NEW QUEEN'S COLOUR

A MOMENT of colour . . . Her Majesty, The Queen, presented a new Colour to RAN shore establishments in a ceremony at HMAS CERBERUS. Receiving the new Colour is Lieutenant Stephen Halsey watched by Lieutenant Commander Paul Pedfold (background) and Flag Officer Naval Support Command, Rear Admiral David Martin. Male photos, stories pages 2 and 3. Cover Picture: ABPH P. Lewis.
Ancient tradition revived on parade

The Queen's Colour ceremony at HMAS CERBERUS has ancient origins. Since earliest times, warriors have carried standards or flags as a distinguishing mark and to serve as a rallying point during battles.

To lose the standard often meant the leader was lost and thus the standard became symbolic of the spirit and tradition of the group to which it belonged.

It was entrusted to a specially selected officer, with much display, by the royal arm. Arising from this ancient tradition, units of the Australian Defence Force are allowed colours.

The Queen's Colour is a reminder to all ranks of their loyalty and duty to their Sovereign and their country. The Colour is highly valued, carefully guarded and treated with great respect.

Two Queen's colours are held by the Royal Australian Navy, one for the Australian Fleet and the other for shore establishments.

The latter is traditionally held in HMAS CERBERUS as the principal training establishment of the Royal Australian Navy.

THE Queen's Colour

The new Colour replaces the existing Royal Australian Navy establishment's Colour, presented on November 1, 1988.

The old Colour has been laid to rest in the RAN memorial chapel of St Mark at HMAS CERBERUS to join the old colours of His Majesty King George V, His Majesty King George VI and the Colour of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in the design prior to the Australian White Ensign.

The Queen's Colour is never paraded on board ships (without CNS approval) or on foreign territory.

It is only paraded by a guard of honour mounted for Her Majesty The Queen, or a member of the royal family.

The Colour may be paraded for a foreign sovereign or president of a republic state, or on the anniversary of Her Majesty's birthday and on important ceremonial occasions with the approval of CNS.

When paraded, the Queen's Colour is always carried by an officer of lieutenant or sub-lieutenant rank and is escorted by a guard of honour of two officers and 100 armed ratings.

A mystery arrival...the Royal barge carrying the Queen and Prince Philip moves alongside at Stony Point before the CERBERUS Colour ceremony.

Wind leaves 'em capless

The Colour day at HMAS CERBERUS was a day to keep your cap on, if possible.

After early morning temperatures, CERBERUS went through its usual four-day routine by the time of the parade.

A very windy day whipped across the assembled personnel, a weather condition most who have paraded at CERBERUS over the years could associate with.

Apart from the obvious discomfort of such a CERBERUS blow, the wind played havoc with the caps of those on parade and with the hats of those in the crowd.

During the trooping of the Colour, the wind nearly lifted the cap from the head of the Colour officer.

At about 20 miles, the Colour, capless. A sailor later recovered the cap and replaced it on his head.

After the Colour ceremony, the Colour was paraded again. The Colour officer led the parade, with the Colour remaining capless.

Following theColour ceremony, caps were replaced and then the parade stood to attention.

Before the end of the Colour ceremony, all those on parade were capless again, time for three cheers for the Queen and Prince Philip.

On completion of the Colour ceremony it was time to relax and hang up the caps.

For those who lost their caps on parade during the ceremony, and sometimes in full view of the inquisitive media, they handled their losses coolly, unflinchingly.

Now that's something you've got to take to your hat off to!
Splice the mainbrace

The precision of the HMAS CERBERUS Colour ceremony did not go unnoticed by the Queen.

After leaving the establishment for HMY BRITANNIA, Her Majesty ordered "splice the mainbrace".

"I am commanded by the Queen to ask you to convey her warmest congratulations to all officers and men who took part in yesterday's parade at HMAS CERBERUS."

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"The Queen presented a ceremony which did the Royal Australian Navy great credit in its 75th anniversary year."

The drill and turn-out of everyone on parade was of the highest order, and Her Majesty was delighted to have this opportunity of presenting a new Colour to a service in which such high standards are achieved.

The garden party after the parade, notwithstanding the arrival of the rain, gave an opportunity for the Queen and for Prince Philip to meet and talk to many serving officers, and they were happy to discover the high morale which exists.

"Her Majesty and Royal Highness were so warm and good wishes to all those currently serving in the Royal Australian Navy, and to all those who join their ranks at the RAN enters its 75th year."

The Queen has asked that you would pass the following direct message to all RAN shore establishments: 'splice the mainbrace'."
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However, as they say, 'the proof is in the eating'.

The judges of the 1985 Silver Platter Award could not argue with this. HMS FLINDERS, based in Cairns, was triumphant in the minor fleet units category.

The formal presentation of the award to LCDR Andrew Windley was made jointly by the Fleet Commander, Rear Admiral L. W. Knox, and Mr C. Alexius, president of the Australian Chapter of Chefs and the Guild of Chefs.

Our correspondent reports that both had travelled from Sydney to taste the a la carte food that FLINDERS boasts as regular fare.

An attractive buffet luncheon was hosted onboard after the presentation ceremonies and all attending praised the efforts of the ship's small catering staff. It rained that afternoon in the 'Sunshine State' but the invited guests did not notice.

It was paradise enjoying the food service excellence of HMS FLINDERS.

Bob gets the vote

Naval Reserve Lieutenant Commander Bob Cunningham, of Dolans Bay, NSW, will soon pick his bags for the USA after clinching the 1985 Prince of Wales Award.

LCDR Cunningham, 39, a history major in civilisation, was one of 11 Reserve servicemen to win the award sponsored by the Citizen in Support of Reserve Forces Trust Fund.

During his one-month stop over in America, he will spend two weeks with the US Navy and a similar period with the US Education Department.

LCDR Cunningham is looking forward to the trip and says he will benefit from the learning experience.

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**Saluting the RAN’s anniversary**

In a recent, widely-distributed signal the Chief of Naval Staff expressed his concern about the deterrence in the standard of execution of the hand salute.

Now something like saluting that most of us do several times each day should be a simple matter to achieve neatly and correctly. However, take a look around you and notice how many personnel appear to have a broken wrist when they salute.

This un lithly trend becomes more apparent when personnel salute on the move and so we see an “even right” achieved with the hand peering under a right arm formed by hand and forearm.

Remember, salute in the correct manner and keep the hand and forearm in a smooth line.

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**Containerised support for mine cats**

With the launching of the first RAN minehunting catamaran approaching rapidly, Fleet Commander Rear Admiral Ian Knox has opened the project support facility at HMAS WATERHEN.

RADM Knox made the official opening when he visited the mine warfare and patrol boat base at Waverley in Sydney on Monday, March 4.

The support facility has been developed into a RAN base land-based test and training facility.

Krupp Australia Pty Ltd have fitted a number of transportable containers as well as providing the testing project for the facility. Representatives from Krupp Australia, Captain Slippy, the RAN project, members of the first MW-88 course, Base staff and the RAN project director Captain P. P. Parcell attended the opening ceremony.

The concept of the inshore mine hunters is both during and innovative, and involves placing the weapon systems in standard transportable dimension containers.

This allows the container modules to be easily transported and rotated for repairs and maintenance ashore. RADM Knox in his address stated: “Increasingly, complex minimum-man ship must rely on shore-based support, traditional support from existing organisations and new forms of support for ships critically different in concept to those we are used to.”

The inshore mine hunters are also fitted with an advanced high definition sonar which detects and classifies mines, and a recoverable, submersible, vehicle for the destruction of mine. As well, the weapon system uses mine-ranger equipment for precise navigations during mine hunting operations.

HMAS RUSHCUTTER, the first of the Minehunter inshore bay class, catamarans will be launched in May 1984 at Curtinburg, Slippy, Newcastle.

It will then be based at HMAS WATERHEN for an extensive and exhaustive trial and evaluation program.

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**NAVY PERSONNEL and auxiliary staff...**

If you are a subscriber or receive this magazine regularly, you are entitled to a genuine discount when you renew.

The policy of the NSW Police Department (and Defence personnel not including discharged or retired members) serving in NSW are classified as temporary residents and as such are permitted to drive in NSW on interstate licences and remain interstate registration by virtue of the fact that they are subject to posting at any time.

This policy does not always apply in other States.

Despite this police department policy, personnel posted to the NSW area for extended periods are advised to obtain a State civil licence of the appropriate class.

Personnel are also strongly advised to check with their vehicle insurance company as in some cases interstate insurance lapses after a certain period, usually either three months or until the renewal date of the policy.

Personnel serving in NSW may drive a service vehicle, up to a nine passenger capacity, on an appropriate interstate licence on a NSW State road law test has been passed.

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**Better halves wanted**

A senior officer of the office of the Status of Women, Mrs Sue Hamilton, has been ap pointed by the Minister for Defence, Mr Beatty, to examine problems facing service spouses and to recommend ways of overcoming or lessening the effect of these problems on service families.

She will be visiting the Sydney area in early April and feature of her visit will be a series of open forums to meet as many spouses as possible and to discuss specific areas of concern.

The program of these open forums is:

- Monday, April 7, District Support Unit (Army), Asoca Rd, Windang, 7.30 pm-10.00 pm
- Tuesday, April 8, HMAS PENGUIN, 8.00 pm-10.00 pm
- Tuesday, April 8, HMAS NINIBMA, 8.00 pm-10.30 pm
- Wednesday, April 9, RAFA Base Richmond, 2.00 pm-5.00 pm
- Wednesday, April 9, HMAS Boomer 8.00 pm-10.30 pm
- Thursday, April 10, Holsworthy Army Base, 8.00 pm-10.00 pm

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- Lesley Grose

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More than 100,000 people took up the Fleet Commander's invitation to "share the pride" when HMAS Stalwart sailed into Melbourne and Geelong earlier this month.

"That's a conservative estimate of how many people visited the ships over Melbourne's Melbourne Weekend. Many more new officers, sailors and weapen went on a voyage of Freedom of Entry into Geelong and Melbourne - the latter with an RAN contingent of 600.

The Fleet visit was to begin the early 21st-century celebrations of the RAN's 175th anniversary.

On arrival in Melbourne aboard the flagship HMAS Stalwart, Fleet Commander Rear Admiral Imran Khan said: "With the exception of ex-servicemen and women serving in the Royal Australian Navy, it is rare for any ship to win," he said. "In this special occasion, I would like to thank our sailors, as well as the volunteers, for their efforts in making this event a success." The presence of HMAS Stalwart and four submarines in the Melbourne area was especially unexpected.

Naval air operations with Curtiss, a carrier, F-18s, and HMAS Benelong were also seen in the Melbourne Park. The latter was a welcome sight for Melbourne's love of Sydney's annual Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race, which has been running for over 100 years.

In Victoria, the Melbourne Port Authority (MPA) welcomed HMAS Stalwart and other vessels into Port Phillip Bay. Prior to HMAS Benelong's Melbourne visit, the Cunard Line also hosted a day of events, which included a dinner party and a concert on board the Cunard Line's Queen Mary 2.

In Geelong, the ships were greeted by a large crowd, including members of the Royal Australian Navy and local residents.

A NOPF (National Operation of Public Safety) event was held in Geelong to promote the importance of safety on the water, especially during the busy summer months.

On the morning of the Queen's visit, HMAS Stalwart took part in a parade through the streets of Geelong, escorting her from the Royal Naval Dockyard to the city center.

Three days later, the Queen's official visit to Australia was marked by a number of events, including a State of Victoria Dinner, a reception at the Royal Garden, and a visit to the Melbourne Cup.

"We have not forgotten that many Australians do not live near the sea and therefore do not see much of the Navy," the Queen said. "To raise them for us, we have planned for a number of tours by naval vessels, accompanied by naval display teams, to ensure that the Navy's presence is felt throughout the nation." RADM Khan said.

"We hope to dispel the myth that the Navy is only for the rich and that it is not a part of the community," he added. "In celebration of the visit, RADM Khan had it as an outstanding event.

A VAST, A magnificent and thousands of people packed into the National Theatre during the visit."
Sailors receive awards

During HMAS HOBART's recent visit to Hobart, the Chief of Naval Staff, Vice Admiral Michael Hudson, visited the ship and awarded the Defence Force Service Medal and clasps to eight members of the ship's company.

VADM Hudson was visiting Hobart at the invitation of the ex HMAS HOBART Association to participate in its seventh annual reunion and take the opportunity to visit HMAS HOBART.

In addition to the presentation, CNS addressed the assembled crew on matters of naval policy.

VADM Hudson made presentations to: LCDR Potts, CPO9P Whittaker, CPO9P Whalley, CPO9P Launcest, PO9P Smith, PO9P Newsam, LSMTP Slade Hudson

OAM for George

After 48 years involvement with the RAN, Mr George Richardson, the civilian rotating machinery inspector at the RAN School, HMAS CERBERUS, has been awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) for public service.

George, 65, first joined the RAN in Brisbane in 1965 just before the outbreak of war. He remembers spending his 25th birthday in hospital being bombed by the Japanese, but not being too bit scared.

In what he describes as a chequered Naval career, George left the Navy in 1961, then re-joined in 1962 as a Petty Officer and made Chief Electrician in 1962. He left the Navy again in 1964 and after three years working for sea, he took up the position of civilian instructor in the RAN School in 1967 - a position he held until his retirement in December, 1981.

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A future naval apprentice?

Establishment sets up shop

HMAS NIRIMBA, the Royal Australian Navy's technical training establishment at Quakers Hill, NSW, set up shop recently at Pier One in Sydney.

The opening of the shop coincided with the opening of the Royal Australian Navy's 75th Anniversary year.

Thousands of visitors flock through to inspect the variety of exhibits which were representative of the many and varied skills taught at HMS NERIMBA. One of those skills - ships' crests painting - was actually demonstrated and a few lucky visitors now have a permanent memento of their visit to the shop.

Many other people admitted they did not know of the existence of HMAS NERIMBA at the event was certainly a success.

Gift for ADFA cadets mess

Captains Beauchesne, Commanding Officer of the Royal Australian Naval College, recently presented a gift to Midshipman Adam Greenall, eight, PWC of the Australian Defence Force Academy Corps of Cadets Mess.

The Defence Academy has inducted 386 year-one officer cadets, including 56 PG Box 196 from all States for all three Services.

The recipients join second and third year officer cadets who have transferred from the Royal Australian Naval College, the Royal Military College, Duntroon, and the Royal Australian Air Force Academy.

When fully established, the Defence Academy will provide military and tertiary training for up to 1150 undergraduate officer cadets, as well as providing post-graduate training for officers.

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'A-one' pilots at ALBATROSS

HMAS ALBATROSS has the unique distinction of having the only two current 'A-one' rated military flying instructors in Australia. They are Lieutenant Commander Larry Mills and Lieutenant Vince Di Pietro, right.

The 'A-one' instructor rating is awarded to pilots with at least two years instructional experience and who demonstrate a thorough knowledge of flight theory and exceptional skills in flying ability and instructional techniques.

Several months of intense study are required in preparation for the examination which lasts several days.

The only previous RAN pilot to attain 'A-one' standard was Lieutenant Commander Fred Lane in 1967.

The award of these qualifications emphasises the high standards of expertise characteristic of the Fleet Air Arm.

Both officers are married and reside in the Nowra area.

GREENIES PASS OUT

After three years of planning by LCDR Andy Groom, LEUT Chris Parker and POETC Daryl Mounsey the inaugural Naval Weapons Electronics Certificate of Technology (COT) course has been completed at the WEE School, HMAS CERBERUS.

To achieve this civilian recognition as a trades course involved considerable consultation, co-operation and participation with the Victorian TAFE Board, Frankston.

Seven POETCs received their certificates and the awarding of skill grade five at a graduation ceremony which represented the culmination of six months of dedication and hard work by the trainees.

W.A. cadet joins ADFA

Navy Cadet Susan Gilchrist, above, of Kalgoorlie, Western Australia, is congratulated on her commission in Perth by Warrant Officer Barry Ogilvy.

Susan is among the first women to train at the newly established Australian Defence Force Academy in Canberra.

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The study is being conducted by Mrs Sue Hamilton (pictured), a senior officer from the Office of the Nation of Sydney.

She was seconded to the Department of Defence last December to investigate problems being experienced by deployed troops.

She has been travelling extensively around Australia and overseas during the past year, gathering a wealth of information on the problems of the existing.

In response to the Navy News request for preliminary thoughts as a result of her inquiries so far, Mrs Hamilton said she could outline specific recommendations she had in mind at this stage.

She had to be first in the Ministry of Defence, Mr Kim Beazley.

She did tell "Navy News" there were few main areas where problems had been reported.

- Disruption to children's relationships, full-time and part-time, particularly mid-year problems.
- Employment problems for spouses - caused by two factors: remote bases and lack of continuity of employment.
- Difficulties by separation from extended family and other developed community support network due to bases associated with war conditions, emergency support, etc.
- Problems in retaining to poor maintenance offering.
- Lack of information.
- Overall, the people I have spoken to indicate that they look forward to their lives with a deadline to plan for themselves, their children or their families.

Mrs William said she repeatedly an extract of an interview in Darwin earlier this year, which gave her "general comments" on this subject.

"I personally think there's still room to laugh, some of the interior, or part to live life in the normal course of things, and there is done in some of the services at the moment. There is a very comprehensive area and you take that to the people who do the postings, they'll tell you all about ser.

"Those things really do have to be weighed at a lower level in the Department and the Services, and people, and have to make a decision about whether they are going to have a completely mobile Service or whether they are going to make some co.

As a result of her ongoing visits by Mrs Hamilton included Sydney District NIH and Brisbane District 16-46 April, Canberra 24-26 April, Hamilton 22 April and at IMSI Hambert on 25 April.

Mrs Sue Hamilton
Deputy (of) Commissioner
AGM meetings are:

A. NORTHWEST:

B. SOUTHEAST:
Thursday, 5th April, 1984, Orion Room, Southern Cross Club, Woden.

LOCAL MEETINGS:
Mrs John Langmuger and Mrs Ross Hambert are forming a committee to act in the ACT and to send a notice to the naval committee at the time of the next annual meeting, 1985.

The naval memorial chapel at HMAS WATSON Bay in Sydney has been the site of some powerful prayers by George the Martyr - serves as a reminder of the lonely and timeless memorandum to all personnel of the RAM who lost their lives in service to two world wars, Korea, Vietnam and other conflicts.

The chapel, situated on the seaward side of within the grounds of HMAS WATSON Bay, became a landmark for memorials associated with departure Sydney harbour.

The formation was addressed on 30 April 1950, and the building was dedicated on 23 June 1982 - Jubilee year of the RAM.

The maintenance and upkeep of the chapel is administered by a trust committee and financially provided by donations.

The trust committee comprises a small "parochial" group of dedicated and interested WATSON people who have been, or are, not so actively involved in the RAM, and the Weekly Fund.

A special meeting of the chapel trust committee held on March 25th (anniv.

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They came from far and wide – from Pakistan to Richmond – for the first annual Navy sailboard regatta.

It was attended by Navy personnel, their families and friends.

Red Ball, an officer from Pakistan who was not aware of HMS PENGUIN, and SGT Trevor Gibb from RAIF Richmond also attended.

With LCDR Lindsay giving the briefings the first race got under way.

LCDR Clive Bream started well taking a commanding lead but was soon overtaken by the rest of the fleet.

There were a few spins during the race and one worth mentioning happened at the start between CMDR Bolton, XO PENGUIN, and PO Steve Meecham, Casuarina Office, PENGUIN.

The race was finally won by AB Michael Donaldson from HMS SUPPLY.

A second race was held later in the afternoon. During this race PO Dave Phillips was rescued before he disappeared over the horizon. On the way back another rescue took place as two seamen were taken from a yacht in the harbor.

The start boat then set about picking up a few of the other competitors.

The second race was taken out by AB Stuart McCluskey, also of HMS SUPPLY. A third race scheduled was abandoned due to bad weather conditions.

Official places were:
- Race one – AB Michael Donaldson (SUPPLY) 1, SGT Trevor Gibb (RAIF Richmond) 2, PO Steve Meecham (PENGUIN) 3.
- Race two – AB Stuart McCluskey (SUPPLY) 1, LCDR Rob van der Graven (WATSON) 2, PO Steve Meecham (PENGUIN) 3.
- Race three – AB Stuart McCluskey (SUPPLY) 1, LCDR Rob van der Graven (WATSON) 2, PO Steve Meecham (PENGUIN) 3.

Future events are planned. Contact PO-Isadore Tsarouzas, Dental Surgery, HMS SUPPLY for details.

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**WATSON**

**WATSON WIN VOLLEYBALL**

HMAS WATERHEN has won the grand final of the NSW Midweek Volleyball Competition.

WATERHEN beat HMAS WATSON to take the 1986 title. The match was played at DSU RANDWICK in Sydney.

The final game score was 3-0 in WATERHEN’s favor, however, the closeness of each game can be gauged from the game scores 15-14, 15-12 and 15-9.

Best players for WATERHEN were LSIS Bent (for his excellent spiking) and LSQMG Bent (for his general court play). These players were supported by the rest of the WATERHEN team.

Best players for WATSON were LSIS Brown, LSQMG Bent, LSPTP Thompson, LSPTI Swift, LSCD Brook, POB Adams, POSTD Markey, ABETP Kemp, ABCD Ling.

Both teams were well supported and a very good afternoon was had by all.

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**AVA-GO**

**by Tubby Davies**

Winter sports are upon us and with many teams already arranging the season’s fixtures have found the old problem of not enough umpires/referees. To alleviate this problem in the Sydney area Australian Rules and Rugby are holding courses or training sessions.

**Rugby**

Umpires for Aussie Rules are badly needed for Navy fixtures and civilian games on Saturday and Sunday. These Saturday and Sunday games offer substantial monetary awards. This also goes for boundary and goal umpires. For further information contact LCDR Cook on CL 139-322/462.

**Australian Rules**

AASRA is conducting a Rugby referees course in the period April 3-4 at 8 Block Victoria Barracks (Sydney). Nomination can be phoned to Major Mancell on 359-363 or Lt Cdr Jenkins on 319. This is a great chance for all those people who have retired to become involved once again.

It was a great day at the first game for the Red Anchor Shield (volleyball). The standard of play was fairly high even though the facility is way below standard. PLATS/WATERHEN looked to have the competition awed with good early wins, but CREWSWILL, after downing FARRAMATTA in the semi-final, emerged victorious. For a team that had no practice (so said their right-hand spiker CPOFT Hook) ‘Lumpy’ Thomas their play was good indeed.

Sydney Swans had a look at their first six weeks recently. HMAS SUCCESS, that is. The Ship’s Company entertained Tam Halesy and the players and in return they received a mounted autographed ball plus some other goodies. It was a great tour all round.

**CERBERUS**

Aussie Rules and Rugby clubs have started their pre-season training and everything looks set for a good season. I’m told the Aussie Rules could do with more players. “Where have all the cooks gone?” I’ve also heard that the former I/S, national Rugby player, CPO Geoff Nankervis, is making a comeback as a coach. If Geoff produces a level of fitness within the club as good as his his all will be halfway there.

It’s on a sad note AV-A-GO signs off this week. One of the Navy’s most brilliant breakaways, playing I/S and national last year, was killed tragically recently. “Koz” Hanson will be remembered for his constant and contagious smile. “Kozzy” was a great team man and liked by everyone. On behalf of his many friends, in and out of football, I would like to offer sincere condolences to his family.

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**NAVY NEWS**

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Mick bails out Navy

Dropped in the 20th... "bowled" at 68... still Navy batsman Mick Griese survived to post an unbeaten 164 to steer his team to today's "decider" with RAAF in the NSW inter-service cricket series.

In the very rare incident when on 41, the ball struck the stump; with one bail dislodged and the other finishing on its point in the groove at the top of the stump.

To RAAF's dismay, the experienced grade umpire Adam, whoever ruled that the bail had NOT been completely dislodged - and Mick's teammates were quick to suggest he should rush to the nearest Latro office in St Patrick's Day eve.

NAVY is chasing its fourth successive series win in the final which concludes at Randwick Sports complex today.

As was the case last year before century-maker "Bungy" Williams' appearance, RAAF again this year had NAVY on the ropes at 6:00 before the 19-year-old Mick Griese steered the wicket in only his second 15 innings (he made a half century on debut against NIRIMBA).

The fluent stroke-maker about posting a number of match-winning partnerships with the late order, who carried the first score to a mammoth 8:07 in a very slow outfield.

NEWCOMERS

The little left-hander and NSW 15 newcomers "Blue" Stall (26 runs), Mark Huggard (39 runs) and Steve Fuller (44 runs) demoralised the ARMY with the openers who went down clean 112 overs in the first day's play.

Mick's partnership included 41 runs with "Blue", 72 runs with Mark and an unbeaten 41-run last-wicket stand with Steve.

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At 1400 on Thursday, March 6, 1986, HMAS DARWIN joined HMY BRITANNIA in Melbourne to form the Royal Squadron in preparation for Her Majesty’s visit to Western Port and Adelaide.

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh embarked in HMY BRITANNIA at 2230 and the Squadron sailed for Western Port, clearing Port Phillip Bay in the early hours of the seventh.

At 0800 the squadron entered the well-known naval waters of Western Port and conducted a most impressive formation anchorage, prior to the Queen and Duke disembarking to present Her Colour at HMAS CAPE JERVIS. Later that evening the squadron sailed for Adelaide with “Phoenix”, as DARWIN has become known, stationed 600 yards astern. The Bass Strait transit went smoothly and the opportunity was taken to practice man and cheer ship for the Royal steampast and to conduct rehearsals for a sea-day demonstration scheduled for Adelaide.

The Royal steampast and a series of manoeuvres were conducted during the forenoon of the Sunday. The Queen and Prince Philip watched the events from the promenade deck of the Royal Yacht.

At 1000 on the ninth, the squadron berthed at Port Adelaide and was welcomed by a large crowd assembled in the wharf. The size of this crowd did not diminish during the Queen’s stay in Adelaide.

Monday, March 10 saw the Royal party commence engagements and was also the birthday of His Royal Highness the Prince Edward. A signal sent to the Royal Yacht conveyed the message:

“All officers and men of HMAS DARWIN, the Royal escort, join me in offering our best wishes for your Royal Highness’s birthday. We are proud to fire a 21 gun salute to mark this occasion.”

The 21 gun salute was fired at 1000 and was obviously well received as evidenced in the reply from Buckingham Palace which stated:“I am grateful to you and the officers and men of HMAS DARWIN for your good wishes on my birthday and for the 21 gun salute which you fired.”

The morning of Tuesday 11th saw HMY the Duke of Edinburgh reboard for an informal visit and walkabout. The Duke was most impressed by the “Phoenix” and it was an excellent opportunity for the ship’s company to meet the Duke.

Wednesday saw the Royal squadron at sea once again, this time for a sea day in which DARWIN gave a dynamic weapons and high-speed manoeuvring display which received good media coverage and a flypast from the Royal Yacht.

After serving back alongside, DARWIN’s Commanding Officer, Captain Donohue, proceeded onboard HMY BRITANNIA where he dined with the Queen being honored by sitting beside her. From all reports a most enjoyable evening was had in what was an occasion which will be remembered proudly for a lifetime.

Finally at 1445 on Thursday, March 13, the Royal Squadron disembarked following the Queen’s departure from Adelaide. Shortly after, the following signal was received from Flag Officer Royal Yachts:

“I am commanded by Her Majesty the Queen to convey the following message:

Thank you for your escort during my visit to Victoria and South Australia. I have been much impressed by the admirable way in which you have carried out your duties and by the smart appearance of your ship and her company. Prince Philip and I greatly enjoyed your splendid steampast on Sunday, and he has spoken highly of what he saw during his visit to you. I also understand that DARWIN acquitted herself very well during yesterday’s steampast demonstration. Please convey the best wishes of Prince Philip and myself to all embarked, and our hope that you enjoy a well deserved leave period in Sydney. Signed the midshipman.”

DARWIN replied with: “Thank you for your kind message. It has been an honour, a privilege and a pleasure to be your escort.”

Pictures: Leading Seaman photographers “Fish” Whiting and “Shiner” Wrightson.
The Royal Australian Navy 75th Anniversary Tankard & Plate

The Royal Australian Navy this year celebrates 75 years of memorable service to the Nation.

Their Battle Honours so proudly worn by the dedication of generations of Australian sailors are a triumphal roll call of gallantry - the sinking of the German raider Emden by HMAT Sydney in 1914, and the protection of the Bataan Task Force by Submarine A.1.2 until a legendary exploit among submarines - were two of the earliest Allied victories in this "War To End Wars."

World War II saw the earlier exploits of Australian men and ships in the Mediterranean where names such as Water Hoo, Youghy, Sydney, Sydney, Yango, Hobart, Brolga, Alligator, Panama, Fowey, Port, Australia, Canberra and many others added to the Navy's proud history of service and heroism.

The moral battle against Japan where the RAN played an integral and pivotal role in the defence of Australia and the ultimate defeat of the enemy. Ships such as Perth, Yarra, Canberra, Yango and Vangong with many of their fighting men, paid the full price for this great victory.

Then into a new and troubled age where service at Malaya, Korea and Vietnam added to the great reputation of a remarkable fighting force which is this year honoured at their 75th Anniversary.

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