again emphasised their consistency this season with a tough 9-4 win over in-form WATSON in the July 13 round of Dempster Cup Rugby matches.

They now hold a handy threepoint lead on the competition ladder and must be confident of finishing Minor Premiers with six round remaining in the run to the semi-finals.

NIRIMBA have won the Dempster Cup on three occasions -on their own in 1960 and 1963 and shared with ALBATROSS in 1966.

Many believe they have the players and all-round strength to take it out in 1977.

WATSON, DESTROYERS/ ESCORTS and ALBATROSS also are well-placed at the top with KUTTABUL among the chief challengers for a "semi" berth.

DESTROYERS, the early season "front runners," are undoubtedly missing the solid support from HMAS STUART (on overseas deployment for the remainder of the season).

ALBATROSS are always the side

They are strong end-of-season finishers and appear to be coasting to the "semis."

In other matches played on July 13, ALBATROSS scored a sound 13-0 win over PENGUIN MSS (BIG SHIPS) accounted for last year's premiers PLATYPUS/WATERHEN 18-0, and the "Gal-

A DEMPSTER CUP ROUNDUP

loping Greens" KUTTABUL helped their "Semi" chances with a 7-0 upset of DESTROYERS/ ESCORTS.

No Dempster Cup matches were played on July 20 and the scheduled ASRU-NZ Combined Services

(In the only NAVY Rugby on July 20, Fleet went down to Police 3-9 while NIRIMBA Colts took the STORRIE CUP by downing Fleet Colts 6-4).

In the July 13 round, NIRIMBA scored all their points in the first half against WATSON in a very hard-fought game.

ne season).

Good tight defence by both sides M.S.S. (BIG SHIPS) 6, PENQUI made clean breaks very hard to 3, PLATYPUS/WATERHEN 3.

come by.

NIRIMBA's try came from a good effort by five-eighth Chris

Cummings.

He started the movement then backed up to receive the ball 25 metres out. He stepped his way around four

WATSON defenders to touch down adjacent to the posts.

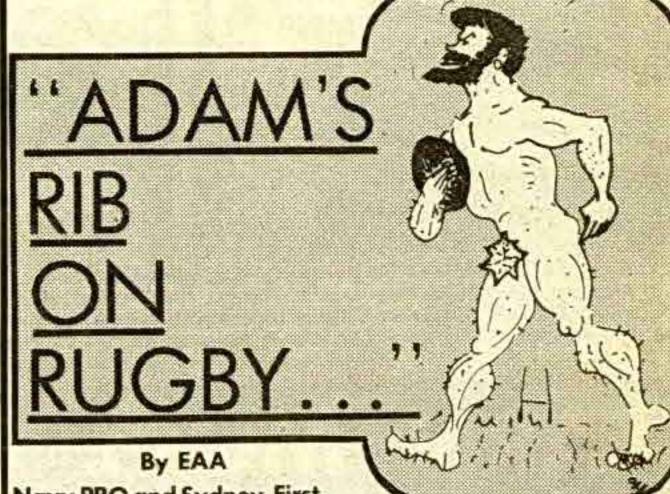
A handling error with the line

wide open proved very costly for the WATSON. WATSONS only points came

from a try by their tough little halfback "Peggy" O'Neill. NIRIMBA 9 (Cummings try

Benny Hill conv and pen) defeated WATSON 4 (O'Neill try).

The competition ladder to July 27: NIRIMBA 14, DESTROYERS/ ESCORTS 11, ALBATROSS 10, WATSON 10, KUTTABUL 7, M.S.S. (BIG SHIPS) 6, PENQUIN 3, PLATYPUS/WATERHEN 3.



Navy PRO and Sydney First

Grade hooker, STEVE ADAMS.

With only five rounds remaining in this year's

With only five rounds remaining in this year's EAA Dempster Cup, competition is getting very keen for the final four berths.

Two games coming up next week could go a long way to not only sorting out the "four", but also giving a pointer to form coming into the finals.

Those two games are NIRIMBA vs ALBATROSS at Albatross and WATSON vs Kuttabul at Randwick.

Many are tipping the NIRIMBA-ALBATROSS game as a Grand Final preview following NIRIMBA's impressive win over WATSON. But let's not get carried away as there was only a try a piece in the

The other game I've mentioned in the round should go WATSON's way for two valuable points, but Kuttabul should not be taken lightly now that they have a few wins under their belts.

With the finals approaching it is hoped that a few more spectators may find their way along to some of the games.

Far too often teams lack good support from the sideline, but I hasten to add that bad support can be worse than none at all.

The T.G. Milner Field at Eastwood offers excellent spectator

NAVY sides will be playing on this ground at least four times between now and the end of the season, so let's try to make larger

crowds there the aim from week to week.

The old saying goes, if you enjoyed it, tell a mate, if you didn't!!!

Speaking of spectators, NAVY Rugby patrons are reminded that
their support should not just be limited to Wednesday afternoon, but

Speaking of spectators, NAVY Rugby patrons are reminded that their support should not just be limited to Wednesday afternoon, but much enjoyment can be had from weekend Rugby viewing either by supporting the NAVY club side, or by attending any of the top First Division games around town.

After all, the best way to learn more about the game is to watch it played at the highest standard available.

Three words that may assist coaches, I know they're the three words we base much of our game at WESTS on: . . . SPACE, TIME AND POSSESSION.

That is a team should try to gain maximum space, time and possession for itself, and just as importantly, deny them to opposition. By Time we mean allowing our backs plenty of time to implement moves and being quick up on the opposition. By space we mean giving our backs room to move, but forcing the opposition into small areas by isolating the ball carrier.

And possession . . . well that's obvious, a team can't win without the ball.

This week's "Spare Rib Award" must go to the whole NIRIMBA side for making this writer eat his words (for one game anyway) when they defeated WATSON after this column lauded it with praise.



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