THE PEACEKEEPERS

The RAN's peacekeeping involvement in INTERFET - the International Force East Timor - is one of the largest defence operations since World War II.

The Chief of Navy, VADM David Shackleton, said the United Nations sanctioned peacekeeping mission to East Timor (Operation Stabilise) was also potentially dangerous.

"This is a potentially dangerous UN mission and we should not forget the fact that the success we have achieved thus far may not necessarily be indicative of what is to come," VADM Shackleton said.

"Whilst Navy's role may appear to be only in support of the larger ground force it is nevertheless of vital importance to the overall mission.

"I am impressed by the professionalism displayed by our people, not only those currently deployed to the AO, but also all who are supporting this operation.

"Well done and keep up the good work," the Admiral said.

For more on the RAN's involvement in Operation Stabilise turn to pages 3 and 5.
Japan has been summarised by James Martin Davis following a study of the secret material once it was declassified from top secrecy. Two massive military undertakings were planned. They were to be carried out in succession on Operation Olympic on November 1, 1945 and Operation Coronet on March 1, 1946.

In the first invasion combat troops would be landed by amphibious assault after an unprecedented naval and aerial bombardment. Fourteen days after that divisions of American soldiers and marines would land heavily fortified and defended Kyushu, southernmost of the Japanese home islands.

The second invasion in the following March would send 22 more American combat divisions against a million Japanese defenders to assault the main island of Honshu and the Tokyo Plain in a final effort to obtain unconditional surrender.

With the exception of a part of the British Pacific Fleet it would be a strictly American operation (though it is reasonable to assume that ships of the RAN operating for so long with task forces of the US 7th Fleet would probably have participated). In his summation James Martin Davis states the overall plan for using the US 7th Fleet for amphibious landings was recently developed from Europe, the 20th Century Force and for the American Far East Air Force.

More than 1.5 million combat soldiers with civilians in support would be directly involved in the two amphibious operations. A total of 4.5 million American servicemen - more than 40 per cent of all still in uniform - would be involved.

One US Admiral estimated there would be some 230,000 Americans killed or wounded on Kyushu alone. A general estimated American casualties for the entire operation would be one million men by the autumn of 1945.

As the invasion grew imminent the massive power of the United States Navy would approach Japan, two awesome fleets, the Third and the Fifth.

For several days battleships, heavy cruisers and destroyers of these three would put thousands of tons of high explosives into targets as a prelude to the launching of three invasion forces.

During the early hours of November 1, 1945 thousands of American soldiers and marines would pour ashore along the eastern, south-eastern, western and southern coasts of Kyushu.

The Eastern Assault Force, made up of the 33rd, 33rd and 41st Infantry Divisions, would land near Miyako at beaches called Austin, Buin, Cadillac, Chevrolet, Chrysler and Cord; moving inland to capture the city and its airfield.

The Southern Force, consisting of the 1st Cavalry Division, 43rd Infantry Division and capture Shibushi then the city of Kamaishi and its airfield.

In the west a small division of 3rd Marine Division would land near Onna at beaches called Sanfon Pontiac, Reo, Rolls Royce, Studebaker, Toyota and Zephyr. The 5th Amphibious Corps would land Marine Divisions 2.3 and 5th and sending half of its force to Sendai and the other half to Kagoshima.

On November 4 the reserve force consisting of the 81st and 98th Infantry Divisions and the 11th Airborne Division would land near Kamaishi at the southern tip of Kagusima Bay using beaches designated as Locomobile, Lincoln, LaSalle, Hugabe, moon, Merced, Maxwell, Overland, Oldmobile, Packard and Plymouth.

If all went well with the initial invasion Operation Olympic then Operation Coronet would be launched on March 1, 1946, again involving massive US combat forces twice the size of the invasion force and using as many as 25 divisions onto Honsyu, the main Japanese island.

All along the coast of Tokyo the American 6th Marine Divisions. Sixty to an air carrier would be loaded with 24,000 naval and marine aircraft for close support of soldiers hitting the beaches.

James Martin Davis, in his summation of all, states that what the US military leaders did not know was that by the end of July 1945 the Japanese had been caving all air, sea, and ground power of the Pacific with poison gas the most frightening aspect of all was the possibility of meeting an enemy that had been mobilised to meet the foreign invasion forces.

Had the invasion come the loss of 500,000 Japanese casualties, inflamed by a national slogan "One hundred million Will Die for the Emperor and Nation" was prepared to engage and fight an American invasion to the death.

Twenty-eight million Japanese had become part of the National Volunteer Force. Every foot of Japanese soil would have been paid for twice over - by both the Japanese and American armies.

Intelligence studies and realistic military estimates made in 1945 were misleading. Even if the invasion of Japan is not yet in the history of modern warfare, at the best the invasion of Japan would have resulted in a long and bloody siege. At worst it could have been a battle of extermination between two different civilisations.

In the autumn of 1945, with the atomic bombs dropped and the war over, few Americans would ever know of the elaborate Top Secret plans that had been prepared in detail for the invasion of Japan.

* The business area of Hiroshima after the bombing. Picture: US Army.

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Message from the Defence Minister

To all those members of the Royal Australian Navy who have deployed on Operation Su- bita or who have assisted in its preparation and I pass on the grateful thanks of my government, and myself, for what must be a tremendous experience and a safe return on your mission and dedication.

The meetings with your superiors should have reassured you and confidence that you have for your mission and the deployment must be a lime of excitement and pride. You are very proud.

Those very same Australians, your partners, parents, relatives and friends have convened to the Government in numerous instances the support they have for your mission and the confidence that they have in to set right a wrong in East Timor. I assure your relatives and friends that my government will provide the support needed in this time of separation.

On my visits to RAN ships I have seen the can-do attitude that you possess. I wish you well on your mission and a safe return on its success.

Keeping in touch

A tri-service National Welfare Co-ordination Centre has been set up in Sydney to handle inquiries from family members about the welfare and movements of sailors, soldiers and airmen serving in the East Timor peacekeeping operation. It can also be used by family members to alert service personnel of emergencies at home although the preference is for such reports to go through the "on duty office" channel.

The new centre is set up at the Randwick Army Barracks and is staffed around the clock by tri-service personnel.

The number is a free call 1800 801 026. LCDR Jane Crijn of Maritime Headquarters said that a daily report of ship movements would go to the centre. Where operationally possible, a ship can be located and then when the ship will arrive at her next port and when she is expected to return to her home port.

Navy News

Peacekeeping is the largest since WWII

By: Graham Davis

Leadership, morale, involvement in East Timor and the Olympic Games, harassments, spending on ships, promotion rates, the RAN's image, and why it's not all gloom, and "hero" degree reporting.

These were just some of the matters raised and discussed in a very candid, hour-long presentation and a follow up question and answer session involving the Chief of Navy, ADM David Shackleton, and more than 700 officers and sailors.

The meeting at Fleet Base East, was one of several sessions planned around the country.

The meetings provide an opportunity for CN to meet some of the Navy family and to hear what issues are foremost in serving members' minds.

ADM Shackleton said he wanted feedback from personnel on any issues of concern, but added he thought the RAN, in part, was in "good shape."

He said he was determined to identify what wasn't in good shape and then consider options to address these issues.

Calling on East Timor, ADM Shackleton said the current Australian commitment was the largest since World War II.

"I think we will be in East Timor for a long time." Shackleton said.

VPAM Shackleton addressed the ship's company of HMAS SUCCESS before she sailed on her peacekeeping mission. Picture: SGT Geoff Ford

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A recent court ruling means that partners of personnel deployed to East Timor as part of the multinational force INTERFET are entitled to compensation.

Following the UN resolution I am declaring the Australian deployment to be a peace enforcement operation, with the additional conditions of service that it demands," Mr Moore said.

Personnel deployed to East Timor will receive tax free salary and allowances during their service as part of INTERFET.

In addition to their usual allowances and benefits, troops will receive a set of tax free allowances related to the deployment totalling $127 a day.

These include deployment and field allowances, as well as a new East Timor peace enforcement allowance of $22 a day.

Other conditions of service our Australian Defence Force personnel will be entitled to include:
- compensation coverage under the Veterans' Entitlements Act and the Military Compensation Scheme;
- additional leave of 1.5 days a month of service on deployment;
- additional home loan assistance, waiving the five year qualifying period for eligibility and increasing the maximum 30 year period of the loan subsidy;
- pre-deployment leave or reunion with a partner where practicable before deployment.

Minister Moore continued, this package of allowances and entitlements is designed to be as comprehensive as possible and to provide the support our Defence Force personnel require while performing an extremely demanding and significant task.

I have also asked that the Departments of Defence and Veterans' Affairs work closely together to provide the highest level of support to the families of personnel deployed to East Timor and draw on community assistance wherever possible.

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It is the "John Hammond Annual Memorial Award." The driving force behind the setting up of the award were the senior officers of the base including CO, CMDR Greg Magoon, and one of the late "Happy" Hammond’s mates, LEUT Matt McCormack, from HMAS WATERHEN.

John Hammond was killed on ANZAC Day this year going to the aid of a member of the public who was being robbed. He left a wife, Sharon, and a small child.

John served in the RAN from January 1986 to June 26 1998. Prior to discharge he was a member of the ship’s company of WATERHEN.

A memo to WATERHEN’s staff said the award is to be presented annually for outstanding service attitude and promotion of naval camaraderie.

It is not necessarily for the best performer in the department, section or unit, but one who displays the right service attitude and would benefit personally and professionally from the recognition and esteem associated with receiving the award.

He or she should be a strong team player, have a cheerful disposition and always be willing to help out others in need. “It could well be awarded to a sailor who has had a tough life, has overcome adversity and is now succeeding,” CMDR Magoon said.

“We have had some submissions already and plan to have Mrs Hammond present the award in the first or second week of December,” he said.

There are 600 RAN personnel attached to WATERHEN either serving ashore or in ships homeported at the facility. The recipient will receive a framed citation, pen set and will have his or her name included on an honour board.

John was also remembered by CAPT Lou Rago and the 300 officers and sailors aboard HMAS PERTH.

As the 4,720 tonne DDG transited Bass Strait and passed Melbourne, John’s home city, a solemn service was conducted on deck.

Led by the Maritime Command Chaplain, SNCHAP Brian Rayner, the ship’s company was reminded of the former sailor’s time in the RAN and how he had laid down his life trying to stop a robbery in a Sydney street.

With CAPT Rago, his officers and senior sailors taking the salute, SNCHAP Rayner sprinkled John’s ashes on to the waves.

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IN BRIEF

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The Federal Government is providing a $2000 grant to the La Trobe RSL Sub-branch to go towards the construction of the “Teddy Sheean Memorial Walk.” The Parliamentary Secretary to the Defence Minister, Senator Eric Abetz, announced the grant. He said the RSL would use the funds to extend the memorial plaques along the walk, which is a memorial to his heroic service. Teddy is well known for his bravery in HMAS ARRMIDALE in World War II. The new Collins class submarine SHEEAN is named after the youthful hero.

Two former RAN “oldies” are set for the auction block. On October 5 the survey ship MORESBY will be auctioned in Fremantle while two days later FLINDERS will be auctioned in Cairns. Garrett’s Auctions Australia, a Wallsend based company, has the job of selling the two vessels. The 2350 tonne MORESBY and the 750 tonne FLINDERS were formerly members of the RAN’s fleet of hydrographic survey ships.

Work, meanwhile, is nearing completion on two new survey ships LEEUWIN and MELVILLE. LEEUWIN, under the command of CMDR B. Kafeh, is due for commissioning on December 4 and MELVILLE (CMGR R Nairn) on February 26 2000. Cairns-based NQEA is building the survey ships for the RAN. Each can carry a fight helicopter and a ship’s company of 42. Both will be Cairns based.

HMS LEEUWIN

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Sailor’s World War II medal returned

A sailor’s World War II medal which disappeared for 15 years has been returned to its rightful owner.

A Sydney policeman spent 12 months tracing the medal’s history after a thief tried to pawn it.

SNR CONST Brian Barraclough, from the Endeavour Region Task Action Group in Sydney, found the medal was awarded posthumously to chief engine room artificer Joseph Henry McBain, 43, who died when HMAS Sydney sank with all hands in 1944.

The police officer had the RAN, the Department of Veterans’ Affairs, RSL and other agencies for help.

He learned the medal was presented to Chief McBain’s widow Mabel, but that she had died in 1964.

His inquiries continued and he located Mrs Marna Giles, the daughter of McBain’s dead sister Dorothy. Mrs Giles was able to identify the medal.

The medal turned up when a young man tried to pawn it in a Sydney pawnshop Const. Barraclough said.

The pawnbroker knew his medals and questioned him about it.

He left the medal at the shop and ran away.“We tracked him down.”

Mrs Giles with the medal and CONST Barnes.

Vale K. E. Johnson

A former long serving RAN member Mr Kevin Errol Johnson has died aged 69.

Kevin joined the Service in February 1947 and spent 27 years aboard.

From The Gap in Brisbane he died earlier this year at the Greenslopes Private Hospital.

**In dad’s image**

**By**

Graham Davis

Five-year-old Louis Dillon looks up to his dad LEUT Louis Dillon. He’s even told his mother, Mrs Nicole Dillon, he might one day follow in his Father’s footsteps.

So it was a very proud little boy who watched from the audience as 31-year-old LEUT Dillon graduated from the Principal Warfare Officers Course at HMAS Watson.

He was one of 15 men and women from the RAN and Royal New Zealand Navy to graduate and to pin on the PWO’s gold insignia for the first time.

A number of the graduates received awards for outstanding results in the course.

LEUT Earley received the Sydney-Emden Award.

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LEUTs McEwan and Walker, Peter Mitchell awards.

LEUT Walker also received the Thomson Marconi Sonar award.

Congratulating the graduates Chief of Navy ADMJ David Shackleton said: “You all have a vital part to play.”

He said he regarded the RAN’s PWO course as the toughest in the world.

Among the VIPs in attendance were RADM Guy Griffiths from the ST Barbara Association, CAPT Stanley Durling, an esteemed WWII captain, and Mr Jean Georges Malcor from TMS.

The graduation was watched by 60 family members, friends, instructors and other officers from the course and base.

Also present, but asleep, was LEUTs John Earley’s father...

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The former flagship of the Royal Australian Navy, PERTH was launched in 1953 and is the last of her type still in service. She has been a familiar sight around the world, serving in many areas of the South Pacific, the Indian Ocean, and the South China Sea. With her green and white hull, PERTH has become a symbol of Australia's naval history and tradition.

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Alan in his old chair

The other day 85-year-old former Director of Air Warfare in the Royal Australian Navy, Rear Admiral Philip O’Brien, was given a plaque by the Minister for Defence, Mr. Ian Lang, to mark his long career in the Navy.

"It is a great honor to receive this plaque," said Mr. O’Brien. "It is a reminder of the many years I have spent serving my country and the Navy." He also thanked his family and friends for their support.

Ship will go to WA

Two other Navy vessels were handed over to the WA Government on Monday, December 30, by the Minister for Defence, Mr. Ian Lang. The vessels are the ex-HMAS PERTH and the ex-HMAS WARRAMunga.

Mr. Lang said: "These vessels are being handed over to the WA Government to provide another major boost to the State’s tourism industry. They will be used as floating museums and will be available for hire by local businesses and individuals." Mr. Lang also thanked the Royal Australian Navy for their support in making this happen.

Mr. Moore said: "The ex-HMAS PERTH will be used as a floating museum, and the ex-HMAS WARRAMunga will be used as a floating restaurant. We are confident that these vessels will be a great asset to the local economy and will provide many opportunities for tourism and recreation."
The warship had stalled in mid ocean in three metre swells and I scrambled up its hull on a rope ladder risking life and limb. I was beginning to wonder what lengths I’d go to for a story, but I needed the pictures.

HMAS MELBOURNE (CMDC Peter Jones) was heading home after more than four months at sea and the call had gone out for Australian Quarantine and Customs to hitch aboard and clear its crew for entry into Australia.

So it was, in the chilled, pre-dawn darkness that this hapless hack joined a Quarantine and Customs team to board the warship off the West Australian coast. But I had been tricked.

When my Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service colleagues offered me the opportunity to cover the MELBOURNE clearance, they did not mention high seas.

"The Royal Australian Navy usually flies the team to the ship by helicopter," they said.

Wonderful, a pre-dawn scenic flight out near Rottnest Island would be great.

But, alas, plans had changed and we were now to meet the frigate via a 10 metre launch and jump aboard. Jump!

What were they thinking? I’m a journalist here, solid ground and a keyboard are all I need to get through the day, an adventurer I am not.

Nevertheless, in the name of getting the story, there I was about 15 kilometres offshore bobbing up and down in high seas, clinging on to my expensive camera gear for fear of it being pitched overboard. I wish I had brought my bodyboard.

Seasoned AQIS inspector Terry Lee tried to allay my fears, telling me I had nothing to worry about. "We clear the RAN fleet all the time. It’s the first jump from the launch that’s the worst, after that you’re fine," he said.

"Just make sure you jump..." AQIS inspector Terry Lee checks some artifacts for these two MELBOURNE "tourists".

Crushed when the boats collide. Comforting. Don’t they have any training for this? So, there I was scrambling high up on the ladder. It’s best to wait until the launch surges upward with the swell and then jump, otherwise, if you’re not high enough your legs will get blung up the side of the hull with about 30 seafaring crew watching our arrival. Look brave and concentrate, I told myself. Look like a quarantine inspector who does this all the time. No sweat.

My only consolation was that I was attempting to board a RAN ship. If I fell didn’t need to jump off, instead we were heading into the Port of Fremantle with the ship and would disembark when it berthed.

The thing that struck this first-time visitor to a Navy ship was the crew’s disregard to the time of day. Dawn had just passed and officers were already drinking soft drinks. I could barely stomach breakfast but these officers had just finished their shifts and had been awake for hours (and I grumbled when I had to get out of bed at 4am to make it to the launch on time).

Now we were aboard it was time for serious business. Terry Lee began the clearance of souvenirs picked up by some of the crew at Middle Eastern markets and in Singapore.

The items were good quality, hard wood and not a quarantine concern. If any of the items had pinned holes, indicating wood borer infestation, they would have been confiscated, or if the owner requested they could have been fumigated and returned.

One sailor had framed saw pictures that were taken for treatment and would be returned. Sand can carry animal diseases such as Foot and Mouth Disease.

Egg noodles and milk powder were also seized and destroyed. Eggs can carry New Castle’s Disease, while milk products can spread Foot and Mouth Disease.

By 9am our work was done and this tired and weary reporter hit solid ground and headed for her trusty keyboard.

My adventures on the high seas was unfortunately over and it was time to pack away my combat gear.

If this is how AQIS inspectors earn their weekly wage I wonder if they’d have anything against a hack joining the team?
Funding goes to assistance scheme

The Defence Executive has agreed to the funding of a Career Transition and Education Assistance Scheme (CTAES).

The Scheme comprises two elements:

- A career transition entitlement which will be a condition of service for all ADF personnel to undertake further education and training during their Service careers.
- A discretionary educational provision that encourages ADF personnel to undertake further education and training during their Service careers.

Reasons for change

In 1998 a review of the current Resettlement Scheme was undertaken. This review determined that the current scheme did not meet the needs of flexible career opportunities. The team is working closely with the Single Service Employment Assistance (CFA) and DASS.

In September 1999 CDF directed HDFP and HAD to investigate how to develop a discretionary educational provision to encourage ADF personnel to undertake further education and training during their Service careers.

The CDF directed that the two studies be combined.

The following levels of entitlement and provisions are proposed:

CTA level 1 - less than 12 years' service
- Access to the library
- Access to lifecycle financial planning information
- Self-assessment exercises and personal profile
- Two days approved absence for employment assistance
- Access to Internet linkages

CTA level 2 - 12 to less than 20 years' service

Level 1 plus:
- Additional two days' approved absence from duty for employment assistance (total 3 days)
- Coaching to develop a CAP and CV

CTA level 3 - 20 or more years service

Level 2 plus:
- Additional two days' approved absence from duty for employment assistance (total 5 days)
- Coaching to develop a Career Action Plan (CAP) and CV
- Outplacement assistance.

The scheme will provide a suite of provisions delivered via the Internet/Telephon network where possible and practical, that are designed to enhance ADF personnel employment opportunities through a range of activities:

- library of information and resources;
- self-assessment and career transition and separation processes;
- life-style financial planning information;
- exercises and personal profiles;
- access to the library and
- access to Internet linkages.

The provisions may include:
- a library of information and resources to be used in conjunction with the development of a curriculum vitae (CV);
- approved absence from duty for employment assistance (total 5 days);
- self-assessment exercises and personal profiles to be used in conjunction with the development of a curriculum vitae (CV).

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Canberra gets door to door clothingrun

Defence Corporate Support will start a mobile van clothing service next week.

The service will operate out of the retail clothing store at the Australian Defence Force Academy and will operate in conjunction with the single service retail clothing outlet at HMAS HARMAN, RAFAF SABRIN and RMC.

The purpose of the clothing van service is to provide a purchase and delivery service for military clothing to ADF personnel at most locations within the Canberra area.

Personnel will be able to order clothing by submitting an order form available on Eforms (MCT7 - Mail Order Replacement Clothing - Order Form).

This form can be sent by facsimile, e-mail, or through the post. The fax number for the mobile van service is (02) 6208 8498, the e-mail address is acct0001@adfa.edu.au and the phone number is (02) 6208 8423.

Orders for clothing through the mobile van service will be accepted from October 11 1999. Payment for clothing may be made by cash, direct pay debit or by credit card.

Payment will be made when personnel pick up the items from the clothing van when it arrives at your location.

The mobile van service will commence October 11 1999 and the timetables and locations will be as follows:

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1100-1130hrs
ADF Headquarters School
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1130-1200hrs
Orders not serviced by the above routes can utilise our mail order/request service and items will be delivered to you on a Tuesday or Thursday afternoon, other orders can be collected from the vans at the specified times.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Yours,
Derek Berry, curator.

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Letters puzzle

Sir,

As the curator of the museum at HMCS CERBERUS I received an envelope containing two letters which had been found years ago in a shipping container at one of the docks in Melbourne.

The letters were sent to the museum when the donor decided to move house. They were written on January 2, 1943 by a "MJN W Featherstone" of HMCS KAMIMBA and were addressed to his mother and father.

As the letters are personal, I am keen to contact the writer or gain information of next of kin, so that they can be returned. Any information should be addressed to "The Curator", Museum of HMCS CERBERUS, Westernport 3920 or through telephone 03 59207141.

Yours,

Sir,

The correct flag?

Sir,

I wholeheartedly agree with its use at the funeral of serving or ex-service Navy personnel.

Please advise me whether the use of the White Ensign is permitted on such occasions.

Yours,
Howard Stevenson, ex-RMTP4 Derrynal, SA.

Response: "Under normal circumstances the Australian National flag is not used at funerals. However the Chief of Navy can give special permission for the White Ensign to be used", WO4 Reyner Command Ceremony Officer.

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Chick flick

Movie review by
Carole Cavell, Travel Manager, Sydney


The latest Julia Roberts movie is a romantic comedy about relationships or as it's known in the movie speak of today, "Chick flick." It is similar in some respects to her previous romantic comedy movie, Notting Hill with leading man Hugh Grant. The writer of Notting Hill is Richard Curtis who is also responsible for the comedy hit movie Four Weddings and a Funeral. The Notting Hill movie's theme is mainly about the developing relationship between Julia Roberts and Hugh Grant. The film tries to establish the fact that a man can be a gentleman and educated and still get the girl! The script of Notting Hill is familiar compared to the script of Runaway Bride which contains numerous cliches about romance. Runaway Bride's main theme is that it is important for women and men to establish their own separate identities with their own likes and dislikes before they get married. Otherwise the other person's personality could swamp their partners and they could feel lost in the relationship. The director is Gary Marshall. He also directed these stars in their previous movie hit Pretty Woman. The supporting cast is excellent, especially Hector Elizondo who was nominated for a Golden Globe award as the hotel manager in Pretty Woman. Richard Gere's character, as a journalist, is a sympathetic one as shown later on in the movie when he encourages Julia Roberts to make choices for herself, even down to deciding which style of eggs to cook. The movie is well worth watching for the special rapport and chemistry between Gere and Roberts with many twists in the plot.

Rockabillly sensation

Band review by
ARPH Torrin Nelson

The Australian high-energy punk rockabilly sensation, Howlin' Moon Doggles are set to release their 16 track debut CD, Doggler Style, later this month. Highlights include Piment Fast Cadillac. They also do a cover of the old Easybeats tune For Your Love. It is an upbeat version with a punk rock twist. The Moon doggles came from Perth and formed in 1993. The band moved to Sydney in 1998 with its current line-up and is playing regular gigs. A fast paced mix of rockabilly and ska, which will be on the bill music show, Channel V, later this year.

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Fortune smiles on centenarian

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Mr Allan’s fabulous century was celebrated at his Ascot Vale home with family and friends. He received telegrams and cards from the Governor-General, the Prime Minister and others.

President of the Victorian branch of the Sydney Association, Len Pollard, presented Mr Allan with a print of a painting of Sydney inked in EMDEN. The original painting, on a lock or cell from the HMAS SYDNEY, is in the charge of the senior sailor officer at HMAS Cerberus South Australia. "Mr Allan was present in a most hospitable way.

Mr Len Pollard presents Mr Allan with the painting of Sydney."

 confidently put his faith in a ship to counteract the dangers of interest by Nov 12 1999.

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Navies have won the 1999 West Australian Inter-service Australian Football Carnival.

The WA team, aided by RAAF 25/10.9509/42.517, Army did not field a team in this year’s competition and the match was played in rain and a stiff southerly.

 Prepared in response to a rescue call from the RAN (operated by Spotless) controlled the centre with Brown, Grainger and Thomas and ABMT Turnbull dominating the rucks. ARCSO Parsons and LSMT Marcus Sear also shone.

The blustery conditions and drizzle resulted in many handling errors but Navy made better headway with Tony Thomas and Damien Brown too strong in the forward line.

The second quarter started as did the first. RAAF was in repeating mode with Navy going forward.

The Navy build-up, led by LSBO Paul Harvey, ABET Brad Cowan and LSET Trev Gesigneau, nullified RAAF attacks and enabled SBLT Andrew Monahan and newcomer LSET Chris Willis plenty of space in which to run.

In the second half Navy coach POPT Chris Ploughman had the luxury of continually rotation his midfielders under the controlling influence of CPOET Jamie Robinson and ABWR James Arney. This affected RAAFs game even though the side put up a determined effort.

Player of the series, ARCSO Parsons, played solidly all match and provided many opportunities for his running teammates.

**ALBATROSS wins soccer**

The 1999 ALBATROSS/Nirimba Soccer Competition has been won by HMAS ALBATROSS. The event was held at the David Phillips Oval in Sydney.

The competition saw 15 teams compete with ALBATROSS a two-teams and HMAS CRESWELL fielding a side. Randwick Army also competed in the competition and two women’s teams played each other.

The final was between HMAS WATSON and HMAS ALBATROSS with the latter running out 1-nil victors.

**Herman keeping in touch**

POET Herman Real from HMAS CAIRNS has represented North Queensland at the 1999 Queensland State Touch Football Championships on the Gold Coast.

PO Real participated in the mens’s 36’s competition and his team-mates were drawn from the North Queensland regional teams.

The North Queensland team finished in fourth, losing to the Sunshine Coast.

The Salvation Army Welfare and Senior Sailors’ Mess Committees supported PO Herman’s effort to make the championships by raising funds to enable him to participate.

PO Real has also been selected in the open NADF side to compete in the NADF championships in November.

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Anyone interested can contact Mr Andy Bohnsack at DWA, 1215 Russell Hill Road, Busselton, WA 6280, or email andy.ohnbush@navy.defence.gov.au.

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RUSHCUTTER rides for charity

By Annie Casey

The ship's company of HMAS RUSHCUTTER (LCDR Matthew Brown) is cycling 1000 km along the Pacific Highway from Sydney to the Gold Coast to raise money for the Starlight Children’s Foundation. LCDR Brown will lead his 14 member team from Sydney’s HMAS WATERHEN at Waverley over 15 days, conducting fundraising activities at RSL clubs and other public centres along the way. Six thousand dollars has already been pledged but the overall target for the RUSHCUTTER team is $10,000. In addition to raffles and other fundraising efforts they will also try to conduct training afternoons with local Navy Reserve Cadet units and play sport against local police.

Accommodation will include staying at naval cadet units and pitching tents overnight at council showgrounds as required.

“All money we raise will go directly to the Starlight Children’s Foundation to brighten the lives of seriously ill children. We are very proud to be doing something like this for such a good cause,” LCDR Brown said.

The team will ride on eight bikes rotating between the 14 members, with the backup of support vehicles.

Towns on route include Gosford, Baladah, Port Macquarie, Macksville, Byron Bay and Coolangatta. There are three carefully selected rest days scheduled.

The charity riders for RUSHCUTTER are: LEUTs Brown and Brett Douglas, SBTLs Luke Andrews and Ryan Gaskin, CPO Phil Palmer, PO Jason Dodd, LS Darren Chapman, ABs Joe Grechen, Andrew Dakin, Peter Rodrick, Jeff Boddy and Andrew Larkin, SMN Peter Ritchie and DiAnne Brown.

The team was outfitted by Neeti and Le Spier Cycles, other sponsors include Thompson Marconi and Solmco.

* ARBO Peter Rodrick, ABET Andrew Larkin and SBTL Ryan Gaskin prepare for their ship’s charity ride to the Gold Coast. Picture: ABPH Jon Gageler.