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*A recent overseas deployment for HMAS JERVIS BAY (above) proved a real eye-opener for our trainees.
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RAN HERO'S UK MEDAL

An Australian Navy helicopter pilot has been awarded one of Britain's highest honours for bravery.

LCDR Peter Nelson, on exchange duty with the RN, will receive the Air Force Cross (AFC) for his heroism during the Gulf War.

"I am very proud of him," his wife Carol told AAP from Somerset county in southern England.

"It's typical of him, if he's in the right place he'll always do the right thing."

LCDR Nelson, who joined the RAN 14 years ago, is one of six Australian Navy officers on exchange to serve in the Gulf.

He was there from January to late March this year.

It is believed he is the first Australian to receive an overseas award for Gulf War actions and the first to receive an AFC from Britain since the Australian award system was introduced a few years ago.

The AFC has been awarded for LCDR Nelson's actions in flying his Sea King helicopter to rescue two wounded soldiers "in full view" of a tank battle in Iraq.

A Royal Navy spokesman said that LCDR Nelson had entered a life-threatening situation to rescue the soldiers.

Dramatic Gulf War rescue

The spokesman also said that he believed part of the award was due to the fact that he had flown the night time rescue mission, one of his first sorties in the Gulf, in "appalling" weather conditions which included gale force winds and heavy rain.

The AFC, the 10th highest British military award overall, like the Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded for acts of courage while flying.

Unlike the DFC though it is awarded to pilots who were not in active operations against the enemy when the act of bravery occurred.

LCDR Nelson, from Adelaide but based at RNAS Yeovilton in Somerset in England for his exchange service, was embarked in the

23,000 tonne stores ship RFA FORT GRANGE for operations in the Gulf.

The award is thought to be the first granted to an Australian for Gulf service.

Carole Nelson, who met her husband while in the Sinai in 1984 while she was serving with multi-national peacekeeping forces stationed there, said life with him had "never been dull".

But the award was a wonderful recognition of his efforts, she said. In Adelaide, LCDR Nelson's mother Joan Nelson said her son had done the family proud.

Mrs Nelson, 59, said she had not known of the rescue and never knew what dangerous situations her son, an identical twin, was in during his time in the Gulf.

"I suppose it was good not to know, you know how a mother worries," she said.

"But he has really done us proud today. I'm just bursting with pride."

"We've always known what Peter amounted to, now everyone else knows."

Super News

Do you suffer from computer phobia?

Calls to the MSBS Hotline and comments at recent Re-settlement Seminars reveal how few people have had an opportunity to use 'Fred', the computer program to calculate your DFRDB/MSBS transfer benefits.

Fred was distributed to ADF units in January this year, but despite promotional posters at units and articles in Service newspapers, Fred is not very well known.

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Those of you who did not know there was a 'Fred' running around the ADF can take heart — a new improved model is on the way.

Known informally as 'Fred Mk2' and titled the DFRDB/MSBS Benefit Forecaster, this IBM compatible program will allow you to obtain a comparison of your DFRDB and MSBS benefits for any future year up to 2017.

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Fred Mk2 will be distributed early July 1991 to all ADF units. Keep an ear and eye open for his arrival.

ATTENTION

ALL EX-CREW MEMBERS OF HMAS KIMBLA

A second re-union will be held in Sydney on Saturday, October 19, 1991

Venue and Cost: T.B.A.

All interested ex crew members please contact:—

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE

NAVAL SUPPORT COMMAND

Aircraft Logistics, North Sydney

The Department of Defence requires the services of an experienced and qualified man or woman to fill the following vacancy:

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The successful applicant will, under limited direction, be responsible for performing technical work in the Aircraft Engineering field primarily associated with the maintenance, modification, defect investigations, repair and testing of Rolls Royce Gnome aero engines, Sea King aircraft transmission gearboxes, associated mechanical accessories, ancillaries and special to type tools.

Interested applicants should contact Mr W. Ammann, (02) 925 4404. Applications must quote E/AIRLOG/1470/G.

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*Please note that the salary indicated is negotiable within that range based on experience and qualifications held.

To be eligible for appointment to the above position applicants must hold Australian Citizenship.

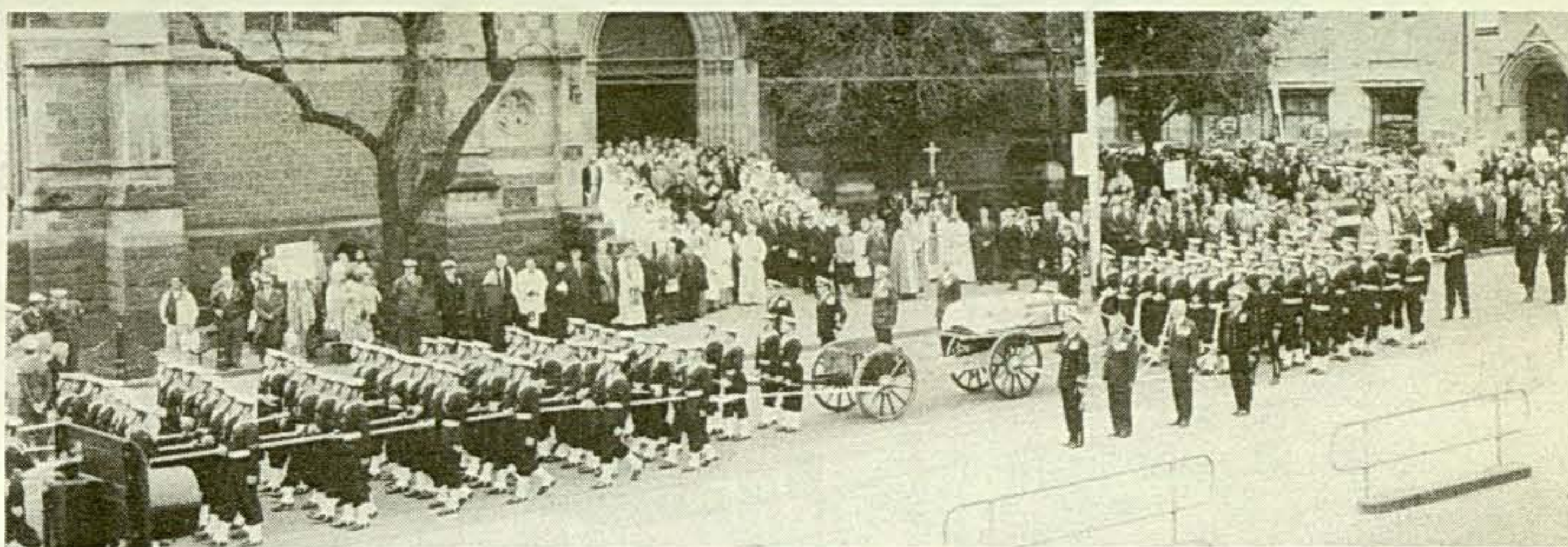
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Applications providing a daytime contact telephone number and quoting the reference number should be forwarded to the following address within two weeks.

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The State Funeral procession at Melbourne's St. Paul's Cathedral.

State Funeral for Sir Brian Murray

A State Funeral has been held for Rear Admiral Sir Brian Murray KCMG AO former Deputy Chief of Naval Staff (1975-1978) and State Governor of Victoria (1982-1985) who passed away at his home and vineyard, DOONKUNA Estate on June 4.

Sir Brian was farewelled at the service in St Paul's Cathedral Melbourne on June 12.

His career could not be better summed up than in the Eulogy given by his life-long friend and colleague, Admiral Sir Anthony Synnot KBE AO RAN Retd.

Sir Anthony said that Sir Brian, born in Melbourne on December 26 1921, had been more than a holder of the Vice-Regal office; more than the public image allowed most people to see.

He had been a distinguished Victorian — a dedicated Naval Officer — a fine Australian.

"And, I am proud to say, Brian Murray was my friend," he added.

Sir Brian joined the Royal Australian Navy as a Matriculation, or Special Entry, Cadet Midshipman in early 1939 — at the same time as Sir Anthony.

"In March 1939 — six months before the beginning of the Second World War — we set off in SS Strathallan for England."

They enrolled at the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth which, at that

time, was run like one of the great English public schools.

Boarders enrolled at the age of thirteen; "so we seventeen-year-olds were latecomers; and as such we were treated as the bottom of the barrel."

"Our accommodation was in Sand Quay; we slept in hammocks for the first time; and Brian and I had as fellow-newboys such lowly students as Prince Philip."

"Brian and I had both joined up because we felt a war was approaching; but neither of us could know how quickly the conflict would come."

"We were three months into our training when Hitler invaded Poland."

"The rest of our year-long course was compressed into three more short months, and suddenly we were fully-fledged Midshipmen, returning to Australia on board SS Strathmore."

"The ship was late in berthing at Port Melbourne. Our respective fathers, who were waiting proudly for their sons,

struck up a conversation, only to find that they had known each other as small boys living in the same street. Indeed, it can be a small world."

CRUISER

"We joined the cruiser HMAS CANBERRA together in 1940, but this was the last time that we were to serve so closely together until Brian's last naval job."

"The Canberra did not provide Brian with the most auspicious start to his career."

"He broke his arm falling out of the ship's Gunfire Control Director Tower, and we sailed without him."

"When he was fit again he went to the cruiser AUSTRALIA to finish his Midshipman's time."

"It was in England again, doing Lieutenant's courses this time, that our paths next crossed. These completed, Brian served in the crew that commissioned the new British-built destroyer, HMAS NEPAL."

Sir Anthony said the single most dramatic event in Sir Brian's war service



The late Sir Brian Murray.

occurred as a result of a near-fatal case of mistaken identity.

"He was back on board the AUSTRALIA, which he had rejoined in 1944."

"She was a cruiser, but had been built with three funnels, giving her the appearance of a battleship."

"For the Japanese High Command, a cruiser was a target, but a battleship was a major prize."

"And so it was that not one but five Japanese Kamikaze bombers attacked and hit HMAS AUSTRALIA, with Brian Murray among the crew."

"One can only imagine the results, but Brian survived."

Sir Anthony said Sir Brian had been a "brave

and effective officer" and, by war's end, it had been clear he had a long Naval career ahead of him.

"He began that postwar career in Wales, with an Aircraft Direction Officer's course."

"He later qualified as a Navigator also. The logical next step was into aircraft carriers."

"During the Korean War Brian had risen to Senior Direction Officer in the carrier HMAS SYDNEY."

"For his service in that position, Brian was Mentioned in Despatches for 'Dedication and professionalism'."

Sir Brian's advancement in the Navy was brisk.

WATERHEN SINKING RECALLED

On the weekend of June 29-30 crew members of the original HMAS WATERHEN, together with the ship's company of the present HMAS WATERHEN commemorated the sinking of a distinguished member of the 'Scrap Iron Flotilla'.

The traditional 'WATERHEN night' Mess Dinner was held on June 28, when the guest was CMDR Max Pechey RAN (Rtd), who was a Midshipman on the WATERHEN at the time of her loss.

On Saturday June 29 there was a reception at HMAS WATERHEN for crew members of the original HMAS WATERHEN and on Sunday June 30 a memorial service was held at HMAS WATSON coinciding with a wreath-laying ceremony from HMAS FREMANTLE to seaward of Sydney Heads.

WATERHEN'S WAR

In 1933 the British Admiralty agreed to loan WATERHEN, STUART and three 'V' class destroyers to the RAN to replace the 'S' class destroyers then in service.

WATERHEN arrived on the Australian Station in December 1933.

Between then and September 1939 she was paid off into reserve three times. With the outbreak of war

she was recommissioned again, for the last time, on September 1, 1939.

In company with STUART and VENDETTA, WATERHEN sailed for the Mediterranean on October 14, 1939.

For more than a year while the 'Scrap Iron Flotilla' grappled for control of the ancient sea routes WATERHEN was almost constantly at sea.

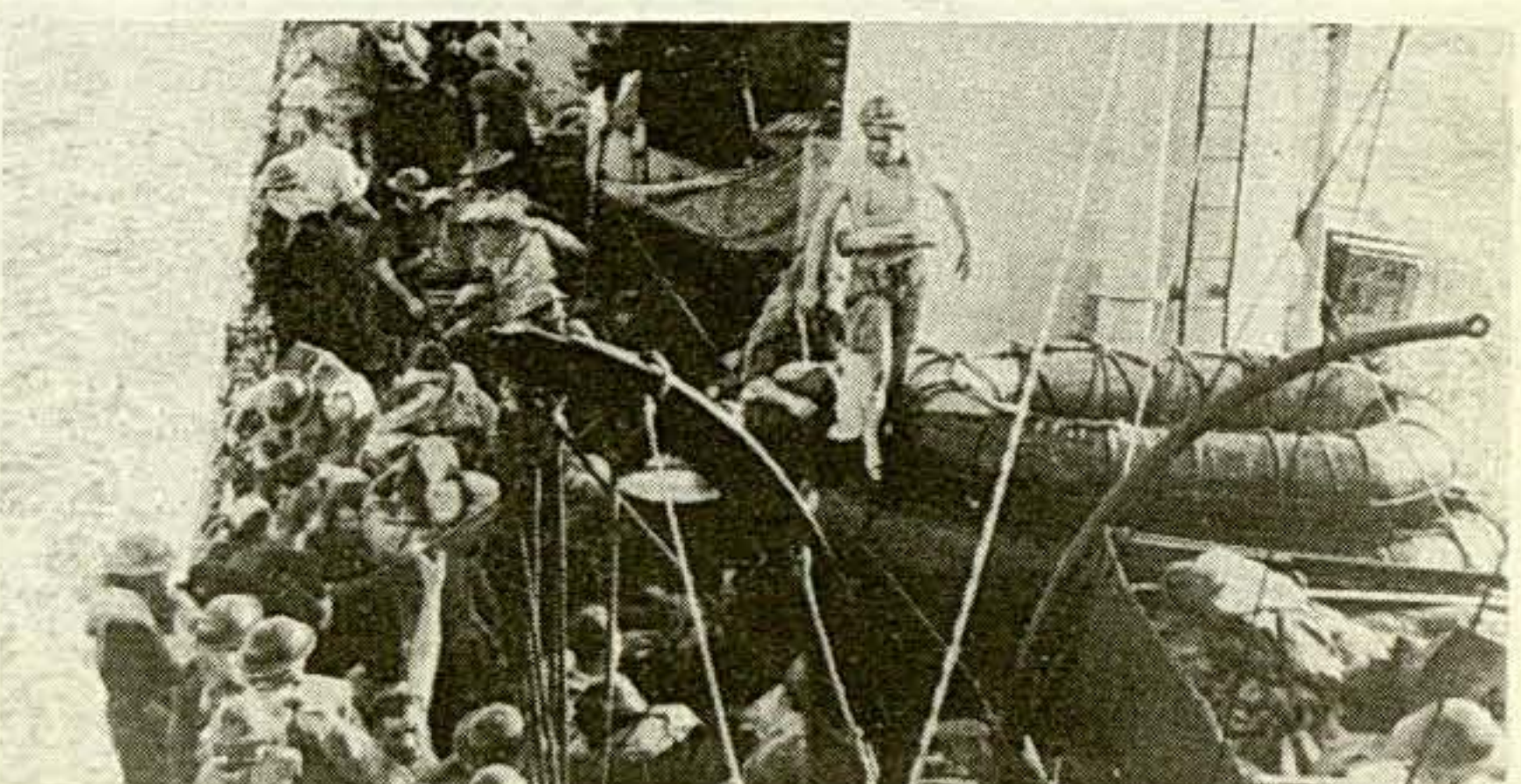
WATERHEN finished her days on the 'Tobruk Ferry Service' for the supply and reinforcement of the beleaguered Australian garrison at TOBRUK.

"Suicide alley was what the British ships called our run," said Petty Officer Raymond.

HOSPITAL SHIP SUNK

When the hospital ship VITA was attacked by Luftwaffe dive bombers on April 14 1941, while sailing from Tobruk harbour unescorted, it was HMAS WATERHEN to the rescue.

HMAS VENDETTA circled the disabled VITA



Scene on the iron deck of HMAS WATERHEN shortly before abandoning ship, June 28, 1941. Photo: RAN Photographic Unit Historical Collection.

whilst all personnel transferred to WATERHEN.

There was a heavy sea running and the emptying of the hospital ship was one of the most ticklish tasks we had to do," said Petty Officer RW Raymond on his return to Australia.

The transfer of 497 patients and nurses was completed within one hour and WATERHEN, her decks literally covered with the wounded, made for Alexandria.

FINAL DAY

On June 28 1941 HMAS WATERHEN, in company with HMAS DEFENDER,

sailed from Alexandria for Tobruk on what was to be her last run.

At 1945 on June 29 off Sollum, both ships were attacked by Luftwaffe dive bombers.

"...still unharmed and the bombers were apparently leaving us when one Stuka came down for a last crazy attempt."

"The plane came nearer to the sea than any I have ever seen."

"We were twisting about and at a crucial moment our steering gear jammed."

"The Stuka's bombs just missed a gun crew and

exploded beside the engine room."

"You could have rowed a boat through the great gap in the side of the ship."

As darkness fell on June 28 1941, DEFENDER took WATERHEN in tow.

It was soon apparent that she could not be saved.

The working party were taken off and at 0150 June 30 1941 and the 'old chook' rolled over and sank.

She was the first ship of the RAN to be lost by enemy action in World War II.

RAN's role in recovery of crashed Orion

The RAN is assisting the RAAF in recovery of an Orion A9-754 which crashed at Cocos Island on April 26.

Although consisting primarily of members of the RAAF, Survey and Security Team maintained to secure aircraft crash sites, the team was supplemented by specialists from communications, medical, armament and RAN clearance diving.

Our correspondent reports that the task was complex and unusual.

"First it required that the aircraft be moved from the coral outcrop on which it had come to rest, which was about 800 metres from the island; then that had to be reduced to pieces of a size that could be handled by local cranes and trucks.

"The salvage team spent three days attaching flotation devices to the aircraft to prepare it for towing by a local barge.

"On the fourth day A9-754 was 'sailed' about 4km north to a clear beach area and hauled ashore by two bulldozers.

"Despite being extensively damaged underneath during the forced landing, there was quite a large quantity of repairable items removed from the wreckage during the next two weeks for recycling through repair facilities.

"By May 30, A9-754 had been reduced to manageable sized pieces and these had been placed in a site near the jetty to await removal by sea.

"I believe this removal may involve HMAS WESTRALIA later this year.

"The repairable items were recovered to mainland Australia by C130.

"Clean-up of the crash site was completed by scuba qualified team members (under supervision of RAN clearance diver LEUT Lex Nankervis) lifting pieces of wreckage from the sea floor using a local barge and crane."



LEUT Lex Nankervis



The aircraft under tow.



The Gold Coast's Karen Tatham is a travel fan but, when time allows, she turns her hand to learning the art of skindiving. (Picture: Richard Campion).

RSL SWORD AWARDED

In a ceremony at HMAS WATSON, Sub Lieutenant Allison Horder has been presented with the RSL Sword.

Donated by the RSL, it is presented biennially to the dux of the Executive Officers Application Course (Phase Three).

The course is primarily conducted at HMAS WATSON, where Naval Officers are given their first experience in operational training.

SBLT Horder joined the Defence Academy in 1987 where she completed a

Bachelor of Science degree, majoring in Mathematics.

She is currently serving in HMAS TOBRUK.

The sword was presented by the President of the RSL, Brigadier Alf Garland. Mr Bruce Ruxton, Deputy President of the RSL, also attended the ceremony.



SBLT Horder with RSL Deputy President, Mr Bruce Ruxton (left) and RSL President Brigadier Alf Garland.

Homes Office move

The Victorian branch office of the Department of Veteran's Affairs and Defence Service Homes are moving in July.

The new address will be "The Argus Centre" 300 LaTrobe Street MELBOURNE.

The telephone number will be 284 600, toll free 008 113 304.

Homes loans rule challenge

The current Defence Service Home Loan scheme (DSHL) offers a maximum loan of \$25,000 on a dwelling even if both husband and wife have eligibility under the scheme.

This restriction has been challenged recently in the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (AAT) by two ADF members.

As the scheme is administered by the Department of

Veteran's Affairs the AAT decision has been referred by HQADF to them for clarification.

Any personnel who are considering whether to revoke their entitlement under the DSHL scheme in favour of the ADF Home Loan Assistance scheme (ADFHLAS) should be aware of this case and its implications.

They may wish to defer their decision until advice is received from the Department of Veteran's Affairs.

This will be promulgated as soon as it is known.

Garry's skill earns gold!

ABMTP Garry Brumfield's skills have been recognised by the Prime Minister.

Mr Hawke presented the young Able Seaman from HMAS SUCCESS with the Evatt Shield at a recent lunch in Sydney.

The occasion was the farewell to a team of 36 young Australian who are to represent their country at an International Youth Skill Olympics in Amsterdam.

Each member of the team has been judged to be at the top of their skill or trade, ranging from welding to hairdressing.

In addition to the individual competition, regional teams also competed for the shield named after the former Labor leader EV 'Doc' Evatt.

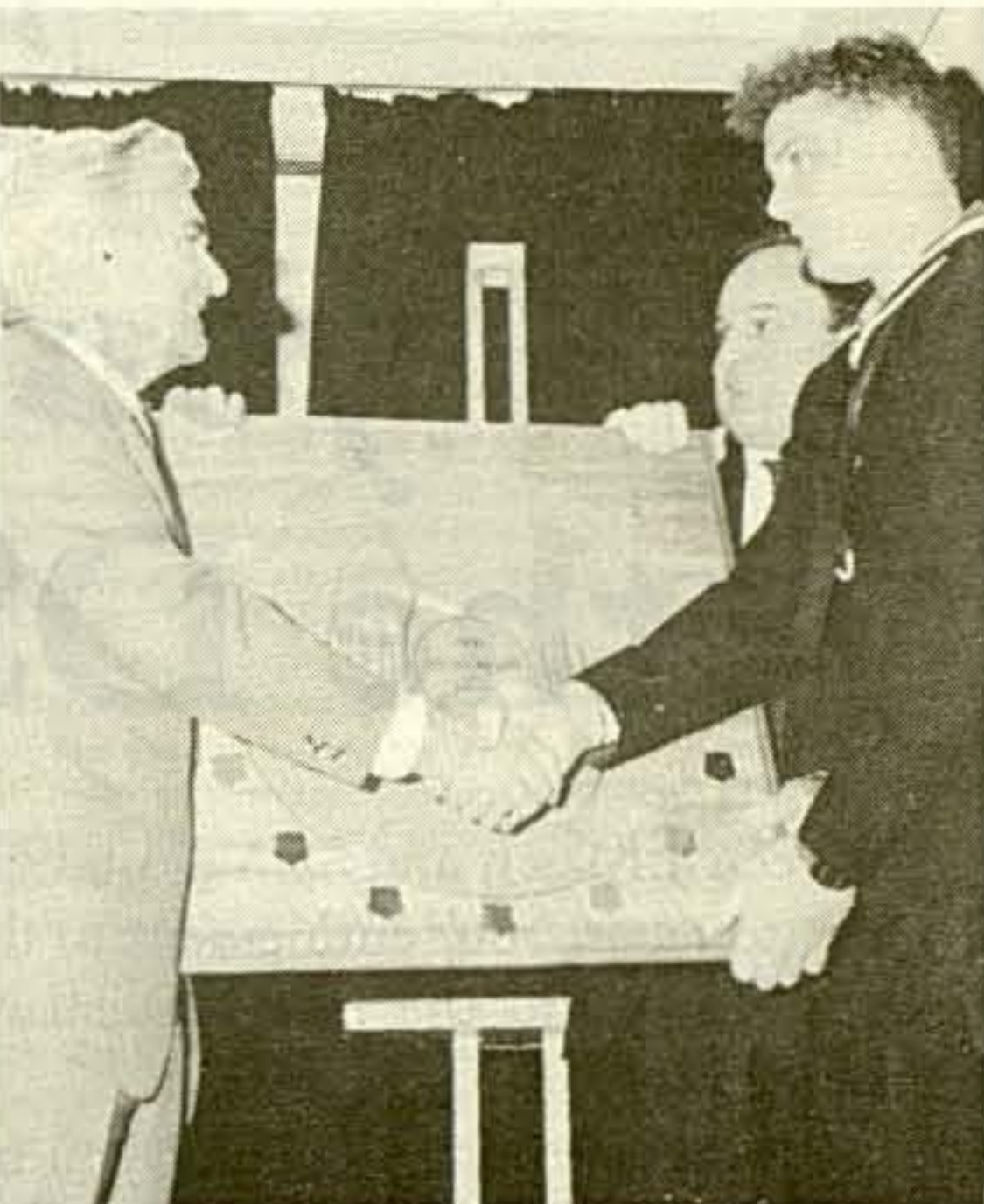
The Department of Defence Regional team won the 15kg bronze shield and Able Seaman Brumfield won the gold medal for welding.

AB Brumfield, (20), of Moss Vale NSW, joined the Navy three and a half years ago.

He did his technical training at HMAS NIRIMBA, and said that he was urged to enter the competition by the Navy.

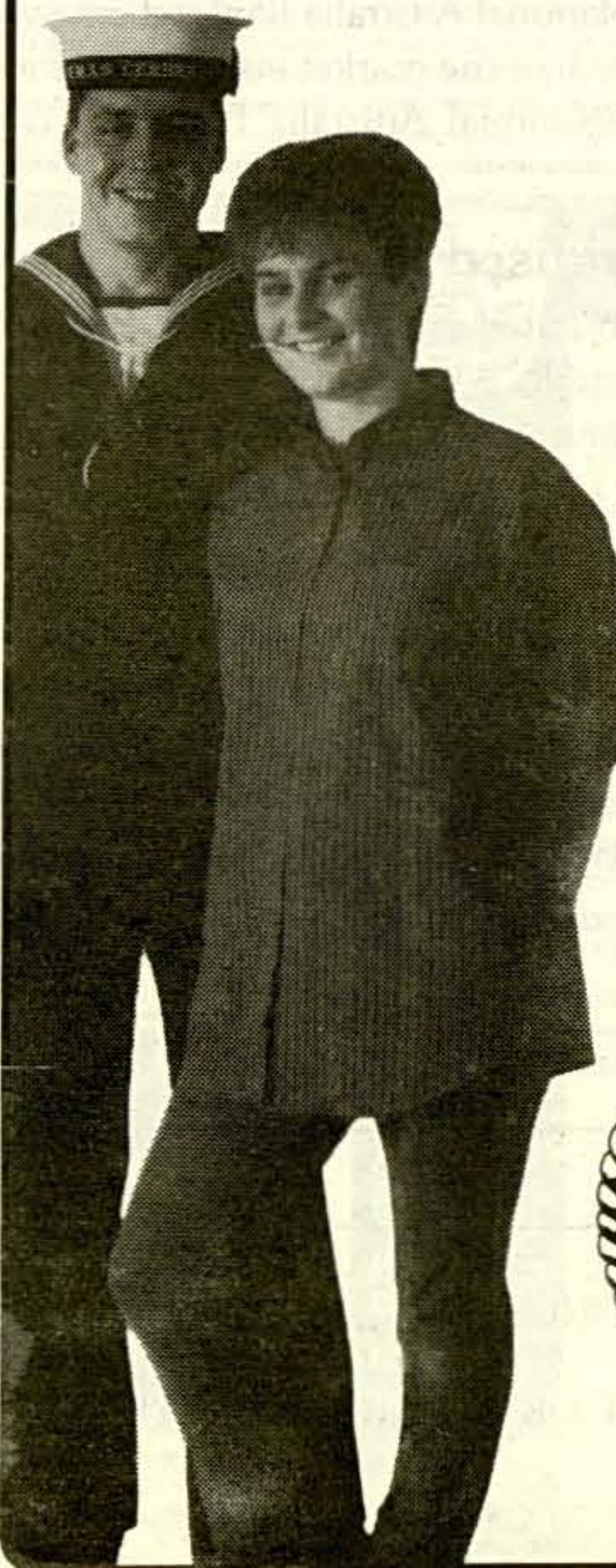
Garry plans to teach electric-welding sometime in the future.

Story: Leif Bunyan, Photo: SWRPH Jackie Stemm.



AB Brumfield with Mr. Hawke.

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5 good reasons you should stay with the DSH/Westpac scheme

Between 1 March and 31 August 1991 you have to decide if you want to retain your entitlement to the DSH/Westpac scheme or want to go into the new ADFHLAS/National Australia Bank scheme.

If you have dual eligibility you may have already received a revocation kit from your commanding officer. Although the kit gives you the information you need, we wish to highlight the five main benefits you gain from the DSH/Westpac scheme.

1 Protection of your fixed interest rate

Your subsidised Westpac housing loan is protected at a low interest rate of only 6.85% p.a. over a 25 year term. This is fixed at that rate unlike the ADFHLAS/National Australia Bank scheme which is a variable rate based on 60% of the market interest rate for housing loans. The ADFHLAS/National Australia Bank rate can go up. Ours can't.

2 25 year subsidised loan

The Westpac loan is subsidised at a the low fixed rate for 25 years unlike the National Australia Bank loan which is subsidised for a maximum of 20 years and which could be further reduced if you leave the service at any time during that period.

3 Protection of your subsidised loan

Under the DSH/Westpac scheme, if you leave the service you will still be entitled to a 25 year loan at the subsidised rate of 6.85% p.a. Under the ADFHLAS/National Australia Bank scheme your term

of subsidy is equal to the number of completed years of service beyond the initial six years to qualify. After the period of subsidy ends you will have to pay the normal market rates.

4 Only one Westpac fee

Westpac will charge you only one establishment fee that covers all bank costs. There are no extras and no annual service fee. Currently, the National Australia Bank charges both an application fee and an ongoing annual service fee.

5 Discounted fee

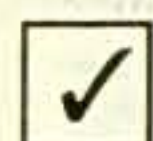
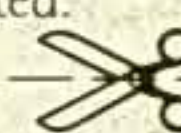
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TOBRUK GOES TO AID OF CHARITY

HMAS TOBRUK (CMDR G.D. Kenndey) has engaged in a different battle waged every day by children with cerebral palsy. The ship has just adopted the Stuart Centre in Newcastle as its official charity.

Cerebral palsy is a disorder of movement and posture due to an abnormality to the developing brain.

As a result children with cerebral palsy have varying degrees of difficulty in learning to move, play and communicate.

A child with cerebral palsy is born once in every 400 births.

Although this damage cannot be cured it can be modified.

The Stuart Centre is continually in need of new equipment such as strollers, high chairs and toys to

achieve this modification.

Additionally it requires manpower to keep the school as comfortable and attractive as possible.

Enter TOBRUK.

The ship has pledged ongoing support, particularly in the form of providing electronic toys which can be easily procured during overseas deployments.

A visiting group from the ship was amazed when a child at the centre, who has never managed to speak, communicated freely with the use of an electronic voice keyboard.

TOBRUK has also un-

dertaken to build an adventure trail for the children.

By cooperating with the local Rotary Club and Charlestown TAFE the ship's company will be providing assistance and expertise over a two-year period to create a facility which will greatly improve the standard of life at the school.

Of course, various fundraising activities will be conducted and the occasional financial gratuity donated.

But the real reward for all involved is the friendship realised during the battle.



ABSIG Craig Woodberry with Erin Stewart at Newcastle's Stuart Centre.

Cooks strike gold

The cooks of HMAS NIRIMBA kept up a fine tradition by walking away with two gold medals, three silver, and a bronze at the Salon Culinaire Food Presentation Competition held at Wagga Wagga.

The cooks worked around the clock during the night before the presentations to get their entries up to standard.

Senior WRAN Cook

Rachel King spent 200 hours working on her wedding cake which won her a gold medal.

Able Seaman Cook Malcolm Mallinson-Sheahan also won a gold for his presentation of four restaurant plates.

Leading Seaman Cook Michael Digney must have been in despair after working on his cake for so long only to see "pear sweat"

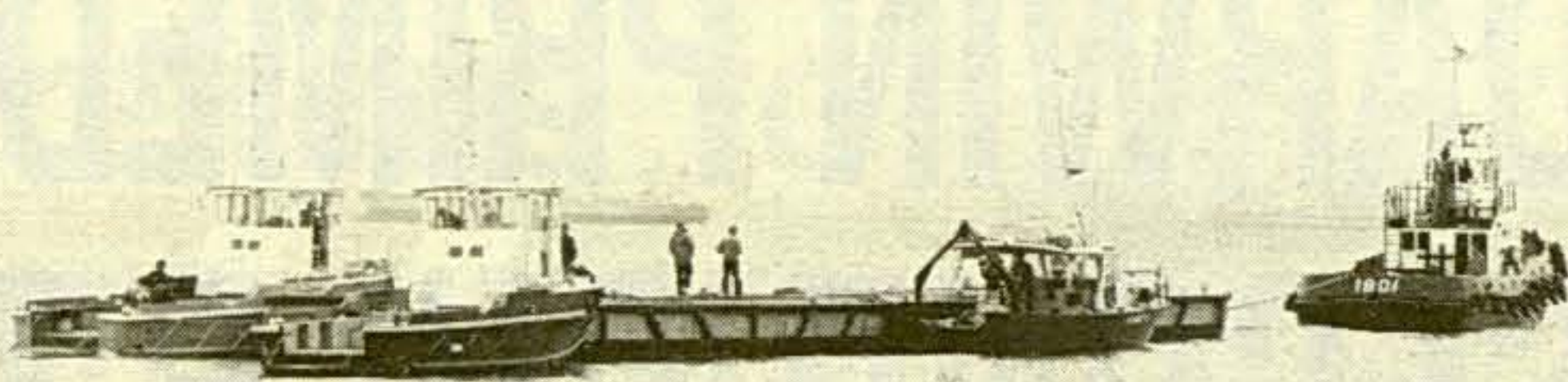
start to form on the top of it.

The top of the cake had to be scraped off and re-decorated.

Michael still managed to win a silver for his decorated gateau and a bronze for his wedding cake.

Other prize winners were Able Seaman Cook Shane Jones, who won a silver for his three course meal; Able Seaman Cook Jason Pugh, who won a silver for his decorated gateau; and Senior WRAN Cook Kylie Sloane, who was given a certificate of participation for her decorated fruit flan.

Warrant Officer Cook Monica Cullen, who is the catering officer at NIRIMBA, said the team's performance was enhanced by the effort put in by the support crew which included the Supply Officer, Commander Roger Evans, Chief Petty Officer Stores Victualling Barry Kovac, Petty Officer Cook David Reid and Petty Officer Cook Steven Clark. (Steven put in a substantial amount of his own time to act as team manager and coach).



The submerged remains of the 19th century whaler DAY DAWN, suspended by cables under a Navy pontoon, is slowly towed out of the HMAS STIRLING small craft compound by the naval tug QUOKKA to a new resting place further south in Careening Bay. Picture: LSPH Scott Connolly.

Navy plays a leading role in wreck's move

By

Vic Jeffery, Navy Public Relations (WA)

After approximately 100 years lying on the bottom of Careening Bay the wreck of the former American whaler DAY DAWN has been moved to a new resting place.

Formerly located close to one of the wharves of the HMAS STIRLING small craft compound it was decided by the WA Maritime Museum that with the amount of maritime traffic over and around the wreck it would be better moved to quieter waters.

That is where the Navy came in with its keen sense of preserving our maritime history.

Deemed to be of historic interest by the WA Maritime Museum because of its construction, the wooden-hulled DAY DAWN was built in the American whaling port of Massachusetts in 1855 as a whaler and later sold to Australian interests in 1867 where it was placed in service as a coastal cargo vessel.

Displacing 360 tonnes, DAY DAWN was wrecked at Quindalup in Western Australian waters while loading railway sleepers destined for the Silverton Railway project in South Australia.

Sold for salvage, DAY DAWN was towed to Careening Bay at Garden Island sometime between 1887 and 1900 where it was stripped of all useful fittings and its hulk burnt and scuttled.

DAY DAWN lay forgotten until its remains were uncovered by the dredge of the John Holland Company, operating in the area in 1976 during the construction of STIRLING's small craft compound.

As the dredge worked in towards the shore, obstruction had been encountered in several places and the dredge blades showed pieces of planking and crumpled sheathing metal - clearly a wreck.

A submerged wreck of a coal hulk had been found in the northern end of Careening Bay in 1973 and removed, but this was clearly not a coal hulk.

Lying in naval waters, DAY DAWN's examination would have involved a lengthy delay in construction operations and a compromise was reached with the Commonwealth Department of Housing and Construction whereby the wreck was moved slightly into a trench where it was protected and was suitable to be inspected by the museum.

In a further bid to protect the wreck with the cooperation of the Navy and Cockburn Cement Limited, the hopper barge SOUND CEM II was manoeuvred over the wreck in early 1983 and 400 cubic metres of sand dumped on and around DAY DAWN's wreck to preserve its timbers against attack from the marine teredo worm.

The operation to move DAY DAWN to its final resting place, further south of HMAS STIRLING in Careening Bay, was coordinated by the base Port Service Officer, WOFC Bill Clifton, and Mr Graeme Henderson, Senior Curator of the WA museum's Department of Maritime Archaeology.

The evening before the DAY DAWN was moved divers from clearance diving team four placed cables around the wreck and secured them to two Navy pontoons above, operating on the principal that the rising tide would lift the DAY DAWN from its watery grave.

Calculations were correct with DAY DAWN gently raised, although still submerged, and with the naval tug QUOKKA towing the pontoons and two work boats assisting with manoeuvrability, they slowly proceeded out of the small craft compound.

After two hours the position was reached at the southern end of the Bay where the old whaler was to be laid to rest once more.

The operation was a complete success as the cables were slipped without incident despite the rising seas and deterioration of the weather.

An underwater inspection by divers from the WA Maritime Museum gave a "thumbs up" to DAY DAWN's condition and new resting place.

Warrant Officer Bill Clifton was heard to remark: "It was the oldest vessel I've ever had to tow!" at the end of the operation.

The operation showed the diversity of the Navy's clearance divers as some of the members of CDT4 were just back from defusing and removing Iraqi ordnance along Kuwait's coastline while other members were helping preserve a historic colonial shipwreck.



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE

NAVAL SUPPORT COMMAND

Applications are invited from suitably qualified men and women for the following vacancy with the Navy Supply Centre located at Zetland.

TECHNICAL OFFICER LEVEL 4

\$34,560-38,623

Duty No: 3772 The successful applicant will manage a small group of specialist desk officers dealing with search radars, navigation radars, display and plot systems, beacons/IFF and electronic counter measures.

Qualifications: An approved certificate from a technical college or institution of technology or its equivalent, or such other qualifications as the Public Service Commission considers appropriate together with requisite experience. Applications will be considered from persons who do not possess the above qualifications provided they have relevant experience over a minimum period of six years. Such an applicant, if selected, will be required to pass a test to establish eligibility for the position.

Note: Contact officer for further enquiries is Lt P. Gorman on (02) 266 2396. Selection for the position will be based on the approved selection criteria which may be obtained by phoning the contact officer. To ensure favourable consideration applicants MUST address each point of the Selection Criteria individually.

To be eligible for appointment to this position applicants must be Australian Citizens.

Applications providing a daytime contact telephone number and quoting the relevant reference number must be forwarded to this following address within two weeks:

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Mr Hiroshi Fukunaga, who works in a post office in Hokkaido, Japan, has written to the Chief of Naval Staff requesting a penfriend in the Royal Australian Navy.

Mr Fukunaga is interested in the RAN and has been authorised as a collector of naval insignia and uniforms so that his own collection of old ceremonial dress and orders and medals may be enhanced.

Mr Fukunaga is 29-years-old and a former member of the Japanese Imperial Guard.

He requests that his correspondent uses English block lettering, Japanese or Romanised Japanese.

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DARWIN PRIMED FOR SECOND GULF TOUR

HMAS DARWIN (CMDR M.W. Bell) has spent recent weeks preparing for her return to the Persian Gulf.

The preparation included a six-day hectic visit to Subic Bay to store the ship for its needs in the upcoming months.

DARWIN has also conducted numerous NBCD drills to maintain a high state of operational readiness.

Commodore Flotillas, CDRE D.B. Chalmers, was again embarked in DARWIN as was the FNBCDO, LCDR T. Walsh, until the ship arrived in Singapore on June 4 for a last refueling stop before sailing to Muscat and the Gulf.

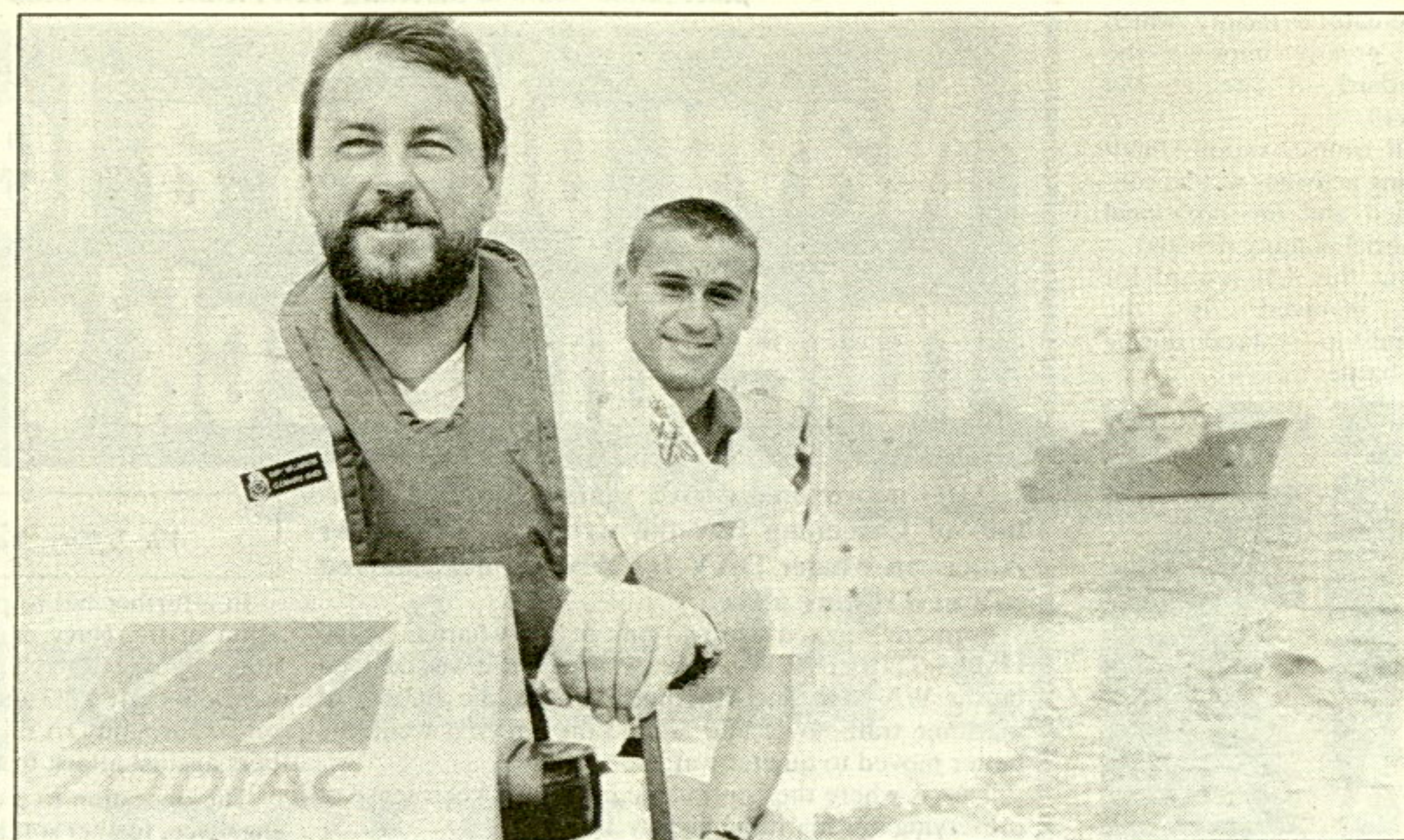
The FFG arrived in the area of operations on June 12 to replace our west coast supply ship HMAS WESTRALIA in duties directed towards enforcing sanctions imposed under the terms of the UN Security Council Resolution 687.

DARWIN has also spent time in company with HMAS ADELAIDE and KRI HASANUDDIN, an Indonesian corvette built in the 1950s.

DARWIN took part in exercise AUSINA 3/91, an exercise which revolves around bringing Australia and Indonesia closer together through mutual defence force participation in military exercises.

During AUSINA 3/91 many facets of naval warfare were exercised over a two-day period, including anti air warfare, anti submarine warfare and replenishment at sea procedures.

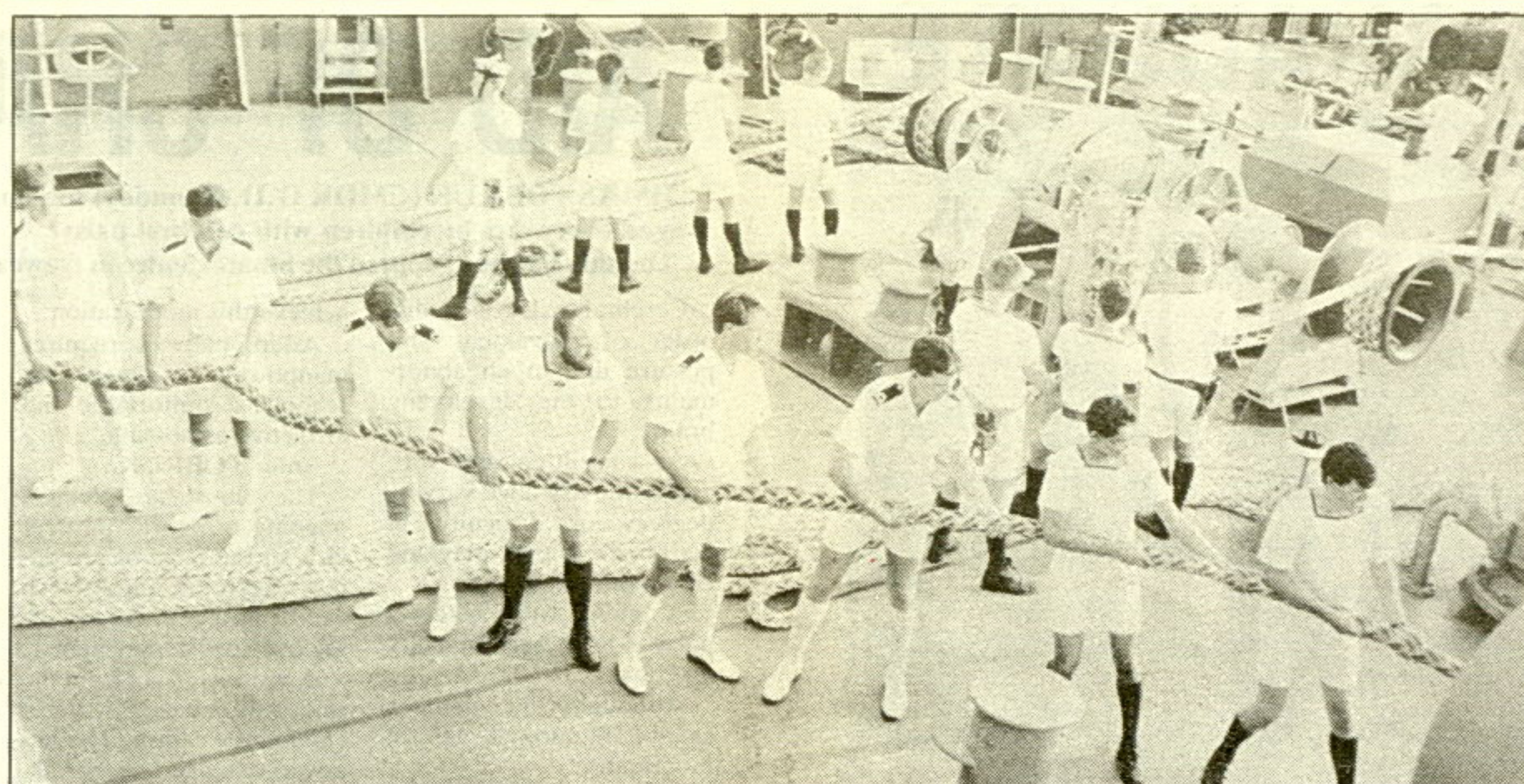
When DARWIN sailed from Subic Bay the ship left behind her sister ship ADELAIDE with whom she had been in company since August 1990 during the initial Operation DAMASK and subsequent workup.



PO Williamson and ABCD Allsop take to DARWIN's Zodiac just prior to the entry into Subic Bay. The guided missile frigate can be seen in the background. Pictures: ABPH Simon Poynton.



DARWIN heads into Subic Bay on her way back to the Persian Gulf.



The officers under training particularly enjoyed the opportunity to work on the foc'sle as part of the line-handling party.

EYE-OPENER FOR TRAINEES

RAN training ship, JERVIS BAY, has again been "host" to junior officers under training with 23 supplementary list officers enjoying the challenges and rigours of sea life for a month.

For the majority of them it was the first time at sea and for most the first time out of Australia.

Main objectives of the junior officers training deployment are to enable the trainees to gain an insight into life at sea and familiarise themselves with the life of a sailor at sea.

The men and women slept in messdecks (rather than the double and single cabins) but were quickly informed that JERVIS BAY messdecks were a lot better than some ships!

The trainees were divided into watches and were rotated through the supply, engineering and seaman departments undertaking a variety of duties.

Some of the duties included preparing and cooking meals for 200 people, steering the ship, standing as life buoy sentry,

painting and cleaning and watches in the machinery spaces.

There were a few aspects of sea life which took some trainees by surprise the minimal space for uniforms and other clothing, no weekends at sea, sea sickness on the first and last day of the cruise and ceremonial sunsets.

Apart from the valuable training they received highlights were watching a Mediterranean mooring and the port visits to Townsville, Noumea and Apia.

Due to the large number of trainees on the supplementary list course, Apia was where the cruise ended for alpha stream.

Bravo stream arrived in Apia on a RAAF B707 and after exchanging items of news and "what to expect", settled on-board JERVIS BAY for the trip home.

Alpha stream returned to Sydney by air to take a character guidance course.

There are sure to be a lot of stories to tell when the course members are back together again.

The "flying four" returned to Sydney, making

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Boat returns to southern waters

HMAS BENDIGO has been extremely busy since Lieutenant Commander Adrian Pearson took command in April this year.

On completing an assisted maintenance period, BENDIGO left Cairns on May 3 for her first southern patrol since 1988.

The first stop was Townsville to participate in the commemoration of the 49th anniversary of the Battle of the Coral Sea. This is the second year running that BENDIGO has taken part in this event.

The planned quick passage to Melbourne was cut short by bad weather and a generator defect.

With the ship weather-bound in Sydney XO Lieutenant Vaughn Rixon, POMTP Whittaker, LSMTP Steve McDonald and ABQMG Turner set off by car to complete another of BENDIGO's southern missions, the 50th anniversary of the commissioning of the original BENDIGO.

Along with previous BENDIGO ICs and crew members and many crew from BENDIGO I, the intrepid travellers marched with local Naval Reserve cadets when Training Ship BENDIGO was granted freedom of entry to the city.

The march was followed by an anniversary/reunion dinner which was enjoyed by all.

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CMDR Charles Biscoe.

CO farewelled

The officers, sailors and soldiers of HMAS TOBRUK, have turned out in force to farewell their Commanding Officer, Commander Charles Biscoe.

In a brief and moving ceremony the entire crew lined the floating dock at FORGAC's dockyard, Newcastle, to farewell Commander Biscoe as he made his final departure from the ship he had commanded for 20 months.

From the dock he was transported to a waiting seaplane aboard a Lighter Amphibious Resupply Cargo (LARC V) from 35 Water Transport Squadron based at Woolwich, Sydney.

These Army craft are an integral part of the joint amphibious operations conducted by the ship and as such provided a fitting farewell for an amphibious group commander.

TOBRUK has been undergoing a refit in Newcastle since mid-February

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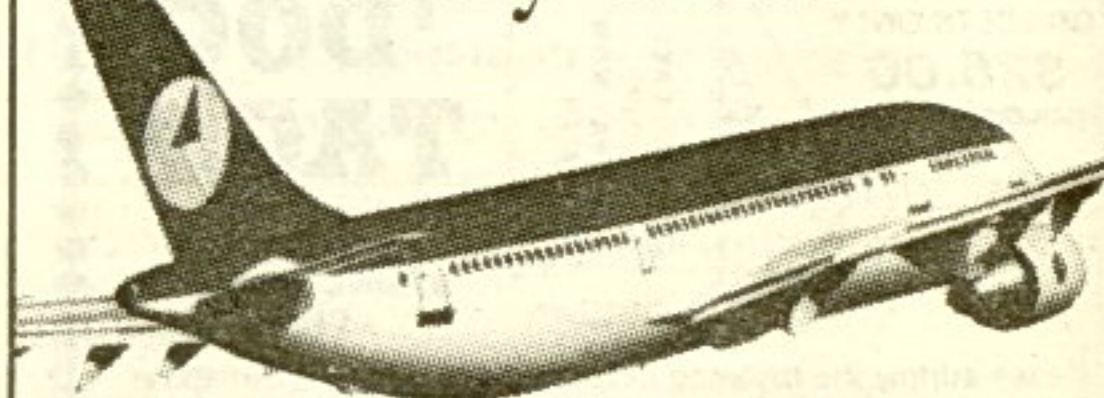
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The costs, which were valid for December 1990 and so are probably more now, are compiled from seven elements.

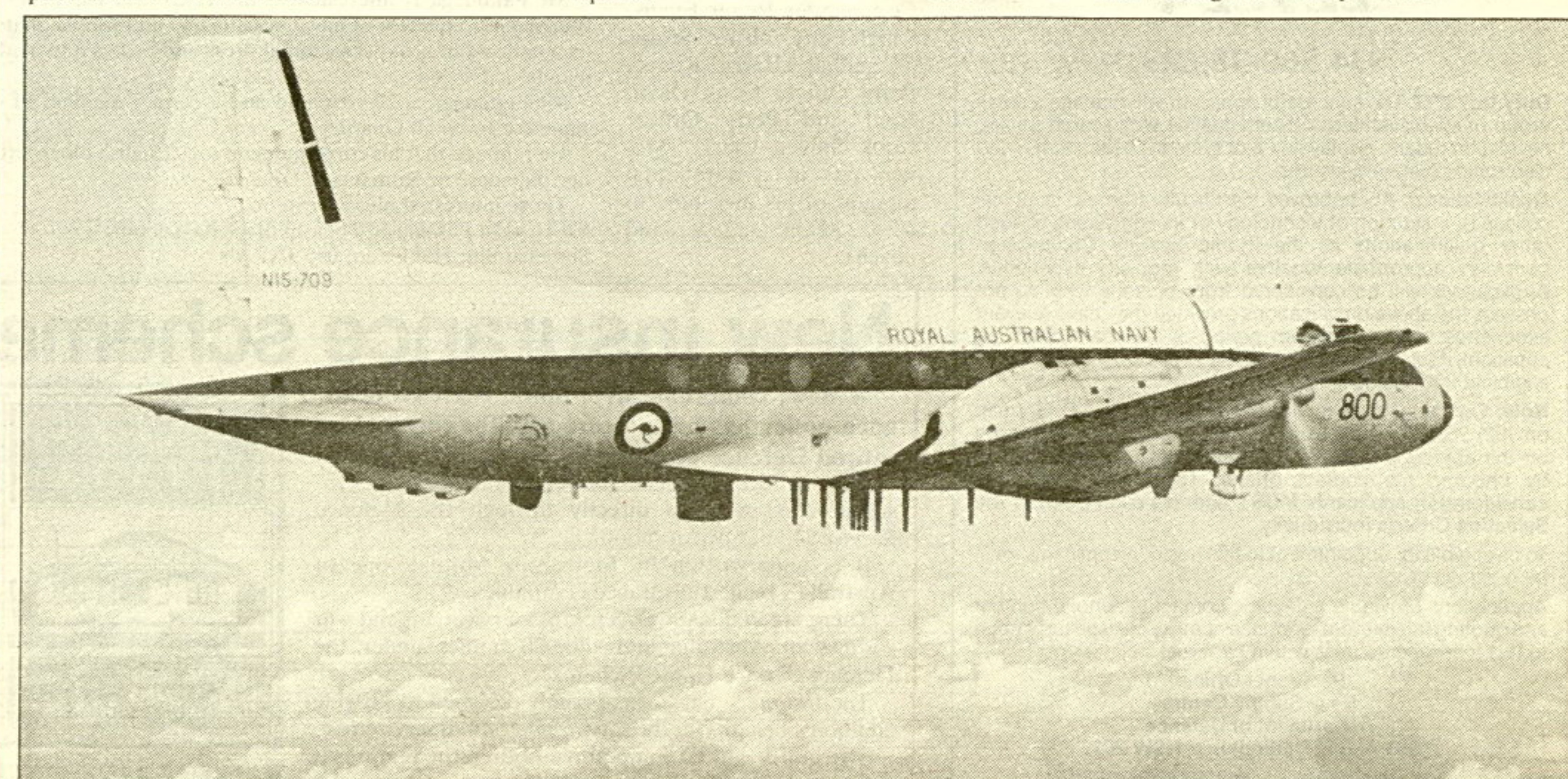
These are: petrol, oil and lubricants (POL), spare parts, servicing (both contract and in-house), crew wages, overheads and amortisation of capital costs.

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From the above it looks as if the best bet is the 748 ... more seats and probably more comfortable than the helos.

However, getting approval to hire the aircraft, unless you cue another government department that is, may prove far more difficult than raising the \$2332 per hour.



Best rental buy ... the HS 748

FREMANTLE left high and dry

HMAS FREMANTLE recently joined the ferries CHARLOTTE, LADY PENRHYN and SCARBOROUGH in Sydney's Balmain.

The ship was in dry dock at the New South Wales State Transit Authority's shipyard at the inner Sydney suburb.

The contract for the three-week intermediate docking was awarded to the State Transit Authority as part of a long-standing policy of contracting work to local private shipyards wherever possible.

Other possibilities in New South Wales included dry docks at Wollongong and Port Macquarie.

Sydney could offer drydock facilities for a ship of FREMANTLE's size at Garden Island, Cockatoo and the Maritime Service Board's facility at Goat Island.

It was the second naval contract awarded in as many weeks.

HMAS BRUNEI was at the shipyard recently undergoing urgent repairs.

State Transit Chief Executive Mr John Brew said that the effort by the shipyard management and staff to complete the repairs to a very tight schedule had already borne fruit with the award of the second contract to the Navy.

Work undertaken during FREMAN-

TLE's intermediate docking include repair to the rudders, shafts, stabiliser, variable pitch propellers and numerous underwater valves.

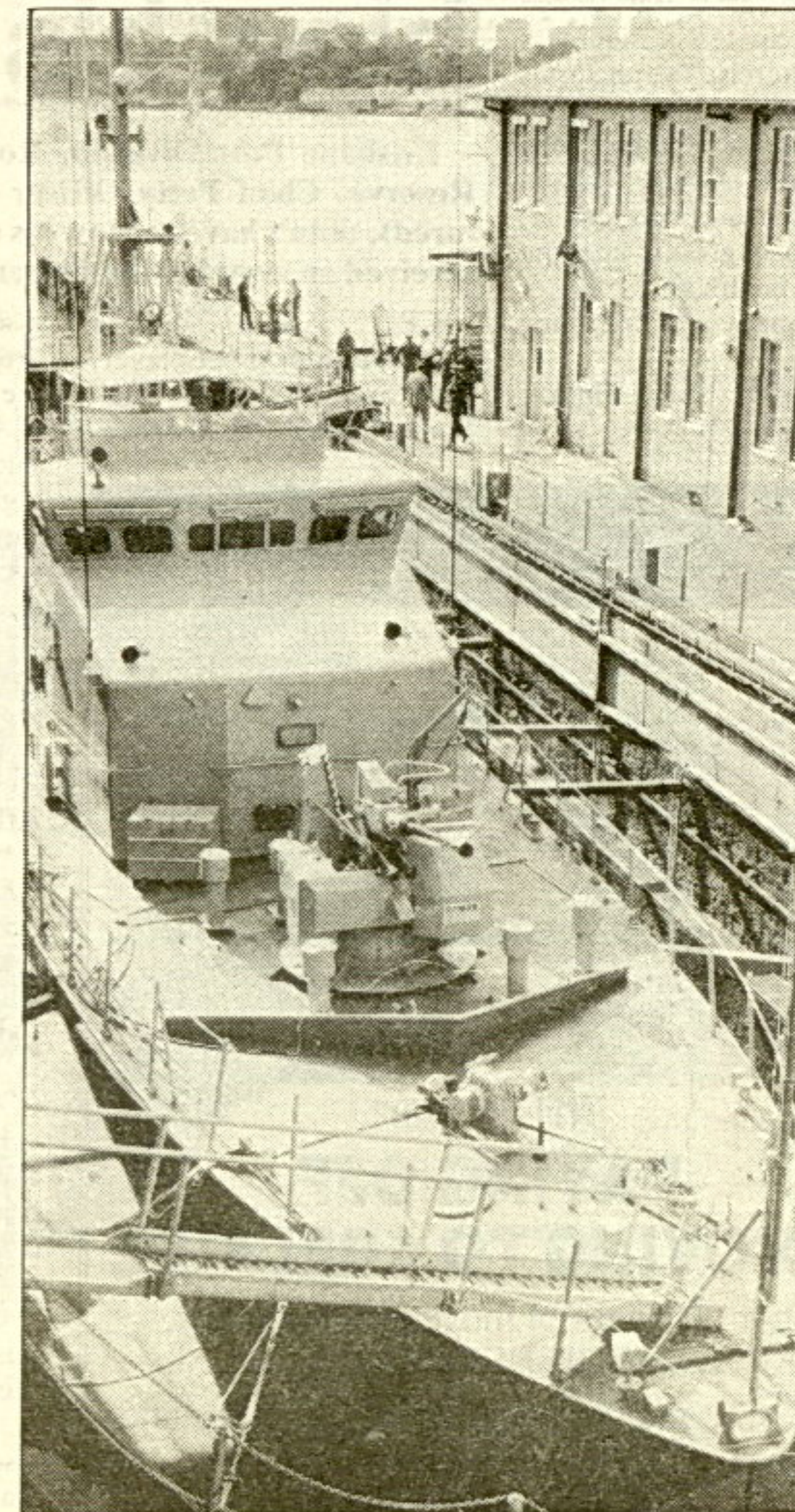
Mr Brew described the Navy contracts as important milestones in the development of the Balmain shipyard as a competitive and commercially-viable facility.

This success story has its foundations in co-operation between management and unions and determination by State Transit to make it work.

An emphasis on training and a new Balmain enterprise award which involves multi-skilling has led to the revival of the fortunes of the yard.

It is 18 months since the agreements were put in place at the Balmain shipyard. Now it is making a sizeable contribution to the break-even finances of State Transit.

More important though the case demonstrates that it is possible to break through the previously intractable barriers between management and unions which for so long has inhibited the ability of similar operations to remain viable.



FREMANTLE ... high and dry at Balmain.



A volunteer undergoing first aid - an interesting component of the Junior Officers training conducted by the sickbay staff.

QUIET ACHIEVERS

HMAS CRESWELL is devoted to training new officers and, while various departments are at once obvious in their participation in Naval ceremonies, the Medical Department works quietly away holding to the Naval Health Services motto 'By Constant Care'.

The Sickbay, presently an all-female staff, consists of a Nursing Officer, Sub-Lieutenant Moya Fincke, LWRMED Jan Targa and SWRMED Karen Horsburgh.

On arrival at the college, all new trainees undergo a round of medical evaluations which the sickbay, in conjunction with the hospital at HMAS ALBATROSS, conducts to ensure the trainees will be fit enough to undertake the rigorous training programme to which the college adheres.

Although the size of courses has decreased with the advent of the Australian Defence Force Academy, the sickbay is kept busy processing Supplementary List Officers' medicals, lining up specialists appointments and providing the RAN Inoculation Program.

This latter service tends to be less popular with the recipients of the injections, however, they are protected against Diphtheria, Tetanus, Typhoid, Polio and Hepatitis B, with the ship's company maintained on a follow-up program.

The Junior Officers Under Training are involved in vigorous sporting activities and the rest of the Ship's Company are encouraged to participate in Physical activities as it is important for Naval personnel to be fit to carry out their duties, as well as the tendency for fit people to have less health problems.

However, sporting activities often result in injuries.

The sickbay provides a medic and ambulance 24 hours every day to be available for any injuries and medical complaints of both trainees and ship's company.

The services of a civilian physiotherapist for two sessions per week is well utilized treating 156 patients over the last six-months period.

The emphasis in health care today is prevention rather than cure. To this end, all Officers under training, Fireground personnel at Jervis Bay Range Facility and those undertaking Higher Rates training have First Aid lectures on a regular basis.

Drug and Alcohol lectures are presented to Officers under training and counselling is given to personnel with problems in these areas.

It administers the RAN's Weight Management Program as there is much documented evidence supporting the theory that obese people are more likely to suffer from cardiac problems and other associated conditions.

HMAS CRESWELL has a well organised Hearing Correction Program.

There are currently 14 personnel on the program who are checked regularly by specialists.

There is also monitoring conducted on eyesight protection. Due to an excellent AIDS education program, sexually transmitted disease (STD) awareness has definitely increased. There were no recorded cases of STDs in the last reporting period.

The sickbay also acts as an emergency medical support for the Jervis Bay Range Facility and often participates in medivacs from HMA Ships on exercise in the Jervis Bay area.

Although the staff of the sickbay may not always be obvious on the Parade Ground and the formal side of college life, they are always in the background keeping a watchful eye over the health and safety of trainees and ship's company and providing 'constant care'.

Story by Sub-Lieutenant Moya Fincke, RANNS.

INSTRUCTORS GRADUATE

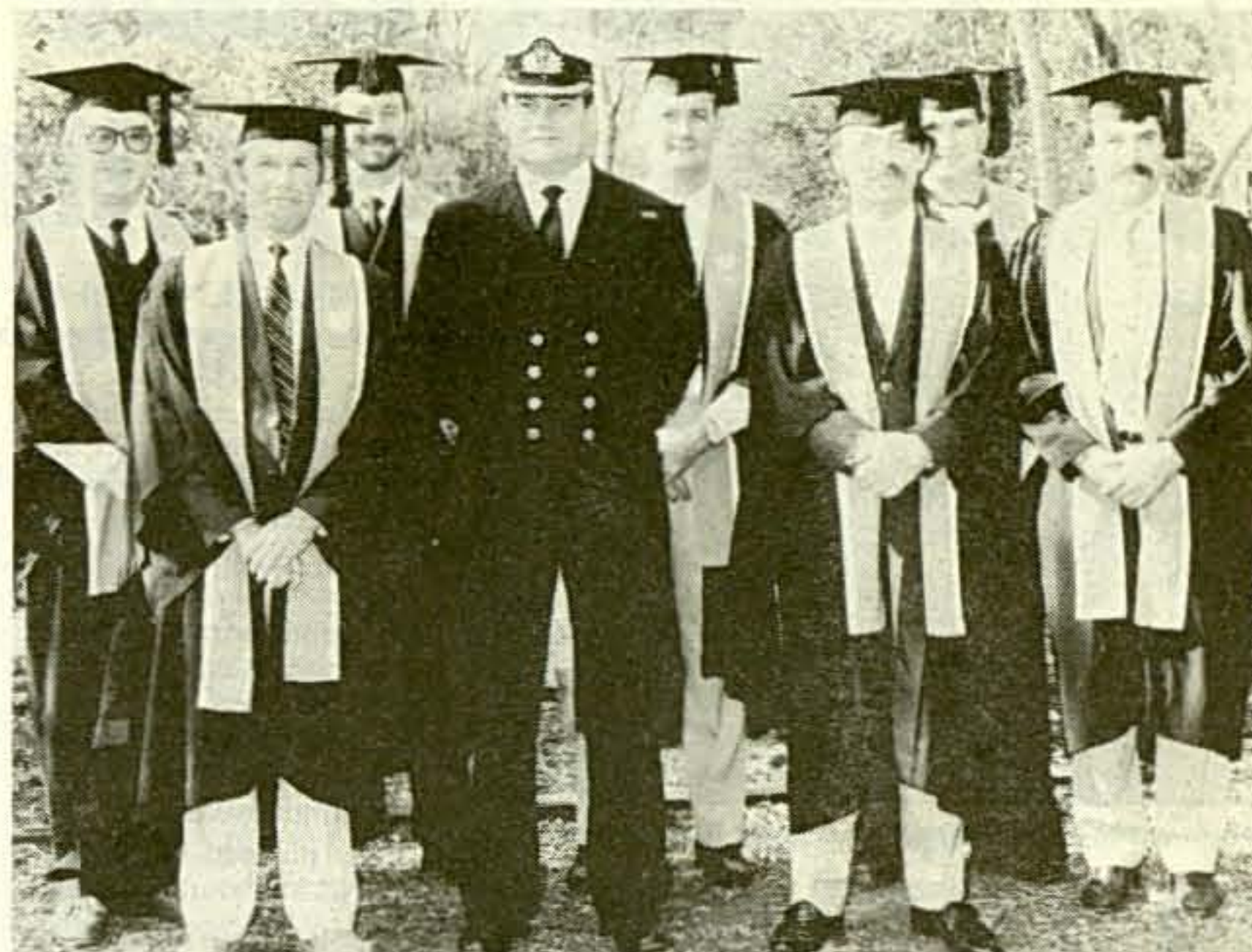
Seven NIRIMBA instructors have received their Diploma of Teaching (Technical) following their 1989-90 studies at the University of Technology - Sydney (UTS).

The presentations were witnessed by the Training Commander of HMAS NIRIMBA, CMDR W. Milfull.

A special congratulation goes to Mr John Asplin, a technical instructor in the Communications Section of the Weapons Electrical Engineering School.

The Faculty of Education at UTS awarded John joint winner of the Phillips Medal for both academic and professional excellence during his studies.

Mr Asplin will be remembered by many RAN personnel.



Pictured (L-R): Mr John Asplin, Mr Warren Elgey, PO Mick O'Neil, CMDR Warren Milfull, Mr Garry Clues, Mr John Eriksson, LS Darryn White and Mr Bob Layzell.



CNS in Queensland

The Chief of Naval Staff, VADM Ian MacDougall chats to LWRWTR Karen Sawyer, Mrs Leanne Dinning and Mrs Deanne Fitzsimmons at the HMAS CAIRNS Anchorage Centre during his recent visit to Far North Queensland.

Photo: Gary A. Herbert.

Mike didn't need to blow his own trumpet!

Brisbane Port Division, Royal Australian Naval Reserve, Chief Petty Officer Michael Atkins (pictured), didn't have to blow his own trumpet when he received an award in the Queen's birthday honours.

CPO Atkins diverse talents as a trumpet player, diver and seaman with Brisbane Port have been recog-

nised by the awarding of an order of Australia Medal in the military division.

Although CPO Atkins said the award was the highlight of his Reserve career, he still values highly the time he has spent at sea.

"Going away on HMAS LABUAN has always been the most enjoyable and rewarding part of my Reserve career," CPO Atkins said.

"I also value highly the comradeship of Brisbane Port Division," he said.

CPO Atkins joined the Reserve in 1964 and undertook his first diving course in 1968. He was promoted to CPO in 1976.

Highlights of his Reserve career include attaining a bridge watchkeeping certificate, a master grade 4 ticket and each promotion.

CPO Atkins is just as busy in his civilian life as in the Reserve.

He is Chief diving supervisor with Queensland Railways and plays the trumpet, flugel and cornet with the Queensland Concert Brass Band.



When he heard of his award, he was busy preparing for a tour of Hong Kong in late June with the band. Story and Photo by SBLT S. Bick, Brisbane Port Division.

Seatime for SA cadets

Naval Reserve Cadets from Mt Gambier, Pt Lincoln, Renmark, Noarlunga, Elizabeth, Pt Augusta, Whyalla and Adelaide have travelled to Port Adelaide for an introduction to old style Windjammer days aboard the Adelaide-based Sail Training vessel "One and All".

The 24 Cadets and three Staff members put to sea ably led by the seven permanent crew.

Traversing under power out of the Port River gave cadets an easy opportunity to familiarise themselves with the rigging.

At least half of the cadets had never been to sea before on any vessel other than their Unit training dinghys.

The "One and All" can set 12 sails and all minds boggled at the mass of ropes and rigging to be worked during the coming night.

Mid June in Adelaide is always bleak, wet and miserable and as you have already guessed the Gulf St Vincent was indeed bleak.

The introduction to life before the mast was very trying for the cadets (and staff) and most spent some time over the leeward gunwales.

Return to port brought back the colour and smiles to the faces of all.

Overall a magnificent weekend was had by all with special thanks to the City of Port Adelaide for assisting with the funding of this weekend, adds our correspondent.

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AWARDS FOR USA DIVERS

Two members of the United States Navy, both Petty Officers and both clearance divers, have recently received awards from Australian hands.

Petty Officer Jeff Simons (pictured left) has recently returned to the United States after a tour of exchange duty with the RAN Clearance Diving Branch.

His 'Aussie' duties commenced at the RAN Clearance Diving School, HMAS PENGUIN where he was familiarised with current RAN diving procedures and equipment.

Having completed this Jeff made his way up the PENGUIN 'hill' and instructed budding clearance divers at the EOD School.

His overseas experiences whilst serving with CDT One included the Solomon Islands and, more recently, a deployment with CDT 3 to the Gulf region during the Kuwait/Iraq conflict.

For this he was awarded the 'Australian Service ribbon' and the 'Australian Active Service ribbon'.

The Maritime Commander's Commendation was conferred upon Petty Officer Simons for his efforts in Clearance Diving Mine Countermeasures and his professional dedication to the RAN Clearance Diving Branch before his departure from Australia.

A HARD ACT TO FOLLOW?

Petty Officer Simon's replacement in the clearance diving world is Petty Officer Melvin Chang Jr.

Petty Officer Chang is pictured (right) receiving an United States Achievement Medal from the Commanding Officer CDT1, LCDR Russ Crawford.

Melvin is a Master Explosive Ordnance Disposal Technician.

In the words of the citation from the Commander Surface Force of the US Atlantic Fleet:

"Petty Officer Chang's superb initiative and personal courage contributed to one of the largest seizures of cocaine in recent history during support of Drug Enforcement Agency operations".

His professional support helped ensure the safety of Vice President Quayle during several US Secret Service operations in Latin America".

Petty Officer Chang's exceptional professionalism and selfless devotion to duty reflected great credit upon himself and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service".



Petty Officer Simon receives the Maritime Commander's Commendation.



Petty Officer Chang receives his Achievement Medal from CO CDT1, LCDR Russ Crawford.

New start for HOBART



ABMTP Danny Hancock raises steam.

After extended refit for modernisation HMAS HOBART once again came to life when 1A Boiler was flashed up.

The boiler was lit by the youngest member of the watch ABMTP Danny Hancock.

HOBART also sent a four man team to the Champion Shot of the Navy Competition in Brisbane.

HMAS HOBART achieved three places in the Top Eleven.

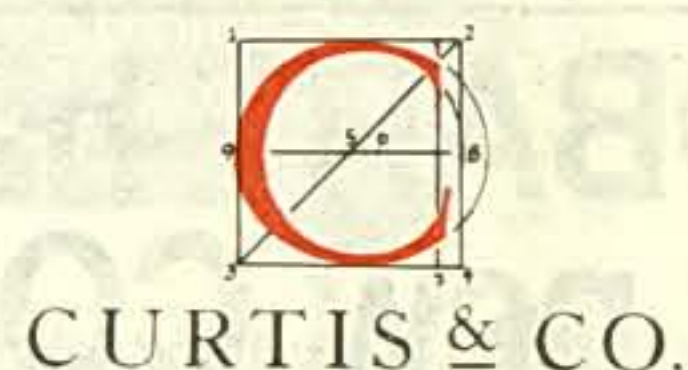
Spirits onboard are high with all onboard eagerly awaiting the upcoming workups.



Top right, clockwise: ABQMG Turbo Turbine (10th in competition), ABETP Kel Walker (11th), LSQMG Eddie Edwards (7th), ABQMG Dingo Proud (Support).

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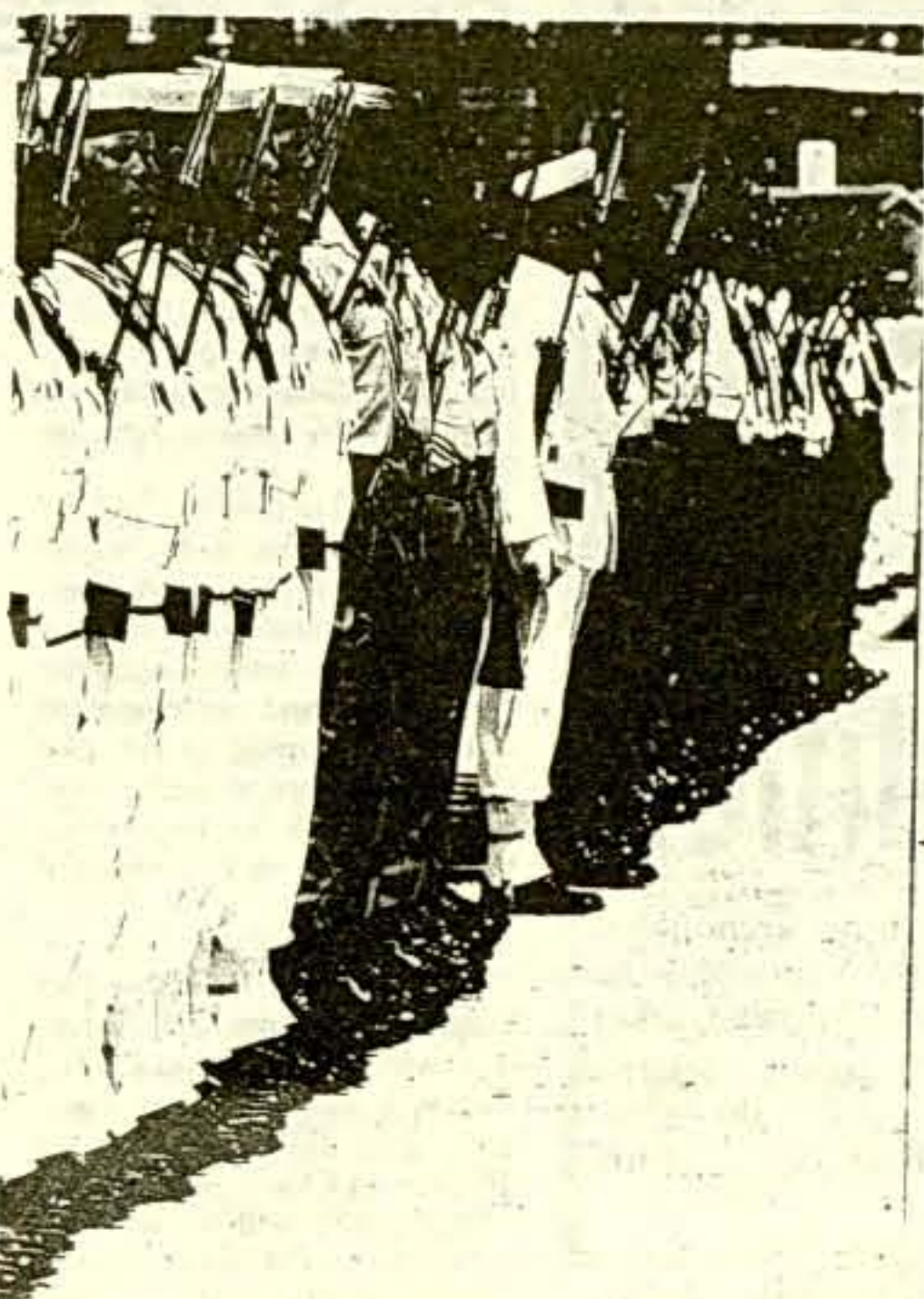
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Mandy takes wing

The RAN is first female Observer has won her wings.

Graduation parade of No 28 Observer Course, RAAF East Sale, reviewed by the Chief of Naval Staff, Vice Admiral MacDougall AO, saw the graduation of the RAN's first female Observer, Lieutenant Mandy Goodier.

The other graduates of the course, Lieutenant Craig Spinks and Midshipman Don Dezentje, came from varied backgrounds with Lieutenant Spinks having four years as a bridge watchkeeper and Midshipman Dezentje, a direct entry.

The School of Air Navigation at RAAF Base East Sale has been training Observers for the Navy since 1969 with a separate course commencing in 1972.

The similarities in training required for Observers and Navigators was noted and the Observers' course was combined with the training of RAAF Navigators in 1990.

At present, the School of Air Navigation trains up to 10 Observers a year and some recent graduates were aboard the RAN frigates serving in the Persian Gulf.

The training course for Observers and Navigators is 11 months in length and in addition to the practical instruction in navigation and its directly related subjects, the students are taught the theory of radar, electronic warfare, modern navigation systems and avionic displays.

HOBART has a new CO



Captain John Lord.

Captain John Lord has assumed command of HMAS HOBART.

CAPT Lord was born in Perth, Western Australia, and educated at Tuart Hill and Eastern Goldfields High Schools.

He attended the Royal Australian Naval College from 1965 to 1968 and graduated with the Queen's Gold Medal and Governor General's Cup for sport. Following training at sea and courses in the United Kingdom, he served on active duty in Vietnam on HMAS BRISBANE during 1971.

In 1972 then LEUT Lord served as Executive Officer of the patrol boat HMAS AITAPE in Papua New Guinea.

He qualified as a Warfare and Navigation sub-specialist in 1977 then served as Navigating and Operations Officer of HMA Ships VENDETTA, HOBART, and SUPPLY; and on the staffs of the Flag Officer Commanding HMA Fleet and Commander Australian Mine Warfare and Patrol Boat Forces.

Promoted to Commander in December 1982, CAPT Lord attended the Joint Services Staff College in 1983 and was Director of Seaman, Aviation, and Administration Officers' Postings from 1985 to 1987.

He commanded the guided missile frigate HMAS ADELAIDE from 1987 to 1988 which included duty alongside in Fiji during the first Fiji Coup.

Promoted to Captain in 1988, CAPT Lord served as the Director of Naval Officers' Postings and Appointments until December 1989.

He then joined the Headquarters Australian Defence Force as Director Combat Force Development (Sea) until taking command of HMAS HOBART.

A keen follower of all sports he remains active in golf, tennis and jogging.

He and his wife Jenny live in the leafy suburb of Chapman in Canberra.

LINLEY - A GIRL IN A MILLION!

HMAS NIRIMBA's entrant in the 1991 RSL Girl In A Million Quest is SBLT Linley Cornish, an Instructor Officer in the Weapons Electrical

Engineering School.

The RSL Girl In A Million Quest is held annually to raise funds for the RSL Welfare and Benevolent Fund, which provides financial assistance to many

returned servicemen and women, widows and orphans in their hour of need.

Linley joined the Royal Australian Navy in July

1987 and posted to HMAS NIRIMBA in June 1970 following completion of a Bachelor of Science degree and Diploma of Education, and the prerequisite professional Naval training.

supervises HMAS NIRIMBA's Horse Club.

Originally from Perth, Western Australia, Linley now resides in Castle Hill, NSW.

Throughout the coming year Linley and her committee have many fundraising activities planned, including a Ship's Ball in July, a Aussie Rules Open Day, fun runs, raffles, Anything Goes Carnivals and much more.

If you are unable to partake in any of the planned activities, donations or assistance to the Quest would be greatly appreciated and can be forwarded to either Linley or her secretary, Lieutenant Jenny Wittwer at HMAS NIRIMBA.

Despite having been in the Navy only a relatively short time, Linley is a dedicated and professional Naval Officer, and is not adverse to providing counselling and advice to juniors.

Linley's interests include cooking, reading and drawing, and is actively involved with tennis, squash and softball, and the occasional aerobic/jogging workout!

She is also a keen horsewoman who presently



NIRIMBA's Girl in a Million - Linley Cornish.

FRIENDLY FIDO FROLICS

Six Naval Police Coxswain Dog Handlers and their dogs from ICAMD KINGSWOOD in Sydney and HMAS ALBATROSS on the south coast of NSW competed in the recent annual Defence Force and Police Working Dog competition, which was held at the RAAF's No 2 Stores Depot, Regents Park.

This competition is designed to foster com-

radeship, expand training ideas and to hone the operational skills that are unique to police dog handlers.

It also allows for some very competitive police dog work.

Amidst a cold, rainy backdrop, teams from Navy, RAAF, NSW Police and Corrective Services dog units competed for the title of "Top Dog".

Competitors were required to compete in a variety of basic obedience exer-

cises followed by some taxing 'man work' with points being deducted by the judges for the mistakes made.

At the end of what everyone considered a good day, Navy were narrowly beaten by RAAF for the honor of being "Top Dog".

After a meal at the Air-mens club many doggie yarns and a few drinks were exchanged by all.

Navy doggies are now in training for the Australian Police and Service Dog Associations' annual Biathlon to be held in September.

Story by PONPC A.M. Hooker



Julie Evas grandfather (l) and uncle (r).

Family tradition

For some families, serving in the Navy is a tradition.

For Leading Wran Julie Evas though it is more than a matter of following tradition.

Waiting to greet her when HMAS WESTRALIA returned to STIRLING

were both her grandfather, Mr John Yule, and her uncle, Mr Norman Corker.

Both Julie's relatives served in the first WESTRALIA during WWII.

The three generations of WESTRALIANS are pictured above.

Bendigo freedom for BENDIGOs

TS BENDIGO, (LEUT Peter Covington-Thomas) has been granted Freedom of Entry to the City of Bendigo.

The Cadet Unit was joined by officers and sailors from the present HMAS BENDIGO, the Victorian Naval Band, the

HMAS BENDIGO Association, and the Bendigo and District Ex-Navalmen's Club.

Many members of the HMAS BENDIGO Association had made the trip to Bendigo to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the commissioning of the World II corvette.



Percussionist WRMUSN Linda Parsons adds to the ceremony. Photo Bronwyn Potts, Bendigo Advertiser.



Canberra, CERBERUS, Sydney, Nowra

Canberra: Next event planned is a Quiz Night, to be held on Saturday 27th July at Legacy House, Geils Court, Deakin.

Cost of this will be \$7 members, or non-members \$9.

This is a very popular evening, and always popular, so book now by ringing Julia on 295 2562.

If you live in this area and are wanting to return to the workforce but feel you have lost confidence in yourself and your abilities, then Jenny Dash, the Community and Development Officer, is hoping to run two short workshops in conjunction with the CES to help these ladies. Jenny can be contacted on 266 9090.

CERBERUS: Coming up next for this branch is a bingo day, with a lovely pasta lunch.

This is being held on Tuesday, 23rd July, beginning at 10.20am at Club Cerberus.

Babysitting will be available at No 18 Cook Road at a cost of \$4 for one, \$7 for family. Phone Carol on 838 397 to book.

Once again it is time to book for Abby's Fashion Parade, to be held on Monday 5th August at Club Cerberus.

Tickets are available at \$5 each from Lesley on 839 196 or Shae on 03 789 7782, and Edna on 713 003.

They will also be on sale at the next couple of functions. Last year tickets were all sold out, so ring early for yours.

On the night of the Fashion Parade there will be many garments for you to choose from - try and buy.

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Unfortunately layby will not be available.

Western Districts of Sydney:

The next gathering of this group will be held on Thursday 11th July in the club rooms at HMAS NIRIMBA, Quakers Hill, beginning at 10.30am.

Due to lack of numbers to

form a quorum at the last monthly meeting, which was the Annual General Meeting, this event had to be postponed, and will now be held next week.

Try and make it along if you live in the Western Districts, the club is in desperate need of new members, those attending have a lot of fun and enjoy each other's company at the same time.

Babysitting is provided free of charge, please ring Bev on 831 7515 for further details.

Nowra: Wednesday 17th July is the date of the next Coffee Morning held by this group, beginning at 10.30am in the club rooms at ALBATROSS.

Babysitting is provided. The topic for this month's coffee morning will be the trauma we all have to go through some time or another; moving.

A Removals Officer from PSO will be coming in to give a talk about removals and to answer all queries.

PTIs WILL LEAVE MARK ON TATTOO

The Navy's muscle bosuns have been polishing up their cutlass drill.

A team of 20 physical trainers instructors is currently in Canada representing Australia at a military tattoo in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

It is demonstrating its skills with chromium-plated 19th century naval cutlasses, which look more at home clenched between bearded pirate teeth than in the hands of modern-day sailors.

The team, selected from 70-odd physical trainers from all ships and establishments, is led by LEUT Jeff Nankervis.

Second in command is LEUT Geoff Smith and team manager is WO Terry Hill.

It is the first time a

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physical training team has appeared in a military tattoo since one held in Hobart in 1977.

Also representing Australia is an Army band from Queensland.

Each day the physical trainers give two demonstrations of cutlass swinging — one static and one on the march but both looking dangerous to perform — and a complicated drill involving chairs.

The tattoo runs from July 1 to 7.

Each performance, which lasts three and a

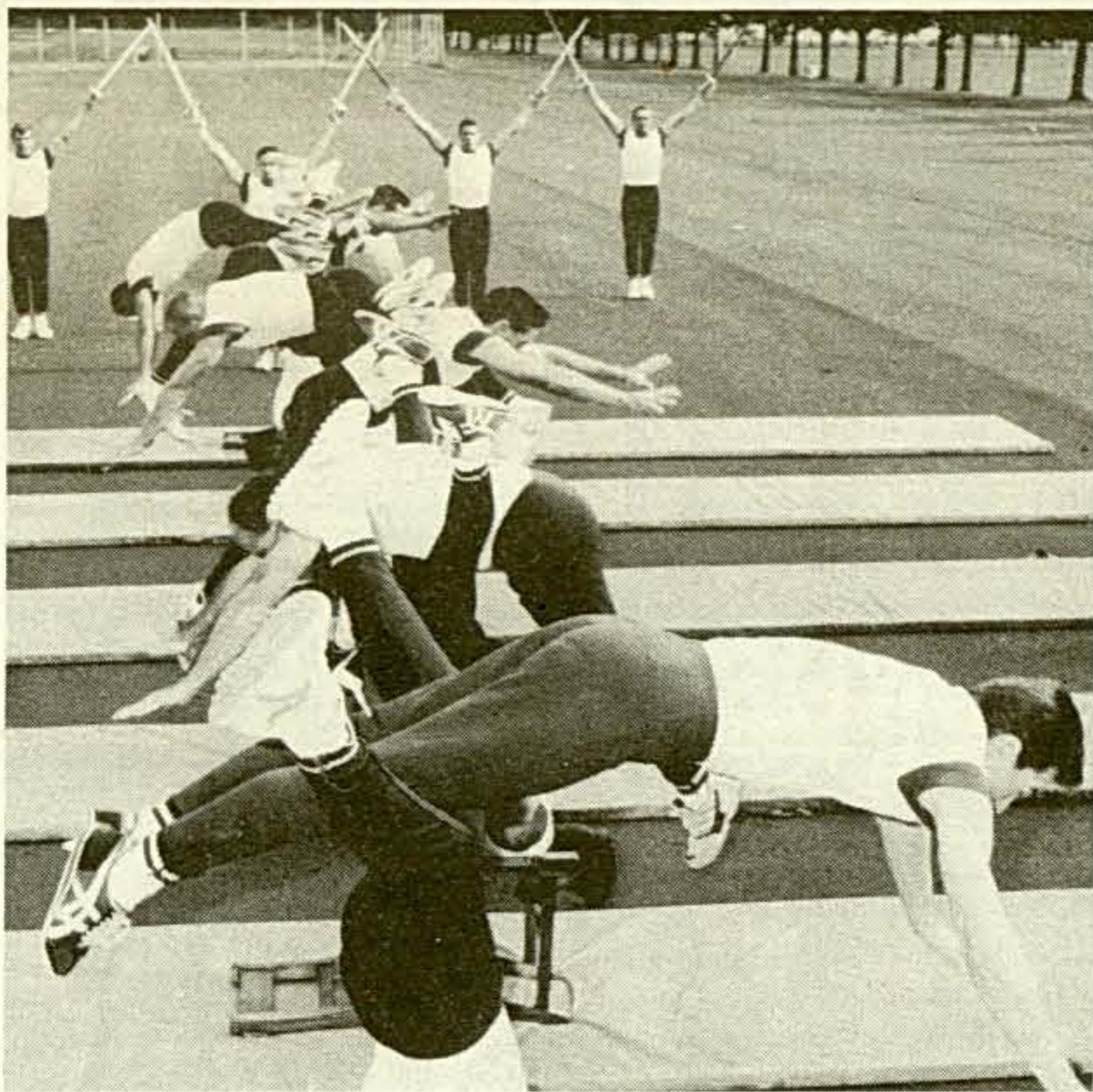
half minutes, fits into a tightly-planned program of events from the contingents of the armed forces of the nations participating.

The band accompanying the display, playing "Good Friends", originally featured by the Australian band Girl Overboard.

In one sense the team is not representative of the Navy.

Their average age is 33 years and it has amassed a grand total of 650 years of naval service between it.

The product of an active, healthy lifestyle?



Navy PTIs go through a demanding practice session prior to leaving for Halifax.

Picture: ABPH Keith Heslop.

WATSON team to watch in netball

WATSON's women's netball team could be the Navy side to beat in this year's NSW midweek competition.

In a recent game at Sydney's Moore Park against KUTTABUL WATSON proved its ability winning 59-13.

Both teams played with tremendous spirit and teamwork.

WATSON is led by coach LSPT Narelle Roberts.

Twice a week, Monday and Friday, the team practices for an hour and this training has certainly paid off — Leif Bunyan.



Navy's Peter Kelly and Col Dowd in action during the Australian Army Skill at Arms Meeting.

Shooters' eyes right

Navy has achieved some outstanding results in this year's Australian Army Skill at Arms Meeting at the Belmont Range, Brisbane.

The AASAM is the Army's premier annual small arms shooting

competition.

Personnel from all three Services took part.

Navy was represented by teams and individuals from HMA Ships CERBERUS, NIRIMBA, CAIRNS and HOBART.

The CERBERUS team, under the captaincy of POQMG Mike Hoare, left many army teams wallowing in its wake.

Among its overall results were a second in the Citizen Soldier (60 teams) event; fifth in the Service rifle team championship; second in the obstacle course event; second in the team snap shooting; second in the pistol championship; second in the open teams championship (only four points separated first and second); first in the minor units' championship; and first in the SMG championship in which the team scored the highest score recorded.

Navy's most successful individual shooter was POQMG Taffy Jordan from CERBERUS who was shooting in his first competition.

Also on the range was the father and son combination of WOQMG Col Dowd and his son ABRO Scot Dowd.

Another successful shooter at the competition was LCDR Peter Kelly of the Melbourne Port Division, RANR. He was the Navy winner in the champion shots medal competition.

HMAS CANBERRA

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NAVY YOUNGSTERS A. RULES LESSON

A young naval team will benefit from the results of the National Australian Rules competition held on the Gold Coast.

Navy team players included coach and veteran Bill McBride, COONAWARRA; Squiz Taylor, CERBERUS; Keith Lewis, WATERHEN and dependable players Darren Murray, Shiner Wright and Tony Thomas from ALBATROSS.

John's a 'bride' at last!

After finishing runner-up on five occasions, John Hogben has at last broken through to be the RAN Officers' Golf Society champion.

A three-marker, John, carded 76 (which included a double bogey) from the back tees last week on a testing Royal Sydney layout rated at 73.

Accepting the trophy, John said he was "tickled pink" to have won after being the "bridesmaid" on so many occasions.

Another Navy sports "great", talented rugby player, cricketer and now golfer - Wally Rothwell - took the 1991 RANOGS handicap trophy with a net 74.

He won on a comeback from Peter Gerry and a luckless John Wood, whose nine on the par-four 18th proved most costly.

The crashing encounter by both teams in the first quarter set stage for a fantastic game.

Army were far the better team with height around the ground being a major factor.

Navy were not about to let the Army steam roll them and were miraculous in defence.

Mike Partridge worked hard all day in the ruck along with "Bruiser" Delahunty, a promising new footballer for Navy.

The 26 degree heat took its toll on both teams.

Army's running players continuously got the ball out of packs.

Coach Bill McBride made several changes to Navy but to no avail.

Army went on to win by 60 points in what was a bruising and hard fought game.

The following day saw Navy take on the might of the RAAF.

Navy were weakened by the loss of Bill Weak, ALBATROSS; Phil Day, CERBERUS and Doug Hooper, CANBERRA all running players.

RAAF set a blistering pace and hit Navy hard.

RAAF's forward line with Hawthorne recruit Chris Palmer singlehandedly kept the Navy backline at bay.

Navy were only two goals down at the 1st change but RAAF had kicked ahead by half time.

Col Lawrence was moved into the back pocket to try and cut out Palmer's leads - things started going Navy's way.

Mike Partridge was moved to forward pocket with a bad elbow injury and Navy started to dominate at the fall of the ball with "Stumpy" Hunter.

Shiner Wright, Darren Murray, Bruiser Delahunty and Don Cameron all contributed to the barrage of goals by Navy.

RAAF made some late changes to overcome the onslaught.

Time, heat and the fact that Navy doubled up two days in a row saw Navy lose by 36 points.

The standard of football was very high and the young Navy team now know what it is like to play in a high standard do or die football carnival.

We can learn by this and know the 1992 National Carnival will live up to the reputation and respect the three services have of each other.



SWRWTR Noble shows good form to assist in winning the inter-Service cricket. Looking for the fall of wickets is team mate AB McLaughlin. Photo: LSPHOT Bill McBride.

TOP END THRIVING

Naval sport is alive and thriving in the Top End.

The newly-opened COONAWARRA gymnasium provided the venue for many of the events which made up the second day of the Top End inter-Service sports meeting.

The four day meeting saw contests in golf, bad-

minton, indoor cricket, softball and Australian Rules football, with volleyball and triathlon being contested for both men's and women's teams.

By the end of the fourth day the RAAF had emerged as the winners of the men's competition with 140 points.

The Navy came next with 120 points and the Army trailed with 80 points.

Naval honour was saved by the women, who romped home in a closely fought series, winning from the RAAF by 80 points to 70, with the Army doing well with 20 points.

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with WOSNAP Cunningham

Nowra golfers in upset victory

Round eight of the Wills Cup was played in conjunction with an open day at Narellan on June 5.

The results of Wills Cup matches were:

NIRIMBA 347 defeated KUTTABUL 355; WATSON 361 d PENGUIN 384; ALBATROSS 338 d PLATS/WATERHEN 373.

In a deferred match from round four CRESWELL 356 d PENGUIN 384.

Results of the open day were:

A grade: winner Matt Sekulitch net 63; runner-up Geoff Ledger net 65.

B grade: winner Trev Soward net 65cb; runner-up Lloyd Walker net 65.

C grade: winner C. Gilbertson net 69cb; runner-up Hall net 69.

Seventy players participated in the day which was considered an excellent turn out.

Special mention must be made of ABETS Matt Sekulitch's 75 off the stick (net 63) off a 12 handicap. Well done Matt!

Round nine of the competition saw ALBATROSS record a win over WATSON and PLATS/WATERHEN defeat PENGUIN.

NIRIMBA v CRESWELL was deferred until August 7 and KUTTABUL had the bye.

KUTTABUL and PLATS/WATERHEN shared points from their round five match.

After nine rounds of the competition the ladder looks this way:

	Points
PLATS/WATERHEN	27
NIRIMBA	26
ALBATROSS	24
KUTTABUL	19
WATSON	18
PENGUIN	16
CRESWELL	14

Attention is drawn to the Naval Golf Association championships at Narellan Golf Club on September 4.

Names and preferred tee off times will be taken as of July 1.

For bookings telephone WOETW Cunningham at NIRIMBA (02) 626 4213.

Remember you must be an NGA member to participate.

Navy sailors eye Tokyo Bay

The Australian Defence Force is keen to send a team of 5-6 boats to the 1992 Tasar world championships on Tokyo Bay between September 13-19, 1992.

The team might also race against civilian and Japanese Defence Force teams.

While sponsorship and assistance to help with expenses is likely, the cost to team members could be up to \$2000.

Expressions of interest in being part of the team and/or managing it are being sought from any sailors with a background in competition.

Interested in knowing more?

Contact CMDR Martin Linsley (02) 960 0436. Meanwhile, sailing in the Australian Defence Force will have a new event this year.

To replace the single Service regattas, a combined ADF national regatta sponsored by QANTAS will be held between December 11-15.

While organisation of the regatta is being shared between the three Services, it will be run from the Command Sailing Centre, Rushcutters Bay, Sydney.

Unlike previous Navy events, class racing will be provided for any sailboard, dinghy, catamaran, trailer sailer and yacht.

These may be either Service or privately owned and may have civilian crew.

Sailors who have not previously sailed their craft in a Service regatta will therefore be catered for.

Class racing for Tasar dinghies and the Navy's S111 yachts will be a feature of the event.

Full details of the regatta will be advertised shortly on a poster which incorporates the notice of race.

All Navy sailors are encouraged to plan their participation in this first-of-kind event.

If early information is required, contact the Command Sailing Centre (3624312) or CMDR Linsley.

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