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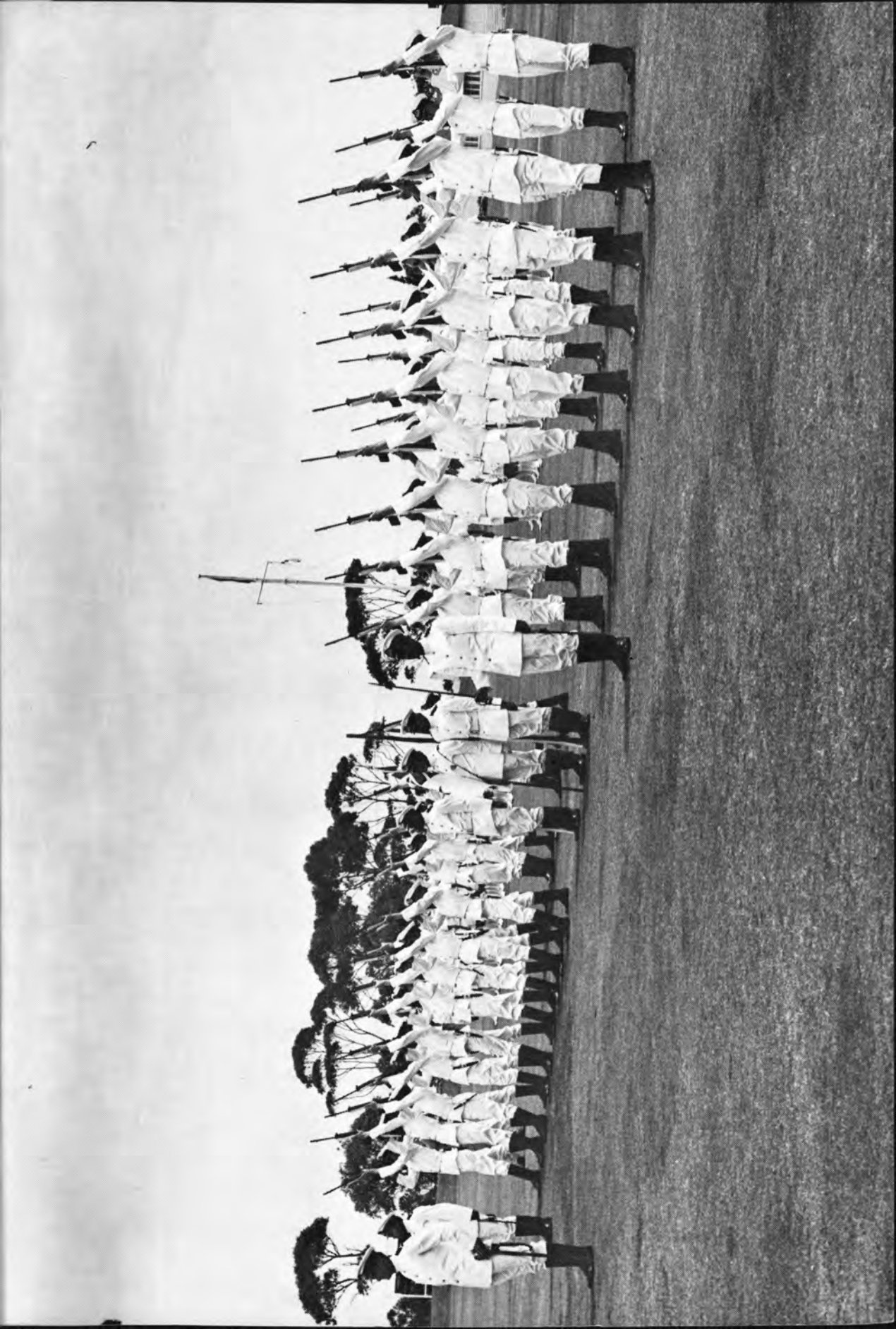
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Norman Lindsay's model of H.M.S. *Endeavour*. Photographed by Roger Palmer, with kind permission of the owners, the Trustees of the Science Museum, Melbourne.

Opposite:

**PROMOTION PARADE 1972:
ACTING SUBLIEUTENANTS FIRING FEU DE JOIE**





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Editorial

TRI-SERVICE COLLEGE?

In any military College, the mention of a Tri-service Academy often brings views of varying intensity of disapproval from the Cadets involved. The next few years however, may well see these feelings either justified or proved wrong.

A tri-service military College has the advantage of being less expensive to administer than three separate entities. However, it faces the obvious disadvantage in that each service needs very different professional training, so there are basically two alternatives: first, the courses could be implemented in such a way that cadets from all three Services, underwent the same academic course of three years duration and within this course maintain at least some degree of detachment between Services. Then on completion of the academic courses a specified amount of time is spent at the separate Colleges to carry out purely professional training for a time to be specified by the various services depending on their requirements. Alternatively, a Tri-service College could be situated in such a place that the necessary environmental requirements are available to all three Services, such that separate professional training may be integrated with the common academic training.

Present trends indicate that if a Tri-service Academy is decided upon it will be situated in Canberra. This in the short term is the obvious place as initial costs needed to establish a tri-service academy there are much less than at any of the other Service Colleges. However, it is difficult to train Naval Officers without an ocean nearby and it is dangerous to train fledgling pilots on an airfield that is already over-crowded.

Whatever the final decision may be on the question of a Tri-service College, it will come soon. If the decision is made to establish a Tri-service College, the transition from mono Service Colleges to a combined College will no doubt prove to be one of the most difficult in the history of officer training in Australia.

PROMOTION PARADE, 1972

Promotion Parade is the College's major parade each year when the graduating Midshipmen are promoted to acting Sub-Lieutenants before leaving Australia for further training in the United Kingdom. As usual, practice for the Promotion Parade started many weeks before the big day which generally occurs in the first week of December. Despite a broken foot, CPOGI Bowen, on loan to the RAN from the RN, dominated the parade ground and was never slow to point out and correct any mistakes.

The Guard for the parade was formed by the Acting Sub-Lieutenants and commanded by Acting Sub-Lieutenant Dovers. The cadets formed the Colour Party, which

marched in the centre of the Guard, and four unarmed divisions. The band was the East Australian Area Band, Acting Sub-Lieutenant Graham was in command of the Parade which was reviewed by Vice-Admiral Sir Victor Smith.

The Acting Sub-Lieutenants were the centre of the parade, and ensured that they were in the limelight by firing a Feu de Joie (firing blanks in rapid succession along the ranks to give a rippling effect). Vice-Admiral Smith gave the Promotion Class a few words of advice and presented the Queen's Medal to Acting Sub-Lieutenant Graham, after which the Parade marched to the stirring beat of "Waltzing Matilda".

FREEDOM OF ENTRY PARADE

On September 21 1972 the Freedom of Entry to the Town of Nowra and the Shire of Shoalhaven was conferred on HMAS *Albatross* and HMAS *Creswell*. The ceremony granted to the officers and men of the two establishments the right to march through the Town of Nowra and the Shire of Shoalhaven "with swords drawn, bayonets fixed, drums beating, bands playing and Colours flying".

The ceremony originated in the Middle Ages when cities were protected by fortress walls from outlaw bands and feudal lords. The citizens of these city-states refused to allow any armed body of men to pass through the city walls unless they were certain that the arms would not be used against them. Therefore the granting of the

Freedom of Entry was a great privilege and a mark of trust and confidence by the city's citizens.

The guard for the ceremony was formed by one hundred cadets from the College. The Parade, led by the guard, marched from the Nowra Showground to the Council Chambers in the main street amidst applause from local residents. At the Council Chambers, the Scrolls for the Freedom of Entry were presented to the captains of HMAS *Albatross* and HMAS *Creswell* by the Shire President. The guard then fixed bayonets and the Parade exercised its right of Freedom of Entry by marching down the main street of Nowra "with swords drawn, bayonets fixed, drums beating, bands playing and Colours flying".

'Esmeralda' 1972

Early in second term eleven cadets embarked on the Chilean Training Ship *Esmeralda* to sail to Sydney. The general opinion of the group was that it was an experience to be remembered for years to come.

Sydney was the last major port of call for *Esmeralda* before she returned home to the Chilean port of Valparaiso, concluding an eight month world training cruise. During this time she visited such exciting places as Vladivostok, Shanghai, and Djakarta. The cruise is an annual event to train the graduating class of officers from the Chilean Naval Academy. The average age of the trainees is twenty-two and each had completed five years at the Academy.

Most of the officers and some of the graduates speak fluent English and so com-

munication was no problem. Each cadet had a graduate as an unofficial host and was well looked after. They were shown around the ship and stood watches with their counterparts. Perhaps the only disappointment of the trip was the inability of *Esmeralda* to use her sails, due to a lack of wind. This was compensated, to a certain degree, by an adventurous, if not a little nerve-racking ascent to the "crow's nest" on one of the four gigantic masts on *Esmeralda*.

The food was different and exciting with wine accompanying lunch and dinner. Breakfast was in the continental style, consisting of porridge, a bun, and coffee at about ten in the morning. To eleven cadets from the college, *Esmeralda* will bring back unforgettable memories.





Captain J. D. Stevens, RAN

(COMMANDING OFFICER 1971-1972)

A FAREWELL

Captain Stevens joined the Royal Australian Naval College in 1941, rising to the position of Cadet Captain. It is rumoured that during his time at the College he set a record for the distance travelled to and from leave—48,000 miles to and from Kalamunda, WA.

He served as a Midshipman in HMS *London* during 1945 on the East Indies Station, in a destroyer, an MTB and a Minesweeper. His next two postings provided much contrast in going from an ocean going tug to HMAS *Australia*. The intervening years were taken up by various staff positions and other sea postings including CO of HMAS *Derwent*.

He assumed command of HMAS *Creswell* in January 1971 and from the outset was one of the most popular figures around the establishment. The position of Captain

of HMAS *Creswell* is a varied one taking in both the administration and responsibility for the training of future Naval Officers and the job of Naval Officer In Charge Jervis Bay. Captain Stevens left many lasting impressions in both spheres with his keen interest and frequent participation in many college activities.

During his time at the College changes came often, especially in the day to day lives of the Cadets. It was in fact a period of transition, with many problems, as the College settled down to a new system and Captain Stevens worked hard to make it feasible. As with all Naval postings however, there is a limit to the amount of time spent in any one place and at the end of 1972 Captain Stevens left to take the position of Director-General of Fighting Equipment at Navy Office, Canberra.



Commanding Officer: Captain Vernon A. Parker, RAN

A WELCOME

At the present time, Captain Vernon Ainslie Parker, RAN, is the Commanding Officer of the RAN College. He assumed Command on the 16th December 1972 from Captain John Dixon Stevens, RAN.

Captain Parker was born in Perth, WA, and entered the College in 1940. He graduated in 1943, and was posted for service with the Royal Navy from 1944 until 1945, serving in the Home Fleet which operated in the Arctic Ocean, Western Approaches and the English Channel. In 1946 he returned to the RAN where he joined HMAS *Quiberon* on Occupation duties in Japan. Between 1947 and 1959 Captain Parker served in HMA Ships *Manoora*, *Latrobe* (as Navigating Officer), *Cootamundra* (as Executive Officer), *Hawkesbury* (also as Executive Officer), and in SAR Craft (in charge). Between February and August 1957 Captain Parker was appointed for full time duty in connection with the re-establishment of the RAN College, and was thus the first officer to serve the College on returning to Jervis Bay. He then served in HMAS *Queenborough* (as Executive Officer to the Captain (F) First Frigate Squadron). In 1959, Captain Parker was posted as the Training Officer to the Junior Recruit Training Establishment HMAS *Leeuwin*, and remained there until 1961. During his posting he became the first Training Officer

for the Junior Recruit Training Scheme. In 1961 he took Command of HMAS *Quiberon* which was deployed for Strategic Reserve Service on the Far East Station. For the period 1963-1966, Captain Parker served as the Naval Attache, Indonesia. From there his posting took him to HMAS *Sydney* where he served as the Executive Officer in 1966-1967, and in 1968 he took command of HMAS *Melbourne* during her extended refit. In 1968 he was posted to Canberra where he took up the post of the first Director of Training in October. In May-July 1970, he led an RAN training mission which visited England, Europe, Canada and the United States. Captain Parker was then posted as Director-General of Training. The Directorates which then came under his jurisdiction were training, education and training research. Later in 1971 he assumed command of HMAS *Supply*, and then to the RAN College in late 1972.

Promotion came in 1955, to Lieutenant-Commander, then Commander in 1961, followed by his promotion to Captain in 1967. He is married and resides at Jervis Bay with his wife and family (two daughters and one son). His main recreational activities are fishing and reading. He has also taken a keen interest in Training Technology in both civilian and military fields.

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The College Staff

COMMANDER J. S. DICKSON, MBE, RAN

J. S. Dickson, bred in the Dandenongs, Victoria and schooled at Upwey High and Melbourne Grammar, joined the RAN (for no accountable reason) as a cadet in January 1950. He was one of fourteen "survivors" of an original intake of thirty who passed out four years later and proceeded overseas for further training.

His career followed the then conventional pattern of cadet training ship (HMS *Triumph*), midshipmen time (HMAS *Sydney*) Junior Officers War Course and Sub-Lieutenants Course (back in UK), before he was first employed in a useful capacity in



HMA Fleet. After gaining his watchkeeping certificate and getting an insight into surveying from such an unlikely platform as the Ocean Minesweeper *Cootamundra* in '57-'58, he saw service in the Far East in HMAS *Tobruk* in '59-'60, then did a round of courses before going to WA for the opening of JRTE. In November '61, after twenty most enjoyable months at *Leeuwin*, he proceeded to UK for the long navigation course and in subsequent years his service as a Navigating officer in HMS *Tartar* and HMA Ships *Perth*, *Sydney*, and *Melbourne*, was punctuated by command of *Gull* (1965-66) and the RN Staff Course ('69). In 1968, (the year of the Beatles) he was awarded the MBE in the New Year Honours List.

He had the good fortune to marry Miss Anthea Rowan in 1964 and brought a daughter and son to *Creswell* when he joined as Executive Officer at the end of May '71.

COMMANDER C. C. ROBSON

Commander Chris Robson joined the RAN's Instructor Branch in 1952 after service with the Victorian Education Department. After

new entry courses, there followed a few years spent between RAN Air Stations, Schofields and Nowra, educating aircraft maintenance sailors.



In 1955 he was off to UK in the grey funnel line steamer *Vengeance*. He qualified as a meteorological officer at HMS *Harrier*—located appropriately on the cliff tops of western Wales, facing the Atlantic gales. The course was followed by two years exchange

service which was spent in the lovely English counties of Sussex and Cornwall—the scene marred only by RN Air Stations.

A stint in *Ark Royal* preceded his return to Australia in 1958. The next thirteen years were spent alternating between the meteorological offices of *Melbourne* and *Albatross* except for a two year break at *Leeuwin*, during which he was largely concerned with the implementation of the Topman scheme. The service in *Melbourne* regrettably included being on board for both collisions—*Voyager* in 1964 and *Charles E. Evans* in 1969.

Promoted Commander in 1970 and having issued some millions of weather forecasts—all right of course—he returned to the education fold as OIC Academic School, HMAS *Cerberus* in 1971 and SIO *Creswell* 1972. His wife is from Queensland and they have two small boys

LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER G. ELDER, RNZN

Lieutenant-Commander G. Elder, RNZN, Phillip Divisional Officer, joined the Royal Navy as a Seaman Boy in January 1949. He served in frigates, destroyers and cruisers in the Royal Navy before transferring to the Royal New Zealand Navy in January 1958.



Following courses in the United Kingdom, Lieutenant-Commander Elder was commissioned in January 1962. He served in HMNZS *Royalist* from 1962 to 1964 and between 1967 and 1971 was Gunnery Officer of HMNZ Ships *Otago* and *Taranaki*. Before joining the College in January 1973 Lieutenant-Commander Elder was employed as a Midshipman Training Officer in HMNZS *Tamaki*.

LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER G. J. NOYES, RAN

Raised in Sydney's Western Suburbs, where all is black and white, and where the grey shades of Naval vessels cast no shadows, stones or fishing lines, Lieutenant-Commander Noyes joined the Instructor Branch after spending four years at Sydney University and two years teaching civilians.

Five of the subsequent seven years have been spent at Naval Educational establishments: HMAS *Cerberus*, *Leeuwin* and *Creswell*, with two years' "escape" in the UK studying and practising the occult arts of weather forecasting.

Recreation early in this period circled around the scrum of a Rugby pack, and Lieutenant-Commander Noyes hooked for Combined Services of Victoria and West Australia. More recently the less crippling sports of athletics and cross country have been his pastimes.



LIEUTENANT A. B. MACKINNON, RAN

Lieutenant Mackinnon joined the College in 1963 as a Junior Entry cadet, and in spite of the rigours of Academic life, graduated in 1966, after an eleven week cruise of the south seas in the training ship *Anzac*. His year at sea as a Midshipman was spent entirely in the Far East, commencing with a hazardous plane flight to Tawau in Borneo to join *Parramatta* at the end of confrontation. He then spent three months in *Hawk*

before transferring to *Vampire* for a further six months. As a newly promoted Acting-Sub he departed for the UK for two years, where he met and married his wife Simone at Brenchley in Kent. On return from England, Lieutenant Mackinnon joined *Vendetta* for a tour of duty in Vietnam, and on her return to Australia was posted as navigator of *Buccaneer* for three months on the North West Coast survey. After only two months in *Buccaneer*, he transferred to *Advance* as Executive Officer, and spent a further three months based in Darwin before returning to Sydney to join *Torrens* on commissioning. He spent eighteen months in *Torrens*, during the last five of which he performed the duties of Navigating Officer. On *Torrens'* return from ANZUK duty in May '72, he transferred to *Hobart* two days before the ship sailed for gun-mount modernization in San Francisco. The ensuing five months of revelry and tourist activities in no way affected his sense of balance, and he returned to Australia to join *Creswell* in December '72 to commence his car restoration posting ashore.



LIEUTENANT G. D. ANDERSON, RAN

Lieutenant Anderson joined the College on the 28th January 1962 as a Junior Entry cadet and graduated in July 1965. His year as a Midshipman in the fleet was spent on HMA Ships, *Melbourne*, *Sydney*, *Duchess*, *Snipe* and the Royal Navy Submarine *Taciturn*, operating mainly in the Far East.

In September 1966 he joined BRNC Dartmouth for a year's academic training before Sub-Lieutenants Courses. Lieutenant Anderson joined HMS *Dolphin*, the Royal Navy's Submarine School in September 1968 prior to his posting as Torpedo Officer



on HMS *Ocelot*. A year was spent on *Ocelot* operating out of Portsmouth and the Clyde before joining HMAS *Onslow* building in Scotland on the 18th October 1969.

Onslow's commissioning and Work Up followed before the three month voyage to Australia via Bermuda, San Juan, Panama Canal, Acapulco, Hawaii, Apia and Brisbane. He remained on *Onslow* as Navigating Officer until September 1971 when he returned to the UK for further training before being posted as Sonar Officer to HMAS *Ovens* in October 1971. He left *Ovens* shortly before taking up his posting to *Creswell*.

Lieutenant Anderson's main interest (besides his fiancée) is sailing, having taken part in a Hobart Yacht Race, Fastnet, Tall Ships' Race from Hardwick to Kristinsand, and various other races around England and Sydney.

LIEUTENANT D. J. CAMPBELL, RAN

The Supply Officer breezed in and out of *Creswell* during Term II, no sooner having arrived from sea than departing for three years on the staff of the Naval Attache in Washington.



Lieutenant Campbell joined the RAN College in 1961 and graduated as the Queen's Medallist in 1964. He served during confrontation in HMA ships *Vampire* and *Melbourne* before taking part in the first of the Midshipmen's Exchange Programmes with the

USN. Following Dartmouth and Sub-Lieutenant's Courses in the United Kingdom, he completed the Basic Supply Course in *Cerberus* in 1967. Since then, he has served on the Secretariat at Fleet Headquarters, as Deputy Supply Officer of *Hobart* (in which he saw service in Vietnam) and as Supply Officer of HMAS *Supply*.

He married the fair Kaye Blackband in 1968; their first child, Penelope, was born shortly after their arrival in *Creswell*. Lieutenant Campbell admits to being a disgrace-

ful golfer. He enjoys chess, is an avid reader and a prolific essay writer, and is developing a particular interest in naval logistics. If for no other reason his short stay will be remembered by the Cadets for his replies to their suggestions in his Register of Magi-rogological Commentaries.

LIEUTENANT B. SWAN, RAN

Lieutenant Swan joined the RAN in July 1956 in the initial entry of apprentices to HMAS *Nirimba*. Since leaving *Nirimba* he has served in HMA ships *Melbourne*, *Sydney* (twice), *Watson*, *Rushcutter*, *Cerberus*, *Kuttabul*, *Penguin* and *Tarangau*.



He was the first ex-*Nirimba* Special Duties Officer promoted. When he was commissioned in September 1965 there were eleven shipwright officers in the RAN; there are now twenty.

He is interested in all types of sport and has represented the Navy at Rugby on three occasions. Highlights of his Rugby career were in 1957 selection in South Harbour under 18 team and 1963 when he was in the NSW Combined Services team. His other interest is avoiding police cars between *Jervis Bay* and *Sydney*.

Repairing ships has always been his main interest and, to this end, he is a Member of the Royal Institution of Naval Architects and a Chartered Engineer. Whilst serving at HMAS *Tarangau* he had worthwhile experience refloating and repairing patrol boats which had run aground.

LIEUTENANT J. P. MAYFIELD, RAN

Lieutenant Mayfield joined the Navy in 1966 as a Supplementary List Midshipman, to do a Seaman Officers course. Initial training was done at HMAS *Cerberus*, Westernport Bay, Victoria. It was while doing his basic training, that he first applied to transfer to the Fleet Air Arm. However, there were no vacancies, and he continued with his Seaman course.

After seven months of continuous indoctrination and training, he went to sea in HMAS *Anzac*. The route took him through the Whitsunday Passage, around New Guinea and Thursday Island, then the long way home via the west coast of Australia. At Broome, the *Anzac* showed her reluctance to travel further, by exploding one of her boilers. She sauntered into Perth, where an unscheduled ten day stopover was keenly welcomed. Following an uneventful crossing of "The Bight", the *Anzac* returned to Westernport, where personnel disembarked and prepared for Christmas leave. Arriving at the Gunroom he was welcomed by a signal, posting him to a Pilots course.

After two weeks initial flying training at Moorabbin Field in Victoria, he went to Pensacola, Florida for the remainder of his pilots' course. The course lasted fifteen months, and included initial fixed wing training, deck landing qualification, and a helicopter conversion.

Arriving back in Australia he was posted to 725 Wessex Helicopter Squadron and then went to 817 Squadron, aboard HMAS *Melbourne*. He spent two years attached to the Carrier Air Group, and in 1971 was again posted to 723 *Iroquois* Squadron, in preparation for Helicopter Flight Vietnam. He did two months continuous flying in the *Iroquois*, but just prior to the completion, the Australian Government began withdrawing helicopter pilots from Vietnam. That year, he accepted a permanent Commission on the Supplementary List.

After four years of helicopter flying, he was a prime example of the "90 Knot Brain"; and, in the initial stages of *Skyhawk* flying, the only time he ever caught up with the aircraft was when it landed him! However, he was moved to VF805—the front line *Skyhawk* Squadron. The other squadrons on *Melbourne* gave them the name—"The Sundowners"—because they didn't do much night flying. But let's be serious. He didn't see any birds flying at night, so that was good enough for him!

In April 1973 he took a couple of days off for Interservice Tennis in Sydney, the thought of another posting being far from his mind. During the second day of play he found himself posted to *Creswell*.

SISTER P. M. HUNT, RANNS

Sister P. M. Hunt, RANNS, was born in Bristol, England, and migrated to Australia in 1957. Apart from two years in Tenterfield, NSW, her education was obtained at St. Patricks Convent in Gympie. She trained as a General Nurse at Gympie General Hospital and then spent two years at the Royal Brisbane Hospital working in the Radium Institute.



She joined the RAN in 1972 and served at HMAS *Cerberus* and HMAS *Penguin* before joining the Naval College.

LIEUTENANT R. GIBSON, RAN

After leaving school, Lieutenant Gibson worked as a barman—his true vocation—in a north country town in the UK where the sulphurous fumes from chemical factories and steel works made everybody thirsty.

Longing for a whiff of fresh air he then joined HM Customs and Excise Service, whereupon he was whisked off to the Highlands of Scotland to work in whisky distilleries; here the pure air which matures the highland malt made even the little animals which live in the snow thirsty. It was thirsty work too in the bonded warehouses and breweries and gin distilleries—a long line of which stretched from Lands End to John O'Groats.

Always looking for a cheap holiday, Lieutenant Gibson borrowed twenty dollars from his wife, Elizabeth, for a passage to South Australia. The hot, dusty northerly winds which blew from the desert onto Bolivar Sewage Works where Lieutenant Gibson worked



made him very thirsty and his wife procured a job for him as Assistant Manager of Para Hills Swimming Pool where water was a plentiful commodity.

After twelve months of hard labour slushing about in a pool, Lieutenant Gibson was ordered by his wife to take a three years holiday at Adelaide University and Adelaide Teachers' College. Then calamity! Oh calamity! Mrs Gibson joined The Women's Liberation Front, left work and produced two children in rapid succession, Lieutenant Gibson was sent out to work—as a teacher.

Not to be outdone, however, and still pursuing his thirst for knowledge and travel—and still looking for a cheap holiday—Lieutenant Gibson joined the Navy in 1968. He has worked at Nirimba Holiday Camp for Apprentices and The Creswell Rest Home for Cadet Midshipmen.

SURGEON LIEUTENANT J. O'GRADY, RAN

Lieutenant O'Grady was born in United Kingdom and came to this country at the age of fifteen and proceeded to Camberwell Grammar school, and the University of Melbourne. After five years of obscurity and dealings of doubtful legality, he emerged to a life of scorn with a degree in torture and tooth destruction, not to mention experiences in other fields. He immediately married, entered the RAN, and served as HMAS *Cerberus* and HMAS *Albatross* before coming to HMAS *Creswell*. He hopes to go overseas soon, where he would like to study for a higher degree in some specialised form of tooth torture. His present interest is building a twenty foot yacht, the launching of which is awaited with apprehension by all except Lieutenant O'Grady.



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G. W. Keilar

A. P. Ladamirski
N. X. Madden
G. J. Meikle
D. C. Michael
R. H. Neil
C. R. Perren
J. C. Pickel
R. A. Smith
G. W. Thomson
B. R. Warner

CLASS II DEGREE COURSE

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New South Wales)*

L. B. Bytheway
A. W. Donald
G. Guinness

G. Guscott
P. J. Harrison
P. W. McNevin

M. Olden
D. Warren.

CLASS I (JUNIOR ENTRY)

J. A. Bavin
R. Baxter
P. Benoit
T. M. Bolland^{*}
C. E. Constance
J. S. Cleverly
P. J. Collins
R. J. Dunn
C. J. Frost
M. M. Frost

W. M. Gately
P. J. Harcastle
R. E. Heginbotham
J. A. Jones
K. W. Joseph
C. H. Livingstone
R. J. Moroney^{*}
R. J. Owen
R. G. Partington

A. L. Peppercorn^{*}
J. W. Purnell-Webb
G. A. Robinson
W. F. Ruse
F. L. Schouten
K. Sewell
D. J. Taylor
R. Tucker
P. L. Watson

CLASS I (SENIOR ENTRY)

P. R. Atkins
R. R. Baker
R. H. Banham
J. M. Barton
D. R. Blake
A. V. Braendler
G. G. Collins
C. W. Darby
M. R. Davis
J. A. Diercks
L. W. Goodridge
R. I. Gudgeon

J. P. Hamilton
S. R. Hamilton
D. J. Horsfall
R. A. Kehl
P. Kummerow
K. Lascelles
P. G. Leahy
N. A. McQueen
W. Middleton
S. Montgomery
K. Nordahl
J. I. O'Brien

J. L. O'Neill
M. B. Pittaway
A. W. Pearson
W. T. Richards
M. J. Smale
P. D. Smith
J. R. Shalders
P. W. Stephenson
J. M. Walton
M. E. Watson
N. R. Watson
C. J. Wilson

CLASS J2

D. G. Benham
G. K. Bridges
M. Butler
D. J. Carpenter^{*}
S. G. Cupitt
T. E. Dahl^{*}
G. R. Deegan
P. J. Drew^{*}
H. G. Furness
D. L. Garnock
P. O. Graetz

R. M. Hancock
E. Heyting
W. R. Johnston^{*}
V. S. Jones
M. N. Lawrence
S. J. Martin
M. C. McLennan^{*}
N. P. Pajnic
N. K. Richards
D. A. Rendell
B. C. Robinson

A. M. Salmon
M. M. Smith
D. J. Stephenson
P. T. Summers
J. C. Wade
R. A. Ward
N. F. Wallace
L. T. Weir
J. R. Whalan
D. White

CLASS J1

B. M. Brennan	N. H. Groenen	P. C. Murray
M. R. Bresman	P. J. Harlow	A. D. Pearce
M. A. Burgess	S. J. Hart	N. A. Perry
S. A. Coppens	S. A. Hayes	D. P. Pickerill*
R. A. Cropp	A. G. Holland	A. M. Quinton
M. E. Deeks	K. B. Hughes	P. T. Ross
D. J. Frew	G. S. Jackson	J. A. Rousseau
A. J. Garnock	R. J. Jonker	P. A. Smith
M. J. Garth	A. H. Jowett*	J. T. Stephenson
K. A. Goodwin-Dorning	M. J. Keely	M. G. Vidler
K. A. Gover	S. L. Latimer	A. M. Wotton

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Promotion Class—1972

Christopher Howard ALLEN
ACT

Teloepa Park High School

David John BLACKBURN
Brisbane, QLD

Marist Brothers, Rosalie

Cricket—First XI

Rugby—First XV

James Allen BOASE

Sydney, NSW

Cranbrook School

Rugby—First XV

Debating

Philip Anthony Vernon BRIARS, RNZN

Basketball—full colour

Rugby—First XV

Basketball—First V

Gregory Ross BUCHAN, RNZN

Rugby—Burnett Memorial Trophy

Full colour

Cricket—First XI

The Australian Institute of Navigation Prize

Robert Dudley CARTER

QLD

Belmont High School

Rugby—First XV

Cricket—First XI

Peter Edmund COLE

VIC

University High School, Parkville

Sailing—Franklin Crewman

Graduated Bachelor of Science

Murray Frank COPPINS

Adelaide, SA

Seacombe High School

Aust. Rules—First XVIII

Peter Robert CORNEY

ISCAM Athlete 5,000 metres

Cadet Captain—Cook Division

Stephen Thomas John COWIN

HMAS Leeuwin

Topman

William Anthony George DOVERS

Sydney, NSW

Newington College

Cadet Captain—Jervis Division

Rugby—First XV

Cricket—First XI

Frank Conrad FISHER

Cross-Country

Aust. Rules—First XVIII

ISCAM Athlete

Graduated Bachelor of Arts

Andrew Robin GLANVILL

Melbourne, VIC

Caulfield Grammar School

Rugby—Second XV

Debating

Ian Allister GORDON

Box Hill, VIC

Vermont High School

Aust. Rules—First XVIII

Basketball

William James GORMAN

Adelaide, SA

Enfield High School

Alan John GRAHAM

Mullumbimby, NSW

Mullumbimby High School

Chief Cadet Captain

RANC Athletics Champion

Rugby—First XV—Burnett Memorial Prize

Peter William GREENFIELD

Brisbane, QLD

Brisbane Grammar School

Rugby—Captain Second XV

Sailing—Franklin Crewman

Cadet Captain—Cook Division

Peter Broughton HATCHER

Adelaide, SA

St. Peters College

Cricket—First XI

- John Grant HILL
Adelaide, SA
Clare High School
Aust. Rules—First XVIII
Graduated Bachelor of Arts
Cadet Captain
- John Alfred JACOBI
Brisbane, QLD
St. Pauls Church of England Boys School
Rugby—First XV
Basketball
- Alfred Graham JOHNSTON
United Kingdom
Eastbourne College
Aust. Rules—First XVIII
- Warren Leslie KING
HMAS Leeuwin
Topman
- Glen Roy KOEHLER
Maroochydore, QLD
Maroochydore High School
Rugby—First XV
Cricket—First XI
Skindiving
- John Oliver LADD, RNZN
Rugby—Third XV
- Geoffrey Walter LEACH
Mitchell High School
- Christopher Norman LE MARSHALL
Melbourne, VIC
De La Salle College, Malvern
- Sydney Phillip LEMON
Melbourne, VIC
Blackburn Technical School
- Anthony Phillip LOVE
Sydney, NSW
The King's School
Graduated Bachelor of Science
Rugby—First XV
- David Geoffrey Cecil MIERS
Geelong, VIC
Geelong Grammar School
- John David NAPIER
Brisbane, QLD
St. Joseph's CBC, Brisbane
Sailing—Franklin Crewman
ISCAM Athlete
- Bryan Geoffrey John NYE
Sydney, NSW
Scots College
Sailing—Half colour
Rugby—First XV
- Michael Morrison PIKE
St. Joseph's College, Hunters Hill
Rugby—First XV
- Mark Laurence PROCTOR
Brisbane, QLD
C of E Grammar School, Brisbane
Graduated Bachelor of Science
- Trevor Barmby RUTING
Emu Plains, NSW
Nepean High School
- Kevin John SCARCE
Elizabeth, SA
Elizabeth High School
Basketball—full colour
Aust. Rules—First XVIII
Cricket—full colour
Farncombe Cup
Morgan Award
Governor General's Cup
- Warren Rex SMITH
Strathmore, VIC
Strathmore High School
- Philippe Lomas Drakeford SOCHON
Brisbane, QLD
Brisbane Boys College
Cadet Captain—Flinders Division
Rugby—First XV
ISCAM Athlete—shot put
Cricket—First XI—half colour
Debating
- Patrick Gerard STAUNTON
HMAS Leeuwin
Topman
Rugby—Second XV
- Robert Thomas STEWARD
Kwinana, WA
Kwinana High School
Basketball
Cricket—First XI
ISCAM Athlete—hurdles
Aust. Rules—First XVIII
Soccer
- Mark John TAYLOR
Perth, WA
Armadale High School
Aust. Rules—First XVIII
- Simon Andrew TAYLOR
HMAS Leeuwin
Topman
Rugby—Second XV
- Geoffrey Ross WALPOLE
Cessnock, NSW
Cessnock High School
Rugby—First XV
- Ian William WEEKLEY
Adelaide, SA
Enfield High School
Cricket—First XI—full colour
Aust. Rules—First XVIII
- John William WELLS
HMAS Leeuwin
Topman
Rugby—Second XV
- Ian Alexander WHITEHOUSE
Brisbane, QLD
Brisbane Grammar School
Rugby—First XV
Cadet Captain—Phillip Division

Chapel Notes

ST. GEORGE ON THE BAY

Chaplain J. E. JONES, BD., ThL., RAN

"It may well be that the voyage has ended in shipwreck. Even so, when the quest is for truth, it is infinitely better to set sail and sink than never to have set sail at all." So said Professor C. A. Campbell.

We have a chapel at RANC in order that young men under training can take time from the demanding routine of college life to think through for themselves their priorities in living, and be reminded that the man who has never sought the truth has never lived, in the fullest sense. It is tragically easy in our day and age to drift spiritually with the stream of popular opinion. The volume and rate of change in our society is unprecedented, and it is a simple matter to be swamped and lose, by default, the sense of being responsible to find the truth and hold to it.

The Chapel, with its Services and associated activities, reminds us that man is a moral and spiritual being, who in his daily living can enhance his powers by developing his capacity for making moral responses, decisions and judgements. We are reminded that he is a free agent with respect to his choices and as such is responsible for his conduct and its effects upon himself and others. This, of course, is the realm of character, and there is an indivisible relationship between character and competence.

That the navy needs competence at every level is obvious, and the extensive physical and technical training programmes in the service are based on this conviction. However, in addition to technical capability and physical endurance, an efficient military organisation must be disciplined, responsible

and have esprit de corps. Character is a fundamental element in responsibility and discipline and an integrating element in esprit de corps.

Individuals with courage, persistence, reliability, determination and loyalty are essential to building an organisation which is disciplined, responsible and spirited. These essential personal qualities are character traits. The relationship between character and military competence is effectively expressed by Major-General E. A. Pollock of the United States Marine Corps when he says:

"The moral, spiritual and religious welfare of an individual serviceman may well be the determining factor in his effectiveness in combat. No matter how well trained in tactics, or how well-equipped with material, in the final analysis, it is his moral fibre that supplies him with the strength to be effective in unanticipated crisis situations."

Who knows what demands may be placed upon us in the days to come, or what tests we may have to face? The real challenges of the future for us will be spiritual ones. It is in the light of Jesus Christ, who is both the standard and the pattern for human character that we need to prepare ourselves if we are to face the future and not be found wanting. And it is Christ, in all his vigour and strength of character, whom we seek to present to young men through the chapel and its activities.

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA CHAPEL

Chaplain P. KENNEDY

The year of 1973 saw the end of the Vietnam conflict—hopefully we look forward to a lasting peace in that war-torn country. Allegations of cruelty by the North Vietnamese, have been made by American prisoners of war. The North Vietnamese, and other nations as well, condemned the American bombing raids. Every war tells of atrocities—Vietnam is only one more example of man's inhumanity to man.

Before we can hope for a lasting peace, after any armed conflict, we must have within us the capacity to forgive. He who is devoid of the power to forgive is devoid of the power to love. The forgiving act must always be initiated by the person who has been wronged, the victim of some great hurt, the recipient of some torturous injustice, the absorber of some terrible act of oppression. Jesus Christ gives us the example—as he hung upon the cross, a victim of injustice, he forgave his murderers.

Men, training to be officers in the Royal Australian Navy, need to develop the capacity to forgive. As leaders of men, officers need to develop and maintain qualities of tolerance, compassion, understanding and forgiveness. Forgiveness does not mean ignoring what has been done or putting a false label on an evil act. It means rather, that the evil act no longer remains as a barrier to the relationship. Forgiveness is a catalyst, creating the atmosphere necessary for a fresh start and a new beginning.

As Christians we must love every man because God loves him. At this level, the level of "agape", we love the person who does the evil deed, although we hate the deed that he does. This is what Jesus meant, when he said, "Love your enemies". He didn't say "Like your enemies"—he recognised that love is greater than like.

College News and Notes 1972/73

In 1972-73 there were many changes, not only in the routine of the College, but in those who administered it. With the departure of Class IIC in June 1972, a new Chief Cadet Captain, M. A. Hudson and four new Cadet Captains, G. W. Keilar, P. J. Harrison, L. B. Bytheway, and G. W. Dennis, were promoted; while the end of 1972 saw the arrival of the new Captain, Captain V. A. Parker RAN from HMAS *Supply*. Early in 1973 Lieutenant Commander G. G. Elder as Divisional Officer of Phillip Division, Lieutenant G. D. Anderson Divisional Officer of Jervis Division, Lieutenant A. B. Mackinnon Sports Officer and J2 year officer, Instructor Lieutenant R. Gibson, Instructor Lieutenant Commander L. Sullivan, and Lieutenant J. O'Grady, Dental Officer took up their appointments.

One of the highlights of Term II 1972 was the visit of the Chilean Navy's training ship *The Esmeralda*. The cadets played rugby against the Chilean midshipmen, defeating them. However, there seemed to be little importance placed on who won and later the senior year entertained the visitors in their gunroom. The weekend resulted in many firm friendships being formed, while many of the Chileans voted RANC as the best stop-over of their Pacific Cruise. In Term II was another important occasion when the College 1st XV defeated our arch rival, Duntroon. This was an outstanding effort as our oldest players are only the same age as Duntroon's youngest. The end of Term II brought with it the annual Jazz and Revue. An evening's entertainment produced, directed and acted by the Cadets, the 1972 Jazz and Revue was thought by many to be the best yet.

At the beginning of Term III the Midshipmen of Class IIIC who had spent the previous twelve months at sea arrived at the College for their final term before being promoted to Acting Sub-Lieutenants in December 1972. In early November, Junior Course II sat for their Higher School Certificate. Of the thirty-one who sat for it, all but one matriculated and several gained first level passes in Maths and/or Science.

Earlier in the term, the College took part in the Freedom of Entry Parade through the streets of Nowra. The Cadets formed a one hundred man guard which led the parade consisting of the majority of the Ships' Company from HMAS *Creswell* and HMAS *Albatross*. Promotion Parade took place on December 7, the reviewing officer being Admiral Sir V. A. Smith, RAN, the Governor-General being unable to attend. The parade was somewhat different than in previous years because the guard was made up of the Promotion Class rather than the senior year cadets. The Queen's Medal was won by Acting Sub-Lieutenant A. J. Graham RAN. On the evening of Promotion Day the band of the East Australian Area and a guard formed by the senior class of cadets beat the retreat on the Quarterdeck and took part in a ceremonial sunset.

At the beginning of 1973 IID departed for their training cruise and subsequently to the University of New South Wales to continue their degree studies. Their departure was followed closely by the arrival of forty secondary students who constituted the 1973 Summer Assembly which is aimed at showing interested students the type of life to be found at the Naval College.

In mid January, seventy new entry cadets (thirty-seven senior and thirty-three junior entry) arrived to begin their Naval careers and the College then resumed its normal routine. A major change had however occurred. The administration and day to day organization of the Cadets was now arranged on a Divisional basis rather than a Year basis. The senior cadets now have a greater opportunity to take part in the running of the College, while the junior cadets are in a better position to receive immediate help from the senior classes should they need it.

During Term I 1973 was the 60th Anniversary of the College. Public relations teams were very active and the College received a good coverage on television and in newspapers. Perhaps the major achievement of the cadets during this term however, was the winning of the Mons Cup for Rugby,

which consists of a knockout competition between ships and establishments of the East Australia Area.

A major step forward in the sphere of sailing came with the arrival of two twenty-four foot Endeavour Class yachts. These have been used regularly for weekend expeditions and sailing regattas against the Jervis Bay Cruising Yacht Club where they acquitted themselves well.

The winds of change have also come in the form of another new cadets accommodation block. By September 1973, all cadets will be living in single cabins that are at the most two years old. These two new accommodation blocks, Collins and Farncombe Houses are the beginning of a building programme that will in time transform the College.

In July 1967 the "Creswell Crier" (incorporating RANC and FILE) came into being as a weekly news-sheet, to cover the activities of both the cadets and ship's company. The "Crier" was the brainchild of the then Executive Officer, Commander (now Captain) D. J. Martin, and his first assistant was Mrs. Catherine Crook, the Captain's

typist. While Chief Editors have come and gone since then, Mrs. Crook still continues to correlate and produce the "Crier" each week. With a circulation of over two hundred, the "Crier" contains items of interest, both those past and future. The "Crier" is becoming in some respects the weekly issue of the annual College Magazine.

With the end of Term I 1973 the senior year of cadets has finished its initial training and in June will embark in HMAS *Anzac* for its training cruise. At the end of Term I, Lieutenant Mayfield arrived to replace Lieutenant Mackinnon as Sports Officer, Lieutenant Mackinnon becoming the Divisional Officer for Flinders Division, Lieutenant Commander Watson having been posted to HMAS *Hobart*.

From May 1972 to May 1973 there were many changes at the College. Perhaps not the least of these being the return to the Divisional system of administration in the sphere of cadet training. The fruits of this system have in many ways already been borne out and in the future will do so even more. Change has always been an operative word at the College and the past twelve months has been no exception.

Divisional Notes

FLINDERS DIVISION

For the second year running, from the end of the first term saw the new Chief Cadet Captain chosen from amongst Flinders' ranks, giving the division a feeling of a certain amount of achievement. This, combined with our first term Cock Division victory gave us a psychological edge over our rival divisions, although we failed to repeat Term I's Cock Division success.

"Don't fail for want of trying—give it a go." This should be Flinders' motto, for it was by following this thought's message that Flinders won the Dalton Cup which is awarded annually to the division with the highest aggregate score in inter-divisional sport. Despite the fact that Flinders had few outstanding stars our divisional spirit rose to the occasion and several firsts and a number of seconds resulted.

Flinders, since time immemorial, have kept a vice like grip on the cross country trophy and 1972 failed to see any easing of the grip by the new generation Flinders. Cross country is the true measure of a division's spirit for it is the one sport where every cadet is representing his division. Such is the nature of an inter-divisional cross country that times recorded are found to be up to a minute faster than those of an ordinary race. After winning the 5,000 metres cross country we not only won the 10,000 metres cross country but had both the senior and junior champions CMIDS P. A. Jones and T. Dahl respectively.

Continuing on our path of victory, Flinders played brilliant hockey to win every game. The story was similar in the tennis where we gained second place after being narrowly defeated by Jervis. Flinders Divi-

sion coxswains sailed consistently well to finish second in the Gibson Shield. Outstanding coxswains were CMIDS M. Black, T. Dahl, M. Hudson and J. Wade. A fine divisional effort enabled Flinders to finish second in the Creswell Cup the annual obstacle race involving the greater proportion of each division.

However, the rugby, volleyball and soccer competitions failed to come up to par with the rest of Flinders sporting record for in each of the three competitions we emerged as holders of the wooden spoon.

After our 1972 Dalton Cup victory Flinders Division returned from leave ready to hand out another series of humiliating defeats to the rest of the divisions on the

sporting field. However the first of a run of defeats for us was the swimming carnival. Even the athletics and cross country, usually for the rest of the divisions, a case of "also ran" failed to produce any satisfactory results though one promising star was revealed in CMID McQueen who was runner-up in the open Athletics Championship.

Although we haven't as yet this term been successful on the sporting field, we've had fun trying and that, after all, is what sport is all about.

Flinders Division thanks LCDR Watson, LCDR Crago, Mr. D. Thompson and Mr. B. Nugent for their support and wishes LCDR Watson the best of luck in his new posting.

PHILLIP DIVISION

The year for Phillip Division started with the loss of our DO, LCDR Hogg, to England and LCDR Burgess took the reins. The third term 1972 was certainly a good one for us. Throughout the term the entire division worked as a team maintaining a high standard in everything. It was this steady level that won us Cock Division during the term. There were outstanding efforts in the sailing when we won the Gibson Shield without dropping a point but the win in Cock Division was due to an overall effort from the entire division.

The New Year rang in a new system and new personnel. The return to the divisional system saw Phillip Division occupying the top deck of Collins House. Other than the new entry we also "scored" a new DO in LCDR Elder, RNZN, and a new Cadet Captain in CC Gates. Everybody seems to have settled into the new system well and everything is starting to click now that the winter sports are upon us. Unfortunately we did

not do as well as we might have hoped in the Summer Sports in Term 1. Our sailors were once again victorious but the rest of the division seemed to be out of their element in the terrestrial sports.

The winter sports seem to be our forte with a strong soccer team and promising hockey and rugby combinations. No doubt the loss of our section of Class II cadets will be mourned but their removal from the teams should not considerably weaken our teams and we hope that Cock Division will be Phillip Division in the near future.

Thanks are due to all who have helped the Cadets of the division during the past twelve months. These include Mr. Kemp and Mr. P. Thompson, our tutors; LCDR Elder and LCDR Burgess and many others who have contributed to the divisional efforts. We hope that they will continue to help us and that our efforts are worthy of the support they give us.

JERVIS DIVISION

Term I 1972 was a disappointing term for the division. The efforts and enthusiasm of all did not seem to achieve results and we entered Term II behind the other divisions. However the whole division was determined to prove itself and our fruitless enthusiasm of Term I was supplemented by a will to win—a combination which proved unbeat-

able. New Entry were now settled in and the division began to function as a unit with a common goal. This was reflected in the standard of accommodation and the repeated dominance of parades. But it was sport that kept us on top. There was a solid core of good sportsmen covering all sports and this was backed up by a larger, and often more

important, group of people willing to "have a go". The result was that Jervis finished first in all winter sports except Rugby where they were runners-up. The annual Inter-divisional College Boxing Championships were held in the last few weeks of term, and this was certainly Jervis Division's term. There were twelve finalists—six were Jervis, there were six champions—three were Jervis. The division's efforts were not fruitless this term and Jervis entered Term III as Cock Division.

During Term III Jervis did not fare too well in Cock Division but this was no reflection on the way in which the members of the division went about the various inter-divisional activities. Sport was only minor during this term compared to the previous one. Cricket, volley ball, softball, tennis and water polo were all played and Jervis Division approached these in its usual sportsmanlike manner. However only partial success was achieved but a lot of fun was had by all.

Parades were a constant let down this term, we just could not equal the perfection in drill of the other divisions despite practice after practice—we must congratulate our opponents in this respect. The various social gatherings of the division this term were particularly enjoyable. They also helped to keep the spirits up during what was a hard term for Jervis.

Term I of 1973 was a term of great interest to many. Not only did the establishment receive a new Captain but it saw Cook Division win its first Cock Division Honours for many years. Although this is Jervis Division's contribution for 1973 it is fitting that Cook Division should receive a mention. Even if it is only to let them know we will give them an even harder fight in the future.

From the commencement of the term it became apparent that Jervis was a force to be contended with. At times it looked as if "The Blues" would indeed take out Cook Division. Jervis convincingly won the inter-divisional swimming, scoring first in all but a few events, including both Senior and Junior championships. This was a big hearted effort by a few keen Divisional Comrades—we congratulate and thank Glen

Keilar, Ed Heyting and Roy Furness. After the initial unsettled period with the New Entry, things began to settle and it became apparent that the new members were as willing as the old to join in. In the athletics, after an exciting day, which saw the division neck and neck from start to finish, Cook ran out narrow winners over Jervis, although both individual champions came from Jervis. Well done Lindsay Gee and Rodger Cropp.

Sport seems to have taken the limelight throughout the term but Jervis Division did achieve much more. A successful revival was made of the photographic club through the tireless efforts of "old man" Flint and Lindsay Gee, and this was very much a Jervis enterprise with ninety per cent of the membership coming from Jervis Division.

On the social side the division was a little less flippant than most divisions, but on those occasions when we participated in divisional "get togethers" an enjoyable time was had by all. Thanks are particularly extended to Lieutenants Anderson and Gibson.

The achievements of this division were many and divisional spirit was always very strong. It was a very satisfying term.

To talk of the activities and achievements over the past twelve months would be an exhaustive task. There was no sport in which we did not compete with a spirit of fine sportsmanship and fair play. Although success was not always Jervis Division's we are proud of the manner in which all activities were participated in. To win is good, but to compete in the manner of sportsmen, whether victorious or not, is commendable.

Jervis Division may not have the laurels of Cock Division to rest upon, but it does have the knowledge that in every activity, whether work or play, each member worked together and in a spirit of comradeship that must not go unnoticed. We of Jervis Division would very much like to extend our thanks to our Divisional Officers Lieutenant Anderson and Lieutenant Gibson and Mr. Benson who, through their encouragement and guidance, helped make this Division what it has proved to be.

COOK DIVISION

Since the last entry, Cook Division has steadily advanced up the Cook Division Competition ladder. Notwithstanding the efforts of CC Davison's successor, CC Geoff Dennis, we were fairly unsuccessful in Term II 1972, in most areas of competition. However, in the last game of the Rugby contest we soundly defeated the overall winners, Jervis Division. This great win was largely due to the efforts of CMIDS Wayne Hewson, Jack Frost, Charles Livingstone, and John Cleverly. However, it proved not enough on its own, and lack of application in all sports was responsible for us coming last in the Cook Division Competition that term.

Undaunted, Cook fought on in the final term, under the new leadership of CC Bob Neil. However, the renowned "Cook Curse" which had lasted over four years struck again, and we were forced to accept a close second place.

The first term of 1973 dawned bright in South Cerberus Block, awaiting the completion of the new House—Farncombe House. The new divisional living system increased the importance of the division as a social and accommodation unit, as well as promoting new divisional rivalries. Under the capable guidance of "our man from America" Lieutenant Bruckner, USN, and CC Neil, Cook stood ready for the challenge.

The first test came in the form of the swimming sports, and Cook seemed to have a very good chance. We led in the "All Hands" by over a lap for most of the race, however, the "Curse" struck, and Jervis again beat us to the finish. With a couple of wins in the relays under our togs we completed the competition second.

Jervis Division made a spectacular march-on to the athletics day, held later in the term. Cook stood and quietly watched, but by the end of the afternoon, it was the Red singlets that won the competition. While the

whole division is to be complimented on their efforts as a group (we won the all-hands event, of course), CMIDS Madden, Quinton, Pittaway and Hancock especially helped the team to victory, and Cook Division made the spectacular exit from the sports.

On the parade ground, too, Cook exhibited its "all for one-ness", and won the marching competition. Our sailing, however, was not quite so good. The Tug o' War was the deciding sport in the competition, and if we could win that, we had at last crushed the Cook Curse. Tension was high as we won the "C" grade, and when the "B" win "slipped from our grasp", we became hoarse with the effort of encouraging the team. If we won the "A" division, the curse was broken. If we lost, I think we were destined to remain under it forever. The final tug was against Phillip Division's "A" team. We won the first pull, and lost the second. Our future hung on the result of the third and last. Fortunately, it was Cook that pulled Phillip over the line, driven by cheering unmatched in College history, and CC Neil went to the Captain for the cup.

Our prospects for this term are good, and under the new Cadet-Captaincy of CC Pittaway, there are forty people who hope to be leading the divisions at Promotion Parade.

The most noticeable feature of the division has been the intense "divisional spirit" in all places from the sports field to our accommodation block. A good indication of this is the amount of work that went into improving the old Cerberus House for Captain's Rounds in Term I. However, spies were rife, and distinct similarities could be detected between the decorations of Flinders and Cook living areas.

We look forward to another good term, and are confident that we can enjoy a spell of good luck and high spirits, now that the "Cook Curse" has left us.

Guest Lecturers & Visitors 1972-73

Arthur McGill came to the College on Friday September 29, 1972 as the first guest lecturer for the year. Mr. McGill had just returned from a New Zealand tour with the Australian rugby union team. He gave a very humorous and interesting talk on his experiences during his many overseas tours. On October 20 Mr. A. N. G. Smith gave a very complete coverage of all aspects of container shipping. Mr. Smith was very well prepared and during his talk he showed many slides as well as two films. He held the complete attention of the cadets for a full two hours and found trouble getting away from the continuous flow of questions. Mr. Smith represents Overseas Containers Limited.

1973 got off to a good start with two guest lectures in the first half of the term. The first lecture was given by a cadet at the College, Cadet Captain Glen Keilar, who on Wednesday March 7 gave a very comprehensive and interesting talk on both his visits to the United States over the last two years. His first visit was as a field scholar for a year during 1971, and his last visit during December was as a tourist going back to see his many friends.

Glen seemed to have started off a trend because on March 14, Captain V. Parker, the Commanding Officer gave an enlightening talk on his career as a Naval Officer. This talk was extremely interesting to the cadets especially, because of its great relevance to them.

Every year groups of headmasters from different states in Australia come to the College to see the basic routine of the RANC; to observe what life is like as a cadet at the College and to gain an understanding of the RAN's requirements of CMIDs to allow them to answer questions posed by their own students concerning officer careers in the RAN. In third term 1972, headmasters from selected schools in Western Australia and New South Wales visited the College on the weekend September 21-24. The schools they represented were:

St. Pauls College, Bellambi, NSW
Pt. Kembla High School, NSW
Bulli High School, NSW

Kewdale Senior High School, WA
Cannington Senior High School, WA
Melville Senior High School, WA

One distinguished visitor who visited the College during 1972 was the Medical Director-General to East Australia area who was at Creswell on Thursday July 27 and spent the day inspecting Creswell's medical facilities.

Promotion parade was carried off very successfully again on December 7, 1972. The crowd of spectators was very large and the cadets did their part to perfection, especially the promotion class who were the centre of attraction. The distinguished visitors who attended the promotion parade included:

Chairman of Chief's Staff Committee
Admiral Sir Victor Smith, KBE, CB, DSC, RAN

Secretary, Dept. of Navy, Mr. S. Landau, CBE, MA

Chief of General Staff, Lt. General Sir Mervyn Brogan, CB, KBE

Chief of Naval Staff, Vice-Admiral Sir Richard Peek, KBE, CB, DSC, RAN

Chief of Staff FOCEA, Commodore A. N. Dollard, DSC, RAN

FOCAF, Rear-Admiral W. J. Dovers, CBE, DSC, RAN

Air Vice-Marshal A. J. Griffiths, CB, AFC and adviser British High Commission

His Excellency Mr. A. J. Yendell, High Commissioner for New Zealand and Deputy Head of the New Zealand Liaison Staff

The Naval Board

Attachés from Chile, Indonesia,

Malaysia, Thailand, Vietnam, China, Korea and the Philippines

Various heads of directorates.

Some of the other important visitors who came to the College during 1972 were Colonel Soegito and Lt. Colonel Winerto, two Indonesian Officers making a courtesy visit, Seato military advisers, His Excellency The Administrator, Major-General Sir Rohan Delacombe, KCMG, KCVO, KBE, CB, DSO, KStJ, and Commodore J. F. McKenzie, RNZN, Deputy Chief of Naval Staff, New Zealand.

Studies

The reader who idly scans successive issues of RAN College Magazine, if in a cynical frame of mind, might be forgiven if he gains the impression that College activities are mainly sporting, to a small extent naval, and in no sense academic. Maybe the Academics of RANC are in truth the silent service. They rarely go to print in the College Magazine but this contributor offers no apology for intruding with a page or two on the training of cadets, with particular reference to the academic strand of training.

Between the point at which a young man enters RAN College as a cadet midshipman, and that at which he takes up his duties in the Fleet as a fully qualified officer, there is a time lapse of at least four years, and in some cases of about double that interval. For this reason it is quite a few years before any major upheaval in the training scheme can be seen to bear fruit and unprofitable to probe too deeply into a new scheme before it bears fruit. A major change in the initial training of young General List officers, involving a substantial change in the role of RAN College, occurred in January 1968 and it is the aim of this article to look back on this change and on some earlier changes and to comment on them.

The pattern of training for budding naval officers set up by the Royal Navy in 1903, and adopted by the Royal Australian Navy in 1913, persisted with a certain amount of evolution but no fundamental or radical change until after World War II. Cadets were entered at thirteen years of age, given four years of secondary education in a naval college, a few months in a cadet training cruiser, a couple of years or so as midshipmen in ships of the Fleet. These were mostly cruisers or bigger ships, in which an Instructor Officer could guide their further studies, and finally, a slice of professional education and training at the RN Engineering College for engineers, and at the Greenwich Naval College and the Portsmouth Training Schools for the remainder.

A number of factors can be seen as having influenced the training pattern in post-war years. In the first place the wisdom

of committing thirteen-year-olds to a naval career at so early an age was called into question and the last entry of thirteen-year-olds joined RAN College in 1955. For several years prior to that date older youths had been recruited to cadetships. During the 1940s we had a "special" entry, in small numbers, of youths who had reached the level of Leaving Certificate in their own schools and who were presumed to have reached an educational level which qualified them to omit the four years of secondary studies at RANC. In the fifties this gave way to an "intermediate" entry of boys aged fifteen and a half to sixteen and a half who had reached the level of the Intermediate Certificate and who were therefore able to skip the first two years of RANC studies. This intermediate entry, immediately after the demise of the thirteen-year-old entry, became the "normal" entry and ten years later was renamed the "junior" entry. It still bears this name—no State in Australia any longer awards an Intermediate Certificate—and provides an avenue for entry at the age of fifteen or sixteen.

Concurrently with the introduction of the normal entry a "matriculation" entry was instituted. This later became the "senior" entry but the educational requirement for this entry, which admits youths of under twenty with no fixed lower age limit, still stands at matriculation level. Other service colleges in Australia, and most of those overseas, enter all their cadets at matriculation level and it would seem logical for the junior entry to be terminated in the not-too-distant future. RAN College may then become an exclusively tertiary institution.

Since 1964 all junior entry cadets have taken a two-year course of high school studies and have been required to reach matriculation level through the medium of a public examination. In the first place NSW Leaving Certificate examinations were taken, but since the replacement in NSW of the Leaving Certificate by the Higher School Certificate, all junior entry cadets have taken HSC examinations. Despite the fact that well over half the junior entries have had

their earlier schooling outside New South Wales, and in some cases overseas, cadets have been remarkably successful in HSC examinations. Less than five per cent of those entered have failed to reach matriculation level. After qualifying for matriculation the junior entries join up with senior entries and from that point both groups of cadets undergo common training.

Two parallel developments in the 1960s led to the introduction in 1968 of our present scheme of training. The Naval Board was persuaded by the report of an advisory committee of the desirability of completing the academic strand of officer training in Australia leaving only the more advanced element of professional training to be undertaken overseas. At the same time a considerable expansion of civilian colleges and universities was occurring and among the general public there was a remarkable upsurge of interest in tertiary studies leading to formal qualifications. It was clear that if cadets were to be recruited from amongst the most able members of the community the training scheme must provide an opportunity for at least a substantial proportion of the cadets to undertake recognised tertiary courses and, preferably, courses leading to university degrees.

After two or three years of negotiation and discussion with the University of New South Wales the Royal Australian Naval College became formally associated with the University. Under the terms of this association first year Bachelor of Science and first year Bachelor of Engineering courses were conducted at RANC for the first time in 1968. First year degree courses for roughly half the total number of matriculated cadets have been given each year since 1968 and at the time of writing there are twenty cadets doing the first year of a BE degree, four doing the first year of a BSc and three doing the first year of the Bachelor of Sur-

veying course. This last is a new venture this year. Cadets who are successful in first year university studies at RANC proceed to the University to continue with the balance of the Bachelor's degree courses. It has not so far been practicable to present BA courses at the College but each year a small number of selected cadets join the University to take BA courses there.

If half the cadets embark on degree courses, what of the remainder? Concurrently with the introduction of degree courses, provision was made for a non-degree stream by the development of a tertiary course named the Creswell course. This course, in length and in difficulty, is roughly equivalent to the first half of a degree course. It includes a mixture of mathematics, science and humanities and all its subjects have a naval slant. The mathematics and science, for example, concentrate on those aspects of theory which find practical application in the operations of ships at sea and the humanities section includes, among other subjects, an introductory study of maritime law. The course as a whole has a certain popularity with the type of cadet who wants to spend less time in the classroom so as to be off to sea more quickly and with the cadet whose attitude to studies is based not so much on a desire to explore the broader horizons but to learn what has to be learned as an adjunct to, and in support of, his professional naval training.

As to the future, I hesitate to make predictions but there has been talk for some years in the highest circles of an armed forces academy to provide academic courses for all three services. There has also been a recent change of government and the present government is believed to be favourably disposed toward an integration of the services. That the next few years will see further change is certain. The nature of such is a very open question.

Midshipmen: Sea Time (1968 Junior Entry and 1970 Senior Entry)

On September 1 1971 the class was promoted to the exalted rank of Midshipmen. The next day we joined HMAS *Melbourne*, which had returned from sea to No. 3 buoy, complete with sea-chests, suitcases, blue bags, suit covers and other assorted impedimenta, where we were met by our MTO, LCDR M. B. Taylor.

During the following two weeks of work-up, the ship as well as the Midshipmen were shaken down. After the completion of Carrier Qualification Trials for the Air Group, the class was split, and half left to join HMAS *Sydney*. The flagship and her escorts sailed for a visit to Melbourne, while HMAS *Sydney* left for Vietnam to begin the withdrawal of Australian troops from the war zone. Her Midshipmen were, in fact, to play a vital role, being the coxswains of her landing craft and guard boats.

October 11, a grey Monday, saw the fleet, HMA ships *Melbourne*, *Supply*, *Hobart*, *Yarra* and *Torrens*, sail for Fiji and then onto Hawaii for ASWEX RIMPAC '71. However, it was not all work, for that makes "Jack" a dull boy. In consequence, the Midshipmen have many fond memories of Pearl Harbour and Honolulu, especially the Pearl Harbour "O" Club. In addition, we also had ample opportunity to observe the skills of our American and Canadian allies who took part in the exercise.

The fleet departed Pearl Harbour on Thanksgiving Day, leaving behind many sad friends, but looking forward to Sydney. Amongst us, Midshipman Bryan Nye, and Midshipman Phil Sochon especially longed for home. With a few short days in Suva, a tropical cyclone, and the Customs Inspection past, *Melbourne* led the fleet into Sydney Harbour on December 10. Within minutes of berthing, the Midshipmen had departed the ship for leave and postings to other ships. Meanwhile, HMAS *Sydney* was on her third trip, and bringing home our own veterans of the 'Nam for leave and posting on the 19th.

In the New Year, the class was dispersed through the destroyers, escorts and

small ships of the fleet. Some found themselves on "minies" and "patrollies", while others went to the "fleet's finest fighting lady" the immortal "Zac" and the inimitable "Whatsamatter". The lucky(?) ones were posted to HMAS *Hobart*, *Brisbane* and *Perth*, while Midshipmen Chris Le Marshall, Mike Pike, Graham Johnston and Pete Greenfield sweated it out on HMAS *Melbourne*.

In late January, HMA ships *Melbourne*, *Supply*, *Stalwart*, *Hobart*, *Duchess* and *Torrens* sailed for "up top", and combined exercises in the South China sea. With a short stop in Manus Island the fleet sailed on to Subic Bay and Olongapo City. In that glorious fun-loving city of the Orient, we wandered and wondered at such sights as the duck-eating crocodile, and the USN and Marmi MPs. From Subic Bay, the fleet, and the Midshipmen plunged into PX 44 and Exercise *Seahawk*, and then Manila, with its beautiful churches, and numerous child-beggars and street-hawkers.

In the middle of the exercise period, the fleet—USN, Australian, British, New Zealand, Thailand and Philippine ships—made a spectacular fleet anchorage off the island of Corregidor, famous for its last-ditch stand in World War II. Here the four Midshipmen on HMAS *Melbourne* made a perilous crossing to sheer luxury of HMAS *Swan*, alias "the Rubber Duck". Hong Kong was our next stop, with the ships berthing at Victoria Basin at HMS *Tamar*. Hong Kong is reputed to be the most beautiful harbour in the world, and most of our class would agree.

By May, the whole class was once more back in Sydney, safely berthed in Garden Island where most ships were in self-maintenance. August and the Mids Board were looming and we set to study and complete ABR 27, Vol I, Appendix A, the loathed Task Book. In late May, Bill Dovers and Pete Greenfield flew to San Francisco, before joining DDG-21 USS *Cochrane* on the US Midshipmen's Foreign Exchange Scheme. Meanwhile the class joined HMAS

Melbourne and *Stalwart* for the study period before the Board. The difference in opinions about study was marked. HMAS *Melbourne* began a CAG workup, while HMAS *Stalwart* prepared for Admiral's Rounds, and the Midshipmen had to work!

Finally, on August 3 and 4, we sat our Boards. Those on HMAS *Melbourne* were examined at sea, while on HMAS *Stalwart* they took a short break from the hectic preparations from Admiral's Rounds the following Monday. Nevertheless, good results were obtained particularly by Midshipmen Bill Dovers and Bryan Nye who gained first class passes. At a short ceremony on

the quarterdeck of the flagship on Monday 14, MIDN Bill Dovers was presented with the Jubilee Year Sword by his father RADM W. Dovers. The sword is presented to the General List Midshipman who tops the Board; the father-son presentation made it a truly remarkable occasion.

After a well-earned leave, the cycle turned a full circle and we return to HMAS *Creswell* on Monday September 18, 1972. To meet us were such well-remembered identities as the XO CMDR Dickson (the FNO on HMAS *Melbourne*) LCDR Shotter (the XO of HMAS *Anzac*) and LCDR Watson, our new Year Officer.

Year Notes

CLASS I 1972

1972 has been a busy and fast moving year for Class I. Throughout the year they have taken part in many activities and college events.

On October 14 Class I held their annual ball. It proved to be an extremely successful occasion, well worth the vast amount of effort poured into its preparation. All who attended were impressed with the lighting effects created in the gym and the film show, which was provided during the evening.

Class I also spent its usual few days on ships of the RAN attempting to gain a few hints on the practical aspects of naval training. More practical training was received in the course of two expeditions which Class I cadets completed during the year. This time the lesson was in basic bush survival and bush walking. These weekends usually turn out to be interesting, eventful and sometimes even enjoyable although they are always dreaded beforehand. The first expedition was in the area immediately south of

the College, the second in more adventurous terrain west of Milton.

As is the tradition, Class I again played a major part in the production of the Jazz and Revue this year. The overall presentation comprised some twenty-seven skits of varied content. The evening was a very entertaining one and the cast and helpers were well rewarded by the flow of compliments and congratulations after the performance.

The cadets of Class I also had other entertaining responsibilities. Sports teams from Duntroon and the RAAF Academy as well as a group of headmasters, who visited the College, were entertained in the Class I gunroom. Social responsibilities extended into the international sphere when Class I entertained some Ensigns from the Chilean Naval vessel *Esmeralda*.

Class I finished the year by providing the guard and sunset party for the Beat the Retreat, on the evening of Promotion Day.

CLASS II 1973

The beginning of 1973 saw us returning two weeks before the commencement of Term I. Many a surprise was seen with all the different styles of short hair.

The cause of our early return was Summer Assembly. Many invaluable statements of advice were given to those who took a keen interest in their week's stay at the

College. For us, it was straight back into studies. The arrival of New Entry the following week kept all of the senior cadets busy.

In mid-January we were seajacked on board HMAS *Perth* for one night due to inclement weather in the bay. This was a fine opportunity for the Class to contrast

between the regular day at sea and an unexpected night at sea. It was an enjoyable evening for us all. In March we were photographed and filmed for the Royal Australian Naval College's Diamond Jubilee. Some of us were fortunate enough to make the centre pages of the Sydney papers—quite a momentous occasion.

Our final academic subject examinations were done in April as were the term-long Naval subject exams; a great sigh of relief to all. Even though the Navigation Exams had been done, the final preparation still goes on to make ready for the winter cruise.

One marked change to the year was the introduction and organisation of the Class II mess and bar. The first entertaining in the gunroom was evening drinks with the new officers and their wives. This gave the

opportunity for both parties to meet one another informally. Later in the year the visit by the headmasters from the East Coast of Australia enabled us to answer their queries about the College from a cadet's point of view over an enjoyable drink. The last entertaining in the mess was the hosting and farewell drink to LCDR Watson who proceeded to HMAS *Hobart*.

Two final significant events for the year were our three days of going skyhigh at HMAS *Albatross*, the local Naval Air Station, and one night of going skywards at the annual Class II Ball. The future of Class II is now firmly entwined with sea where we will spend the next eighteen months completing our training. The past term will without doubt stand us in good stead through the remainder of our training.

JUNIOR COURSE I 1972

On January 24 1972, thirty-seven raw and nervous Junior Entry cadets arrived at the College to have their heads shorn and to take on a service appearance. Nevertheless, Class II adapted fairly quickly to College life and has shown itself to be an asset to the College.

On February 24, Class II had their first taste of the sea, on board HMAS *Stuart*. Despite being at anchor nearly all day there was an interesting display by helicopters from HMAS *Albatross*. Other more successful sea trips came later aboard HMA ships *Parramatta*, *Vampire*, *Swan* and *Derwent* when the ships went to sea. *Derwent* carried out a replenishment at sea with HMNZS *Taranaki*. The trip aboard HMAS *Swan* was one of the most exciting with the firing of the radio controlled target drone *Turana*, although the sea conditions did not suit everybody.

Expeditions this year started with a hike in the Jervis Bay area chasing envelopes in a treasure hunt that was meant to last for two days but, with the efficient Class II on the job, it finished much earlier. For our other expedition we were split into two groups. The first group had a highly successful and enjoyable canoe trip in St. George's Basin while the other group spent the weekend hiking and climbing in the Pigeon House region.

Class II certainly proved itself in sport, particularly sailing with CMIDS McLennan, Dahl (who won full colours in sailing) and Wade respectively taking the first three places in the Gibson Shield. In the first term we put down the highly regarded Class I cricket team. In soccer and Rules Class III were shown up badly. In Rugby two hard fought and exciting games were played against Class III resulting in narrow defeats. In Boxing Class II contenders seemed unable to win. However, CMID Johnston did receive the bantamweight title, (unchallenged).

Since the arrival of CPOGI "Taffy" Bowen from Britain, Class II squad drill has taken a turn for the better, and has since then seldom come worse than first in the march past on parade—it could be all that extra practice given by the Cadet Captains.

In academics CMID Stephenson and CMID Jones never waned from first and second respectively, but in the remaining places, no one was constant during the three terms.

Class II have added their weight in many activities in the College—skindiving, gliding, sailing on Franklin, fishing (Class II with Lieutenant Briggs' aid started a fishing club) canoeing in the sea, white water canoeing, surfing and swimming, and many other fields.



CLASS IC

BACK ROW: J. SHALDERS, A. PEARSON, R. PARTINGTON, A. PEPPERCORN, J. JONES, R. KEHL, J. DIERCKS, J. HAMILTON, T. BOLLAND, R. BANHAM, C. DARBY, D. TAYLOR, P. SMITH.
MIDDLE ROW: G. COLLINS, D. BLAKE, E. BARTON, K. LASCELLES, J. CLEVERLY, G. ROBINSON, F. OWEN, B. HEGINBOTHOM, C. LIVINGSTONE, C. WILSON, R. MORONEY, P. WATSON.
FRONT ROW: J. PURNELL-WEBB, A. BRAENDLER, J. BAVIN, R. TUCKER, M. FROST, P. BENOIT, W. RICHARDS, K. NORDAHL, P. KUMMEROW, M. SMALE, P. WATSON.

CLASS ID

BACK ROW: N. McQUEEN, J. WALTON, M. O'NEIL, P. O'BRIEN, G. THOMPSON, F. SCHOUTEN, R. BAXTER, R. GUDGEON, K. JOSEPH.
MIDDLE ROW: M. DAVIS, P. STEPHENSON, P. ATKINS, P. LEAHY, L. GOODRIDGE, D. HORSFALL, W. GATELY, P. HARDCASTLE.
FRONT ROW: C. CONSTANCE, R. BAKER, S. HAMILTON, M. PITTAWAY, W. RUSE, C. FROST, R. DUNN.



JUNIOR COURSE II 1972

1972 commenced with Junior Course II returning from leave, keen to face the new challenges that lay ahead in the next twelve months. The major obstacle facing us was the Higher School Certificate commencing in October and taking up much of JII's otherwise spare time. On the social scene, an organised dance was held early in first term with the SCEGGS school from Wollongong. The Class certainly made an impression as in second term JII was invited for a "return match" at Wollongong.

With the football season beginning JII issued an undaunted challenge to all other years of the College and after a series of tough games finally emerged the undefeated champions. They had proved their football prowess against all comers and a game against the staff was rumoured—however nothing came of this. JII's first contact with the wilderness in 1972 came in Term II with an expedition to Steamers Beach. The aim of this was to walk to Steamers Beach camp overnight and return to the College via Murrays Beach. After an eventful night we all returned to the College somewhat weary but nevertheless more experienced. Our next outback adventure came after the Higher School Certificate, when the class proceeded to Burrill Lakes, the site of the RAN Holiday Cabins. Whilst one half of the Class carried out tasks at Burrill Lakes the rest

proceeded into the Budewang Ranges for a series of bushwalks in and around the Pigeon House Mountain Area. After spending a week at Burrill Lakes we returned to the College for a weekend and then headed to the Snow Country. Here we were situated at Perisher Valley in the RAN Ski Lodge, and for many this was the first time that they had seen snow. Journeying around the area we saw much of the Snowy Mountains Scheme and overall the Class regarded this as a welcome break from the trials of the Higher School Certificate.

On the sporting fields JII participated very actively throughout the year, with many members gaining colours and other awards. Athletics saw CMID Heginbotham being awarded Junior Champion for the second consecutive year, and in the winter sports, colours went to CMIDS Dunn and Allan for soccer and CMIDS Benoit, Robinson and Fröst for Rugby. In the annual boxing tournament five members of JII made the finals, with three of these emerging victors and a fourth being awarded the cake for the best loser.

1972 proved to be a good year for JII, for although burdened with their Higher School Certificate, we were able to find time to perform creditably in the sporting field and to enjoy ourselves whilst on expeditions of various kinds.

JUNIOR COURSE I 1973

Monday, January 22 1973, the new Class JI joined the Royal Australian Navy as cadet midshipmen. Accompanying Junior Entry was a group of Senior Entry cadets who had already obtained their Higher School Certificate or equivalent. This day marked the beginning of the new career of thirty-three keen young cadet midshipmen, whose aim in the next two years is to gain their Higher School Certificate.

Only two weeks after arrival at the College, JI had an excursion on HMAS *Stalwart*. The sea trip was a full day affair and three cadets somehow managed to become seasick. A number of operations were

carried out during the day. HMAS *Sydney* and HMNZS *Taranaki* were engaged in evolutions with HMAS *Stalwart* during the day.

Towards the end of February, the New Entry had their first expedition, centred on HMAS *Creswell's* Airfield. It was a successful search and evasion operation during which it rained all the night. During the term, JI challenged JII to a game of rugby on the quarterdeck. It was a very close game, the score being seven points to four in JII's favour. JI intends to have a similar challenge again sometime during this season. This time, due to recent coaching for JI,



CLASS J1

BACK ROW: A. HOLLAND, A. JOWETT, M. VIDLER, K. GOODWIN-DORNING, P. ROSS, S. HART, N. PERRY, N. GROENEN, A. GARNOCK, J. ROUSSEAU, S. HAYES.

MIDDLE ROW: S. LATIMER, M. BURGESS, B. BRENNAN, P. HARLOW, A. PEARCE, J. STEPHENSON, D. PICKERILL, P. SMITH, M. KEELY, M. GARTH.

FRONT ROW: G. JACKSON, P. MURRAY, K. HUGHES, K. GOVER, M. DEEKS, A. WOTTON, D. FREW, S. COPPENS, M. BRESMAN.

CLASS J2

BACK ROW: J. BUTLER, T. DAHL, A. SALMON, D. RENDELL, B. ROBINSON, D. CARPENTER, G. DEEGAN, N. PAJNIC, S. WHALAN, H. FURNESS, P. SUMMERS, M. LAWRENCE.

MIDDLE ROW: R. QUARRILL, P. DREW, D. BENHAM, P. GRAETZ, N. RICHARDS, W. JOHNSTON, G. BRIDGES, V. JONES, R. WARD, R. HANCOCK.

FRONT ROW: S. CUPITT, D. WHITE, B. McLENNAN, D. GARNOCK, D. STEPHENSON, M. SMITH, N. WALLACE, E. HEYTING, S. MARTIN.







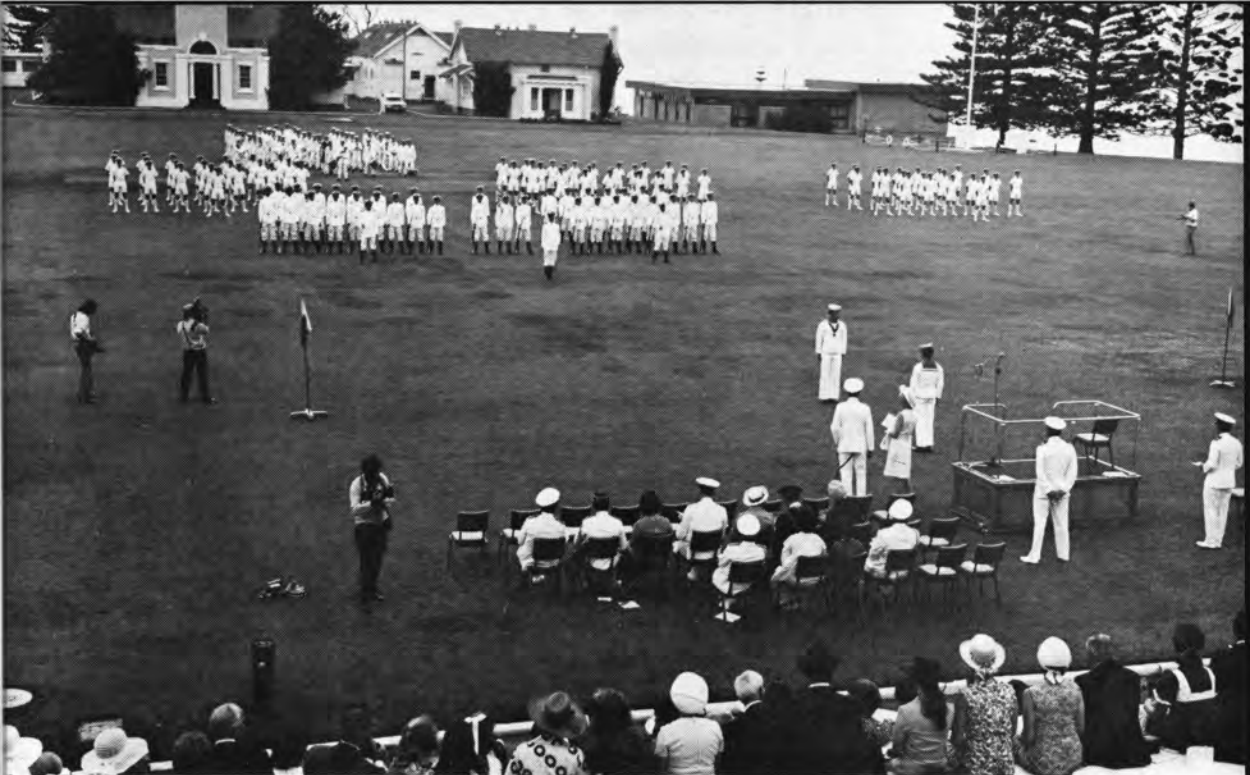


PROMOTION TO CHIEF CADET CAPTAIN—CMID P. L. WATSON.

CADET CAPTAINS 1972-73

G. W. KEILAR, L. B. BYTHEWAY, M. A. HUDSON, A. W. DONALD, R. H. NEIL.

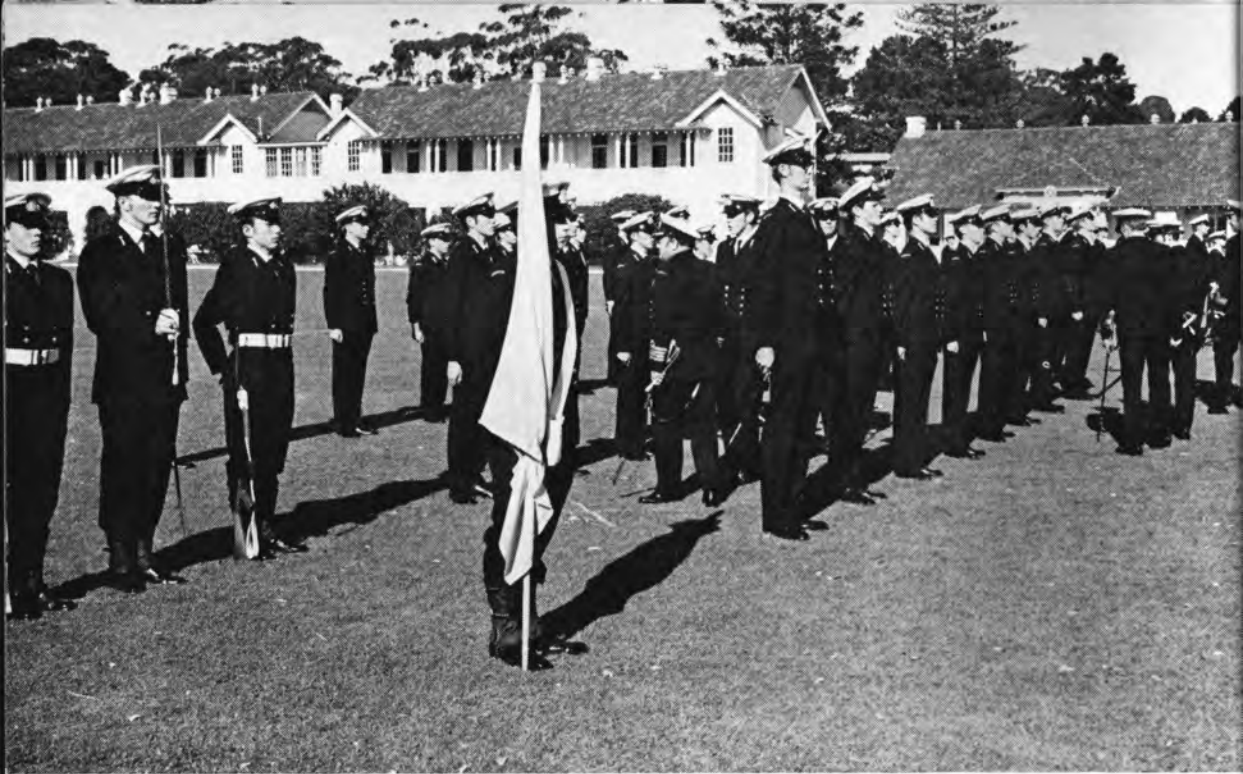




PROMOTION PARADE 1972

ADMIRAL V. A. SMITH ADDRESSING THE PARADE—CAPTAIN J. D. STEVENS ON HIS RIGHT.





INSPECTION SUNDAY—CEREMONIAL DIVISION 1973.

FREEDOM OF ENTRY PARADE, NOWRA 1972—THE CADET GUARD.





FREEDOM OF ENTRY PARADE NOWRA—THE COLOUR PARTY.

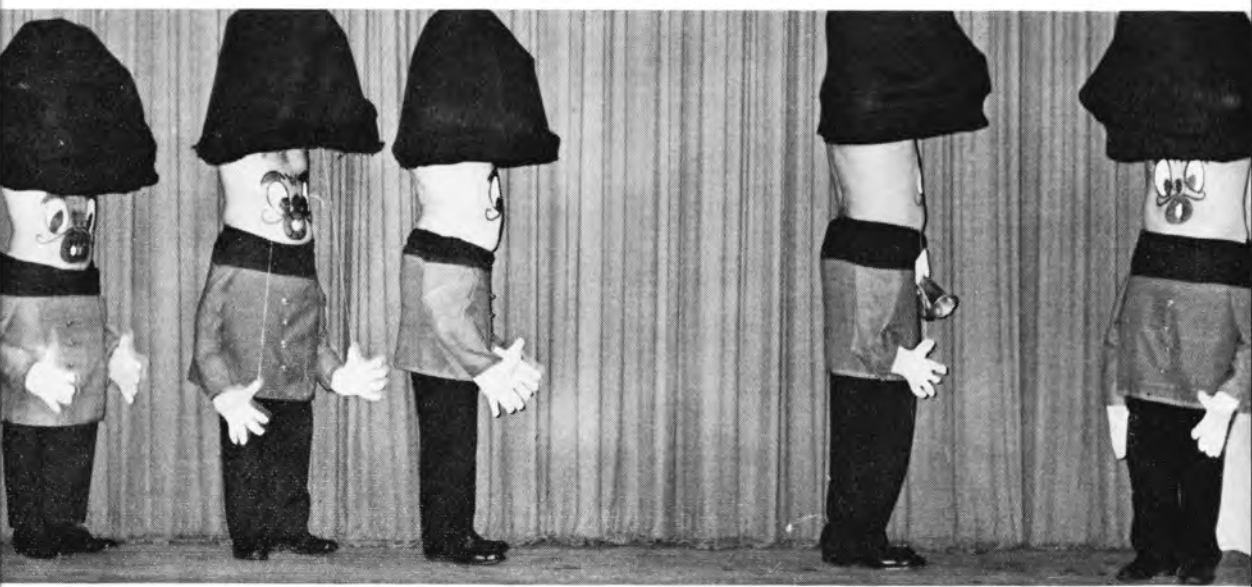
INSPECTION BY THE LORD MAYOR.





CUTTING THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY CAKE—
CAPTAIN V. A. PARKER AND CMID GOODWIN-DORNING.





CRESWELL CUP
COMPETITION





we intend to win because of our advancing skills.

On the following weekend, young ladies from SCEGGS Moss Vale were invited to JI's first social dance. A very good time was enjoyed by all, thanks to the great help of our year officer, Lieutenant Anderson. It is hoped that more dances of a similar nature can be arranged for the future. JI also had a geography excursion through Kangaroo

Valley, Cambewarra Ranges and the Kiama area, early in June.

As a sporting year, JI has very good qualities. R. A. Cropp gained half colours in athletics and half colours in basketball. A. Quinton gained half colours in Australian Rules. M. Deeks gained half colours in soccer. Besides these outstanding performances, there are still many JI's who are gifted in other sports.

JUNIOR COURSE II 1973

Class JII entered its matriculation year with thirty-two members, constituting a loss of five from the original 1972 Junior Entry of thirty-seven cadets. Even though the class is now physically divided into the four living areas under the divisional system, it is still solid.

From the first moment the class proved itself a close working unit was on the football field against JI. First points on the board were from JII but to our surprise JI quickly evened them, they were not to be beaten as easily as expected. Only a penalty goal saved the day and our pride. The score: 7-4 JII's favour.

Every class looks forward to the few days it can escape the routine studies. This is accomplished by occasional seadays. JII was given the opportunity to look over HMAS *Onslow* for 1½ hours and it proved very interesting.

The class's only expedition this term was held on the second weekend of March. The weather remained fine, but we were in the bush the night of an earthquake and it was only felt by a few which is surprising because everyone was as close to the ground as possible. Some members were held back

at RANC by sailing trials and two represented the Navy in interservice sailing—CMIDs Dahl and Wade.

For the purposes of the expedition the class was divided by divisions. Phillip Division finished well ahead of time which left them with the afternoon and night to pass camping by a river. Cook Division unfortunately did not reach their objective by the planned route. Their track was a figment of a cartographer's imagination, it was fine on the map but turned into dense bush in reality.

As part of the Higher School Certificate Geography course, JII have been on three excursions this term. All the sites were in or around Nowra, being the Dairy Co-operative, the Nowra Brickworks and Wiggins Teape Paper Mill. These trips will prove valuable as an aid to the course.

Class JII has reason to be proud of itself. Class representatives are found in all the winter and summer sports and such teams as ISCAM, swimming and sailing. Of course not all our major achievements are sporting or social, JII continues to advance academically in most cases. The testing ground for our mental ability will be in the Higher School Certificate in October this year.

PRIZES AND AWARDS TERM III 1972

Colours and half colours are awarded to the sportsmen who exhibit outstanding proficiency and sportsmanlike behaviour on the playing field. This term the following colours were awarded: Full colours to CMID T. E. Dahl, RNZN for sailing; half colours to CMID D. N. Keen, RNZN for sailing, CMID J. A. Jones for cricket and for basketball, half colours to CMID's G. W. Keilar and S. J. Dare.

Annual awards given to cadets were awarded this year to the following: Dux of Class IV, CMID D. J. Stephenson; Gibson Shield for dinghy sailing to CMID B. C. McLennan, RNZN; Peter Sharp trophy for single-handed dinghy sailing to CMID T. E. Dahl, RNZN; Captains Cup for cadets golf

championship to CMID R. A. Ward; the Crane Cup for interdivisional cricket to Cook Division; Dalton Cup for the best aggregate interdivisional points to Flinders; the Governor-Generals Cup for the best individual performance at all sports to CMID G. W. Keilar; and the Harrington Memorial Prize for the cadet, who, in his first post-matriculation year, contributes most to the furthering of extra curricular activities of the college to CMID M. A. Hudson.

Cock Division, awarded to the best division in all fields of endeavour on a term-by-term basis, for third term 1972, went to Phillip Division followed by Cook, Flinders and Jervis Divisions.

PRIZES AND AWARDS TERM I 1973

Colours are awarded for outstanding proficiency and sportsmanlike behaviour. For the first term of 1973 there has been a marked increase in the number of colours and half colours awarded.

The awards were:

Cricket:

Half colour—CMID's Quarrill, Braendler

Sailing:

Half colour—CCC Hudson, CMID's Wade, McLennan

Full colour—CMID Keen

Swimming:

Half colour—CMID's Heyting, Bolland, Smith R. A.

Full colour—CMID Lascelles

Athletics:

Half colour—CMID's Cropp, McQueen

Full colour—CMID's Gee, Pittaway, Jones P.A.

Basketball:

Half colour—CMID Cropp

Tennis:

Half colour—CMID Gately

Full colour—CMID Pearson

Hockey:

Half colour—CCC Watson, CMID Shalders

Soccer:

Half colour—CMIDs Davis, Hay, Deeks

Aust. Rules:

Half colour—CMID's Quinton, Braendler, Stephenson, Furness

Full colour—CC Neil, CMIDs Bavin Lawrence

Rugby:

Half colour—CMIDs Heginbotham Hamilton, Barton, Livingstone

Full colour—CC Keilar, CMID Donald

The Mongan Trophy for the highest aggregate score in cricket—CMID Quarrill.

Two cadets were awarded skippers tickets for the twenty-four foot Endeavour yachts, they were CMID's Warner, Owen.

The major award for the term was Cock Division and for term one Cook narrowly won the competition.

Promotions to cadet captains were:

Chief Cadet Captain:

CCC P. L. Watson from Flinders Division once again making the third Flinders CCC in a row.

Cadet Captains:

Flinders—CC Purnell-Webb

Cook—CC Pittaway

Jervis—CC Benoit

Phillip—CC Gately



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IID TRAINING CRUISE 1973

On January 15 the surviving members of IID embarked in HMAS *Anzac* for our five week cruise prior to recommencing university studies.

We were accommodated in the 3M "Hilton" messdeck with eight Army Corporals, two ABs and a Leading Hand. Other early acquaintances were the Captain, Commander Salmon, RAN and the Training Officer, Lieutenant J. Delaney, RAN. The aim of the cruise was duly outlined and, of course, the inevitable rules and regulations governing our behaviour on board (and ashore). The main objective was to become acquainted with sea going life and with a large emphasis placed on navigation. Out of our long hours spent on astronomical navigation we also acquired the art of surviving on about three hours sleep per day.

Our first leave came in Melbourne, where heat wave conditions made the local amber liquid seem palatable to even the staunchest home state beer supporters. From Melbourne "Zac" moved on into South Australia and called at the thriving metropolis of Port Lincoln. Our presence coincided with the annual Tunarama (a festival to mark the opening the tuna season). This provided many interesting pastimes including a Tunarama Ball, which unfortunately only one cadet could attend. We drew straws and Charles "Cass" Guscott drew the long straw.

After leaving Port Lincoln we left the mainland of Australia and headed for the land of the little seen species known as Taswegians. After three and a half days of hard work we were glad to return to civilization in Devonport. We were joined here by two more of our class, Dave Warren and Pete McNevin, who had remained behind to complete deferred examinations. Our

stay in Devonport was eventful only for the large number of souvenirs we collected.

Whilst carrying out anchorages and blind pilotage exercises in the Storm Bay area an emergency signal was received from a wrecked Japanese fishing vessel reportedly two hundred and forty miles south of Tasmania. The final position however, turned out to be only forty miles south of Tasmania on a small island named Pedra Blania. We were unable for several reasons to reach the lone survivor who was picked up by a fishing vessel. The consequences for us were an unjustifiably severe report in the newspapers and a not so glorious entrance up the Derwent River.

During our stay in Hobart HMAS *Anzac* acted as the flagship for the regatta. A highlight of our time in Hobart was the Wrest Point Casino, a far cry from the bare steel mess decks of our floating home.

The time aboard *Anzac* was for us all quite an exhausting one. The taking of evening and morning stars and the consequential calculations taxed sleeping time severely and caused some discontent. Living with the Army Corporals however, was advantageous as they had little to do and were a great help with Mess duties.

Navigation was not the only work for five weeks. One week was spent in each of the mechanical and electrical engineering departments and duties as third officer of the watch were carried out concurrently with the period spent on navigation.

The feelings of the class after the cruise varied, some enjoyed it immensely, others not so avidly, but all agreed that in the field of experience its value was great. We all found that at sea everyone works hard and then makes the most of the time ashore.



ATHLETICS REPORT 1973

On the foundations established by this year's athletics squad the college can look forward to great prospects for 1974. The College Championships were once again held on a very competitive inter divisional basis in which Cook Division gained a very narrow victory which wasn't finalised until the completion of the last event. Special mention must be given to the all round efforts of CMID Gee (Senior Champion), CMID McQueen (Runner-up Senior Championship) and CMID Cropp (Junior Champion).

Following the completion of the college championships the ISCAM (Inter-Service College Athletic Meeting) squad was selected and began its preparation for the Championships which this year were held at Duntroon. Valuable competition was gained prior to ISCAM in the five-way meet at the University of New South Wales and also the four-way meet at the Royal Military College.

The season finale however was ISCAM and despite a very spirited effort by the college team it finished a close fourth behind Duntroon, Officer Cadet School Portsea and the RAAFA. CMID Gee, the team captain, was the main-stay behind the college effort winning the 200 metres, 400 metres and coming a close second in the 100 metres. Other notable efforts were recorded by CMID Jones who was placed second in the 5,000 metres in a very closely contested race, and third placing went to



CMID Keilar (pole vault), CMID Pittaway (1500 metres), CMID Madden (800 metres) and CMID Jowett (discus).

Undoubtedly the efforts of the college team must be partly credited to the coaching efforts of Lieutenant-Commander Watson, Lieutenant Noyes, Mr. D. Thompson and Mr. H. Kemp. They brought the team up to peak fitness and many thanks go to them from the entire college team.

CRICKET 1972-73

The 1972-73 Cricket season was quieter than some. However, those who represented the College in this sport acquitted themselves well and played with a true competitive spirit so characteristic of the College. Of the eleven official matches in the season, the first XI was successful in five.

In the third term of 1972 the team was strengthened by two capable Midshipmen, Kevin Scarce and Ian Weekly. Kevin Scarce being very aggressive with the bat and Ian Weekly a very tricky spin bowler. It was

also most encouraging to see fine efforts by several cadets who will form the backbone of the team in the 1973-74 season. In particular the efforts of Cadet Midshipmen Quarrill, Dunn, and Jones were a great asset to the team.

The first XI met strong opposition at the outset of the season when they met the Old Cranbrookians who took the game outright by 95 runs and 6 wickets. The next against the ship's company of HMAS Sydney proved a real thriller and made the



FIRST XI CRICKET 1973.

BACK ROW: K. NORDAHL, P. WATSON, W. BURTON, M. DAVIS, J. BAVIN.
FRONT ROW: R. QUARRILL, R. DUNN, J. JONES, D. MICHAEL, M. VIDLER, A. QUINTON,
A. BRAENDLER.

Navy News. The College finally ran out winners by 3 runs after the match was decided in the final over. One highlight of this match was a hat trick by the *Sydney's* opening bowler O'Callaghan.

The other matches played in 1973 were those against Cranbrook, away, and Nowra High School, home. The former was lost by 70 runs and the latter by only 6 runs. Happier results were those recorded against Knox College, St. Patricks and the College Staff. The match against Knox College was taken with 8 wickets in hand and 10 runs. The most outstanding match of 1972 against St. Patricks revealed the true value of Midshipmen Scarce and Weekly. In the College's first innings declared at 4 for 174, Midshipman Scarce scored 101 runs not out in a fine partnership with Midshipman Weekly. Midshipman Weekly went on to help bundle St. Pats out for 50 and 95 runs with his very accurate and economic spin bowling. He ended with the remarkable figure of 7 for 25, five of which fell for the addition of only 2 runs in St. Pats' first innings.

One further victory of the first XI, composed of cadets only, was that over the staff. Once again the margin was only small, 68-55 but the moral victory was more important to the cadets. In this match Mr. Armstrong turned on a brilliant display of bowling, completely bewildering the cadets for a time, by taking 5 wickets for only 30 runs. Navy Office also visited the College in November but proved superior, defeating the first XI outright.

Although 1972 did not produce a great number of successes, the cadets learnt quite a deal by playing with the more experienced Midshipmen. The matches, being generally of a limited number of overs, demanded rapid scoring and agile fielding, thus providing great entertainment for the spectators and players alike.

The 1973 half of the season took on rather a different aspect with the majority of players being in the junior classes or new entry. CMIDS Michael and Burton were the only Class II players in the first XI while Cadet Captain Gates led the second XI.

New blood came into the team with CMIDS Vidler, Quinton, Braendler and Davis who were all 1973 new entry. Once more CMIDS Quarrill, Dunn, Jones, Watson, Collins and Flint formed the body of the team.

First term 1973 was not the best as far as cricket goes. With only four matches programmed, everyone of which was affected by rain, the team did not have a real opportunity to show its true form.

Both first's and second's suffered defeats at the hands of Knox Grammar and Hurlstone Agricultural College losing by 30 runs and 37 runs respectively. Batting was the weakness of both teams while the bowling line-up was very strong and kept them in the matches.

There was some disappointment when the match against Chevalier was cancelled due

to rain as the team was beginning to really work together. This was proved true in the final match of the season against Canberra Grammar. Again, after a delayed start because of rain, Canberra Grammar sent in to bat could only muster 53 runs against a strong bowling attack and excellent fielding. In the College innings the batting proved to be the best all season and 93 runs were easily scored in the time allowed to take the match convincingly by 40 runs.

Thus all appears set for brighter cricket and better results in the 1973-74 season. The encouragement of a win by good teamwork at the end of the season was badly needed. So with the batting of several experienced Midshipmen again in Term III the first XI should bring the results missing from the 1972-73 season.

SAILING—1972

Sailing started early in Term III. Lieutenant Long created a keen interest in the divisional Gibson Shield and individual Peter Sharp Trophy. A College sailing team was selected to compete against visiting teams. These were: CMIDs D. Keen (Capt.) and M. Hawley; M. Black and M. Hudson; B. Warner and A. Lodomirski; D. Michael and C. Perren; T. Dahl and R. Tucker; J. Wade and D. Benham.

RAAFA was our first encounter and in this the College team showed good form to win the day's events.

Race 1:

1st RAAFA, 2nd ENS G. R. Buchan, 3rd RAAFA, 4th RAAFA.

Race 2:

1st D. Keen, 2nd B. Warner, 3rd J. Wade, 4th RAAFA.

The Albatross Sailing Club provided four 420 craft for the races sailed against them. An enjoyable day's sailing was had by all with T. Dahl showing good form for the College.

Race 1:

1st T. Dahl, 2nd ASC, 3rd ASC, 4th M. Black.

Race 2:

1st T. Dahl, 2nd ASC, 3rd ASC, 4th B. Warner.

The Nowra High School team provided some strong competition although it was noted that some of our "less salty" civilian friends suffered from sea sickness! Once again T. Dahl showed his true form.

Race 1:

1st T. Dahl, 2nd M. Black, 3rd Nowra High, 4th D. Keen.

Race 2:

1st T. Dahl, 2nd B. Warner, 3rd Nowra High, 4th M. Black.

In their clash with the Staff the College team showed their superior sailing ability over their seniors.

1st D. Keen, 2nd Lieut. Long, 3rd Lieut. Briggs, 4th J. Wade, 5th M. Black, 6th Sblt. Swinnerton.

The final event of the term was the three race series sailed against RANSA. The RANSA team consisted mainly of Army personnel who provided two Corsair craft.

Race 1:

1st M. Black (Corsair), 2nd D. Keen, 3rd RANSA, 4th RANSA.

Race 2:

1st RANSA, 2nd B. Warner, 3rd RANSA, 4th M. Black.

Race 3:

1st RANSA, 2nd M. Black, 3rd RANSA, 4th D. Keen (Corsair).

Overall RANSA came out the victors. The veterans provided a very closely fought competition and a most enjoyable week-end's sailing. M. Black sailed consistently well for the College team.

The College team showed good form on all occasions and the skippers are to be praised for their efforts during the term. Thanks goes to Lieutenant Long for the interest shown and the guidance given to the team members.

GIBSON SHIELD 1972

The Gibson Shield is competed for by 14 crews from each division in Term III of each year.

The Gibson Shield winners become the College Champions for one year. The points from the top four crews in each division are tallied up and count towards Cock Division. Two heats were sailed by each crew and the top twelve crews then had semi-finals to decide the crews to compete for the Shield in the final sail off.

The final race was close fought in which all the boats either took the lead at one time or looked threatening. The weather ranged from strong gusty winds to very calm conditions, making for a very frustrat-

ing race for some, and certainly a most testing race.

The outcome was a well deserved win to CMIDS McLennan and Martin of Phillip Division.

The top six crews in order of finishing were:

CMIDS McLennan—Martin
Dahl—Tucker
Wade—Jones V. S.
Hawley—Joseph
Warner—Ladomirski
Michael—Perren

Phillip Division won the sailing for Term III from Flinders Division.

SAILING TEAM 1973

BACK ROW: T. DAHL, S. HART, G. DEEKS, J. PURNELL-WEBB, P. KUMMEROW, L. GOODRIDGE, P. LEAHY, J. WADE, A. PEPPERCORN.

FRONT ROW: R. FLETCHER, B. WARNER, M. HUDSON, LIEUT. R. LONG, D. KEEN, M. BLACK, F. OWEN.



PETER SHARP TROPHY SERIES—1973

This year's Peter Sharp Trophy reversed a trend of previous years where the final has been a long, exacting and interesting race. After the usual juggling for positions at the start, it developed into a procession around the course, with few alterations to the boats' positions. The exception to this were the two boats that finished third and fourth.

CMID Dahl was first across the starting line and was never challenged during the race as he continued to increase his lead. He won easily. CMID Wade sailed a similar race to take second place. Both CMID

Black and CMID Michael were becalmed behind the breakwater at the start, and started late. They passed the other two boats during the first beat to windward. For most of the race they sailed close together with CMID Black leading by a narrow margin. CMID Michael slipped through soon after rounding the last buoy, but within one hundred yards of the finish CMID Black passed him again and gained third place.

The finishing order of the final was roughly the same as the overall points score for the series. CMID Dahl won by a large margin, followed by CMID Wade.

FORSTER CUP—1973

After a domination of inter-divisional sailing events for some years by Cook Division, the 1973 Forster Cup rapidly developed into a battle between Flinders and Phillip Divisions.

With three members of the Navy sailing team in their ranks, Flinders Division initially led the series, but their skill was not deep enough. Each division had to enter fourteen coxswains and crews. Phillip Division possessed a greater depth of skill. This gave them the winning edge, but it was not an easy win, as Flinders Division fought them all the way for it.

The last two races of the series were the final deciding factors in Phillip Division's win. In both of these, Flinders had to be placed well. Unfortunately, this was not to

be. The second last race was sailed in extremely strong conditions. Both Flinders boats lost a part of their sailing gear while in good positions, and therefore finished toward the rear of the fleet.

With this result, Phillip had virtually won the series but with the last race added the final seal to their victory. Compared to the previous race, it was a complete anticlimax as there was no wind at all. Most of the boats managed to move about one hundred yards in one and a half hours. Only two managed to finish. These were skippered by CMID Bavin of Phillip Division, followed some fifteen minutes later by CMID Dahl of Flinders. Thus Phillip won by a considerable margin.

TENNIS REPORT 1972-73

The third term of 1972 opened with the College tennis team having only a few scheduled matches. The first match was against Knox Grammar in Sydney, but the team unable to field its strongest side was defeated by 8 sets to 4.

1973 commenced with the intake of the New Entry, from which the tennis team hoped to obtain some new talent. With an increased number of enthusiastic players, the strength of the 1973 team was very promising. The first match was against Knox Grammar, with the final decision going against RANC by five sets to seven. Amidst

great support the College team, still recovering from leave, was only narrowly defeated.

A week later we pitted our strength against a team from Hurlstone Agricultural High School. After a spirited display in the doubles matches the College team gained a quick lead over Hurlstone. However as Hurlstones' experienced singles' players slowly took control the College team was again narrowly defeated by five sets to seven. At this stage the team was eagerly looking for a victory, which we hoped would come in our final game for this term, against Canberra Grammar.

The setting didn't look very promising as rain continued to fall up to about lunch time, but none the less the College team turned out in full force for their final match. From the outset, we were on top of Can-

berra and rather convincingly defeated them by nine sets to three!

We ended the term's tennis in fine form and are hoping it lasts for the matches ahead.

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVAL COLLEGE SWIMMING

The talent for the College swimming team was recognised on Tuesday February 25 when the annual swimming carnival was held at Nowra Pool. Consequently fourteen potential swimmers were selected from the winners and "runners up" to train in the team that was to represent the College at Inter Service College Swimming Meet at Point Cook. This team later diminished to six members.

To the time of actual departure, the team underwent intensive training in preparation for the Inter Service College Swimming Meeting to be held at Point Cook in Melbourne. Training sessions, mainly at Huskisson pool, were conducted under the guidance of Lieutenant Casey, who was determined to have the team reach peak fitness before this event took place. The duration of training, lasting three weeks, demanded much determination from the team and also on behalf of our coach, before times reached a satisfactory competitive standard.

The day of reckoning arrived when the team comprising of CMIDs Lascelles, Keilar, Heyting, Smith, Bolland and Baker, departed by air from HMAS *Albatross* on March 3. The team settled in quickly at Point Cook, and was then transported to the greatly appreciated heated pool—an evident contrast from the cold waters of Jervis Bay.

The times gained from our team, ultimately, did not prove quite sufficient enough to beat the O.C.S. team, to whom we came a close second. Perhaps the winning team owed their success to their best swimmer who had reached the status of an Australian representative prior to the I.S.C.S.M. It

was he who proved our main opposition in preventing the college from taking out the championship. However three members of our team gained close seconds to this competitor adding light to our explanation of a close second.

The individual placings were as follows:

CMID Lascelles: A very good race in the one hundred metres freestyle to gain a first place in a time of 59.8 seconds. He also worried the opposition in the two hundred metres and four hundred metres freestyle gaining times of 1 min 20.3 sec and 5 min .05 sec respectively.

CMID Keilar: Second placings in the one hundred metres Butterfly and the individual Medley in times of 1 min .08 sec and 1 min 35 sec respectively.

CMID Smith: A close race in the one hundred metres backstroke to receive third place.

CMID Bolland: A third place in the one hundred metres Breastroke with a time of 1 min 26.3 sec.

CMID Heyting: An important contribution in the relays.

The 4 x 100 Medley gained the team an exciting second place, the winning team only being decided by a small margin of time.

The college showed their overall superiority in freestyle when the team won the Blue Ribbon event, which comprised a 4 x 100 metres freestyle relay.

The final outcome of the team's success can only be attributed to our coach who gave his time and effort in preparation of the team and his rigidly followed philosophy of, to quote Lieutenant Casey:

"Pain is gain".

GOLF 1972

Golf at the College in 1972 began in earnest in the latter part of second term. During this period the College squad concentrated on practice, under the supervision of Mr. Nugent, in preparation for the late September encounter with the RAAF Academy cadets. This competition proved a very close one with the RAAFA winning on the day three matches to one.

Cadets participating for the College were CMIDS Keilar, Ward, Guscott and Olden.

In early December the College Championship was held over an eighteen holes scratch event which was convincingly won by CMID Ward of Class II who also won the putting event held in conjunction. Runner-up in this event was CMID Keilar who also won the longest drive trophy.

CROSS COUNTRY

In 1973 an increased interest was shown in the cross country team by the cadets. Team coach, Mr. Kemp was a driving force behind the team and much of the team's success throughout the year must be credited to him. The team consisted of eight members who greatly improved their performances as the season progressed.

Training took place twice weekly over varied courses. Tuesdays were devoted to handicap races over the college five thousand metre course while on Thursday a testing eight and a half mile run to Wreck Bay and return was the most common activity.

During the season the team made many

trips away to cross country meetings. Strongest competition came from the Australian National University, the Combined High Schools team and the Royal Military College, Duntroon. The keen rivalry between the College and Duntroon continued with each gaining a win during the season. The final meet of the season was against HMAS *Nirimba* at their home course and on this occasion the college team was narrowly defeated. CMIDS Jones (P. A.), Moroney and Taylor must be given special mention for their consistent efforts throughout the season and also Mr. Kemp whose enthusiasm and coaching was greatly appreciated by the team.

FIRST XV RUGBY 1972

With Class IIC proceeding to the training ship at the completion of Term I, the College first XV underwent a marked reshuffle. However, under the guidance of Lieutenant-Commander Hogg, the team quickly gained momentum and became moulded into a fine combination based on team work. By season's end the team had compiled the very impressive record of ten wins, one draw and two losses. Highlights of the season were the hard fought victories over the Royal Military College, Duntroon, and the Apprentice Training Establishment, HMAS *Nirimba*. Consistently fine performances were turned in by CMIDs Hewson, Gee, Keilar, Benoit, C. J. Frost, Robinson and J. J. Donald. Colours were gained by CMIDS Frost, Robinson and Keilar.

With very few changes expected in the line-up for next year, the team now looks forward to another successful season.

RESULTS:

RANC vs Chevalier College	15-23
Edmondson Zone High School	12-4
Duntroon	15-10
"Esmeralda"	32-3
Hurlstone AHS	9-9
Nowra High School	34-3
James Ruse High School	7-9
Manly Boy's High School	16-6
HMAS <i>Vampire</i>	11-0
HMAS <i>Swan</i>	48-0
HMAS <i>Nirimba</i>	17-3
S.L. Midshipmen	23-0



1ST XV RUGBY 1973

BACK ROW: D. RENDELL, K. LASCELLES, B. WARNER, R. HEGINBOTHOM, M. BUTLER,
C. LIVINGSTONE, T. BOLLAND, J. CLEVERLY, C. FROST, G. ROBINSON, J. HAMILTON.

FRONT ROW: J. DONALD, N. BARTON, P. BENOIT, LIEUT. J. CASEY, G. KEILAR, L. GEE,
W. GATELY.

2ND XV RUGBY 1973

BACK ROW: R. KEHL, S. HART, N. MADDEN, G. MEIKLE, J. PURNELL-WEBB, W. RUSE,
G. DEEGAN, W. BURTON, K. HODGES.

FRONT ROW: R. HANCOCK, C. DARBY, D. GARNOCK, F. OWEN, LCDR. SHOTTER,
D. KEEN, G. BRIDGES, P. SUMMERS, D. PICKERILL.





1ST XVIII AUSTRALIAN RULES 1973

BACK ROW: M. GARTH, D. FREW, P. STEPHENSON, J. JONES, H. FURNESS, M. SMALE,
R. PARTINGTON, M. LAWRENCE, R. QUARRILL, S. DARE, R. GATES, A. PEARSON,
P. GRAETZ, J. DIERCKS.

FRONT ROW: A. BRAENDLER, R. WARD, J. BAIN, CP OPT R. PHILLIPS, R. NEIL, A. QUINTON,
K. GOODWIN-DORNING.

1ST SOCCER XI 1973

BACK ROW: LIEUT. GIBSON, B. McLENNAN, N. GROENAN, J. STEVENSON, G. DEEKS,
N. PERRY, M. DAVIS, M. VIDLER.

FRONT ROW: M. FROST, G. CULPITT, R. BAXTER, R. DUNN, LIEUT. P. RAWLINGS,
E. HEYTING, T. HAY.



SECOND XV RUGBY 1972

The second XV this season was not entirely successful. However, the team spirit remained exceptionally high throughout.

Perhaps the proudest match for the team was the clash with Saint Stanislaus College at Bathurst. The college team put up a strong defence and fiery attack to hold their opponents to a 10-0 victory. Saint Stanislaus College is renowned for its strong rugby teams and 1972 was no exception.

Other matches were lost to Chevalier College at Bowral, Edmonson Zone from Sydney, Duntroon, and Hurlstone College from Sydney. Some matches should have seen the college team victorious but position shuffling due mainly to injuries gave many players new and strange roles.

The victory over the Manly Boy's High School second XV was a shock to both teams as the outcome was expected to be quite the opposite. The RANC second XV won't be forgotten around Manly for some time. The determination of the team coupled with their relative fitness was too much for the Manly defence.

The match played at the RANC against James Ruse Agricultural College from Sydney was something which will be talked about at team gatherings for seasons to come. The college team won 50-0 which made the season worthwhile from a try scoring position. Thus the season ended and the members of the RANC second XV were content to relax and think of next season.

SOCCER 1972

During the 1972 season the RANC Soccer team made its debut in the South Coast and Southern Tablelands league. Despite a rather disastrous start with heavy defeats at the hands of Bomaderry (8-1) and Albatross (14-3), which could be put down to lack of team practice, the side soon formed into a force to be reckoned with. Two more defeats followed, 2-0 against Berrima and then a close game against Nowra when we scared them before going down 6-4. Our first victory was against Shoalhaven United. After they had scored an early goal the initiative was completely taken from them and we eventually ran out victors 5-1. This was followed by a 3-2 victory away at Moss Vale. Again we allowed them the privilege of scoring their goals first before making a spirited comeback.

After leave we followed a similar pattern to the start of the season when we lost 4-0 to Bomaderry and 6-0 to Albatross. This was followed by another trip over the mountains to Bowral where we lost 6-4. Our 4 goals were the most scored in one match against Bowral all season. Our first and only double of the year was completed the following week when we defeated Shoal-

haven 2-1. One of the most exciting games of the season was the home game against Nowra. After trailing 1-3 at half-time we finally took the points 4-3, the winning goal coming direct from a corner. Another trip to the Tablelands saw us take our revenge on Berrima when we won 2-1. Our only draw of the season followed when we played Moss Vale. In a game of see-saw fortunes the final score was 5-5. The last league game of the season was a 2-1 defeat at the hands of Bowral. Bowral were also our opponents in the knock-out cup but once again they proved too strong and beat us 4-2.

Our overall position in the league was 5/8, which for a team in its first season in competition was highly commendable. Our team was also the youngest in the league. Lieutenant Rawlings (our player/coach) was the only player over 19 years of age. In addition to our league commitments several "friendlies" were played. Ships company were beaten 3-2, Nowra High School 1-0, and the Wardroom 6-2 and 3-2. All in all it was a very successful season with all members of the team deserving credit for the effort put in. Naturally we are hoping for bigger and better things in 1973.

AUSTRALIAN RULES 1972

The College XVIII commenced Term II with a comfortable victory over Nowra High School. With a marked height and age advantage, the team failed to capitalise on many scoring opportunities, due in part, to the tenacious way Nowra played.

Duntroon was the visiting team to play at the College and this game proved to be extremely exciting with neither team dominating. At no stage in the game was the margin in scores more than twenty points, and it was highlighted by very good team work by both teams. However, the slight height advantage held by Duntroon proved the telling factor at game's end. This close defeat seemed to give the team added enthusiasm and their next game was to

prove very hectic. HMAS *Swan*, both with a height and size advantage overran the College team but not before it had put up a gallant fight right up to the final whistle.

The final game for the 1972 season was against the cadets of the Apprentice Training Establishment, HMAS *Nirimba*. This game proved very trying for the College team as they met an extremely well trained and experienced opposition. The result was a loss to *Nirimba* but they had to fight for every point it gained.

By season's end, particular mention must go to CMIDS Neil, Bavin, Quarrill, Lawrence and Roworth for their consistently fine performances.

HOCKEY 1972

Hockey was predominantly played on an interdivisional basis this year with two representative games being played against visiting ships. The College team had a very close

game against HMAS *Vampire* before winning by two goals to one. However, in the next encounter HMAS *Swan* proved to be a very formidable opponent with very good

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BACK ROW: N. McQUEEN, A. PEPPERCORN, S. HAMILTON, R. BAKER, R. SMITH,
J. SHALDERS, LIEUT. ANDERSON.

FRONT ROW: A. FLINT, LCDR. MIKOSZA, P. WATSON (Capt.) S. MARTIN, V. JONES.



team understanding and they had a comfortable victory. The highlight of the season was the annual encounter between the staff and the cadets with youth finally winning over their much more experienced foes.

Particular comment must be given to CMIDS Warren (team captain) and Olden (vice-captain) who each gained half colours.

THE SKINDIVING CLUB

The Skindiving Club this year was once more organised under the very capable command of Mr K. Armstrong. CMID A. Peppercorn saw to preparations for a number of expeditions undertaken by the club this year and it was seldom that the RANC "spearoos" returned to Creswell empty-handed.

Although new blood in the club is down on normal for 1973 there has been a notable increase in the quality and variety of members' equipment including several new wetsuits and even an underwater camera.

Expeditions have ranged to many parts of Jervis Bay; Bowen Island, Scottish Rocks and Governor's Head to name a few choice locations. An excursion also took place to

CMID Boggin, the team goalie, also exhibited particular skill in thwarting many scoring opportunities by the opposition.

With very little time available to practise, the side still developed into a fine fighting unit with considerable potential. It is hoped next year that more competition will be found to develop these talents.

the cliffs between Point Perpendicular and Target Beach under the watchful eye of fellow diver PO Jenkins, and a number of mid-term breaks were spent by club members, camping at Greenpatch and enjoying some pleasant diving in the area. The Creswell breakwater, this year, has also yielded a surprising variety of fish types of good size and quantity and has not been ignored. Once again, following the unbreakable rules set by the club and enforced by the sea has paid off and the year's diving has been thankfully free of any notable accidents of the type which have made this sport one for the wise and the cautious. The club looks forward to a new season and new members in anticipation of finding new diving spots and buddies.

JUDO 1972

Since the formation of the Creswell Judo Club last May, it has attracted many enthusiasts from all age groups. Notable regulars are about thirty juniors (under 16 years); while participation by seniors (over 16 years) has been limited due to other requirements.

Cadet participants have been CMID Lodomirski, CMID Bridges, CMID Deegan, CMID Richards, and CMID Weir.

The Perth Cup was the first competition entered by the club. Five juniors fought; Karin Gollotta achieving remarkable success. Ten seniors fought in their various weight divisions; CMID Bridges and CMID Deegan gaining Second Prize in their separate divisions. CMID Weir gained a third place. DA R. Jones did exceptionally well

in his bouts placing him fourth in his division.

The demonstration given by LSPTI Drew and DA R. Jones at the Final of the Annual Cadet Boxing Championship showed the dynamic ability of Judo to provide self-discipline and self-protection. It was highly impressive.

LSPTI Drew, who held the Judo Black Belt, was in charge of the training of the club and his departure in September was a great blow. However DA R. Jones quickly took over instruction and taught application of Karate and Judo.

All players at some stage in their playing of Judo have achieved the satisfaction that can be experienced. Congratulations must go to all club members for the wonderful success achieved this year.

JUDO 1973

Term I of this year started off rather slowly due to the slow recovery of the instructor, DA R. Jones, from his accident. However, both juniors and seniors started off with fair numbers. The departure of DA R. Jones for four weeks at the beginning of March left CMID Ladomirski in charge of both classes.

Juniors fluctuated greatly in numbers with the participation of many of the aborigine boys from Wreck Bay. Training involved perfection of break falls and the first few throws. Overall, the juniors have

proved themselves. LSPTI I. Rhouston has taken over juniors since the beginning of April. Seniors have held their numbers constantly since the commencement of the year. There were a great many new faces, particularly in Cadet Midshipmen, but also a great departure of many faces. Training revealed the recent successful grading of CMID McLennan and CMID B. Robinson to their first belt at the International Judo Club, Moss Vale. Further hard core training should produce two prominent judo players for the Creswell Club.

BOXING 1972

Each year, despite the possibility of at least a case of nose bleeding, a large number of cadets enter the boxing championships. 1972 was no exception and some of the fights showed that some contestants at least knew more than the basic moves.

Winner of the Shelly Cup for the best exponent in the art of boxing went to CMID G. Keilar who was also winner of the Light Heavyweight division. Winners of the weight divisions were: Light Weight, J. A. Bavin; Light Welter, P. L. Watson; Welter, P.

Benoit; Light Middle, L. J. Gee; Middle Weight, M. Roworth.

A tag team wrestling match, staged by a visiting group of professionals (?) showed that cadets can be as enterprising as the professionals on television. While a grudge bout between "Stretch" Thomson 6' 7" and "Wee Willie" Johnston 5' 2" proved that little men are in.

In the Divisional competition Jervis took the honours with Flinders a close second.

CANOEING 1972

At the start of the season there was a lack of cadets who had experience in canoeing. There were however many keen starters, who were prepared to give it a try.

The first expedition was designed purely to give those who had done no canoeing at all some basic experience. On the weekend of October 14 a group of Class II cadets spent two days exploring the waters of St. Georges Basin and gaining a better knowledge of the fundamentals of canoeing. At the same time they assisted in searching for a civilian sailor, missing from his overturned dinghy.

Later in the term a more ambitious expedition set out to explore the Yalwal and Shoalhaven rivers. Under the watchful eyes of Lieutenant Murdoch and Mr Kemp, the nine novice canoeists proceeded first down the Yalwal, encountering some rapids which gave them a few hair-raising moments. Only two canoes however, experienced any real

difficulty in negotiating this section of the trip.

The Shoalhaven river provided a somewhat bigger obstacle. The deep-water rapids proved quite testing and by the end of the day, only the canoes of Lieutenant Murdoch and Mr. Kemp had not overturned. At one point CMIDS White and Graetz attempted to shoot a rather difficult rapid. The canoe overturned and continued downstream never to be seen again. Fortunately both cadets suffered no injury, only discomfort. Later in the day two canoes overturned and became wedged under a submerged tree. After some effort these were freed with only a small amount of equipment being lost.

Although the expedition proved a somewhat uncomfortable one, valuable experience was gained, and canoeing next year will have a nucleus of relatively more experienced canoeists.

GLIDING

During the last week of the August/September leave period, nine cadets took part in the annual gliding course. The course lasted for a week and was held at the Jervis Bay airfield during the week and at HMAS *Albatross* on the weekend. All of the cadets were new to the art of gliding, however, they all aimed to fly solo by the end of the week, five succeeded.

The gliding club has a twin seater "Kookaburra" Mk IV for training as well as two high performance single seat gliders for the more experienced glider. On the first day of the course the cadets were assigned

to instructors and taken on a few familiarisation flights. The following days were spent learning how to control a glider and it was not long before the cadets started to attempt more difficult exercises such as landing.

The success of the course was mainly due to the persistence of the instructors aided by the enthusiasm of the cadets. Fine weather on all but one day meant that everyone was able to gain a fair amount of experience at gliding and they all found it a very thrilling and enjoyable sport.

SKIING

A party consisting of Lieutenant Commander Hogg, Lieutenant Walsh, two Sub-Lieutenants and nine cadets undertook a skiing expedition to the Naval Ski Lodge during the second term mid-term break.

The convoy of cars carrying the group and their supplies set out at 0530 on the Friday morning and after a brief stop in Cooma for liquid refreshment arrived at Jindabyne at midday. After shopping around for essential articles of equipment, gloves, souvenirs and the like, the group set out for Perisher No. 3 terminal.

On arriving at Perisher Valley, half the group proceeded to get fitted out with skiing gear and commenced skiing on a slope of about twenty in one. Still being a largely inexperienced group everybody repeatedly fell over.

By midday the next day the group felt brave enough to tackle the slopes. Most had still to master the arts of turning and stopping. By striking up conversation with T-bar partners and as they zoomed down the slope listening to ski instructors the inexperienced members picked up the rudiments of skiing. Mind you, it wasn't all take and no give. Many of the cadets served as unintentional models for the instructors

who were teaching their classes. As one cadet (name withheld by request) completed a turn close to a class of beginners the instructor was heard to say in an Austrian accent, "and that, my friends, is how **not** to do a turn."

Saturday night was a miserable night to be outside the Lodge with snow blowing down the valley and since a feeling of exhaustion was prevalent in the Lodge few ventured down to the hotels. Most preferred to sleep, with the idea of getting up early the next morning to commence skiing as soon as the T-bars and ski-lift started operating. However, it wasn't until the weather cleared about 9.30 that the group left the Lodge.

As expected, with the build-up in confidence, some tackled the highest mountain, which was serviced by a chair lift. It was on their way down that some of the more spectacular spills of the weekend were seen. That night, the last in the snow fields, the party converged on "The Valley Inn" to enjoy the "apres ski". After a weekend's skiing thoroughly enjoyed by all members, the party reluctantly set out on the return journey early Monday morning.

SURF LIFE SAVING; 1972-73

The introduction of Surf Life Saving as a summer sporting activity was met with a great deal of interest and enthusiasm by cadets. CMID G. Guinness, a member of the Woonona Surf Life Saving Club in Wollongong, instituted the initial start and with support from the College, the cadets became affiliated with the Woonona SLSC. CMID G. Guinness commenced instructing squads for the surf Bronze Medallion. Determined effort and consistent training was shown by all involved. At the end of the term the squads went before the Examiner. Bronze Medallions were gained by CMIDS J. Pickel, G. Deegan, C. Constance, D. Keen, M. Lawrence, G. Keilar, H. Furness and A. Donald with CMID G. Guinness gaining his Instructors Certificate.

With this as a basis to the cadets Surf Life Saving for 1973, instruction of New Entry cadets started. The Medallion holders and CMIDS R. Gudgeon and K. Lascelles, who had gained their medallions prior to joining, began training six squads. Unfortunately we lost CMID G. Guinness at the beginning of the year when he went to University. However, the work behind the scenes was carried out by CMID R. Neil. It was because of Bob's determination and organization that this season was so enjoyable.

Support for Woonona SLSC was shown with the cadets attending Surf carnivals within the Illawarra area at the weekends. CMID G. Keilar swam a first at the Nowra-Culburra carnival in the Novice surf race and is now swimming well in the Senior

races. CMIDS J. Pickel and G. Meikle (ex-Tamarama SLSC) have been showing consistent form in the Novice races while CMIDS H. Furness, G. Deegan and M. Lawrence do well in the Junior races. Unfortunately, College routine wouldn't allow us to make the Australian Surf Carnival which was held at Burleigh Heads at Easter.

During the season CMIDS J. Pickel and D. Keen represented Woonona at the Bulli SLSC 60th Jubilee. This was one of the major functions of the season. Also on the social scene, the cadets are claimed to hold the A. R. Sole Trophy which is a prominent trophy within the Club.

At the end of the season two squads were taken to Woonona for their Bronze Medallions. Strong wind and sea conditions made the belt work and swims quite a challenge. Bronze Medallions were gained by CMIDS J. Bull, R. Tucker, M. McG. Smith, P. O. Smith, J. Diercks, M. Smale, J. P. Hamilton, A. Garnock and J. Walton. CMIDS K. Lascelles and R. Gudgeon gained their Instructors Certificates.

During the season the cadets have provided regular patrols of Woonona Beach on Sundays and it is also hoped that a regular patrol of Caves Beach may be maintained by cadets at the weekends. The Shoalhaven Shire has been approached in order to gain equipment for this purpose. Training has taken up a great deal of our time but it is hoped that enjoyment has accompanied the hard work.

NEW PHASE IN SAILING ENDEAVOUR 24's

The first two of a proposed four Endeavour 24' yachts were delivered, ready to sail in late November—early December of 1972. The boats divisional allocation took place in early February 1973, Jervis and Phillip Divisions were given the charge of *Callala*, while *Currarong* went to Cook and Flinders Divisions. The cadets carried out regular maintenance and assumed much of the responsibility for keeping the yachts in a serviceable condition.

Two racing events were conducted by the Jervis Bay Cruising Yacht Club in which the College Endeavours took part. The first race was sailed in perfect weather conditions in what is known as a 'round the bay' race. The distance to be covered was twenty miles of which six miles were to windward. On handicap time the two College craft crossed the line first and second. In the second race the conditions were unfavourable for sailing in that there was an intermittent 2kt

S/W for much of the race. Local experience showed out, when several of the JBYC members gained substantial leads early in the first leg. However, by the time the southern mark had been reached, the two College Endeavours had narrowed the margin appreciably and finished the race second and third in their division.

The yachts also showed their worth when used for weekend expeditions around the bay. They are well fitted out and there is ample room to sleep four people below

deck. They are equipped with a spirit stove, sink, stowage room and navigation facilities. It is hoped that the other two Endeavour 24's will arrive shortly to accommodate the increasing number of cadets interested in sailing these craft. The arrival of the other two Endeavours will also facilitate the sailing of the "Cup" an interdivisional competition to be held annually. The success of these yachts as a sail training craft is however, without doubt assured.

'FRANKLIN'

Franklin has had an extremely quiet time this year, not competing in any of her usual races such as the Montague Island Yacht Race and the Flounders Cup. This was because of an extended refit which kept her in Garden Island for most of the year. Her sail wardrobe was enlarged with the addition of a well-cut "Hood" genoa and another spinnaker. Down below a new depth sounder has been installed and should greatly aid navigation in confined waters. The long-awaited replacement for the ageing gas stove eventually arrived. It is a Primus and fits far better into its alcove than its predecessor.

While at the College, *Franklin* has been mainly for sail training and this has enabled many cadets to gain some idea of the magic art of inshore navigation and of yacht handling. In 1972, as in other years, *Franklin* was entered in the Sydney-Hobart Yacht Race. The crew spent many weeks

prior to the race training in the waters off Jervis Bay as well as a few weekend trips down the coast. The race began in drizzly conditions with a light easterly sea breeze. Smooth sailing was enjoyed by all until Tasmania was sighted. The yacht was later becalmed for six hours off Maria Island after which it encountered a sixty knot gale in the Bay of Storms which lasted for four hours. *Franklin* took five days to complete the race and was 42nd over the line but on corrected times finished 56th, an improvement on last year. This was a good result considering the age and design of the yacht.

The crew of *Franklin* in the Sydney-Hobart Yacht Race comprised Lieutenant P. Briggs, Lieutenant R. Long, Lieutenant D. Walsh, Sub-Lieutenant R. Swinnerton, Sub-Lieutenant P. Cole, Midshipman A. Drouer, Midshipman G. Kennedy and Cadet Midshipman P. Bridges.

INTER-SERVICE SAILING SERIES—1973

This year's result was the Navy's second successive victory in the event; however for the first time, Cadets comprised one half of the Navy team. After this outstanding performance in the series last year, CMID Dahl was coxswain of a Corsair again, with CMID Wade and Lieutenant Stevens from HMAS *Nirimba* as crew. CMIDs Leahy and Goodridge crewed for Lieutenant Goodsell from HMAS *Nirimba* in the second Corsair. Lieutenant Long and CMID Keen sailed a Bosun in two races: Leading Seaman King,

HMAS *Albatross*, was coxswain of our other Bosun, and sailed very well.

The first race was the most unpleasant due to the cold, heavy rain and lack of wind. CMID Dahl opened out a good lead during the first leg, followed by Lieutenant Goodsell, and neither was challenged for the rest of the race. Leading Seaman King had to battle with the leading Bosuns and trailing Corsairs, doing well to finish fifth, as the second Bosun home. In the calm conditions, Lieutenant Long was unable to reach the

starting line in time, started late, and managed to overtake one boat to finish eleventh. Naturally this effort raised Navy spirits right from the start, but the results of the second race dampened those feelings a little, showing that we still had a lot of hard sailing to do. CMID Dahl once again led in the second race. However Lieutenant Goodsell only managed fourth place and Leading Seaman King was sixth. Our second Bosun was in trouble when its mainsail halyard broke only thirty seconds before the start. The boat had to be capsized so that the sail could be hauled up the mast and tied there by a swimming crew member. They started about a minute late, but managed to finish eleventh. The liner *Northern Star* rather upset the latter placings when she ploughed through the racing fleet, narrowly missing an RAAF Bosun.

The last two races saw a number of examples of team sailing at its best. During the second last leg of Race Three, Lieutenant Goodsell was leading by a good margin, CMID Dahl was second and an RAAF Corsair third, covering Leading Seaman King's Bosun. CMID Dahl slowed his boat until the other two reached him then proceeded to cover the RAAF boat. Lead-

ing Seaman King was able to sail off to an unbeatable second place, while CMID Dahl left the other Corsair when he was ready, and finished third. Unfortunately, he had a collision with an Army Bosun at the rear of the fleet. After a protest which took three hours to decide due to complicating circumstances, the Army Bosun was disqualified.

Another example of good team sailing occurred during the last race. Again on the second last leg, Lieutenant Goodsell was leading by approximately half a mile, with an RAAF Corsair in second place covering CMID Dahl. Lieutenant Goodsell put his boat about, then returned to cover the RAAF boat, allowing CMID Dahl to escape. To the amazement of all concerned, Lieutenant Goodsell managed to regain his half mile lead. CMID Dahl finished second.

With major placing like these, it was no wonder that the Navy was able to retain the trophy for another year. Through bad luck in every race, our second Bosun finished eleventh in each race, but all that did to the final score was to reduce our considerable lead. With a first and three seconds in the Bosuns, Leading Seaman King was awarded the Navy trophy for the best performance.



RANC DEBATING

Three debates were conducted at the College during 1972. Two were against visitors and one was an internal debate. The first debate was against James Ruse School on a standard debating topic—Progress. The final result was decided by an audience vote. As there were more James Ruse students than cadets present, James Ruse won.

The internal debate was between Class I and Class II on the topic that "Patriotism is Dead". Class I were obviously the better debaters but Class II won the sympathy of

the audience. Despite what the audience thought, the Chairman, in his wisdom, awarded the debate to Class I.

The third debate was a Union Night against Sydney University. This was run along parliamentary lines on the topic that "Tradition is a Barrier to Progress". The College team of CMIDS Bytheway and Hay were completely unversed in the tactics employed in this form of debating and, despite some strong help from the floor, were soundly beaten.

JAZZ AND REVUE 1972

The 1972 Jazz and Revue can be credited with several firsts and saw some new innovations which marked it as one of the best ever.

Working under the name of Creswell Productions Ltd. with Mark Hudson and Bob Neil as Producer and Director, this progressive organization provided the College with an extremely entertaining evening. The sketches included a saucy melodrama with Max Hancock playing the villain and Andrew Donald the sensuous heroine. In fine Jazz and Revue tradition, the College Staff were not neglected and several were awarded prizes for their devotion to duty.

As well as live theatre, Creswell Productions, in a major take-over bid of the HMAS

Albatross photographic section, branched into movie making. Friday Divisions will never be the same, after our producer and director had taken a perfectly normal parade and transformed it into an epic of modern cinema that would put "Dads Army" and "Catch 22" to shame.

Special mention must go to Len Bytheway for his untiring efforts on the backdrop and technical aides. While Dave Michael and Ross Smith did an extremely good job on props and costumes.

Editor's Note: Shares in Creswell Productions Ltd will become available to the general public as soon as the company is out of the "Red".



THE DAYS OF YOUTH ARE SHORT, YET LAST IN PART FOREVER
M. A. HUDSON

Home

It's many things to those not there,
A warming fire, someone who cares,
A loving smile, your favourite chair
And when you're far away like us
It's where a mum will make a fuss.
Where we relax and readjust
To a life that's slow and quiet and free
And living comes so easily,
Far away from the cold, rough sea,
A sea that flecked with wild, white foam,
But it doesn't matter where we roam;
The only place for us is home,

T. D. HAY

Nothing

"Write something on nothing," he casually said
I looked at him thinking, "He's gone off his head!"
"Serious, an essay or poem will do
Pick the topic yourself, I can trust you
To come up with something original, unique
But don't take too long, I want it next week."
So I sat back a while and gave it some thought
He should've given me a warning because I had been caught
Unawares by this directive from the powers that be—
Something on nothing—now let me see.
I can't write on swimming or soccer or sailing
Or football or fencing or even my failing
To come up to scratch in my English exam
That guy should play tennis, he'd win the grand slam.
There's no doubt about it I must say I'm beat
But beaten by nothing—what a defeat!

T. D. HAY

Father You Lied

The days of black and white;
When we were young, alive, seeing light.
Hopalong Cassidy and the Cisco Kid got their man,
And the night was white. I was their fan.
"The only good commie was one who's dead."
My Dad said that among the things he fed
And he was right, his hair was white, And,
Dad, you always came; with your answer of black and
White, which I believed.
Each day and night were black and white;
I was not grieved.
I knew not else in those days of
Right and wrong, the greyness hadn't come

And Hopalong still got his man
And everything had a place in its black and
white block.
That day she came I remember well
It rained, a heavy leadened sky of grey.
The black and white days were over, we fell.
We never knew of the shades of grey.
That life was really never a book of rules.
Hopalong Cassidy and Cisco, you lied to me.
My Father you lied.

M. A. HUDSON

Pollution II

Somewhere, far in the distance,
A churchbell breaks the calm that is a Sunday morning,
and into the church the worshippers go to pray that they,
Labourers, Businessmen and Housewives
Might be delivered from this,
This polluted planet
That we,
The "intelligent" species have expiated,
and destroyed the wildlife,
that cannot defend itself,
from the pollutants which pour into the air and water
in millions of tons each day.
We kill and destroy and care not
for that we leave annihilated.
And as our fauna and flora
disappear forever from the face of the earth,
We gain wealth and satisfaction
from wholesale slaughter.
Somewhere, far in the distance,
thunder sounds.
The heavens pour forth water
to quench the thirst of barren sands
and ruins
that stand gaunt and lifeless,
as is the whole world,
and has been for eons.

Carved in a cliff-face,
Battered and cracked
is a message to those
who might seek refuge on this planet.
Its words are simple;
its message complete;
The history of a dead world
summed up in two short words:
Beware! Pollution!

A. M. SALMON

The Awakening

Somewhere, far off,
A light
Hope
It flickers
And fades.
God, do my eyes deceive me?

Words
Confidence
Resurrection
Or renaissance
Who knows?
Do I? Do you?
Does anyone?
One does.

He is distant
But yet so near,
so old and yet
Unborn
All powerful
But so weak
He comes.

I see the light,
It is brighter
It grows more light,
Second by second
I am dazzled
Is it too late?
Clearly I can see it now.

I pray not.
Perhaps there is still time.

The ticking of a clock,
The sound of light
On cracked window glass,
The entirety of nothing,
It comes . . .

Death!

A. M. SALMON



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