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# Saved!

## One life and \$4m

Two separate Navy "rescues" have saved a life and almost four million dollars a year.

The life was saved at the cost of a pair of trousers and the multi-million dollar cut-back in ship defuelling procedures was developed to allow a sailor to spend more time with his family.

Former master attendant Commander Bob Richards was the life saver while 1985 Dewsbury shield winner Constable Dave Dryland was the man who developed the multi-million dollar saving idea.

### The Life

For an elderly civilian, male, CMDR Richards' seaman's eye was the difference between life and death on March 25.

As Flag Officer Naval Support Command, Rear Admiral David Martin, inspected a pump room at No 6 berth Woolloomooloo during admirals, CMDR Richards noticed a man in difficulty under No 4 Woolloomooloo.

He left the admiral's inspection party and ran to the nearest phone to call to the naval police. CMDR Richards was then driven around to No 4 and jumped the fence, climbed under the wharf and pulled the exhausted man to a ladder.

Weakened by holding the man afloat, he was having difficulty getting him up the ladder. But then CMDR Richards' driver, Mr John Stevens, made it over the fence and helped drag the man up the ladder and to safety.

The man was taken to St Vincents hospital where he recovered - but there was one casualty, CMDR Richards' long white trousers.

They were ruined by stains from under the wharf and he slipped into a pair of shorts before rejoining the admiral's inspection party.

In presenting CMDR Richards with a commendation for his saving effort, RADM Martin joked: "I thought he was delinquent in joining the inspection party in the wrong rig."

On a more serious note RADM Martin said CMDR Richards' quick thinking and initiative certainly saved the man's life and deserved recognition.

He also said he supported his claim for a replacement pair of trousers which will no doubt come in handy over the next two-months in the south-west Pacific.

CMDR Richards took over as Commanding Officer of HMAS VAMPIRE on April 11 in preparation for her final deployment - to the south-west Pacific.

### The \$4m

Constable Dave Dryland is an ideas man with a multi-million touch. His most successful idea to date is a new ship defuelling system, developed while serving at HMAS WATERHEN.

Long hours spent in the fire and fuel party convinced the then able seaman marine technical propulsion sailor that there had to be a faster way to defuel ships.

He was keen to spend more time at home with his wife and family.

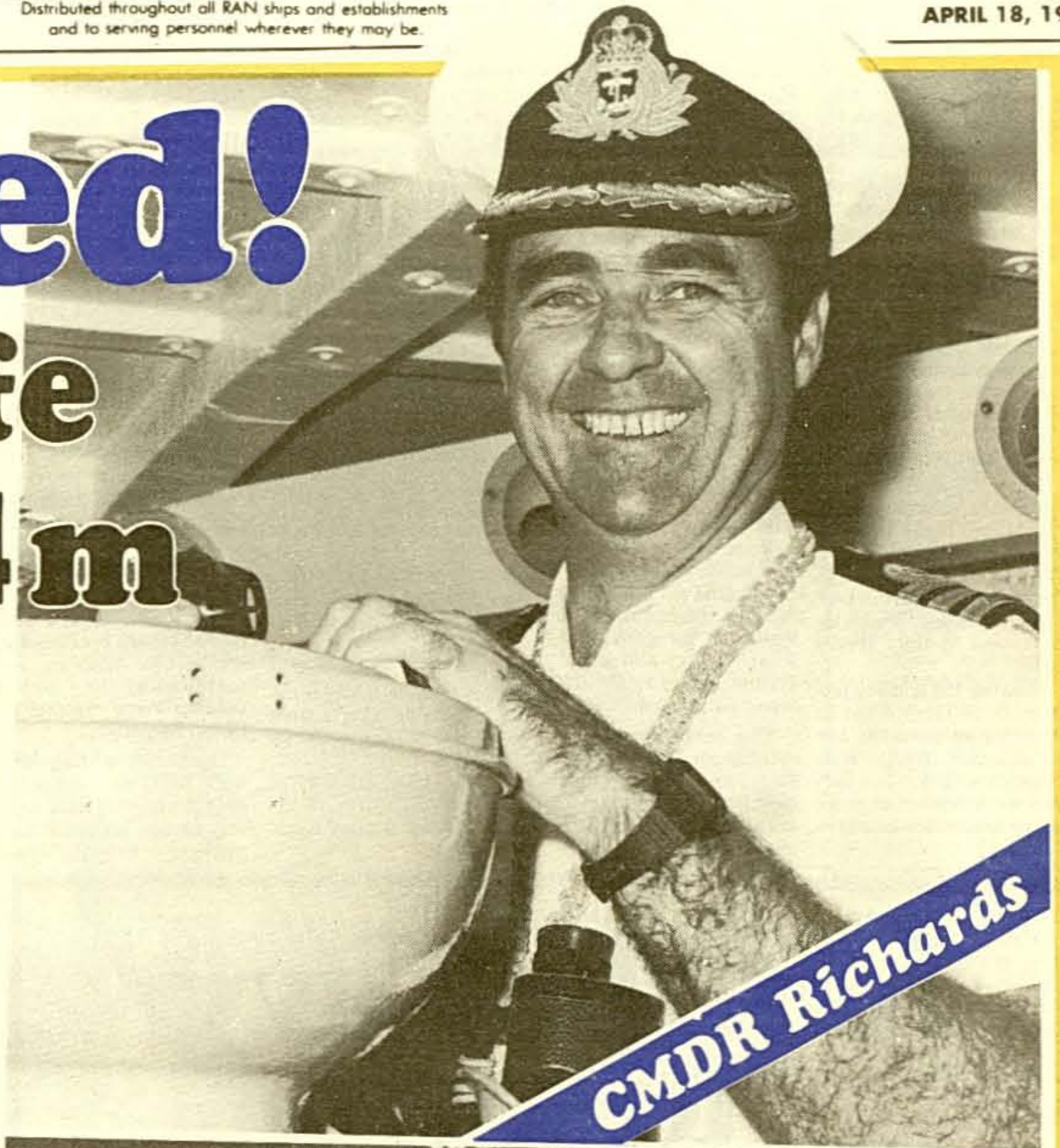
With the help of another sailor he measured up and designed a new defuelling system that has the bean counters estimating an annual saving, including spin-offs, of \$3.7m a year.

CONST Dryland's idea came only months after rejoining the RAN. He joined in 1976 and served for six years in the engineering branch.

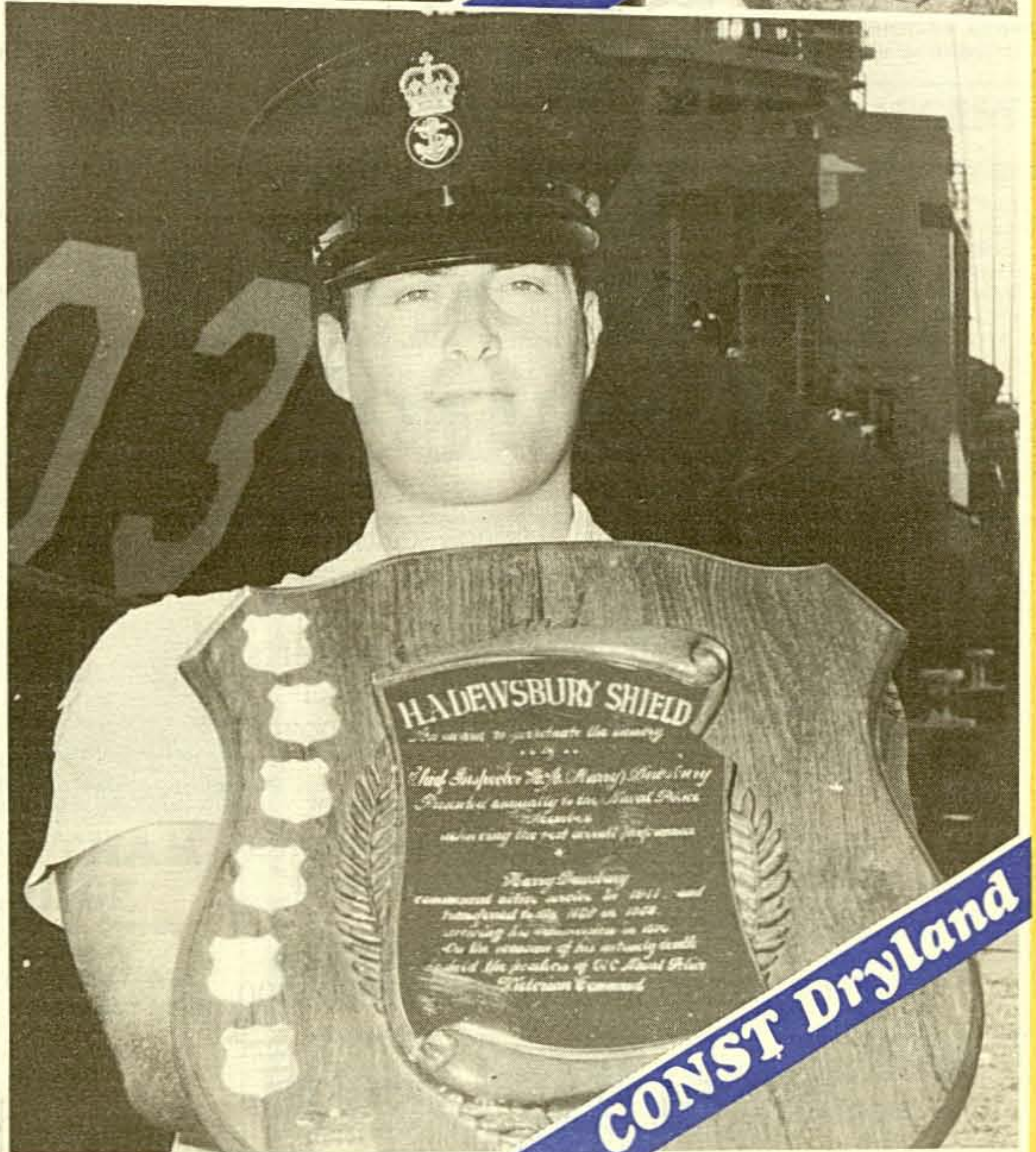
He then left for a 10-month stint as a civilian but rejoined and was posted to HMAS WATERHEN awaiting entry into the naval police.

That attitude has seen him develop the defuelling idea - which is before the Defence Suggestion Scheme for assessment of financial reward - and win the coveted naval police Dewsbury shield.

The shield is presented annually to the most outstanding naval police new entry.



**CMDR Richards**



**CONST Dryland**



**H**istory was made in January this year when the Australian Defence Force Academy commenced operations training midshipmen and officer cadets for the three Services under the one roof. 90 new midshipmen (including 25 females) joined 57 Second and Third Year transferees from HMAS CRESWELL and HMAS WATSON to make up the navy complement. They in turn joined approximately 490 Army and Air Force officer cadets to make up the inaugural officer cadet body. Our correspondent looks at the early months:

After a short period of "acclimatisation" at the new Academy the Second and Third Year midshipmen joined various units of the Fleet for Naval training.

Forty-one midshipmen embarked in HMAS JERVIS BAY during the period January 27 to February 18, 1986 for Single Service Training (SST).

This training cruise is the first and last time that midshipmen are given the opportunity to experience the many facets of a sailor's life at sea.

JERVIS BAY sailed from Sydney at 0830 on January 28, 1986, on her first sea leg to Darwin.

All midshipmen were allocated to part of ship (POS) duties and quickly received first-hand exposure in tending the ship's berthing lines and experiencing the frustration of having their white uniforms covered in grime and grease as a consequence.

During the pilotage out of Sydney, a number of the midshipmen began to experience the debilitating effects of sea-sickness occasioned by the pitching of JERVIS BAY as she proceeded through the renowned Sydney Heads swell.

To enable the training program to be carried out as smoothly as possible, the watch system for the midshipmen was divided into Port and Starboard and then further sub-divided into three watches.

## 'Sea time' for academy MIDS

All trainees received a basic familiarisation of departments onboard, with training being aimed at achieving the objectives laid down in the Junior Naval Command Course (JNCC) Cruise Guide.

Many of the training objectives were achieved during routine activities such as POS, Watchkeeping, Watch on Deck (WOD) and Duty Watch.

Trainees were allocated to departments by watches with each department being responsible for co-ordination and regulation of their employment to achieve the promulgated training objectives.

During in-harbour time, trainees were involved in a duty watch system which included amongst other things being a midshipman of the Watch on the gangway, a Wharf Sentry and a Duty Trainee acting as the Duty Senior Sailors understudy.

The leave granted to midshipmen in Darwin and Singapore was, for most, their first visit to either port and all made the most of their time alongside.

Duty free shopping seemed to consume most of their time in Singapore with the exception of the tour of the island organised by RANLO and the traditional Singapore Sling at Raffles.

To emphasise the joint service nature of academy training, the midshipmen were returned to Canberra by the RAAF in a comfortable Boeing 707.

### First Year SST

After two and a half weeks of induction and common military training at the academy the first year midshipmen were returned to the Navy for single Serv training based at the RANC.

During the first two days at HMAS CRESWELL the 64 male and 25 female midshipmen were given lectures by the various Specialist Officers and by DNOPLand his staff.

They then undertook a series of visits to a wide cross-section of the Navy's ships and establishments which included HMAS SYDNEY, OVENS, ALBATROSS, PENGUIN, WATERHEN, WATSON and the Garden Island Dockyard.

During the second week at CRESWELL they completed a three-day Sea Survival Course which included a helicopter wet winch, boatwork, sailing and a sea day on HMAS VAMPIRE.

The two week period culminated in each midshipman selecting his or her specialisation and degree course.

All midshipmen agreed that the single Service training was an excellent introduction to the RAN and thoroughly justified their choice of Service.

All midshipmen were returned to the academy by February 24.

A further week of common military training was undertaken which culminated in a parade and a family weekend on March 1-2.

The parade, the first ceremonial parade conducted at the Defence Academy, was reviewed by the Chief of Defence Force, General Sir Phillip Bennett.

The parade and weekend were both most successful and point the way to the academy concept proving a huge success.



CDF, General Sir Phillip Bennett, inspecting MIDN A. R. Cook during the Defence Academy family day parade. Watching closely (left) is the academy's commandant, RADM Peter Sinclair.



A taste of survival training for MIDS Christine Cornwell, Raymond Evans and Rodney Brown - with assistance from LS Trevor Caine.

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## WARM FUZZIES - COLD PRICKLIES

Are you a "warm fuzzle" or a "cold prickly" a group of ladies were asked one day at a meeting in Dungog, NSW.

What about you? Or I?

I suppose if the truth were known it is not a matter of either or but rather both!

That is sometimes we are like a "warm fuzzle" and sometimes (too often!) we are like cold pricklies in our relationships.

What would our heavenly Father say about this subject?

If we looked at the Ten Commandments (Exodus 20) in terms of the title then the first four that speak about our relationship with God and the last six that speak about our relationship with each other encourage us in no uncertain terms to be "warm fuzzies" rather than "cold pricklies".

In the New Testament parallel to the Ten Commandments the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew chapters 6-7), Jesus calls us to a life of humility, of peace-making (or in our 75th anniversary year of "pre-serving peace"), to a life that is rich with a great capacity for forgiveness, to a life of purity and permanency of relationship with the opposite sex, of simple but pure speech and of love to all (in-

cluding those we count as our enemies).

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Let us all in our 75th anniversary year be a "warm fuzzle" rather than a "cold prickly" in our relationships

## CHAPLAINS' CORNER...

with others and we will be truly "preserving the peace".

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# RSL

The RSL, founded in 1916 by wounded from Gallipoli, now has 270,000 members in 1549 sub-branches throughout Australia and overseas with 25,000 in women's auxiliaries and 50,000 youth club members. The objects for which the League was founded, still part of the platform of the RSL, are to:

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- ★ preserve the memory of those who died;
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- ★ inculcate loyalty to the Nation;
- ★ guard the good name and interests of the Defence Force;
- ★ encourage the unity of the British Commonwealth; and
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# 'TROSS steps up road safety program

Service personnel at the RAN Air Station, HMAS ALBATROSS are taking part in an on-going program to raise their awareness of road safety and defensive driving.

To highlight the danger of excessive speed, the wreck of a late model car involved in a high-speed crash is displayed near the Air Station's Main Gate.

It is hoped that the sight of the extensively-damaged car will induce drivers to take more care on the roads and slow down.

Our correspondent reports: "It is the Navy's aim to protect road users, save lives and to try to prevent accidents from happening.

"To this end a breathalyser has been made available for the use of drivers leaving the Air Station.

"Drivers will be encouraged to use it, but, strictly on a voluntary basis.

"The breathalyser is operated by duty security personnel and reading levels will dictate their advice to drivers.

"This could range from an 'all clear' to the suggestion that alternative transport arrangements should be made.

"It is hoped that the use of the breathalyser will help reduce the number of motor vehicle accidents involving Service personnel," he adds.

□ Senior Constable Ivan Hill of the Naval Police is pictured right operating a newly-prepared breathalyser for volunteer, Leading Seaman (Coxswain) Michael Wilson.



# Defence slams Dibb Report speculation

The Australian Defence Force has slammed a full-page advertisement appearing in major national newspapers on April 2 as totally misleading and causing undue speculation among Service personnel.

Headed 'Thank you, Gentlemen. Your Services are no longer required', the advertisement related to an article appearing in the latest issue of the 'Bulletin', claiming an exclusive on a 'secret report'.

The Acting Chief of the Defence Force, Lieutenant General Peter Gratton, said "the advertisement is totally misleading.

"It has little relationship to the 'Bulletin' article and even less to the Dibb Report.

"Nowhere in the 'Bulletin' article does it claim that the Dibb Report recommends a

reduction in the size of the Australian Defence Force.

"The allegation is not true and has no basis of fact", General Gratton said.

The Dibb Report, like Government policy, was based on the assumption if Australia is to follow a self-reliant defence policy, the Australian Defence Force capability would need to be strengthened.

"The fact is, the Report contemplates no substantial change to the size of the Services", General Gratton added.

The Dibb Report has just been lodged and has as yet,

not been studied in detail by the Government.

"A public version will be released in the near future for public debate," he said.

"Any changes recommended by the Report will have to be considered and approved by the Government before being implemented.

"The Australian Defence Force encourages interest in the defence of Australia by the public but speculation and sensationalist advertising such as that appearing today, does little justice to logical public debate," General Gratton concluded.

# DEFENCE ESTABLISHMENT REFORMS

The Minister for Defence, Mr Kim Beazley, has had discussions with ACTU and union representatives on Federal Government intentions to rationalise the operations of Williamstown Dockyard, Government Aircraft Factories and Garden Island Dockyard.

"These establishments have a long history of valuable contribution to Australia's defence effort," Mr Beazley said.

"However, during the past decade staffing imbalances have developed and work practices have arisen resulting in excessive costs.

"Management and industrial practices have not kept pace with the Government's major capital investment in all three establishments.

"As a result, productivity has fallen and heavy subsidies have been needed.

"This has been a serious strain on the defence budget."

Mr Beazley's department and the Public Service Board will be consulting with the ACTU and the unions concerned on assessments of staffing needs now and in the foreseeable future.

"If surplus staff cannot be redeployed to other parts of Defence or elsewhere in the Public Service, retrenchments will be necessary," Mr Beazley said.

# New RAN launches

Tenders are being called for four modern survey launches for the Royal Australian Navy.

The Minister for Defence, Mr Kim Beazley, said the launches would be used to update existing nautical

charts of north Australian waters.

After acceptance, the launches will be based at Cairns.

Their first task will be to help update charts of the Great Barrier Reef.



Lovely Melinda Kirkwood chose her personal star-sign "LEO" for the new swimsuit made for her recent birthday. (Picture by Nev Whitmarsh).

# Helo crash probe

A Naval Board of Inquiry has been convened in Darwin to investigate Monday's ditching of HMAS MORESBY's Bell 206 helicopter.

There were no injuries among the three people aboard the aircraft when it ditched into the sea on landing approach to MORESBY.

The ship was in Admiralty Gulf, about 150 miles north-west of Wyndham.

Pilot Lieutenant John Clark with aircrewman Petty Officer Murray Roberts and Lieutenant Bruce Kafer had been recovering hydrographic equipment and were 0.3 miles from the ship when the helicopter lost power.

It was at 100ft and at the time from power loss to ditching was 10 seconds.

The crew escaped and were recovered aboard MORESBY.

The helicopter remained afloat and was lashed to two survey motor boats before recovery.

MORESBY arrived in Darwin on Wednesday.

# SUCCESS delivered

The RAN has taken delivery of the new replenishment ship, SUCCESS.

Acceptance trials began off Sydney on April 10 and she was handed over to Navy control five days later.

SUCCESS will be commissioned into the RAN on Wednesday, April 23.

During sea acceptance trials SUCCESS was manned by a naval crew

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## Engineers log 120 years

Three RAN air engineer officers celebrated a milestone in their lives when their combined service in the Royal and Royal Australian Navies reached 120 years.

Back in 1946 D. R. Williams, K. J. R. Brisley and P. G. Railton-Woodcock joined Drake division of the RN Aircraft Artificer Apprentices as 16-year-olds.

Each progressed through the ranks and was promoted to engineer officer on the SD list in the 1960s.

They later transferred to the RAN, at different times, and on the 40th anniversary of their joining the navy CMDR Williams and LCDR Brisley were serving at HMAS ALBATROSS and LCDR Railton-Woodcock at FHQ in Sydney.

## Chaplain goes live

Chaplain David Hill is the RAN chaplain in the north Australia area and being surrounded by communicators at HMAS COONAWARRA has had its effect.

When the opportunity arose for him to communicate to the people of the Northern Territory on commercial radio, he accepted enthusiastically.

Apart from his naval duties and broadcasts on radio 8DN Darwin and 8TOP-FM, he writes an occasional "Saturday Reflection" for the paper NT News.

## From phot to WO

Chief Petty Officer photographer John "Obie" O'Brien has been promoted to warrant officer in Singapore.

John is part of the five-power Defence Agreement and is attached to the New Zealand force headquarters, Sembawang. He is accompanied by his wife, Sue, and two young children and lives in Springleaf Gardens estate, Neeson. He arrived in Singapore on January 6 for a three-year posting.

John received his warrant officer's commission from the defence adviser to the Australian High Commission in Singapore, Colonel T. Holland.

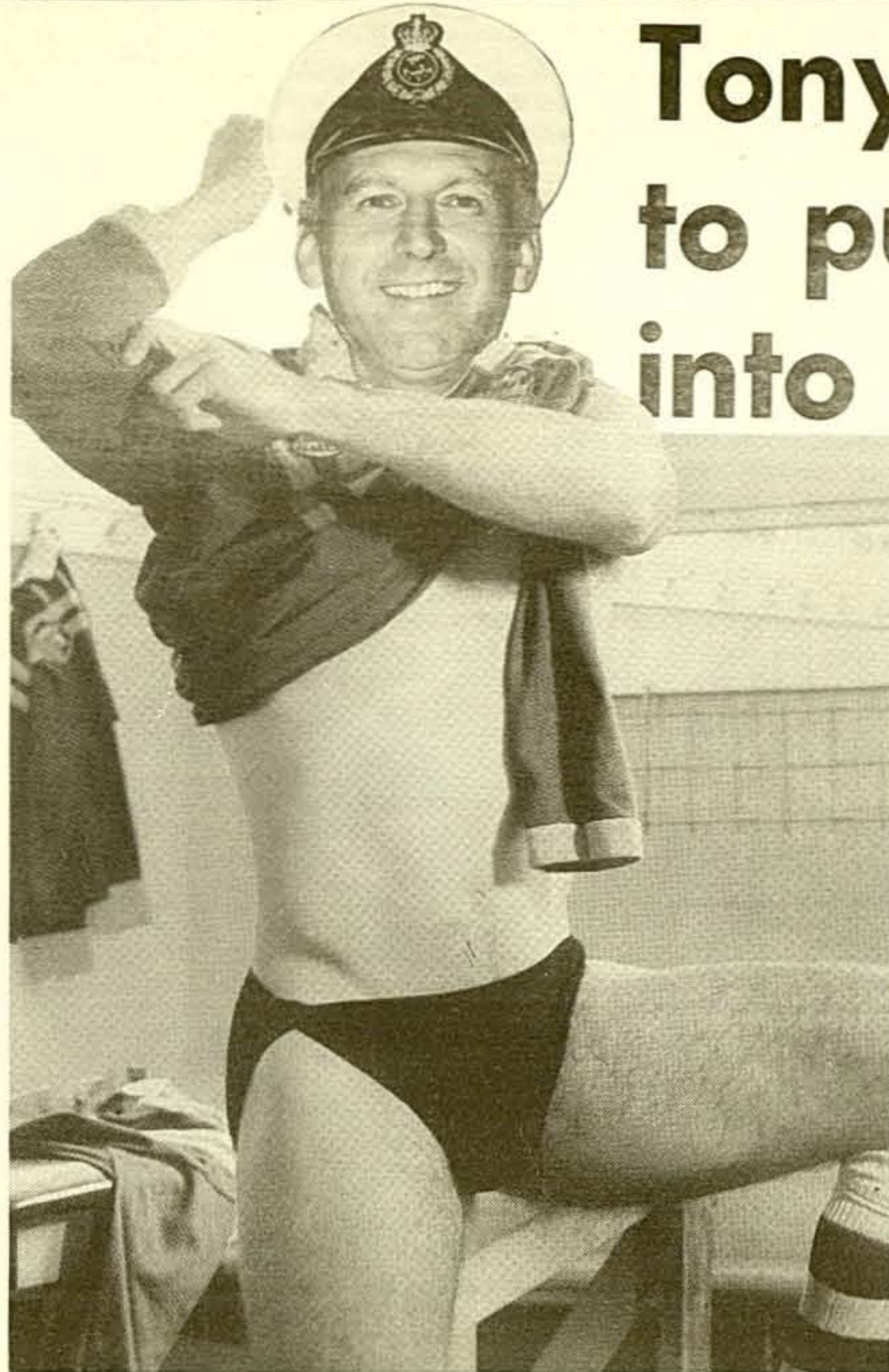
## Crash claims chief

Friends will be saddened to learn of the death of former RAN CPOMTP David Anthony Oates.

CPO Oates was killed recently when his car overturned near Whorouly in Victoria.

He joined the Navy in January 1967 and paid off in October 1980.

CPO Oates is survived by his wife Gloria.



NAVY News has had the occasional request for a male pin-up . . . here's our first, the retiring Tony Stanley.

# Tony's odds on to put the bite into retirement

An era will come to an end on May 1, 1986 when Warrant Officer Tony Stanley leaves the RAN.

Tony joined the Navy from Brisbane, in September 1961 and is the last of the old guard of dental senior sailors who go back to the halcyon days: pre-Beates, pre-Vietnam, pre-R and Q, pre-group pay, pre-breathalysers etc.

Tony remembers those days well: "Ah yes," he reminisced at his salubrious eastern suburbs penthouse, "When I joined Pussers, Roy Orbison was the smoothest bloke around, Johnny O'Keefe was on his third nervous breakdown and wine was only drunk by new Australians, all poker machines were mechanical and an enterprising fellow could run a book with virtual impunity."

So began Tony's career in the RAN, serving firstly at HMAS CERBERUS where his racehorses were at agistment outside the west gate.

After a few wins, namely the Mooroolbark Welter and the Yarek Invitation Stakes, his Ford Prefect was updated to a 179 Holden Trimatic.

A posting next to HMAS WATSON and Tony diversified into the poker machine industry with enthusiasm. There followed postings to ALBATROSS and KUTTABUL, HMAS SYDNEY (four trips to Vietnam) and HMAS MELBOURNE.

Apart from Tony's diverse and exhausting extra curricular activities, he was by this time establishing a reputation as a first class dental technician with broad knowledge and expertise in ceramics, chromium, cobalt casting, precious metals and acrylics.

He toured Indonesia in 1970 lecturing and demonstrating cast metal construction techniques. His prominence in the branch, however, has been eclipsed by his outside interests.

In association with Sangster and the Aga Khan he operates an international string of racehorses, breeding stock and polo ponies, and jets around the world with the glitterati, regularly being seen in company with Mick Jagger, Joan Collins, "Buckets" Jackson and Liberace.

A philanthropist by nature, Tony's regular donations to the poker machine industry have gone largely unheralded.

It goes without saying that the Knutt, Muddle and Ainsworth Companies and Jack Rooklyn would not be where they are today without Tony Stanley's long-term help.

When asked if he had advice to junior sailors who aspire to greater heights, Tony put down his Jim Beam, removed his Yves Saint Laurent sunnies and replied laconically: "Two things must always be remembered, firstly odds on - look on, secondly in the wet - don't bet."

Farewell Tony.



TONY and friend.



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## Tension exercise finishes

An international exercise designed to test procedures for the control of merchant shipping in times of tension ends today.

Named Expanded Sea '86, the exercise involved 185 Royal Australian Naval Reservists in all capital cities and the ports of Newcastle, Port Kembla, Port Hedland and Cairns.

During the exercise Reserve officers boarded merchant ships of participating nations to brief ships' masters on plans and procedures to control the movement of merchant ships in times of tension. Helicopters were used to board selected ships at sea.

## CO home for tea

After 30 years' service in the RANR, Commander R. B. McLean has retired.

"It will be the first time since I've known him that Tuesday night will not be devoted to reserve training," said his wife Mavis.

CMDR McLean joined the RANR on March 2, 1956, and carried out six months national service training that year, before progressing through the sailor ranks to LSRP and then promotion to sub lieutenant SD in 1965.

He assumed command of Brisbane Port Division on January 1, 1984, after having been operations coordinator from the time BPD had assumed control of HMAS LABUAN as a unit of the Australian Amphibious Squadron in June, 1979.



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# Freedom marchers

On Palm Sunday, 100,000 marchers took to Sydney's streets for the International Year of Peace march.

This much publicised event was preceded by 24 hours by a parade that was small by comparison but no less impressive - the first tri-service freedom of entry to the city of Parramatta.

The parade stepped off at midday from historic Parramatta Park as Saturday morning shoppers gathered in George St to witness the exercise.

The tri-Service formation was led by Commander R. H. Old, Commanding Officer HMAS PARRAMATTA, flanked by Lieutenant Colonel G. J. McIntyre, Commanding Officer, 1/15 Royal New South Wales Lancers and Wing Commander G. D. Weekes, Officer Commanding 38 Squadron RAAF.

CPOCOX J. D. Addyman, HMAS PARRAMATTA scroll bearer, accompanied by Army and Air Force scroll bearers followed immediately behind the unit Commanding Officers.

Each unit was then represented, in the order of RAN, Army, RAAF, by a 50-man guard and a 50-man unarmed platoon.

After satisfying the traditional challenge by producing the freedom of entry scrolls the parade then exercised the right and privilege so bestowed by marching through Parramatta.



THE HMAS PARRAMATTA guard led by Lieutenant Commander Foulkes RN during the freedom of entry.



JSSC bellrope presentation ceremony. (Left to right) GPCAPT K.V. Griffin, senior course member 33/86; CMDR R.H. Old; LCDR W.K. Scott, Executive Officer HMAS PARRAMATTA; COL P.L. McGuinness, director of studies JSSC; CMDR M.J. Carrel, Navy directing staff JSSC; AIRCDRE H.F. Freeman, Commandant JSSC.

## LAST LAUGH FOR THE KOOKABURRA

Tradition was maintained when the Commanding Officer HMAS PARRAMATTA, Commander Henry Old, presented a replacement bellrope to the Commandant of the Joint Services Staff College (JSSC) in Canberra, Air Commodore Fred Freeman.

The new bellrope was commissioned by Commander Mike Carrel, a member of the directing staff at JSSC, to replace a "well worn but worn well" bellrope of indeterminate vintage.

JSSC received HMAS KOOKABURRA's bell on loan from the RAN in 1970.

KOOKABURRA had an interesting history. She was the first specially-designed boom working vessel in the RAN.

KOOKABURRA was at Darwin during the Japanese air attack on February 19, 1942. On that occasion she was acting as eastern gate-vessel and sustained some damage from enemy bombs.

She paid off finally in 1958 and was laid up in reserve. She was placed on the sale list and was sold by public

tender closing in 1965.

Subsequently she was towed to Rozelle Bay, Sydney, to be broken up. On Saturday, February 25, 1967, at the shipbreakers yard, she developed a list to starboard and sank at her moorings in shallow water.

She was raised during February and March 1970 and subsequently towed out and scuttled.

KOOKABURRA's bell is still on active service at JSSC and is used to signal program events.

## Anzac pride to Navy

In line with its 75th anniversary, the RAN will be given pride of place in this year's Anzac Day march in Sydney.

Leader of the 1986 Anzac Day march in Sydney will be Rear Admiral G. R. Griffiths (Retd), and the leader of the Navy section of the march will be Rear Admiral A. J. Robertson (Retd) and his aide will be Captain W. Cook, RAN (Retd).

The Naval Association Australia extends an invitation to all serving members of the RAN

in the Sydney area who do not march with a particular ship association to march under the Naval Association banner.

Those wishing to march please assemble at the corner of Pitt and King Sts, Sydney, at 0830 on Friday, April 25.

The 59th commemoration of the Anzac Day dawn service is scheduled for Martin Place at 4.30 am on April 25.

Guest speaker will be Flag Officer Naval Support Command, Rear Admiral Martin.

## Senior sailor changes ahead

A new training policy on management training for senior sailors begins on July 1, 1986.

Management training, in the form of a four-week senior sailors management course (SSMC), will be undertaken by all sailors as an integral component of Advanced Category Courses (non technical personnel), phase four courses (technical personnel), or before promotion to petty officer for personnel not covered by advanced or phase four courses.

From July 1, 1986, the SSMC module will be undertaken at the discretion of the sponsoring school, before, during or after an advanced or phase four course.

The SSMC will be conducted at HMAS CERBERUS and at NAS NOWRA for AT Categories as required.

All personnel completing the SSMC, as part of another course or separately, will be awarded the EDP qualification 902340 (previously petty officer leadership course).

For the enhancement or post SSMC graduate phase of management training the management school, HMAS CERBERUS will provide a biannual series of one-week management training workshops in Sydney, Canberra and Melbourne areas, and an annual series in the Perth, Darwin and Cairns areas.

Workshops which can be arranged by the management school through direct contact by Area Commanders are:

**Divisional workshops:** Divisional workshops are one day long and normally run in conjunction with a counselling skills workshop. The aim of the Workshop is to enable senior sailors to be more active in the Divisional System and update the knowledge of divisional staff. They will also introduce local helping agencies such as Chaplains, social workers and psychologists.

**Counselling skills workshops:** Counselling workshops are one-day and will normally follow a divisional workshop for those actively involved in the divisional system, especially those who need practice or refreshment in counselling.

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# Rescues no accident

Every few weeks it seems, RAN Sea Kings are in the news, saving lives, searching for downed aircraft and flying far out to sea in the blackness of night.

And then there is the every day task of training for the wartime role of searching for and destroying enemy submarines.

At HSR17 Squadron it is no accident the Navy's Sea Kings are always ready for any task at hand.

Sometimes, when we read about the many exploits of the Sea Kings, we could be forgiven for thinking that 817 Squadron consists of no-one but about a dozen pilots, as many observers and some aircrewmembers.

But of course this is far

## Maintainers: the helo force

from the truth. What really makes it all possible is the more than 100 personnel who make up the squadron maintenance organisation. And yet no-one knows their names. People like Warrant Officer

ATA Greg McTernan, the squadron senior maintenance co-ordinator. His usual job is the day-to-day running of the squadron maintenance effort, but more recently he headed the 12-man STALWART

detachment maintenance crew during the ship's last deployment Up Top.

Their most spectacular exploit was sailing straight from the Philippines to Macquarie Island, 700 miles south of Hobart, to resupply the Australian Antarctic Expedition, when no-one else could do the job.

The operation was most memorable for the appalling weather conditions, the cold, and the elephant seals who contested their occupation of the VERTREP site.

Then there's Petty Officer ATA Eugene Gangloff, who leads by example, working longer hours than probably anyone else in the Fleet air Arm—more than 24 hours at a time, on some occasions.

If he wants to get a job done, he just won't go home. Right now he's aboard HMAS STALWART, working for CPOATWL "Nobby" Allard, keeping his Sea King serviceable 100 per cent of the time. Not a bad effort.

Or ABATA Mario Cinello, Navy Colts rugby player, who recently volunteered to carry out an urgently needed engine change in his own time, over the weekend. This is the sort of dedication that ensures that the squadron will be able to continue to meet its

commitments anywhere, anytime.

Aircraft technicians are special people for the attention they pay to detail, and the meticulous way in which they tackle every task, as safety is always paramount in their minds.

For instance, recently while working on a Sea King main rotor head, ABATA Steve Court noticed something that didn't look quite right at the attachment point of one of the main rotor blades. Further investigation revealed that a stud in the assembly had completely sheared.

The consequences could have been much worse if he hadn't picked it up when he did.

Take an average working day, starting at 0500. The early watch, under Petty Officer ATWL Mick Ball, is already at work, preparing aircraft for the first launch of the day, which may not be until 0900 or 1000 that morning.

Work continues throughout the day, and there is always plenty to do.

As already mentioned, the Sea King is a complex aircraft, and it demands at least 40 maintenance manhours per flying hour. That's a lot

maintenance, and it takes a dedicated, enthusiastic team to keep it all going.

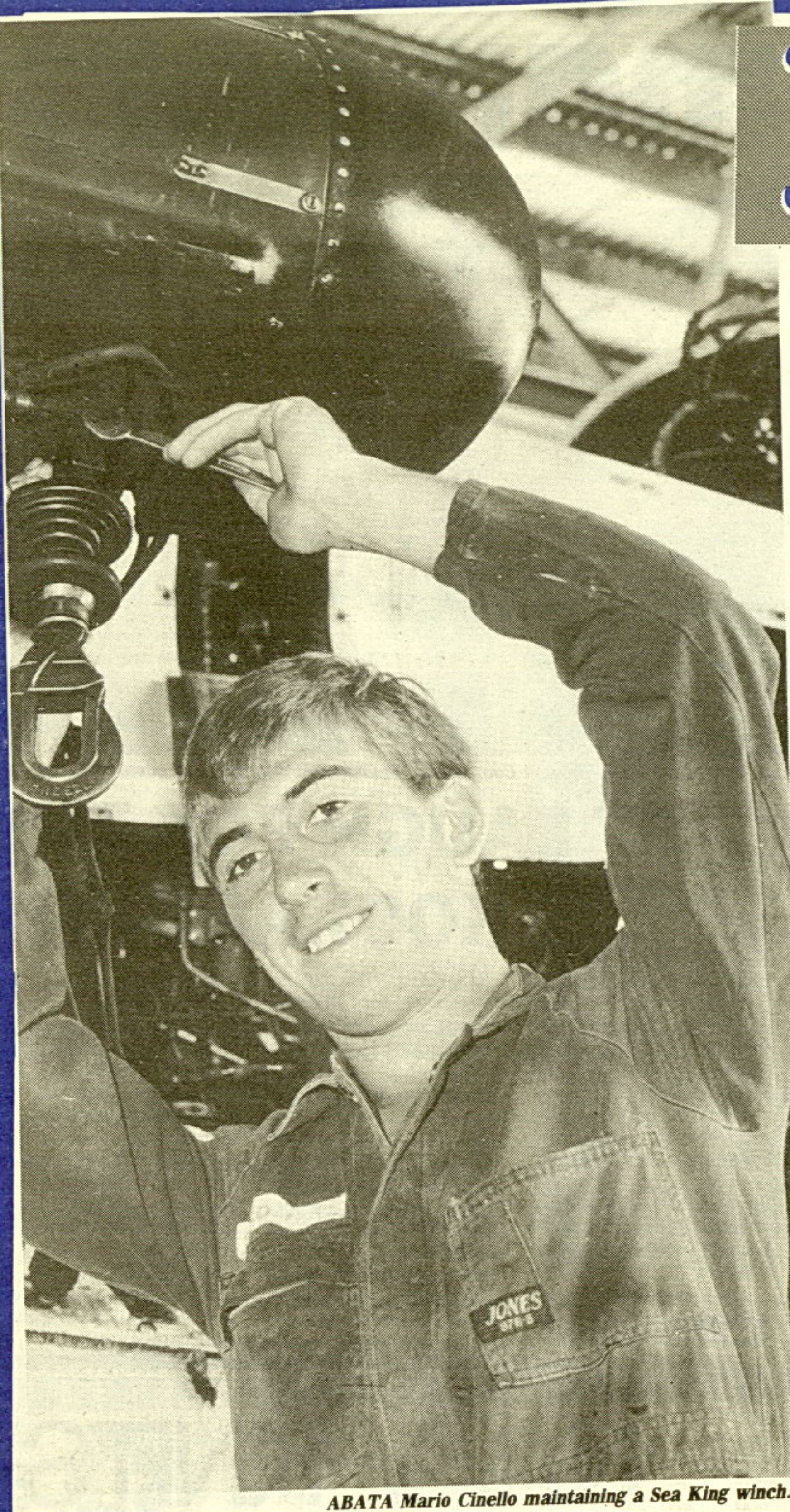
Even if there is no night flying, the maintenance work goes on. By now POATC John Clayton's night watch will have taken over, rectifying defects and doing scheduled maintenance work which must be done so that the aircraft are ready to fly the next morning.

Sometimes, if all goes well, they can secure at around midnight. Often, they are still there to meet the early watch.

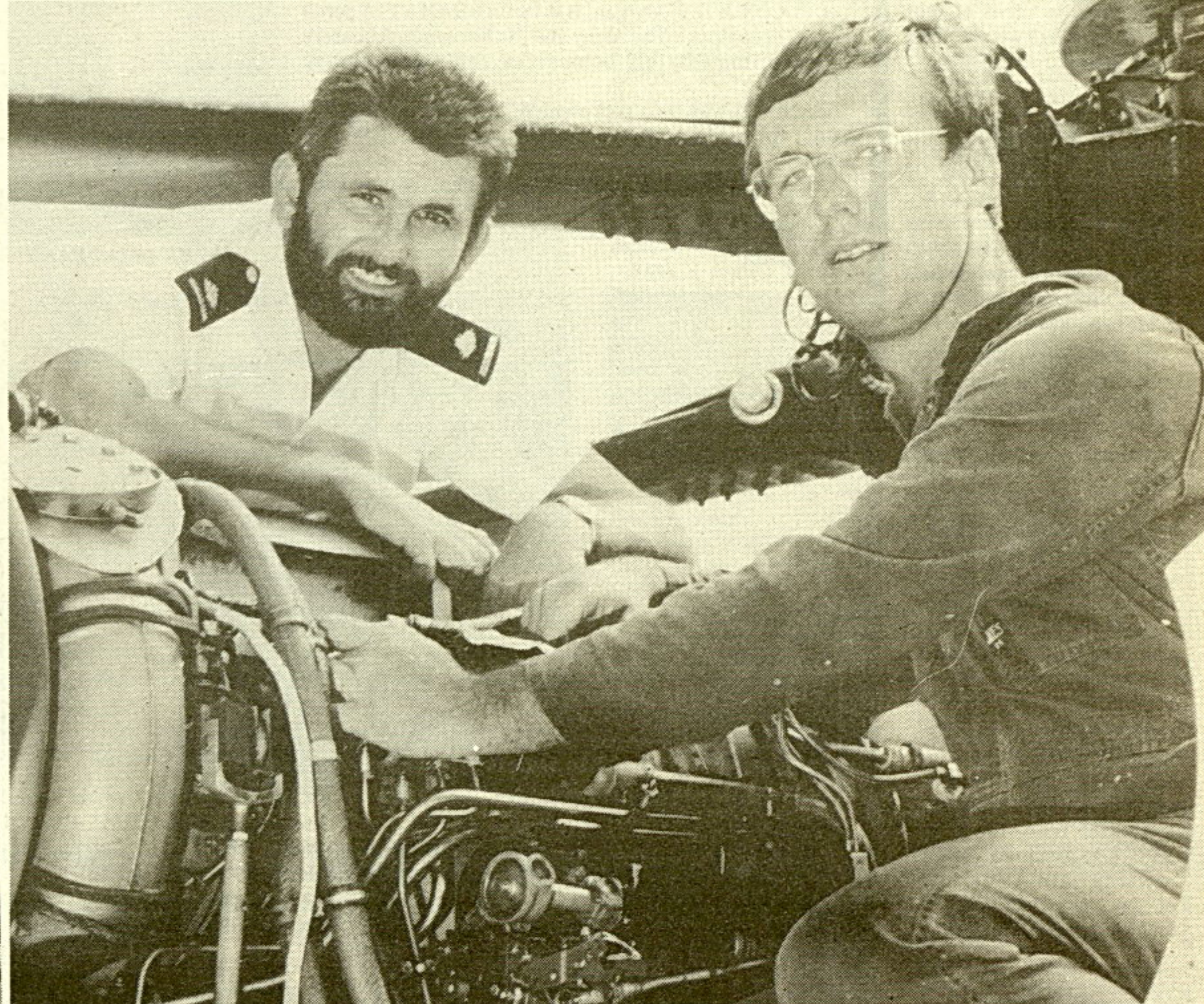
But every technical sailor has many years of training behind him, with expert supervision to back him up.

In the aircraft business, nothing less will do, as all are aware of the potentially disastrous consequences of any maintenance error, if it were ever to occur.

So the next time you read about Sea Kings carrying out another rescue, medevac, resupply mission or just doing their everyday task of Fleet ASW, remember that it didn't just happen by accident.



ABATA Mario Cinello maintaining a Sea King winch.



WOATA Greg McTernan and ABATA Steve Court inspect an engine before take-off.



ROYAL Navy exchange observer, Lieutenant Dave Stanton with wife Dawn and son Scott at a 817 Squadron families' day.



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For further information please contact Paul Munro or Anne McInnes on (02) 236 1988.

Applications stating qualifications and experience and the names of two referees should be forwarded by Friday, May 2, 1986, to:

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# A GOOD BUZZ FROM HMAS WORT.

## A decade for Kings

HSR17, the HMAS ALBATROSS-based Sea King Squadron has been celebrating the 10th anniversary of operating the Westland anti-submarine helicopter throughout the early months of this year.

The initial purchase of 10 aircraft from Westland helicopters UK was completed by February 1976 and in the ensuing 10 years the Sea King has proved its capability in many tasks with reliability and efficiency.

The RAN helos have been embarked in HMA Ships MELBOURNE, STALWART and TOBRUK and also in HMS INVINCIBLE, employed in ASW, surveillance, utility and SAR roles.

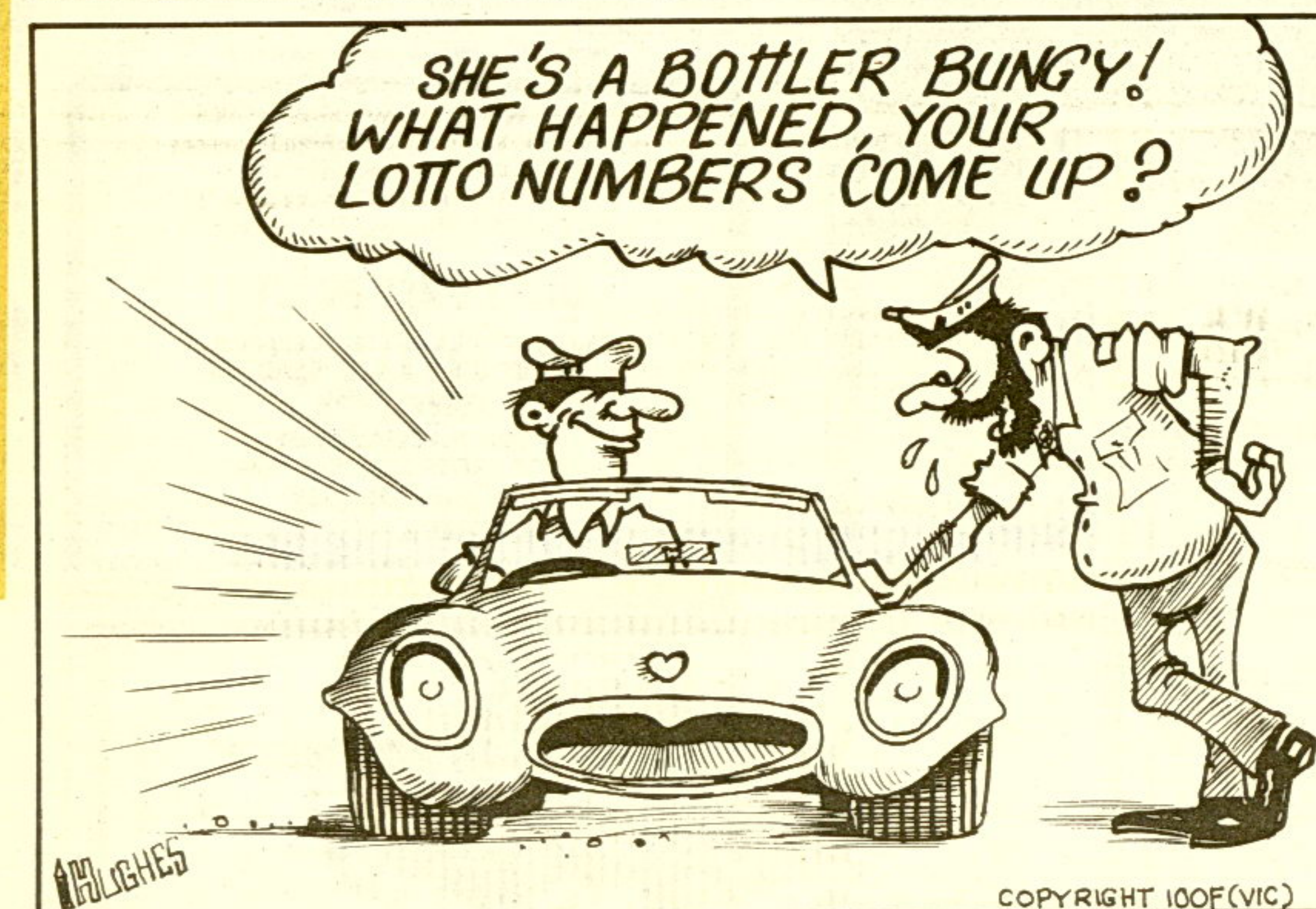
The recent celebrations have included an anniversary dinner dance for squadron personnel followed by a family day.

At an anniversary squadron mess dinner present members hosted past members involved with Sea Kings. Guests travelled from Western Australia, Victoria, Queensland, ACT and NSW and even one from Hong Kong for the night.

A dedication was made on the late Christa McCauliffe the sister-in-law of LCDR Wayne McCauliffe USN an exchange pilot with the squadron.

During the celebrations the squadron continued its role in support of the Fleet involvement in the SAR operation for the missing RAAF F111, saw a Sea King locate, recover and identify the wreckage as Ships approached the area.

The Sea Kings will also keep a high profile in support of the Navy's 75th anniversary



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# R.A.N. WIVES' NEWS

Please forward all mail to: Bobbie Edes, 13 Celebes St, Kings Park, Parklea NSW 2148.

Having just returned from the evening organised for Mrs Sue Hamilton to meet Sydney wives at HMAS NIRIMBA, I would like to say how constructive the meeting was, with an attendance of approximately 40. A wide spectrum of issues were discussed and we can now only wait and see what the outcome will be. Many thanks to those ladies who travelled from such distant suburbs as Cronulla, Liverpool and Rydalmere. Your support was really appreciated. Meanwhile, there has been another 'lull' in the information received this last fortnight - so would the secretaries please note to try and keep the column informed of forthcoming activities.

**BRISBANE:** A 'Hand Painted Garments Showing' has been organised for 10.30 am, Tuesday, 13th May - so ladies still up in this corner of the Sunshine State should make an effort to pop along and see what is on show. A light sandwich lunch will be served and cost is \$3 with babysitting available for \$2. RSVP Sue Burton on 398 1796 and Diana Lamped on 892 5311 by 6th May for what should prove to be a lovely morning.

**CAIRNS:** Aileen, the President of the Naval Family Group, or Robyn, the Secretary are available on 53 5587 and 54 2684 respectively for those ladies living in Cairns who would like to know the functions coming up shortly. Playgroup is held weekly, as is an informal coffee morning each Friday at 10 am.

**CANBERRA:** This year the ladies of the Canberra branch had a very healthy sum of money to be distributed, thanks to the support that members gave to their functions in 1985. The following donations have been made recently: Legacy Village \$1200, Noah's Ark \$300, Pegasus \$300, DWG \$100 - a great effort from Canberra Association! Mrs Carol Moore has kindly offered to be their hospital visitor, if you are in need of her services, or know of anyone who would benefit from a visit - please phone Carol on 54 2997.

**CERBERUS:** The next function coming up for this club is a microwave oven and chocolate making demonstration - sounds yummy! This is to be held on April 21, details from Edna on 71 3003 or Kath on 83 7143. The creche is

available for this function, and located behind B block, the cost being \$2 per child or \$4 family.

**FREMANTLE:** A visit to association for the blind is the next activity planned by the ladies of LEEUWIN - for more details ring Lee Jones on 48 3393, the outing is planned for May 13.



**NOWRA:** This association meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 9.30 am to 11.30 am at the White Ensign Club in Nowra. For more details on the club, ring Margaret on 21 5020 or Helen on 21 7696.

**WESTERN DISTRICTS (of Sydney):** The first cake stall to be held at NIRIMBA for quite some time is planned for Thursday 1st May, outside the Apprentices Canteen - so if you would like to make some cakes, slices, biscuits etc, they would be more than welcome to help make it a success. If you can't get out to HMAS NIRIMBA at Quakers Hill for the stall, they could be dropped off at your nearest committee member's - for information please ring Ann on 624 4512. The big event on our calendar is fast approaching, and that is the Winter Fashion Parade, to be held on Tuesday night, April 22 at the Senior Sailors Mess, HMAS NIRIMBA at 8 pm. Cost is just \$5 for this really top night, which includes supper and wine - details on tickets can be obtained from Jan on 636 2071.



HMAS VAMPIRE pacing KRAIT.

The Daring class destroyer HMAS VAMPIRE, famous wartime vessel KRAIT and men of the RAN feature in a new television series on our unsung wartime heroes.

Jumbuck Productions Pty Ltd of Brisbane plan four one-hour episodes with the first scheduled to go to air on Brisbane's Channel 7 on Anzac Day.

Hosted by Sir James Killen, the series UNSUNG HEROES will tell the fascinating story of Australians fighting behind enemy lines in the Pacific during World War II.

So deeply ingrained was the

## 'Unsung heroes' for TV series

habit of secrecy that some of the men involved in these units, members of Z Force and the Coast Watchers, would not speak of their wartime experiences to anyone, not even their families for many years after the war.

Both the Z Force and Coast Watcher organisations depended on secrecy for efficient observation, indeed survival, and therefore few details of their activities were ever released.

As far as possible, the stories will be told by the men who were actually there, thus enabling the audience to share their experience first-hand, with maximum impact and minimum factual error.

The pilot program "Tigers and Snakes" features the story of the famous little vessel KRAIT which was involved in the incredible mission by a handful of men who destroyed 40,000 tons of shipping in Japanese-held Singapore Harbour, right under the noses of the enemy.

The "tiger" relates to the wartime raid commander, Major Ivan Lyon, who sported a tiger tattoo on his chest; the krait is a small, venomous Asian snake - was done in Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.

The project already has

attracted some unexpected scrutiny in Sydney Harbour.

The KRAIT, flying a Japanese flag and carrying a complement of men wearing dark make-up and sarongs, was challenged by a Customs vessel.

However, the misunderstanding was quickly cleared up and the filming continued.

In the first Singapore raid, Operation Jaywick, 13 men sailed thousands of kilometres, much of it in enemy waters, before launching three teams of two men in canoes.

These teams paddled through the night into Singapore Harbor, attached limpet mines to ships, and then made it back to the KRAIT and eventually safely.

In the second mission, Operation Rimau, all 23 commandos perished, including several veterans of Operation Jaywick.

The series' executive producer, John Schindler, says assistance from the RAN has contributed greatly to the success of the pilot program.

Naval clearance divers from HMAS PENGUIN appear in re-enactment scenes alongside commandos from No 1 Commando Company - Sydney.

Also HMAS VAMPIRE appeared in a re-enactment scene.



Ex-Navy wireless operator Horrie Young, an "Operation Jaywick" survivor, discusses the mission with some of the HMAS PENGUIN personnel involved in the re-enactment.

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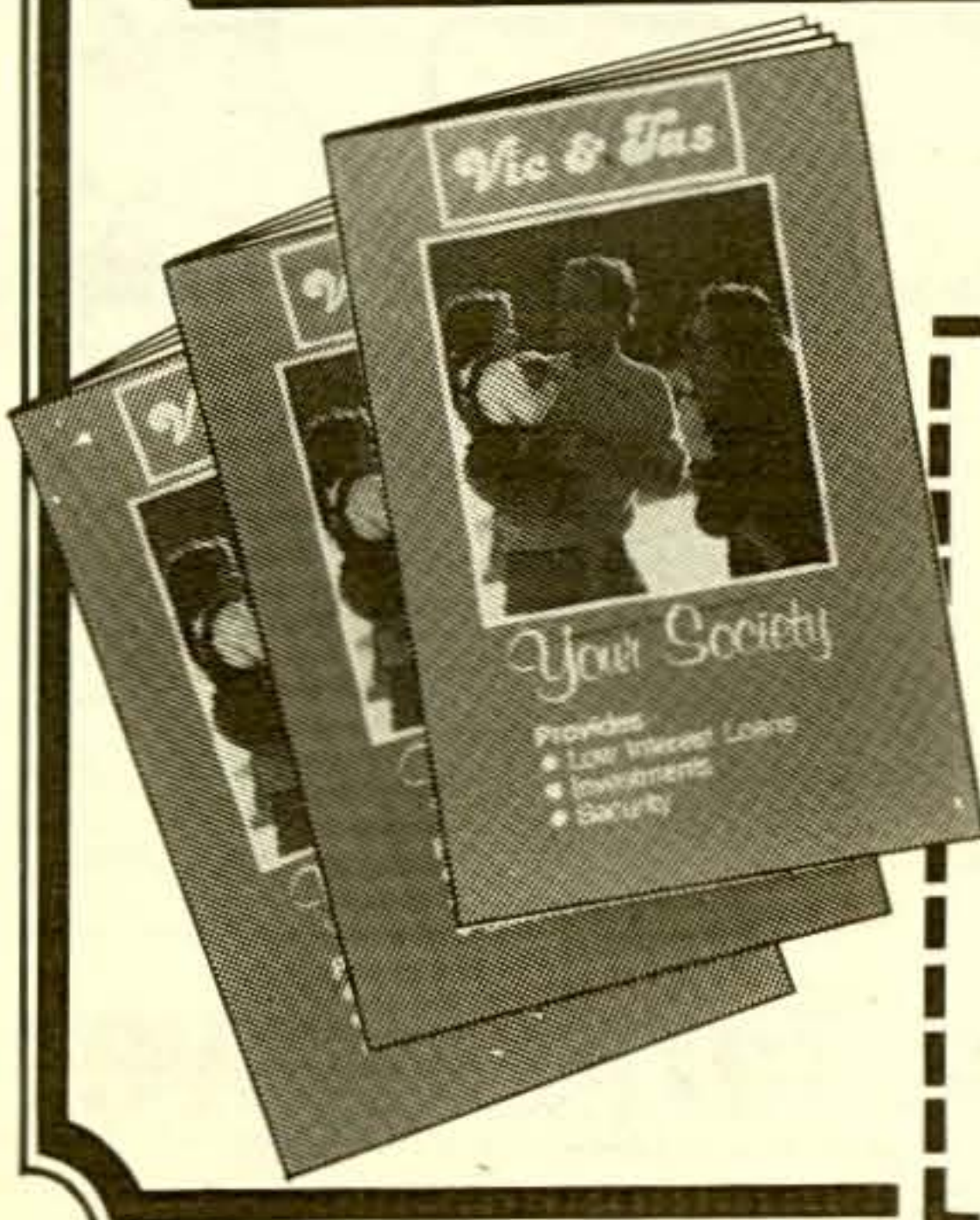
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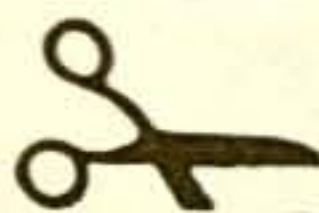
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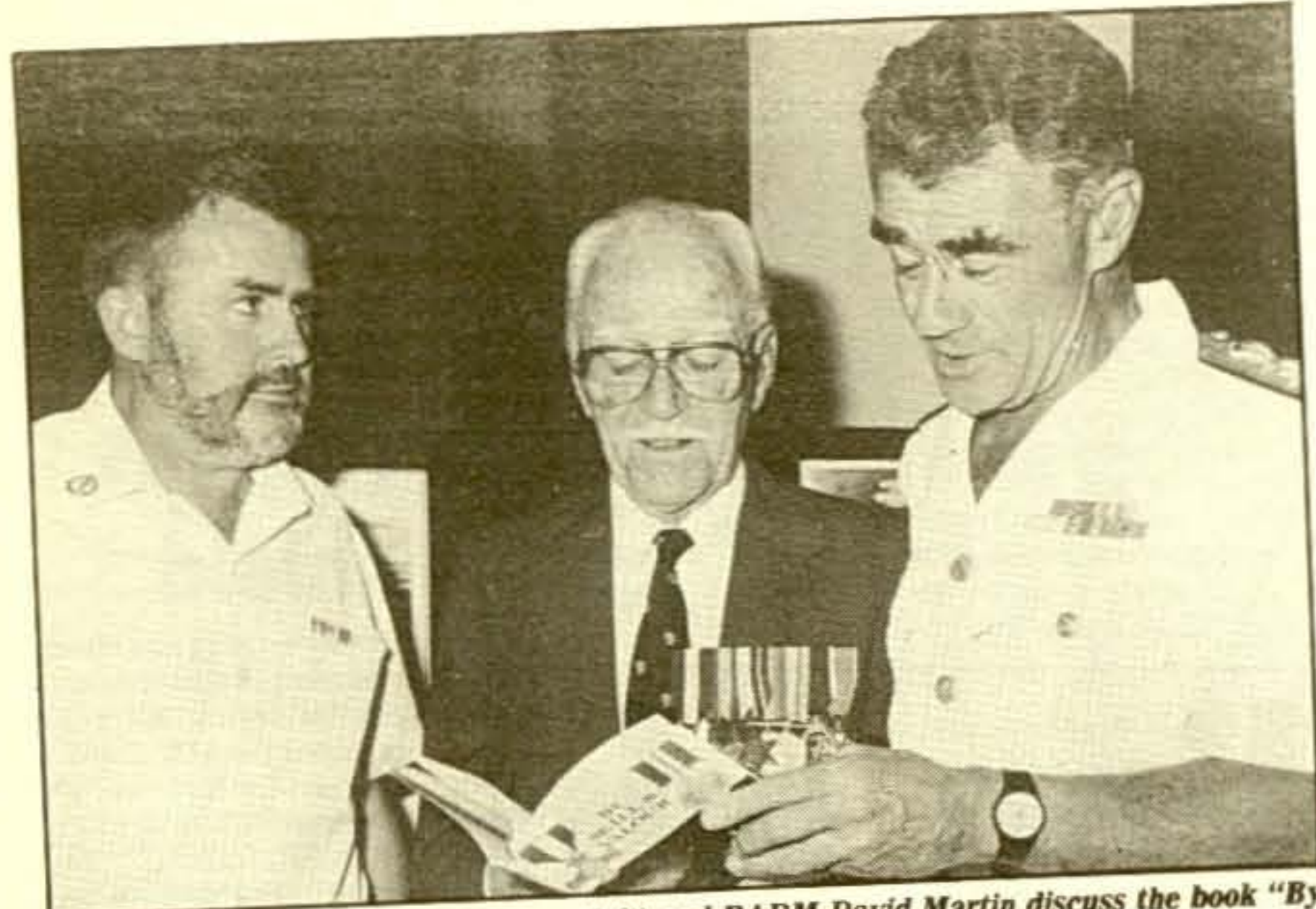




# Our first military adventure in Asia

'Bluejackets and Boxers' by Bob Nicholls, Allen and Unwin Australia \$19.95.  
Reviewed by Kenelm Creighton.

Bob Nicholls inclines to a roguish smile and his eyes convey a shrewd but mischievous gleam.



Author CPOWTR "Bomber" Atkinson (left) and RADM David Martin discuss the book "By Skill and Valour" with retired Naval Commander Howard Weston DSC whose exploits are mentioned.

*By Skill and Valour* - Honours and Awards to the Royal Australian Navy for the First and Second World Wars. James J. Atkinson Spink and Son (Australia) Pty Ltd, Sydney, 1986. ISBN 0959 320 318. Hardbound edition with gold-blocked spine and jacketed, cost \$45 plus \$5 postage. Soft-bound edition with full colour cover \$32 plus \$5 packaging and posting. Reviewed by Bob Nicholls.

Chief Petty Officer Writer Jim Atkinson's new book, obviously the product of many years of painstaking research, is a delight to review.

First up, to get the technical aspects of the publication out of the way.

The book has a good feel to it, in that the size and heft are about right.

Inside, the design work, by which I mean the layout of the pages, size and face of type used and weight of paper, come together in a welcome harmony.

Normally, this aspect of the production of a book is left to a professional, but in this instance the author has been responsible for virtually the whole of the work, with very creditable results.

The first few pages of text are taken up with a brief account of the activities of the Royal Australian Navy in the World Wars of 1914 to 1918 and 1939 to 1945.

This serves to provide the reader with a valuable framework with which to approach the majority of the contents of the book.

These are lists of the officers and sailors of the Royal Australian Navy who were the recipients of honours and awards in these two World Wars.

In the lists are the recommendations on which the

## 'Of naval warfare long forgotten . . .'

awards were made, and where these have not been available, the citations which appeared in the London or Commonwealth of Australia Gazettes. (The Gazette is the normal method by which these awards are announced).

A study of the lists, in particular those of the Second World War, is a sobering experience.

Several of the exploits and episodes of four years of fighting for which some of the participants at least received official recognition need no mention - such as actions in the Mediterranean in the crucial stages of the war and, later, the operations in New Guinea, the Philippines and Borneo and the battles in the

North Atlantic and Leyte Gulf.

What the book reminds the reader of though are those aspects of naval warfare long forgotten and which seldom seem to feature in the official histories - presumably because there was no newsworthy aspect to them or, possibly, because senior officers weren't immediately involved.

I have in mind for example the awards of the George Cross and George Medal, in some instances more than once, to naval men who were responsible for rendering enemy mines safe, and whose story remains unpublished to a great extent.

Another facet of awards which emerges from the lists is the number of men from the Royal Australian Navy who achieved recognition for their work while in the service of either the Royal Navy or were given awards by foreign governments.

In the letter case it is interesting to see how many of these awards, often for what appears to be for acts of outstanding bravery, seem to have gone unrecognised in this country.

Jim Atkinson is an orders and medals expert and his book has been designed primarily for others in his field.

The publishers, Spink & Sons, are probably the world's best-known dealers in medals and honours.

Both sides, by bringing about the publication of this important study, are to be congratulated on reminding us of the activities of our predecessors and the official recognition of their achievements.

These traits perhaps supply the keys to his empathy with the aspirations of the men of the naval brigades from, effectively, three Australian States who served in North China during 1900 and early 1901 helping to deal with the Boxer uprising.

Launching 'Bluejackets and Boxers', backed by the Naval Support Commander, Rear Admiral David Martin, at Garden Island Dockyard, Bob Nicholls indicated that this collection of Naval reservists, many far from the bloom of youth, were chiefly out for 'something to do'.

They sought a change of scene and hopefully glory with pay plus a bonus, of, in naval terms, 'rabbits' or souvenirs.

Should such a similar venture occur today somewhere in the world, it would not be hard to imagine Nicholls - a retired RAN Lieutenant Commander with an intelligence background, service in the Royal Navy and Malayan Navy, plus fluent Mandarin - being off like the proverbial Flynn.

Bob Nicholls has encapsulated relations between China and the 'foreign devils' over the centuries laying the foundation for a fascinating yarn.

Missionaries from many nations along with the traders had poured into 19th century China.

Suspensions were aroused among overtaxed and superstitious peasants that apart from spreading the Christian faith, the missionaries were up to no good apart from being linked closely with wealth, privilege, corruption and high taxation.

### SECRET SOCIETY

Such a situation led to the formation of a secret society the I He Tuan which translated roughly into the Righteous Harmony Fists was swiftly transposed into Boxers by European missionary journals.

Insurrections began, missionaries were slain, legations in Peking and trading concerned elsewhere in North China menaced.

A China International Field Force, under the British General Gaselee, was formed and numbered 20,000 men.

Britain, including Indian troops, plus the Australian Naval Brigades from Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia, and not forgetting the 25 doughty individuals from the New South Wales Marine Corps, the United States, Russia, Germany, France, Italy, the Austro Hungarian Empire, along with Japan, were countries taking part in the force.



Naval Support Commander RADM David Martin pictured at the Garden Island launch of "Bluejackets and Boxers" with author LCDR Bob Nicholls (R'td).

It may well be imagined, and Nicholls brings all this out, the difficulties of controlling this disparate mob involving arrogance, vanity, pomp, circumstance and bloodthirsty cruelty.

Bob Nicholls with dexterity, evocative pictures of Australians, others, ships, local colour, index bibliography, uses an ironic sense of humour to portray the first Australian involvement in an Asian adventure and the first definitive story of the Australian naval reservists role in North China at the time of Federation.

The 920-ton HM Colonial Ship PROTECTOR from South Australia took part in the operation, fired no guns in anger and ended up shifting people from one part of North China to the other.

The Victorian and New South contingents departed from our shores in the Aberdeen Line's SALAMIS, requisitioned by the British Admiralty.

They had their share of hunting booty, police and local government duties.

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# What future for Wills Cup?

The future of the W. D. and H. O. Wills Cup Golf Competition in NSW is looking grim.

A trophy which has been the pinnacle of NSW golf for over a quarter of a century is in danger of collecting cobwebs in CRECO's "Mothball" trophy cabinet.

Golf, one of the few sports where "Ables" can "beat-up" Admirals and live to tell the tale is in danger of becoming obsolete, why? After two rounds of the 1986 competition one establishment had to forfeit due to lack of numbers, you only need four players to constitute a match! Another team completely withdrew from the 1986 competition for similar reasons.

I recently observed two ships' golf days, one with 30-40 starters and the other with 15-20. But for reasons unknown shore authorities can't muster seven, or the minimum of four.

The last two open days saw a total of 257 players

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battling it out for recognition in their respective grades, maybe they only participated because of the large array of trophies.

There are currently six teams participating in Wills Cup Golf, a total requirement of 42 players, yet the 1985 inter-Service selection

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trials saw nominations of 35 players with handicaps of 14 and below.

The Wills Cup Competition "rule makers" have made it compulsory for teams to field players from all three grades which includes handicappers up to and including the beginners and battlers off 36.

Maybe its time the two golfing organisations NSW RANOGS and NSWAGC joined forces and forged a NSW RAN Golf Club. This would surely promote the sport at all levels, with one

common goal, Navy golf!

As you are all aware once "Dead and Buried" resurrection is a tricky business.

There is no place for my "Birdies and Bogies" column in the obituary section and my journalistic attributes are limited, plus "Salty" has a mortgage on Rugby.



Tim French

## RAN XI regains shield

In an exciting and closely contested 1986 inter-Service cricket series, Navy has regained the ACT shield.

Army, the host, was able to arrange a district cricket wicket at Deakin. The large ground and slow outfield served to restrict the scoring and therefore provided tight and absorbing duels.

In the first game Navy was sent in in chilly, blustery conditions and had to contend with a damp wicket. We were soon in trouble at three for 28 with a fine and steady 82-run partnership between captain Tim French (68) and Doug Holt (39) building the basis of the innings.

Navy finally managed 8-165 from the 50 overs allocated.

The highly fancied RAAF team similarly foundered early but recovered in the middle order to force a tight run-a-ball finish for the last four overs.

However, it could not achieve the target finishing with 9-161 after its 50 overs.

Andy Ozolnick (4-31) assisted by Alpha McKearn (2-26) and Terry Wein (0-21) took the bowling honours of the day and keeper Doug Holt held five catches, took a stumping and completed a runout to provide good all-round support.

Army easily accounted for RAAF the next day and was set to similarly rattle Navy for the decider. But Navy's opening attack of Sam Whittle (1-8) and Andy Ozolnick's 2-8 gave Army nothing early.

Terry Wein (4-20) and John Farquhar (3-20) proved that tight is better than might in limited over cricket, giving Army no chance to build its innings. The most pleasing feature of the innings was an inspired fielding display by Navy. Eight out of eight catches offered were held while the ground fielding was equally sure and steady throughout.

This all-up team effort restricted Army to 89 runs all out after 45 overs. Despite another early four-wicket loss, Terry Wein (28) guided Navy to 62 before Tim French and Alpha McKearn steered Navy through to victory in 46.4 overs without further loss.

Tim French, Navy's captain, was selected as player of the series and subsequently named as the Combined Service captain. Other Navy players selected to play in the inaugural Combined Services carnival at the Junction Oval, Melbourne, were Sam Whittle, Andy Ozolnick, Ken McKeown and Doug Holt.

## Congratulations on your promotion...

# Thrilling win in WA cricket

Navy has won the inter-Service cricket in Western Australia, played at Lilac Park, Midland.

Due to an administrative oversight Army (who hosted the competition) failed to turn up to the first day's match against the RAAF. RAAF won on forfeit.

The following day Navy played Army. Army was skittled for just 78 and then Navy openers Gerry Funnell (50 no) and Bob Alexander (17 no) made light work of getting the required 79 for victory to win by 10 wickets.

Navy bowled and fielded brilliantly during Army's innings. 'Spud' Murphy led the attack taking five for 23 from his 10 overs.

He was well supported by tight, accurate bowling from pacemen Frank Johnstone, Alex Forgie, Terry Bracknell and spinner 'Nobby' Clarke.

Navy openers took just 21 overs to wrap up the game. Funnell batted well for his chanceless half century and he found valuable assistance from Alexander, who never looked troubled by the Army attack.

The showdown for the crown between RAAF and Navy proved a thrilling contest.

RAAF batted first and was quickly in trouble to the swing bowling of Murphy. He took the first three wickets to fall including a superb caught and bowled a la Greg Matthews.

Big fast bowler Alex Forgie then ripped

through the middle and tail order taking four for 24 to roll the RAAF for 99. Wicketkeeper and captain 'Robbo' Robertson turned in a top performance behind the stumps taking three excellent catches.

Rain intervened half way through the RAAF innings and the game was reduced to 35 overs a side.

Openers Gerry Funnell and Bob Alexander again got Navy off to a good start before losing Alexander for 16. When Funnell departed for 17 Navy was two for 42.

A collapse then followed and Navy was seven for 74 from 26 overs.

Navy was in further trouble when Frank Johnstone was caught behind trying to put one into the nearby Swan River and Navy was eight for 95 with Bill Dunn the only recognised batsman left at the crease. But a well educated edge through third slip from Murphy for three gave Dunn the strike and the game was beyond doubt. Dunn finished with a steady 20 no and Navy eight for 100.

It was a well deserved win for a very green and talented Navy side.

Congratulations to the following for making the Combined Services team: 'Robbo' Robertson, Gerry Funnell, Frank Johnstone, 'Nobby' Clarke, Alex Forgie and 'Spud' Murphy.

## NIRIMBA ATHLETES SHINE



Babo Subul wins the 100m in the record time of 10.9 secs.

HMAS NIRIMBA recently provided a strong team of more than 100 players and officials to contest the 1986 Apprentices Inter-Service Summer Sports Competition at the Army Apprentice School at Latchford Barracks, Bonegilla, Victoria.

Although Navy only managed a third in the overall points tally, behind Army and RAAF, many of the numerically inferior and younger NIRIMBA apprentices performed extremely well.

The Badminton team (which is comprised entirely of Royal Malaysian Navy trainees) completely outclassed Army and RAAF by winning both rounds 7-0 to clinch the trophy.

The athletics team also enhanced the reputation it set earlier this year at the inaugural Naval Support Command Athletics Championships by winning six of the 15 events contested, including: the shot put (won by Apprentice Nafin Kera); the javelin (won by Apprentice David Mathews); the 100m sprint (won by Apprentice Babo Subul in a record time of 10.9 secs); the 200m sprint (also won by apprentice Babo Subul); the 4x100 relay and the 4x400m relay. The team tied with Army for first place.

The golf, tennis, swimming waterpolo, cycling, cricket, squash and tug-o-war teams did not do quite as well as the badminton and athletics teams but they have discovered some considerable talents in their midst such as Apprentices Bradley Popp, Jock Campbell and Dean Morgan, who are expected to provide a strong basis for better results next year.

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# A sparkling start for Colts Rugby

The Navy Colts Rugby side has started the 1986 season in promising style.

A squad of 30 players recently competed in the NSW Country Under-21 Carnival at Smithfield in Sydney's west and finished a creditable fourth overall.

The carnival provided a good measure of the Colts skills.

Day one saw the Colts run out for their first game against Mid-North Coast. The match started off slowly and then Navy went on to run in four tries. The final score of 21-3 was a good start to the proceedings.

Coach Geoff Stokes told the Colts not to rest on their laurels because Newcastle was going to be "no push-over".

From the kick off the Newcastle team showed it had the skills and the size. The first half ended with the score three-nil Newcastle's way after some gutsy defence and harrassing forward play by Navy.

In the second half Newcastle proved too good and ran in three tries. The final score was 17-0.

The next match was Navy versus Hunter Valley, and again the opponents had a size and weight advantage up front.



Navy's Colts in action during the NSW Country Under-21 Rugby Carnival at Smithfield in Sydney.

After letting Hunter Valley run in a soft converted try, Navy decided to show some aggression.

A few minutes later Hunter Valley failed to put a penalty kick out and Mark Todd took the ball up field with the rest of the forwards and put winger Barry Omundson in for a try in the corner.

Score: Hunter Valley six, Navy four. Shortly after Hunter Valley kicked a penalty which made the score 9-4.

Then, with two successive penalties, fullback Andrew Keogh dropped two beautiful goals to put Navy in the lead 10-9.

The game finished a few minutes later with the Navy forwards driving the opposing pack 20 metres up field. Final score: Navy 10, Hunter Valley nine.

The Colts had beaten the runners-up of pool D and were now in the finals to play off for third place with Western Plains.

With Sean Moles' 21st that evening, the team's capability to play the next day was severely tested. However, at 1 pm on Sunday, a much depleted Navy Colts team rolled up for its final game.

Unfortunately, the side was severely hampered by the loss of second rowers, John Cunningham and Tony Raeside, who had been put out by injuries in earlier games.

Western Plains had the upper hand in the forwards from the beginning and a few lapses in Navy's defence allowed them to score a try about 10 minutes into the first half.

## Swimmers raise \$1400

A volunteer Navy team from HMAS COONAWARRA has taken part in the first National Heart Foundation of Australia (NT division) fund raising event, "Swim-for-Heart".

A team of 26 swimmers was put together by CPOPT Andy Shearman and in rather trying conditions - wet, windy and stormy for 10 of the 16 hours - the team of 17 adults and nine children - dependants of naval personnel - relayed through the night at the Casuarina Olympic Pool.

The children completed the first and last two hours of the marathon.

The end result was that the Navy team, to its great credit, raised a total of \$1400.10.

Other teams were mounted by the RAAF, the Commonwealth Bank, Eight DN Radio, Rehabilitation Unit, National Heart Foundation, Casuarina Swimming Club and the "Casuarina CROCS".

The rest of the game was a scrappy display by both teams with no great moves.

Western Plains scored a second try with a few minutes to go and the score remained 8-nil until full time.

At the end of the carnival the Colts had finished fourth in a round-robin competition of twelve zone teams. Not a bad result for a group of sailors most of whom had come straight off their ships.

There has been little news from the N.T. but I believe both Aussie Rules and Rugby teams won their respective inter-Service. Also CPO Barry Learoyd who enjoys the biggest participant sport in the world, "Fishing", certainly knows the skill. Barry has broken two world records recently, one for a beautiful sun fish.

I believe WO Ken McMiles has stepped down from the position of NSW I/S Rugby coach and handed the reins to Ass coach POPT Chris Cummins. Ken has had many successful years in his reign as coach and last time I saw him his enthusiasm for the job had not waned so I can only guess there is something else in the pipeline, may be the ASRU job!

For all members of the Navy Running Club or personnel wishing to be a member, they can now contact the Navy R.C. recorder at HARMAN. If you want your kilometres logged, just send in the name of the fun run, date and distance to ABSE Hansen, C/- ATD HMAS ALBATROSS, NOWRA 2450, then you can be



awarded a badge for either 100, 500 or 1000 km marks.

It is always a struggle as a PTI at ALBATROSS but CPOPT Bones Sutton is still trying to work out how to line the latest request up. A sailor has requested "Duck Shooting" as a Wednesday sport. The staff have laid nets to catch quarry but alas to no avail.

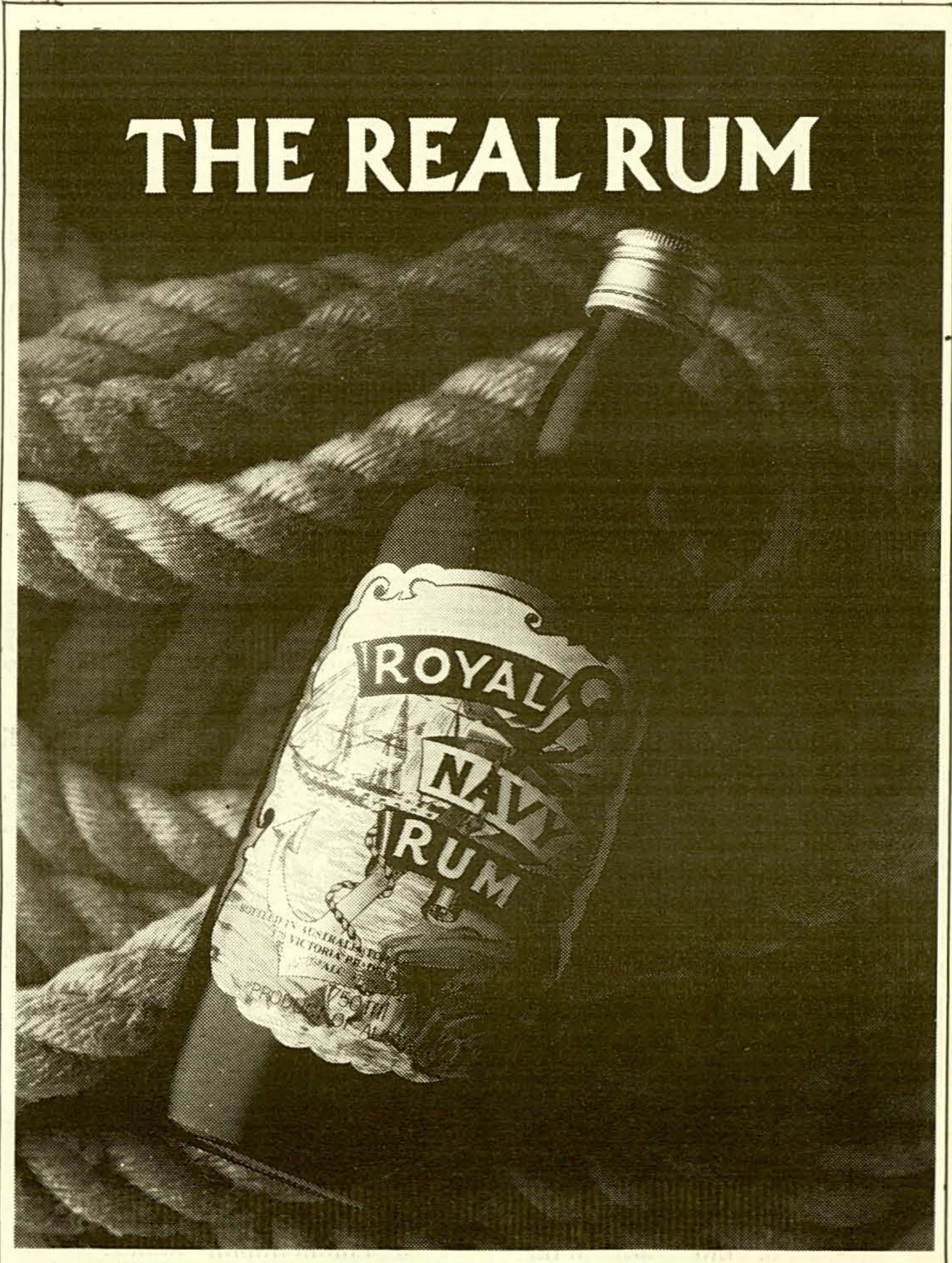
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Well the spirit is still there. "Legs" Gurr was given good response to the call for girls in the I/S softball and all is on the way for a good series.



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# Chris Cummins new Rugby coach

HMAS NIRIMBA POPTI Chris Cummins is the Navy Rugby coach for 1986.

Chris takes over from the successful 1985 coach, Warrant Officer Ken McMiles.

Ken did not stand for the position this season but it is understood he has an excellent chance of taking over as coach of ASRU, replacing Army's Corporal Peter Ash.

For the past two years PO Cummins acted as assistant coach to WO McMiles.

Chris brings with him a wealth of experience, both as a player and coach. He has played the sport since entering the RAN nearly 15 years ago - at all levels.

He represented Navy and ASRU from 1978-84 and played for Victoria in 1983. He also played first grade with Sydney club Western Suburbs for three seasons.

In the coaching arena he has had successful

stints with NIRIMBA, CERBERUS and Destroyer Escorts.

Unfortunately, a severe knee injury forced him out of football last season but this year he is back on the field at the helm of the NIRIMBA A lineup.

He has played most of his Rugby at five-eighth and fullback.

Assistant coach this year is ALBATROSS No 8, J. C. Campbell.

In the second round of the Dempster Cup Rugby on Wednesday there were plenty of points amassed. PLATS/W'HEN thumped WATSON to the tune of 51-0; NIRIMBA A easily beat PENGUIN 54-nil; but ALBATROSS just scraped home over 1985 premiers KUTTABUL 13-12. A last-minute try gave TROSS victory.

In the first round NIRIMBA A beat NIRIMBA B 33-0, PLATS/W'HEN d KUTTA-

BUL 19-0 and ALBATROSS won on a forfeit from PENGUIN.

WATSON and NIRIMBA B have had byes. Chris Cummins tips both NIRIMBA teams to make the 1986 Dempster Cup semi-finals.

Chris says both teams boast a wealth of talent.

The A team was last year's minor premier and premiership favourite till upset by fourth-placed KUTTABUL in the grand final.

Though held to just 3-0 at halftime in its first-round match against NIRIMBA B, it finished strongly 33-0.

The Bs had a man sent off after a head high tackle on goalkicking centre Allan Jones, who was spelled from the second round match against PENGUIN.

Like KUTTABUL, the season appears to have arrived too early for the Balmoral team. PENGUIN could muster just 10 players in

Nowra and had to forfeit to ALBATROSS.

While NIRIMBA looked smart in new jumpers (all numbered), PENGUIN took the field in black jumpers (the traditional red and white ones weren't ready).

PENGUIN started with just 14 players, with two divers arriving later asking if the 28-0 score was its way!

Cummins continually drove PENGUIN into its own quarter with long, raking punts.

His big mobile backrow, including new inter-service hopefuls "Tiny" Kay at No 5 and Noddy Latham at No 8, were quite devastating.

NIRIMBA ran in seven first half tries to lead 38-0 but was held to three in the second-half to run out 54-0 victors against an often-spirited PENGUIN defence.

Cummins retired late in the match with a head knock.



## Skiers gear up for the winter

The inter-Service alpine skiing championships (northern region) will again be held at Thredbo this year.

Trials for the two Navy teams (a 15-man team and 6-woman team), will be conducted at Perisher.

Dates are: Navy trials (Perisher) Monday, July 14 - Friday, July 18 (incl); inter-Service competition Saturday, August 2 - Friday, August 8 (incl); national championships Saturday, August 9 - Friday, August 15 (incl).

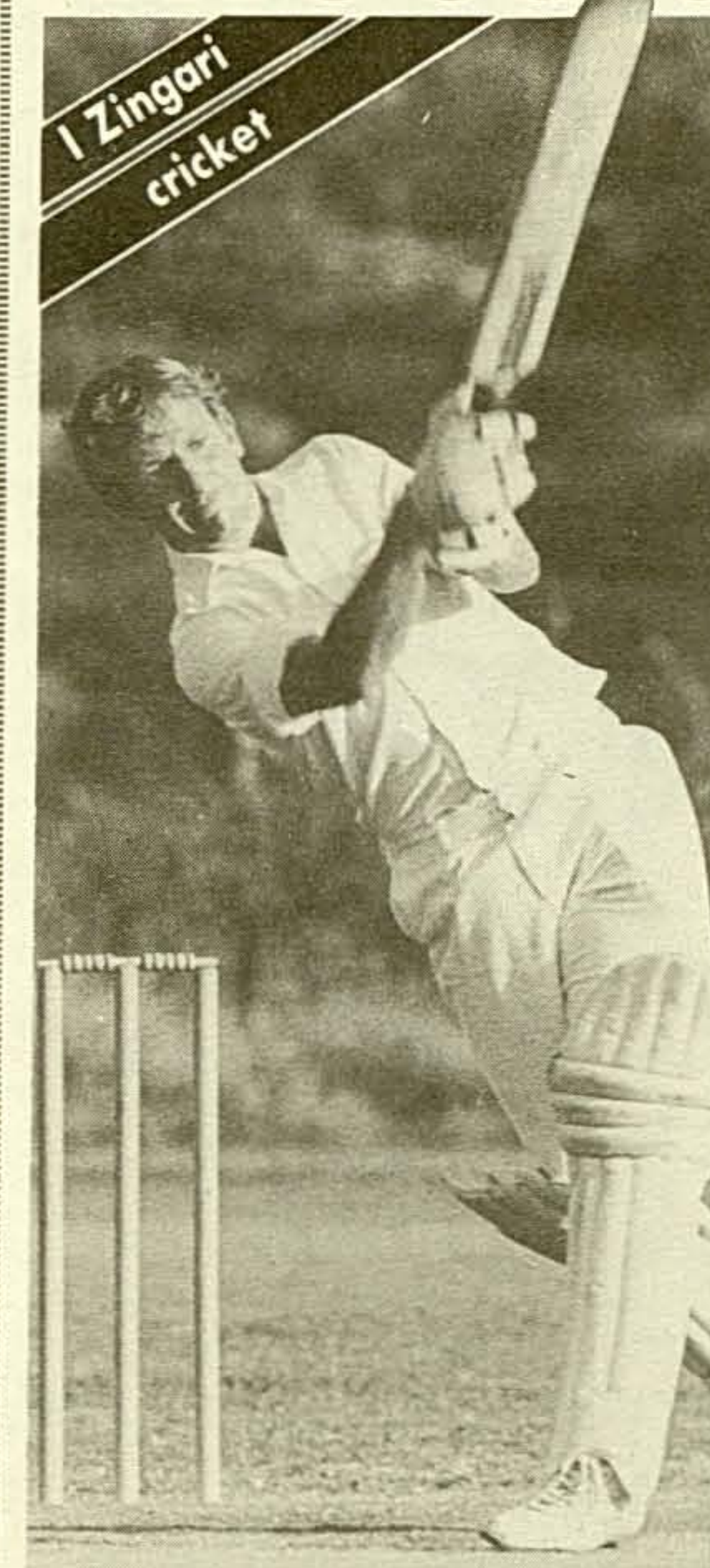
All serving RAN personnel based in the ACT, NSW, QLD and NT are eligible to compete for selection in the northern region teams.

Nominations for the trials will be called for by signal this month.

Non RAN Ski Club members, intending to participate in the Navy trials, however, are encouraged to contact Leut Steve Brand (062) 68 8111 as soon as possible, as only limited non-member accommodation for trials is available.

RAN Ski Club members are advised to book their own accommodation at either the Perisher or Jindabyne Lodge as soon as possible for the period Sunday, July 13-Saturday, July 19.

# 'TROSS STILL THE PREMIERS!



● Shane Shultz... clouting KUTTABUL'S Sandeman out of the ground.

An unbroken 21-run ninth-wicket partnership has given ALBATROSS a thrilling grand final win over KUTTABUL in the I Zingari midweek cricket competition.

The defending trophy holders and minor premiers scraped home 8-108 in reply to KUTTABUL's 104.

Big-match pressure and spirited bowling have contributed to the spate of low scores on the ideal Randwick Sports Complex wicket.

KUTTABUL, who won the toss, were travelling comfortably at 4-84 and the platform was set for a runs onslaught by the late-order batsmen.

The last six wickets crashed for a mere 20 runs - with three overs remaining in the 50-over innings.

Steve Fuller bowled magnificently for his 6/39 from 19 overs while young paceman Shane Reid troubled all batsmen in his 4/30.

Chief rungetters for the "greens" were opener Allen Walsh (22 runs), Nick Sandeman (21), Nev Knight (14) and Ian Picone (10).

In reply, ALBATROSS were cruising confidently at 1-63 - then lost seven wickets for 24 runs.

Among them was inter-Service skipper Mark Campbell (11) who had retired hurt, returned and was bowled.

Opener Neil Couch compiled a 42-run match winning innings.

The aggressive Shane Shultz and Shane Reid came together in the ninth-wicket with 17 runs still needed for victory.

The KUTTABUL swing bowler Nick Sandeman at this stage had ALL eight wickets to fall and was threatening 'TROSS' hold on the trophy first won by HMAS AUSTRALIA in 1929.

The red-haired Shultz charged Sandeman and, in just one over, clouted 10 runs, including a towering six over the sight-screen on to the road.

He then pulled Nev Knight hard and high for another boundary as ALBATROSS players rushed onto the field to signal victory.

Sandeman finished with 8/49.

The win was ALBATROSS' 16th, while KUTTABUL had come within a whisker of recording their first outright - they've shared the trophy on several occasions.



● Nick Sandeman... his bag full of ALBATROSS wickets was not good enough.



● KUTTABUL captain Allen Walsh congratulates winning skipper, Cranston Dixon, on his team's (ALBATROSS) success following the presentation ceremony by EAACA president, LCDR Jim Small.

## CERBERUS go oh so close...

After dominating the 3MD mid-week cricket competition HMAS CERBERUS has been beaten by Army Metro in the grand final.

The match - played at the Junction Oval - was particularly disappointing for CERBERUS who threw away early wickets and was all out for 115 on a pitch that is considered one of the best batting tracks in Melbourne.

Despite some accurate bowling, CERBERUS could not contain Metro who eventually passed the winning total only losing three wickets with nine overs to spare.

Although losing the grand final, CERBERUS' performances for 1985/86 were pleasing in that the team did record many convincing wins with several players providing outstanding match winning efforts.

## Triathletes top form

Service personnel have performed well in the ACT Service Triathlon at Lake Ginninderra in Canberra.

Besides Defence-related entrants, the triathlon covered all other ACT services including the Federal Police, Fire Brigade, Emergency Services and Ambulance.

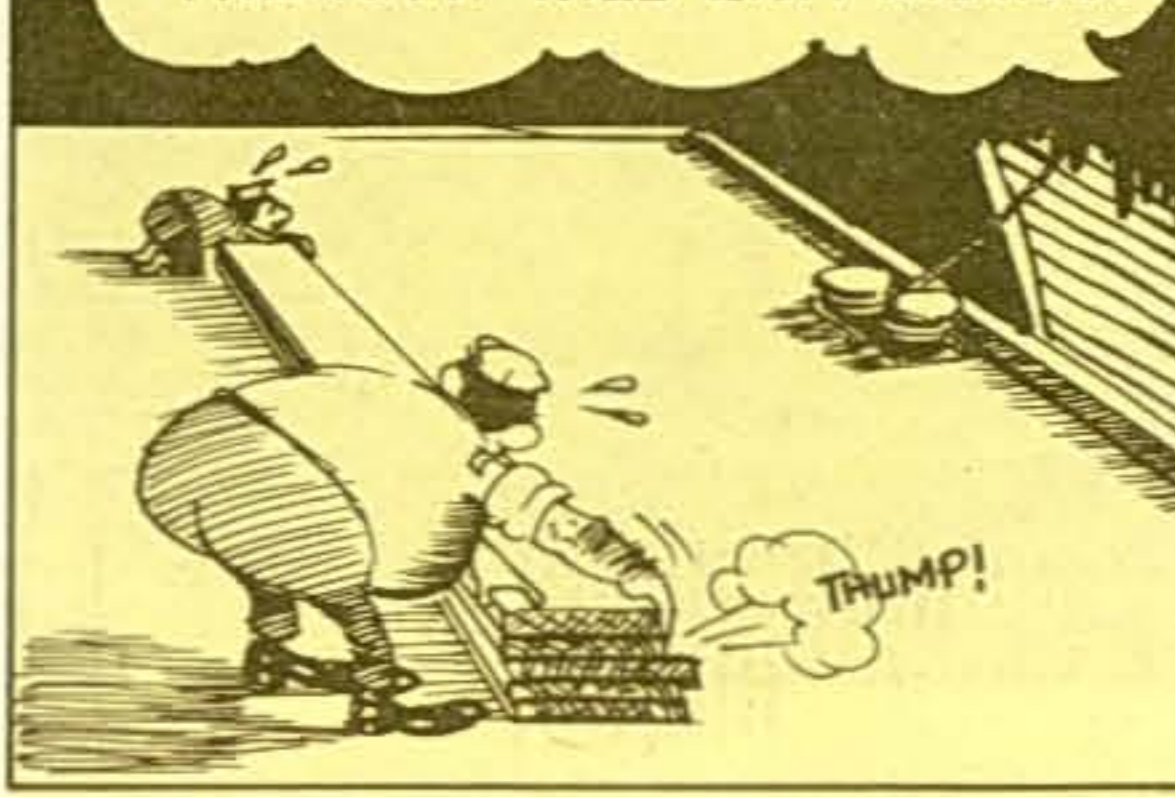
The Defence Force performed well overall with quality compensating for the shortfall in quantity.

RESULTS:  
Individual: K. Uren (Federal Police) 1, C Gippel (Defence Academy) 2, P. Porter (HMAS ADELAIDE) 3.  
Team: RMC - S. Sarr, S. Castle-Burns, D. Pirie.

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