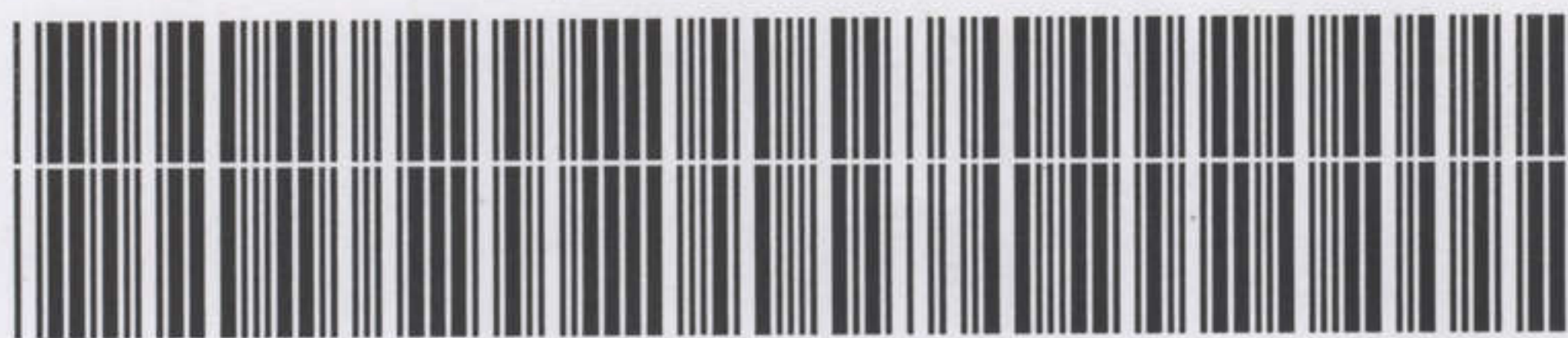


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The Flag Officer Commanding,
HER MAJESTY'S AUSTRALIAN FLEET.

(Copy to The Commanding Officer,
H.M.A.S. VOYAGER)

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Reference: Your A.F. 35/4 dated 6th January 1962.

I am directed by the Naval Board to inform you that one copy only of the January 1962 Report of Proceedings for the ship H.M.A.S. VOYAGER has been received at Navy Office.

2. To allow of adequate circulation it is requested that action be taken to forward an additional copy, and that in future two copies be furnished in accordance with the instructions contained in paragraph 7 of Appendix 29A of Regulations and Instructions for the R.A.N.

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H.M.A.S. VOYAGER,
At Sea.

2 February, 1962.

The Flag Officer Commanding,
H.M. AUSTRALIAN FLEET.

REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - JANUARY, 1962

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of H.M.A.S. VOYAGER for January, 1962.

2. The detailed activities of the month may be seen by reference to the following appendices:-

1. Ships Movements.
2. Ships in Company.
3. Distance and Steaming figures.
4. Exercises and Drills.
5. Official Calls.
6. Sport.
7. Officers Movements.

3. The New Year found VOYAGER alongside at Garden Island with Christmas leave completing on Tuesday 2nd January. At this time the planned programme was to complete Turbo Alternator trials by Saturday 6th and sail on Monday 8th, in company with H.M.A.S. QUEENBOROUGH to commence the first phase of JUC 40. However, success with the T.A. trials proved to be elusive. Defective items were revealed under trial conditions and caused postponement of completion until Saturday 13th. These trials form the subject of a separate report.

4. It was thus necessary for VOYAGER to miss the first week of JUC 40.

5. From Wednesday 3rd to Friday 5th inclusive, VOYAGER's command team attended the Fleet Tactical period in the A.S.T.T. at WATSON. Other ships' teams attending were MELBOURNE, VENDETTA, PARRAMATTA, YARRA, QUEENBOROUGH and QUIBERON.

6. This period proved successful in brushing the cobwebs away after Christmas leave, and was of assistance to new members of the Command Team in that it enabled them to see some of the latest tactical doctrines practiced by the Fleet.

7. VOYAGER sailed from Sydney at 0830 Saturday 13th to commence the programme as set out in my letter 66/1/19 dated 16 January, 1962. The details of exercises achieved are shown in appendix IV.

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8. During the week after sailing increasing concern was felt over salt water contamination discovered in the closed feed system and on Wednesday 17th my signal 170327Z was despatched outlining the symptoms. Approval was received from the Flag Officer Commanding, H.M. Australian Fleet to return to Sydney for investigation and repairs.

9. The ship berthed at Fitting Out Wharf at 0010, Thursday 18th and work on tracing the fault was commenced immediately. This water contamination forms the subject of a separate report.

10. On Friday 19th, I attended the washup of JUC 40 at AJASS.

11. Tentatively planned exercises with the R.A.A.F. during the week commencing Monday 22nd had to be cancelled as a result of Project Mercury and a revised programme of exercises and drills was carried out to cover those points missed during the previous two weeks. Appendix IV includes these exercises.

12. The A.A. sleeve firing carried out on Wednesday 24th was again unsatisfactory because of the small number of target triggered bursts observed.

13. The surface bombardment carried out on Thursday 25th was considered to be of a satisfactory standard.

14. A/S Sea Check firings were undertaken on the afternoon of Thursday 25th. Unfavourable water conditions and incorrect alignment of the Mortar system made completion of the trial impracticable in the time that the tug was available for marking. It is therefore intended to carry on with the trial on February 2nd.

15. At 0600 Friday 26th in company with QUEENBOROUGH VOYAGER made a rendezvous with MELBOURNE and proceeded into Sydney, securing alongside Cruiser Wharf at 0730.

16. Having embarked the families of the ships company the ship sailed in company with QUEENBOROUGH at 0930 for Families day at sea. The day's programme included torpedo firing by H.M.S. TAPIR, high speed manoeuvres, mortar firings by both ships and the firing of a torpedo by VOYAGER. As usual the day was thoroughly enjoyed by both the Ships Company and their families, but some of the smaller sealegs began to wobble towards the end of the time outside the harbour, with inevitable consequences.

17. The torpedo firing by TAPIR on this day was part of her annual inspection and she fired six at VOYAGER. Four tracks were seen to pass close to the ship. A visual search of the area was carried out by VOYAGER, QUEENBOROUGH and TAPIR on completion of the firing and four torpedoes were observed to surface close inshore mid-way between Hornby and Macquarie lights. Later in the afternoon TAPIR requested assistance to carry out a further search for the other two. VOYAGER and QUEENBOROUGH returned to the area, but once again no trace could be found of the missing torpedoes. As weather conditions had deteriorated and forced the torpedo recovery MSL to return to harbour with only two of the sighted torpedoes, VOYAGER recovered the other two from a position about 3 cables off the cliffs beneath Macquarie Light and then returned to harbour, berthing at 1420.


18. The ship took on ammunition for service in the Strategic Reserve on Wednesday 31st.

19. The health, conduct and morale of the ship are satisfactory. The Welfare Committee has met during the month.

I have the honour to be

sir

Your obedient servant



(D.C. WELLS)
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APPENDIX I
SHIPS MOVEMENTS

Monday 1st .	0940	Shifted by tugs from inner Captain Cook Dock to Fitting Out Wharf.
Saturday 13th.	0830	Sailed from Sydney.
Sunday 14th.	0935	Anchored Jervis Bay.
	2230	Sailed from Jervis Bay.
Monday 15th	0600	Entered Sydney Harbour to embark one ERA from Watsons Bay.
	1600	Commenced LONGEX with QUEENBOROUGH and SWAN.
Tuesday 16th	1125	Entered Jervis Bay.
	1230	Sailed from Jervis Bay.
Wednesday 17th.	1020	Entered Jervis Bay.
	1130	Sailed from Jervis Bay.
	1545	Completed LONGEX.
	1623	Anchored Jervis Bay.
	1657	Weighed and Proceeded from Jervis Bay.
Thursday 18th	0010	Entered Sydney. Berthed at Fitting Out Wharf.
Monday 22nd.	0830	Sailed from Sydney.
	1700	Anchored Broken Bay.
Tuesday 23rd	0732	Weighed and proceeded from Broken Bay.
	1737	Anchored Broken Bay.
Wednesday 24th	0700	Weighed and proceeded from Broken Bay.
	1700	Entered Sydney Harbour to embark photographer from Watsons Bay.
Thursday 25th	2020	Anchored Broken Bay.
Friday 26th	0425	Weighed and proceeded from Broken Bay. QUEENBOROUGH in company.
	0600	R/V with MELBOURNE.
	0730	Berthed Cruiser Wharf.
Wednesday 31st.	0830	Shifted by tugs to No.4 buoy for ammunitioning.
	1430	Shifted by tugs to Fitting out Wharf.

APPENDIX IISHIPS IN COMPANY.

Monday 15th.	QUEENBOROUGH, SWAN.
Tuesday 16th.	QUEENBOROUGH, SWAN.
Wednesday 17th.	QUEENBOROUGH, SWAN
Monday 22nd	QUEENBOROUGH.
Tuesday 23rd	QUEENBOROUGH.
Wednesday 24th	QUEENBOROUGH.
Friday 26th.	MELBOURNE, QUEENBOROUGH.

APPENDIX IIIDISTANCE AND STEAMING FIGURES

Distance steamed during January	1950.5
Hours Underway during January	160.3
Total Distance steamed since first commissioning	152,320.2
Total hours underway since first commissioning	10,830.65

Hours exceeded economical speed

Date	Duration	Av/Speed	Fuel/Hour	Dist/Ton	Reason
15th	3 hours	16.7	2.6	6.0	Longex.
25th	2 hours	18.2	3.2	5.5	To R/V for A/S Sea Check firings.

APPENDIX IVEXERCISES AND DRILLS...(a) Seamanship and General.

Heaving line transfers (2)
 Seaboats (6)
 Jackstay transfer (Rig only) (2)
 Fuelling amidships (Rig only) (2)
 Executive Officer in Command for anchoring (1)
 General Quarters (1)
 Capstan Trials (1)
 Cruising Stations (12 hours)

(b) Gunnery

P.A.C. Firing.
 40/60 Gun Functioning trials
 Cruising Watch Firing - starshell and 40/60 (All watches)
 A.A. tracking (4)
 A.A. Sleeve firing (White system) (1)
 A.A. Sleeve firing (MRS 8 system) (1)
 N.G.S.C.X. (1)
 N.G.S.F.X. (1)
 Boarding Party Muster (1)
 Landing Party Muster (1)

(c) N.D.

Voice Procedure Exercise (4)
 Surface Plotting Exercises (Synthetic) (3)
 Farsex during Cruising Stations (3)
 Longex (48 hours)
 Relative Velocity instruction (3 hours)
 A.A.G.C.P.X. (1)
 SMX10/Casex 47 (3)
 Steering Gear Breakdowns (4)
 Emergency conning (1)

(d) A.B.C.D.

Minor A.B.C.D. exercises (2)
 Major D.C. exercise (1)
 First Aid Lectures (2)
 Fire and Repair Party exercises (2)
 Pump and Flood Party exercises (2)
 Electrical Repair Party exercise (2)

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O.O.W. Urgent A/S attacks (4)
 Casex 6/7 (22 hours)
 Longex (48 hours)
 Sea Check Firings (incomplete)
 Mortar Firing (Live) (1)
 Torpedo Firing (1 torpedo)
 Night Diving (3 hours)

APPENDIX VOFFICIAL CALLS.

Monday 8th. I attended the ceremony in H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE in which Rear Admiral A.W.R. McNicoll, C.B.E. G.M. assumed command of H.M. Australian Fleet from Rear Admiral W.H. Harrington, C.B.E., D.S.O., C.B.

Tuesday 9th. Called on the Flag Officer Commanding, H.M. Australian Fleet.

Wednesday 10th. The Captain, H.M.A.S. GASCOYNE called.

Thursday 11th. I return the call of the Captain, H.M.A.S. GASCOYNE.

APPENDIX VISPORT

Wednesday 3rd. VOYAGER 172 defeated MELBOURNE 111 for the Fleet Cricket Trophy.

Wednesday 10th. VOYAGER, representing Fleet in I Zingari Shield cricket, 112 defeated PENGUIN 90.

Saturday 20th VOYAGER won R.N.S.A. Regatta's whaler race.

Monday 29th. VOYAGER 3rd in R.N.S.A. whaler race.

APPENDIX VIIOFFICERS MOVEMENTS

- Tuesday 2nd. Lieutenant (S.D.)(G) T. REDMAN, R.N.
joined from H.M.A.S. CERBERUS II.
- Lieutenant (N) M.W. HUDSON, R.A.N.
joined from H.M.A.S. SWAN.
- Friday 5th. Lieutenant (N) W.HURST, R.N. was discharged
to H.M.A.S. WATSON.
- Lieutenant (TAS) G. NEILSON, R.N. was
discharged to H.M.A.S. WATSON.
- Sunday 7th. Lieutenant G.R. ARNFIELD, R.A.N.R. joined
for 14 days A.C.T.
- Monday 8th. Lieutenant (d) K.A. DOOLAN, R.A.N. loaned
to H.M.A.S. QUEENBOROUGH for watchkeeping
duties during first phase of JUC 40.
- Saturday 13th. Lieutenant (d) K.A. DOOLAN, R.A.N. rejoined.
- Sunday 14th. Lieutenant Commander J.H. PARGITER, R.N.
joined from H.M.A.S. WATSON to witness
second phase of JUC 40.
- Wednesday 17th. Lieutenant Commander J.H. PARGITER, R.N.
was discharged to H.M.A.S. WATSON.
- Saturday 20th. Lieutenant G.R. ARNFIELD, R.A.N.R. discharged
to shore.

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(Reference: CNS minute dated 3rd April 1962)

~~CNS~~ Thank you. N.F.F. with 1/6.

By DSD

In accordance with your minute of 3rd April, DSD has investigated the mishandling of VOYAGER's berthing signals referred to in paras 11 thru 15 of that ship's report of proceedings for February 1962.

2. VOYAGER, as the recipient, held the responsibility for initiating tracer action on these signals. Such action was not taken by the ship as verbal explanation by NOIC Tasmania apparently cleared up the case to VOYAGER's satisfaction.

3. The delays may be attributed to the following-

- (a) The very menial communication facilities available to NOIC Tasmania and his reliance on the Army to pass his traffic to the mainland for onward routing to all naval authorities.
- (b) The restricted hours during which the Army signal centre operates.

4. On other papers DSD has raised a requirement for a Telex (PMG teletype) installation for NOIC Tasmania. This will provide him with -

- (a) The ability to send and receive signals at any hour.
- (b) The ability to communicate direct with ACNB which will reduce the number of links for relay of messages to other authorities.

A. Edise

31 May 1962.

DSD.

5. *Recommend no further action on VOYAGER's signal.*

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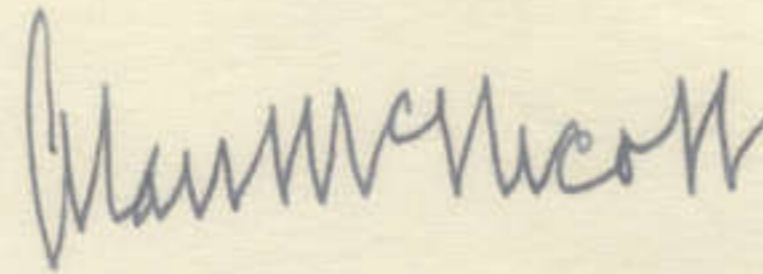
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H.M.A.S. VOYAGER,
At Sea.

3 MAR 1962

The Flag Officer Commanding,
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Sir,

I have the honour to submit the proceedings of H.M.A.S. VOYAGER for February, 1962.

2. The detailed activities of the month may be seen by reference to the following appendices:-

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Thursday 1st to Sunday 4th

3. At the beginning of the month VOYAGER was alongside at Garden Island making the final preparations for proceeding north to the Strategic Reserve.

4. At 0730(K), Friday 2nd, the ship sailed from Sydney to make a rendezvous with H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE off Jervis Bay to exercise RAS and to act as Rescue Destroyer during MELBOURNE's night flying operations. Independent exercises including A/S sea check firings were carried out on passage. Although the final analysis of the sea check firings has not yet been received they appeared to be satisfactory.

5. On rendezvous with MELBOURNE fuelling at sea was exercised, a token amount being taken on board.

6. MELBOURNE had hoped to carry out night flying within Jervis Bay but owing to unfavourable weather conditions this had to be cancelled. VOYAGER was detached at 1824(K) and returned alongside Garden Island at 0030(K) Saturday 3rd February.

Monday 5th to Friday 9th

7. H.M.A.S. VOYAGER, with H.M.A.S. QUEENBOROUGH in company, sailed from Sydney at 0830(K), Monday 5th for passage to Jervis Bay. Exercises were carried out as shown in Appendix IV. Both ships anchored off Captain's Point at 1635(K).

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8. During Thursday forenoon the combined Ships' Companies of MELBOURNE, VOYAGER and QUEENBOROUGH attended Divisions in H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE where they were inspected and addressed by the retiring First Naval Member, Vice Admiral Sir Henry Burrell, K.B.E., C.B. On completion of Divisions all ships were manned as Admiral Burrell proceeded ashore.

9. At 1400(K), VOYAGER and QUEENBOROUGH followed closely by MELBOURNE, sailed from Jervis Bay for exercises and passage to HOBART. During this passage a full programme of exercises and drills was carried out in company and independently.

10. A quarterly full power trial on Thursday was satisfactory.

11. At 0700(K), Friday 9th, VOYAGER berthed at Number 2, Outer Macquarie Wharf, HOBART.

12. Because of the late arrival of the Naval Officer in Charge, TASMANIA's signal 020725(Z)(Notal), it was not discovered until after berthing that VOYAGER, as Regatta Flagship, would be required to proceed and anchor in the stream on Saturday 10th and Tuesday 13th, returning alongside at the end of each day. Examination of the Official Hobart Regatta Programme revealed no good reason for moving on Saturday 10th. After consulting the Naval Officer in Charge, TASMANIA, my signal 090608(Z) was sent.

13. Approval was subsequently received from the Flag Officer Commanding, H.M. AUSTRALIAN FLEET to remain alongside on the Saturday.

14. At 1705(K), Friday 9th, a signal was received from the Naval Officer in Charge, TASMANIA stating that VOYAGER would be required to shift berth to Elizabeth Wharf by Sunday forenoon to make way for a merchant ship. It was decided to shift berth by tugs on Saturday forenoon to prevent interruption to maintenance programmes.

15. This move could have been prevented if the Naval Officer in Charge, TASMANIA's signal 080556(Z) had been received before berthing on Friday 9th.

Saturday 10th to Tuesday 13th

16. The Fleet Pulling Regatta was held on Saturday 10th and was won by a very clear margin by H.M.A.S. ANZAC who succeeded in coming first in each race. Overall, VOYAGER was third.

17. At 0730(K) Tuesday 13th, VOYAGER moved into the stream and anchored about four cables out from the Regatta Grandstand.

18. During the afternoon the Governor of Tasmania, Lord Rowallan and his party which included the Governor of South Australia, Sir Edric Bastyan, were entertained onboard.

19. On Tuesday night the ship was illuminated by outline lighting and from all reports, appeared very impressive from shorewards. This was initiated by VOYAGER in order to add to the value of her being in the stream.

20. No other duties were required of VOYAGER as Regatta Flagship. It was apparent that the ship was required only to add "colour" to the day's events.

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21. It would assist ships nominated to perform the duties of Regatta Flagship if early detail could be given of the requirement. An approach to the Naval Officer in Charge, TASMANIA for this purpose was unrewarded, due partly to delays in communications.

Wednesday 14th to Monday 19th

22. T.G. 327.2 (MELBOURNE, VOYAGER, QUEENBOROUGH) sailed from HOBART at 0900(K), Wednesday 14th for passage to Adelaide and for exercises as detailed by C.T.G. 327.2 (Flag Officer Commanding H.M. AUSTRALIAN FLEET) (Exercises shown in Appendix IV).

23. T.U. 327.2.2 (VOYAGER and QUEENBOROUGH) was detached at 1600(K), Friday 16th to proceed to Adelaide.

24. VOYAGER secured to the Shell Company wharf at 0710(IK) Saturday 17th and on completion of fuelling shifted berth to No.2 North Wharf, Port Adelaide.

25. On Sunday 18th the ship was open to visitors and an estimated 1500 were received.

Tuesday 20th to Monday 26th

26. At 0800(IK) VOYAGER and QUEENBOROUGH slipped from North Wharf, Port Adelaide and proceeded down river to rendezvous with MELBOURNE off Outer Harbour. Poor weather marred the first two days passage to Fremantle, which on the whole was uneventful except for the meeting with U.S.S. COONTZ on Thursday 22nd.

27. T.G. 327.2 anchored in Gage Roads on Sunday 25th at 1530(H) and West Australian libertymen were landed shortly afterwards.

28. H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE proceeded into Fremantle Harbour at 0700(H), Monday 26th followed by QUEENBOROUGH and VOYAGER.


29. At 0900(H) Wednesday 28th T.G. 327.2 proceeded from Fremantle for passage to Singapore. During the day exercises and drills were carried out as shown in Appendix IV.

30. The Engineering Departmental inspection was carried out throughout Wednesday 28th.

31. During the month the emphasis has been on working up the operational efficiency of the ship for service with the Strategic Reserve and preparing for Admiral's Inspection in Singapore. Both aims have been satisfactorily progressed.

32. The health, conduct and morale of the ship are satisfactory.




(D.C. WELLS)
C A P T A I N

APPENDIX I

SHIP'S MOVEMENTS

Thursday	1st		Alongside Sydney.
Friday	2nd	0730(k)	Departed Sydney.
		1640(k)	R/V H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE.
		1824(k)	Detached from H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE.
Saturday	3rd	0030(k)	Secured alongside Fitting Out Wharf Garden Island.
Sunday	4th		Alongside Sydney.
Monday	5th	0830(k)	Departed Sydney. QUEENBOROUGH in company.
		1635(k)	Anchored Jervis Bay.
Tuesday	6th	1405(k)	Departed Jervis Bay. QUEENBOROUGH in company.
Wednesday	7th		Passage to Hobart.
Thursday	8th		Passage to Hobart.
Friday	9th	0700(k)	Secured alongside Macquarie Wharf.
Saturday	10th	0900(k)	Shifted berth by tugs to Elizabeth Wharf.
Sunday	11th		Alongside Hobart.
Monday	12th		Alongside Hobart.
Tuesday	13th	0730(k)	Shifted to Regatta Flagship anchorage.
Wednesday	14th	0900(k)	Departed Hobart. MELBOURNE, QUEENBOROUGH in Company.
Thursday	15th		Passage to Adelaide.
Friday	16th		Passage to Adelaide.
Saturday	17th	0710(i.k)	Secured alongside Shell Oil Wharf, Port Adelaide. Embarked F.F.O.
		1015(i.k)	Shifted berth to No.2 North Wharf, Port Adelaide.
Sunday	18th		Alongside Port Adelaide.
Monday	19th		Alongside Port Adelaide.
Tuesday	20th	0800(i.k)	Departed Port Adelaide. QUEENBOROUGH in Company.
		1002(i.k)	R/V MELBOURNE off Outer Harbour.
Wednesday	21st		Passage to Fremantle.
Thursday	22nd		Passage to Fremantle.
Friday	23rd		Passage to Fremantle.
Saturday	24th		Passage to Fremantle.
Sunday	25th	1530(G.H)	Anchored Gage Roads.
Monday	26th	0810(G.H)	Secured alongside No.7 North Wharf, Fremantle.
Tuesday	27th		Alongside Fremantle.
Wednesday	28th	0840(G.H)	Departed Fremantle. MELBOURNE, QUEENBOROUGH in company. Commenced passage to Singapore.

APPENDIX II

SHIPS IN COMPANY

Monday 5th.	QUEENBOROUGH.
Tuesday 6th.	QUEENBOROUGH MELBOURNE CTG 327.1 (MELBOURNE)
Friday 9th.	QUEENBOROUGH MELBOURNE
Tuesday 13th.	ANZAC VANCE
Saturday 10th.	MELBOURNE QUEENBOROUGH CTG 327.2 (F.O.C.A.F.)
Thursday 22nd	USS COONTZ
Wednesday 28th	MELBOURNE QUEENBOROUGH

APPENDIX III

DISTANCE AND STEAMING
FIGURES

Distance Steamed during February	4,101.5
Hours underway during February	306.4
Total Distance Steamed since first commissioning	156,421.7
Total Hours underway since first commissioning	11,137.05

Hours exceeded economical speed

<u>Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Av/Speed</u>	<u>Fuel/Hour</u>	<u>Dist/Ton</u>	<u>Reason</u>
7th Feb	2½ hrs	18.1	3.2	5.5	Stationkeeping
8th Feb	1½ hrs	18.0	3.2	5.5.	E.W. Exercise.
8th Feb	2 hrs	27.4	8.6	5.2	Quarterly Full Power Trial.
16th Feb	9 hrs	18.0	3.2	5.5	To arrive Adelaide
23rd Feb	1 hr	18.4	3.3	5.5	D.T.F.X.
25th Feb	5 hrs	17.0	3.0	5.6	To rejoin MELBOURNE

APPENDIX IV

EXERCISES AND DRILLS

PART I

Friday	2nd.	A.A. Tracking. A/S Sea Check Firings R.A.S. with MELBOURNE.
Monday	5th	RIX/SPX with QUEENBOROUGH Jackstay transfer with QUEENBOROUGH
Tuesday	6th	Screening Exercise (4 hours) A.A. Tracking (1 hour) Multi Lop PS4 (2 hours) E.W. Exercise (2 hours) Navcomex 206 Navcomex 404 Seaboat (1) R.A.S. Approaches with MELBOURNE.
Wednesday	7th	E.W. Exercise (1 hour) R.O.F.X. O.O.W. Urgent A/S Attacks (2 hours) Exercise R.A.S. with MELBOURNE.
Thursday	8th	E.W. Exercise (5 hours) R.A.S. with MELBOURNE. Full Power Trial O.O.W. R.A.S. Approaches on QUEENBOROUGH Encounter Exercise and T.F.X. with QUEENBOROUGH.
Wednesday	14th	F.A.A.G.C.X. S.P.X.(B) Metratest O.O.W. Manouvres.
Thursday	15th	R.I.X. Farsex A.A. Tracking Sub Calibre Firings Day Illumination firings Fuel consumption trial.
Friday	16th	R.I.X. D.T.F.X. 262 Tuning Navcomex 206 S.S.T. Exercise O.O.W. Urgent A/S attacks (3 hours)
Tuesday	20th	R.I.X. F.A.A. G.C.X. Navcomex 206 Light Jackstay Transfer A.A. Tracking.
Wednesday	21st	Metratest S.S.T. Exercise Surface Throw Off firing
Thursday	22nd	E.W. Exercise (5 hours) R.O.F.X. Farsex (1 hour) A.A. Tracking Fuel Consumption trials.

Friday 23rd F.A.A.G.C.X.
R.I.X.
D.T.F.X.
M.A.X.
Nuclear Attack and Evasion (External)
R.A.S.
Major A.B.C.D. Exercise (Internal)
General Quarters.

Saturday 24th S.P.X(B)
Seaboats (4)(night)
Exercise Steering Gear Breakdown (3)

Wednesday 28th F.A.A.G.C.X.
S.P.X(B)
Jackstay Transfer
S.S.T. Exercise
Engineering Departmental Inspection
Metratest
O.O.W. Manouvres.

PART II

(a) Seamanship and General

Seaboats (5)
Jackstay transfers (3)
Fuelling abeam (3)
Heaving Line transfer (1)
General Quarters (1)

(b) Gunnery

A.A. Tracking (5)
275 Auto follow trials
Star Shell Firing (2)
Rapid Open fire Exercise (1)
Day Starshell firing (1)
R.I.X. (6)
Metratest (3)
Sub Calibre firing (1)
262 tuning
Surface throw off firing
Recognition training for A.A. lookouts
Massed Air Attack. 40/60 B.U. firing.
Gun Direction Exercises (Blind & Visual)(1)

(c) T.A.S.

A/S Sea Check firings (3 hours)
O.O.W. Urgent Attacks (6 hours)
T.F.X. (1)
D.T.F.X. (2)
S.S.T. Exercise (3)
Farsex (1 hour)

(d) N.D.

R.I.X. (5)
Plotting Exercises PS4 (2)
E.W. & Plotting Exercises (4)
E.W.C.X. (1)
Encounter Exercise (1)
F.A.A.G.C.X. (5)
S.P.X.(B) (3)
Metratest (3)
Farsex (2)
Logging Exercises
Voice Procedure Exercises (4)
Steering Gear Breakdown (3)
O.O.W. Manouvres (2)
Relative Velocity problems instruction (4 hours)

(e) A.B.C.D.

Major A.B.C.D. Exercise
Nuclear Attack & Evasion exercise
Cleansing station drill (2)
Monitoring Team Instruction (1hour).

APPENDIX V

OFFICIAL CALLS

Friday 9th. The Naval Officer in Charge, TASMANIA called.

I was present when the Flag Officer Commanding H.M. AUSTRALIAN FLEET received the return calls of

His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania,
The Chief Justice of Tasmania,
Deputy Premier of Tasmania
The Lord Mayor of Hobart.

Saturday 10th The Captain U.S.S. VANCE called.

Monday 12th Attended reception given by His Excellency The Governor of Tasmania.

Tuesday 13th Returned call of the Captain U.S.S. VANCE.

Entertained Their Excellencies the Governors of Tasmania and South Australia and Vice Regal Party onboard.

Saturday 17th Call by the Naval Officer in Charge, SOUTH AUSTRALIA considered paid and returned.

Monday 19th Lunched with His Excellency the Governor of South Australia.

Attended Mayoral Reception at Adelaide City Hall.

Monday 26th Call by the Naval Officer in Charge, WEST AUSTRALIA considered paid and returned.

Tuesday 27th Dined with His Excellency the Governor of Western Australia.

APPENDIX VI

SPORT PLAYED DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

9th. Basketball: VOYAGER 38 lost to YMCA Hobart 42.

10th. Pulling: VOYAGER 3rd over all to Regatta for Fleet Pulling Championship.

Sailing: VOYAGER 1st in Naval Whalers race.

Tennis: VOYAGER had two representatives in the Fleet Team in social match against a Hobart Club.

11th. Cricket: VOYAGER had six representatives in Fleet XI (228 runs) which defeated a Combined Hobart XI (189)

Squash: VOYAGER had 4 representatives in social match against a Hobart Club.

Soccer: VOYAGER had 3 representatives in Fleet XI (1) which was defeated by Juventus Club Hobart (7).

Basketball: VOYAGER 42 defeated YMCA Hobart 36.

12th Cricket: VOYAGER had 9 representatives in combined destroyers XI (194 runs) which defeated MELBOURNE (176)

Rifle Shooting: VOYAGER had 2 representatives in Fleet Team against Royal Tasmanian Regiment

Water Polo: VOYAGER 6 defeated MELBOURNE 4. VOYAGER combined with Army to play a further "pick up" match.

13th Pulling: VOYAGER defeated MELBOURNE, R.A.N.R. and T.S. DERWENT in whalers race.

Sailing: VOYAGER 1st in naval whalers race, 2nd in naval dinghies.

Swimming: VOYAGER representative 1st in naval trans Derwent race; 3rd in naval 110 yds free-style race.

18th Water Polo: VOYAGER 1 lost to Henley Beach Swimming Club, Adelaide 6.

Pistol Shooting: VOYAGER had 4 representatives in Fleet team against Adelaide Club.

Cricket: VOYAGER (130 runs) tied with Exchange Hotel, Port Adelaide.

19th Basketball: VOYAGER combined with QUEENBOROUGH to lose to MELBOURNE 64 to 42.

Cricket: Fleet challenge match abandoned because of rain.

26th Tennis: VOYAGER had 2 representatives in Fleet team against LEEUWIN.

Squash: VOYAGER had 2 representatives in Fleet team against LEEUWIN.

27th Volley Ball: VOYAGER lost to LEEUWIN.

Shooting: VOYAGER had 1 representative in Fleet team against Western Australia trap shooting association.

Rugby: VOYAGER had 4 representatives in practice match.

APPENDIX VII

OFFICERS' MOVEMENTS

3rd.	February.	Surgeon Lieutenant S. SUTHERLAND, R.A.N. joined.
4th	February.	Lieutenant J.E. FERRIER, R.A.N. joined from H.M.A.S. NIRIMBA.
4th	February.	Lieutenant A.D. GRAY, R.A.N.R. joined for 14 days A.C.T.
14th	February.	Lieutenant B.H. WILSON, R.A.N. appointed to H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE.
17th	February	Lieutenant A.D. GRAY, R.A.N.R. appointed to Shore.

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March 1962

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H.M.A.S. VOYAGER,
At Subic Bay.
2nd April, 1962.

The Flag Officer Commanding,
H.M. AUSTRALIAN FLEET.

(Copy to The Commandant in Chief,
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REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - MARCH, 1962

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of
H.M.A.S. VOYAGER for March, 1962.

2. The detailed activities of the month may be seen
by reference to the following appendices:-

- 1. Ships Movements.
- 2. Ships in Company.
- 3. Distance and Steaming Figures.
- 4. Exercises and Drills.
- 5. Official Calls.
- 6. Sport.
- 7. Officers Movements.

Thursday 1st - Thursday 8th.

3. During this period VOYAGER was on passage from
Fremantle to Singapore, with H.M.A. Ships MELBOURNE and
QUEENBOROUGH in Company. A programme of exercises and
drills, arranged by the Flag Officer Commanding, was
carried out on passage. (See appendix 4). Progress was
also made in preparation for Admiral's Inspection in
Singapore.

4. The Communication Departmental Inspection and
Efficiency Test were carried out on Thursday 1st March.

5. Three watch Cruising Stations were exercised from
0800 Friday 2nd to 0800 Saturday 3rd March. During this
period a full programme of internal exercises were carried
out in addition to those carried out with MELBOURNE and
QUEENBOROUGH. The details may be seen in Appendix 4 part 3.

6. H.M.A.S. QUEENBOROUGH was detached to Christmas
Island on the morning of Saturday 3rd March.

7. At 0600, Tuesday 6th March, the ship was closed
up at Defence Stations in the 3rd Degree of Readiness
prior to passing through Sunda Strait and the transit of
Indonesian Waters in the Java Sea. This passage was made
without incident and normal steaming in the 5th Degree of
Readiness was assumed again at 0800, Wednesday 7th March.

8. At 0940, Thursday 8th March, VOYAGER secured
port side to at Number 9 berth, H.M. Naval Base, Singapore.

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Friday 9th - Sunday 11th.

9. At 0900, Friday 9th March the Flag Officer Commanding Her Majesty's Australian Fleet arrived to inspect Divisions and conduct the Annual Inspection of H.M.A. Ship under my command. The Inspection was completed at 1710.

10. The week-end was spent by a large proportion of the Ship's Company in sightseeing in and around Singapore and in playing games.

Monday 12th - Friday 16th.

11. At 0900, Monday 12th, with MELBOURNE in company, VOYAGER proceeded from Singapore on passage to Hong Kong.

12. The Ships A.B.C.D. Inspection and Efficiency Test were carried out during Monday 12th. The Electrical Inspection was carried out during the passage.

13. Exercises and drills for the passage are shown in Appendix 4.

14. At 1540, Friday 16th, VOYAGER secured Starboard side to the South Wall, Victoria Basin, Hong Kong.

Saturday 17th - Thursday 29th.

15. During this period VOYAGER remained alongside in Hong Kong and carried out self maintenance in all departments.

16. H.M.A.S. QUEENBOROUGH berthed alongside VOYAGER at 0700, Monday 19th March wearing the flag of the Flag Officer Commanding, H.M. AUSTRALIAN FLEET. The flag was transferred to H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE at 0900 the same day.

Friday ³⁰26th - Saturday 31st.

17. At 0930 Friday 30th MELBOURNE, VOYAGER and QUEENBOROUGH proceeded from Hong Kong for Subic Bay.

18. Exercises carried out during this passage are shown in Appendix 4.

19. The health, conduct and morale of the ship are satisfactory. The Welfare Committee has met during the month.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your obedient servant.



(D.C. WELLS)
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APPENDIX 1.

SHIPS MOVEMENTS

Thursday 8th.	0940	Secured No.9 berth, H.M. Naval Base, Singapore.
Monday 12th.	0852	Sailed from Singapore for Hong Kong.
Friday 16th.	1540	Secured South Wall, Royal Naval Base, Hong Kong.
Friday 30th	C. 15	Sailed from Hong Kong for Subic Bay.

APPENDIX 2

SHIPS IN COMPANY

Thursday 1st.	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE, QUEENBOROUGH. (FOCAF CTG 327.2)
Saturday 3rd.	
Sunday 4th.	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF CTG 327.2)
Thursday 8th.	
Friday 9th.	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF) QUEENBOROUGH.
Sunday 11th.	H.M.S. CASSANDRA.
Monday 12th.	M.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF)
Friday 16th.	
Saturday 17th	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF) QUEENBOROUGH
to	H.M.S. WOODBRIDGE HAVEN (Captain I.F.)
Thursday 29th	H.M.S. PUNCHESTON (MS 104)
in	H.M.S. WILLIESTON: DARTINGTON: MARYTON:
Hong Kong	CHOWTON: FISKERTON: WOOLASTON: HOVINGHAM:
Harbour.	GLENTHAM: DORSHAM: COBHAM: DAVENHAM: DAMERHAM:
Friday 30th.	ETCHINHAM: CARINHA: ALERT:
Saturday 31st.	R.F.A. GOLD RANGER: USS INGERSOLL: CHICKASAW:
	MCGINTTEY: WHITEHUST: AJAX.
	H.M.N.S. SNELLIUS:
	H.M.N.Z.S. PUKAKI.
	MELBOURNE (FOCAF) QUEENBOROUGH

APPENDIX 3

DISTANCE AND STEAMING FIGURES

Distance Steamed During March. 4415.9 miles.
Hours Underway During March 319 hours.
Total Distance Steamed Since
First Commissioning 160,890.7 miles
Total Hours Underway since First
Commissioning 11,463 hours.

Hours exceeded economical speed

<u>Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Av/Speed</u>	<u>Fuel/Hour</u>	<u>Dist/Ton</u>	<u>Reason.</u>
3rd	$3\frac{3}{4}$	20	3.8	5.2	N.E.X.
14th	9	17	3.0	5.9	Resdes for MELBOURNE.

APPENDIX 4

EXERCISES AND DRILLS

Part Two.

(a) Seamanship and General:

Seaboats (4 night) (5 day)
Rig Tow Forward (1)
Rig Tow Aft (1)
Jackstay Transfer (5)
R.A.S. (2)
Rig to recover Survivors (1)

(b) Gunnery:

MAXBUS (2)
ROFX (3)
A.A. Tracking (6)
Sub Calibre Shoot (1)
F.A.A.G.C.X. (3)
N.G.S.C.X. (2)
A.G.R. Tests (All ships company)
Exercises Landing Party (Stonecutters.
Annual Rifle Cours (Stonecutters)
262 Tuning (1)
General Quarters (4)

(c) T.A.S.

D.T.F.X. (2)
T.F.X. (1)
Farsex (4)
I.D.C.T. (9 periods)
O.O.W. Urgent Attacks (All O.O.W.)
U.C. Rates Audiometer Test.
Light Mortar Firings (2)
Exercise Demolition Party (Stonecutters Range)
170/174 Drill (All rates)

(d) N.D.

Harbour Synthetic Plotting Exercises (2)
E.W. Plottex (3)
S.P.X. (B) (3)
N.E.X. (1)
Logging Exercises (All R.P's 2 hours)
Voice Procedure (All R.P's 2 hours)
Relative Velocity Instruction (All R.P's)
A.A.G.C.P. Instruction (3 hours)
F.A.A.G.C.X. (3)
Synthetic Helicopter Control Exercise (1)
Steering Gear Breakdowns (8)
Emergency Conning (8)

(e) A.B.C.D.

A.B.C.D. Efficiency Test.
Fire and Repair Parties Drills (6)
Electrical Repair Parties Drills (6)
Crash Darken Ship (1)
Close down to State 1 ZA (4)
Decontamination Party Exercises (4)
Cleansing Station Crews exercises (3)
Gas Monitors Drills (2)
H.C. 1 Control Team Exercises (2)
Wear Respirators (1)
Test Respirators (1)
First Aid Lectures (4)
Action Messing (2).

APPENDIX 4

EXERCISES AND DRILLS

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(f) Communications

Communications Efficiency Test.
Navcome. 306 (2)
Navcomex 306A (2)
Navcomex 206 (1)
Navcomex 422 (1)
Navcomex 417 (1)
Navcomex 403 (4)
Navcomex 405 (3)
Navcomex 501 (3)
Navcomex 622 (3)
E.W.X. (4)
Long E.W.X. (1).

APPENDIX 4

DRILLS AND EXERCISES
SHIP AT CRUISING STATIONS

Friday 2nd.

Part Three.

WATCH	GUNNERY	T.A.S.	OPS ROOM	BRIDGE	A.B.C.D.	EVOLUTIONS
FORENOON	Synthetic Drills and Tracking	Farsex. I.D.C.T. 170/174 Drill	---	Breakdowns and Emergency Conning	Close down to State 1 ZA	Rig Tow Aft Seaboat.
AFTERNOON	A.A. Tracking R.O.F.X.	O.O.W. Urgent Attacks. 170/174 Drill Bathy Dip I.D.C.T.	---	Breadowns and Emergency Conning	Minor Exercise After Section	Rig Tow Forward
1st Dog	Synthetic Drills and Tracking	170/174 Drill Bathy Dip I.D.C.T. O.O.W. Urgent Attacks.	Rel Vel Problems. Voice Procedure	Rel Vel Problems. Breakdowns and Emergency Conning	Exercise Electrical Repair Party and D.C. Parties	Highline Transfer. Seaboat.
Last Dog	Gun Instruction. Fired Starshell	O.O.W. Urgent Attacks. 170/174 Drill Bathy Dip I.D.C.T.	E.W. Plottex	---	Crash Darken Ship	---
FIRST	Gun Instruction. Synthetic Drills and Tracking.	Farsex 170/174 Drill Bathy Dip I.D.C.T.	Rel. Vel Problems. Voice Procedure.	Rel Vel Problems. Breakdowns and Emergency Conning.	H.Q.1 Control Exercise.	Seaboat
MIDDLE	Gun Instruction. Synthetic Drills and Tracking. Starshell fired. Engaged with close range weapons.	O.O.W. Urgent Attacks. 170/174 Drill. Bathy Dip I.D.C.T.	Manoeuvring Board. Voice Procedure.	Exercise Breakdowns and Emergency Conning.	Exercise D.C. Parties and Electrical Repair Party	Rig Jackstay Forward. Seaboats.
MORNING	Gun Instruction. Fired Starshell.	Farsex 170/174 Drill Bathy Dip I.D.C.T.	Manoeuvring Board. Voice Procedure.	Exercise Breakdowns and Emergency Conning	Close down to State 1 ZA	Seaboat. Rig to Recover Survivors.

APPENDIX 5.

OFFICIAL CALLS

Friday 9th.	Flag Officer Commanding, H.M. AUSTRALIAN FLEET inspected Ship.
Saturday 17th.	Called on Commodore Hong Kong. Commanding Officer 104 M/S Flotilla Called.
Monday 19th.	Returned call of Captain 104 M/S Flotilla.
Tuesday 20th.	Captain H.M.S. WOODBRIDGE HAVEN called.
Thursday 22nd.	Signed books of His Excellency the Governor of Hong Kong, General Officer Commanding and Air Officer Commanding.
Saturday 24th.	Attended lunch with His Excellency the Governor of Hong Kong.
Monday 26th.	Lunched with Commodore Hong Kong.
Wednesday 28th.	Captain H.M.S. ALERT called. Captain H.M.N.Z.S. PUKAKI called.
Thursday 29th.	Commodore Hong Kong returned call.

For operational reasons return calls to
H.M.S. WOODBRIDGE HAVEN
H.M.S. ALERT
H.M.N.Z.S. PUKAKI
considered returned by mutual agreement.

APPENDIX 6

SPORT

Saturday 10th.	RUGBY.	VOYAGER 3 TERROR 21
Sunday 11th.	Water Polo	VOYAGER had 3 representatives in Fleet Team versus Singapore Swimming Club.
Sunday 18th.	Soccer Cricket	VOYAGER 1 MELBOURNE 3. VOYAGER 145 Hong Kong Wanderers 136.
Monday 19th.	Hockey.	VOYAGER lost 3 - 0 in first round of Hong Kong competition.
Saturday 24th.	Weight Lifting Cricket.	VOYAGER entered 3 teams in contest versus WOODBRIDGE HAVEN. WOODBRIDGE HAVEN First. VOYAGER (A) Second. VOYAGER (B) Third. VOYAGER (C) Fourth. WOODBRIDGE HAVEN (B) fifth. VOYAGER 227 - MELBOURNE 184 (Fleet Championship).
Sunday 25th.	Australian Rules	VOYAGER 5-2 (32) MELBOURNE 11-5 (71) Fleet Championship)
Monday 26th.	Hockey.	VOYAGER 4 QUEENBOROUGH 1.
Tuesday 27th.	Rugby	VOYAGER 6 QUEENBOROUGH 5.
Wednesday 28th.	Cricket Hockey Rugby	VOYAGER 2nd XI 122, QUEENBOROUGH 101. VOYAGER 5 ALERT 2. VOYAGER had 3 representatives in R.A.N. team versus H.M.N.Z.S. PUKAKI.

APPENDIX

OFFICERS MOVEMENTS

Sunday 11th.

Lieutenant R.M. CARPENDALE, R.I., joined
from H.M.S. TERROR.

Tuesday 13th.

Captain J.R. McMURRAY, R.A.N. joined
from H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE for passage to
Hong Kong.

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The Secretary,
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H.M.A.S. VOYAGER - VISIT TO TACLOBAN.

Reference: Navy Office Letter C00802 of 30th March, 1962.

I desire to forward for information the attached
extract from a report by H.M.A.S. VOYAGER concerning the
visit paid in April to Tacloban.

Encl.

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EXTRACT FROM H.M.A.S. VOYAGER REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

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H.M.A.S. VOYAGER - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - APRIL 1962

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The Secretary,
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Forwarded for the information of the Naval Board in accordance with R.I. Appendix 29A.

Alan McNeill

REAR ADMIRAL

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H.M.A.S. VOYAGER,
At Manila.

4th May, 1962.

The Flag Officer Commanding,
H.M. AUSTRALIAN FLEET.

(Copy to : The Commander in Chief,
FAR EAST STATION).

REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - APRIL, 1962.

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of
H.M.A.S. VOYAGER for April, 1962,

2. The detailed activities of the month may be seen
by reference to the following appendices:-

1. Ships Movements.
2. Ships in Company.
3. Distance and Steaming Figures.
4. Exercises and Drills.
5. Official Calls.
6. Sport.
7. Officers Movements.

Sunday 1st - Tuesday 3rd.

3. After passage from Hong Kong, in company with H.M.A.S.
MELBOURNE (FOCAF) and H.M.A.S. QUEENBOROUGH, VOYAGER secured
alongside U.S.S. WHITEHURST at number 13/14 berth, Rivera
Point, Subic Bay at 0935, Monday 2nd.

4. This marked the beginning of liaison on all levels
with members of the U.S.N. forces. Opportunities were taken
to meet the Americans onboard their ships, on the sporting
field and ashore. This association undoubtedly paid good
dividends during the various phases of exercise Sea Devil.

Wednesday 4th - Thursday 5th.

5. At 0900(H), Wednesday 4th April, MELBOURNE, QUEENBOROUGH
and VOYAGER sailed from Subic Bay to commence a series of
practices prior to the first phase of exercise Sea Devil. The
details of these may be seen in Appendix 4.

6. Whilst slipping from U.S.S. WHITEHURST in a strong
breeze several of WHITEHURST's guard rails stanchions were bent.
This forms the subject of a separate report.

7. At 1500, Thursday 5th, VOYAGER was detached to
proceed to TACLOBAN at the northern end of Leyte Gulf, for
an informal visit.

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Friday 6th - Monday 9th.

8. Passage to TACLOBAN was made via Verde Island Passage Ticao Pass, Canigao Channel and Surigao Strait. A fuel consumption trial at 18 knots was carried out from 1600 Thursday 5th to 0400 Friday 6th.
9. This passage was uneventful until passing Carigao Channel when the lights of some two hundred small fishing boats were sighted stretched across the path of the ship. With three hours in hand it was considered that this opportunity was too good to miss and the ship anchored in the centre of the fishing fleet from 1900 to 2130 on Friday 6th.
10. No fish were caught.
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21. The return passage was made via San Bernadino Strait, carrying out 20 and 24 knot fuel consumption trials. Rendezvous was made with H.M.A.S. QUEENBOROUGH at 0900, Monday 9th off Subic Bay.

Tuesday 10th - Thursday 12th.

22. During this period exercises and drills were carried out in company with MELBOURNE, VENDETTA, and QUEENBOROUGH.

23. Surface and A.A. Gunnery Efficiency Firings and Diving Efficiency Tests were carried out.

24. At 1335, Thursday 12th the ship secured alongside H.M.A.S. VENDETTA at Number 9/10 berth, Rivera Point, Subic Bay.

25. At 1400, Thursday 12th a presail conference for Exercise Sea Devil was held in U.S.S. BENNINGTON.

Friday 13th - Sunday 15th.

26. At 2200, Sunday 15th, H.M.A. Ships MELBOURNE, VENDETTA, QUEENBOROUGH and VOYAGER sailed from Subic Bay for Manila.

Monday 16th - Monday 23rd.

27. At 0800, Monday 16th all four ships anchored off Manila.

28. The first phase (Work Up) of Exercise Sea Devil commenced at 1300, Monday 16th when VOYAGER sailed from Manila Bay in company with MELBOURNE, VENDETTA, QUEENBOROUGH and ALERT. The work up Programme had been arranged by CTG 265.1 (Rear Admiral H.L. MILLER, U.S.N) and was designed to exercise ships in Gunnery, Communications, A.I.O. and A/S warfare. The details of the exercises carried out and ships in company may be seen in Appendices 4 and 2 respectively.

29. The most noteworthy of the results achieved by VOYAGER during this work up period was the excellent performance of 978 radar in detecting periscopes or snorts. Admittedly, the weather conditions were ideal, but on three occasions VOYAGER's detection of a 'sinker' was the cause of A/S action being initiated.

30. Task Group 265.1 returned to harbour on Thursday 19th and VENDETTA, QUEENBOROUGH and VOYAGER secured to Buoy 21, Manila Harbour.

31. At 0800, Monday 23rd, Task Group 265.1 proceeded to sea to conduct an Anti-Submarine Warfare Demonstration for members of the Philippine Government and Armed Services, SEATO observers and representatives of the Press.

32. On completion of the days activities the Task Group returned to harbour and at 1600, VOYAGER secured to No. 21 buoy with VENDETTA and QUEENBOROUGH.

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Tuesday 24th - Monday 30th.

33. At 0930, Tuesday 24th VOYAGER and VENDETTA proceeded to commence Phase 2 of Exercise Sea Devil. Until rendezvous with the Singapore Task Group VOYAGER formed part of the A/S screen for H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE and U.S.S. HASSAYAMPA.

34. Rendezvous was made with Task Group 265.2 at 0700 Sunday 29th and from this time until return to Manila VOYAGER formed part of the Air Defence Group with H.M.S. ARK ROYAL.


35. The health, morale and conduct of the Ships Company continue to be satisfactory.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your obedient Servant




(D.C. WELLS)
C A P T A I N

APPENDIX 1

SHIPS MOVEMENTS

Monday 2nd.	0935	Arrived Subic Bay. Berth 13/14 Rivera Point.
Wednesday 4th.	0905	Proceeded for exercises in Subic Bay Area.
Thursday 5th.	1500	Departed Subic Bay Area for TACLOBAN.
Saturday 7th.	0700	Arrived TACLOBAN.
Sunday 8th.	0530	Departed TACLOBAN.
Monday 9th.	0900	Arrived Subic Bay Area.
Thursday 12th	1335	Arrived Subic Bay. Berth 9/10 Rivera Point.
Sunday 15th.	2150	Departed Subic Bay.
Monday 16th.	0800 1300	Arrived Manila Anchorage. Departed Manila for Sea Devil Work Up. Manila/Subic Bay Area.
Thursday 19th	1435	Arrived Manila. Secured No. 21 buoy.
Monday 23rd	0800 1610	Sailed for ASW Demonstration. Arrived Manila. Secured No. 21 buoy.
Tuesday 24th.	0930	Sailed from Manila for Exercise Sea Devil.

APPENDIX 2

SHIPS IN COMPANY

Sunday 1st.	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF) QUEENBOROUGH
Monday 2nd -) Wednesday 4th)	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF) QUEENBOROUGH U.S.S. BENNINGTON: HANCOCK: SIRIUS: BLUE: COLLETT: SWENSON: AJAX: WHITEHURST: ROGERS: CATFISH.
Thursday 5th.	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF) QUEENBOROUGH.
Monday 9th.	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF) QUEENBOROUGH.
Tuesday 10th -) Thursday 12th)	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF) QUEENBOROUGH VENDETTA.
Friday 13th -) Sunday 15th.) In Subic Bay)	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF) VENDETTA: QUEENBOROUGH: U.S.S. SABALO: CATFISH: WHITEHURST: SWENSON: BLUE: COLLETT: SHELTON: RADFORD: EPPERSON: PHILIP: RENSHAW.
Monday 16th -) Monday 23rd.) Phase I Sea-) Devil)	U.S.S. BENNINGTON (CTG 265.1) TG 265:1 U.S.S. SHELTON: RADFORD: COLLETT: BLUE: SWENSON: RENSHAW: EPPERSON: PHILIP: H.M.S. ALERT: H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE: QUEENBOROUGH: VENDETTA: U.S.S. HASSAYAMPA: CATFISH: SABALO.
Tuesday 24th -) Sunday 29th.) Sea Devil)	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (CTU 265.1.1) TU 265.1.1 H.M.A.S. VENDETTA. H.M.S. LINCOLN (25th-29th) U.S.S. RENSHAW: EPPERSON: PHILIP: HASSAYAMPA.
Sunday 29th.	<u>T.F. 265. (FOCAF - CTF)</u> <u>T.G. 265.1</u> <u>CTG COMCARDIV 15</u> U.S.S. BENNINGTON (CTU 265.1.0) U.S.S. SHELTON: RADFORD: BLUE: SWENSON: H.M.A.S. QUEENBOROUGH. H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (CTU 265.1.1) H.M.A.S. VENDETTA H.M.S. LINCOLN. U.S.S. RENSHAW: EPPERSON: PHILIP: HASSAYAMPA.
	<u>T.G. 265.2</u> <u>CTG FO2 FES</u> H.M.S. ARK ROYAL: PLYMOUTH: RHYL: LOCH KILLISPORT: H.M.N.Z.S. PUKAKI. P.N.S. KHAIBER: BADR. R.F.A. TIDE SURGE: WAVE SOVEREIGN: RELIANT: RESURGENT: WAVEMASTER: FORT CHARLOTTE: FORT DUNVEGAN: FORT LANGLEY. H.T.M.S. PINKLAO: TACHIN: PRASAE.
Monday 30th.	<u>T.G. 265.2</u> <u>CTG FO2 FES</u> H.M.S. ARK ROYAL: PLYMOUTH: LINCOLN. U.S.S. EPPERSON: COLLETT. P.N.S. BADR.

APPENDIX 3

DISTANCE AND STEAMING
FIGURES

Distance Steamed During April 6,060.6 miles
Hours Underway During April 442 $\frac{1}{4}$ hours.
Total Distance Steamed since First
Commissioning 166,951.3 miles.
Total Hours Underway Since First
Commissioning 11,905 $\frac{1}{4}$ hours.

Hours exceeded economical speed.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Av/Speed</u>	<u>Fuel/Hour</u>	<u>Dist/Ton</u>	<u>Reason</u>
5/6	12	18	3.2	5.6	Fuel Consumption Trial
8	12	23.6	5.6	4.2	" " "
8/9	12	20	3.5	5.6	" " "
11	2	21.3	4.2	5.0	N.E.X.

APPENDIX 4

EXERCISES AND DRILLS

Section 'A'

(a) Gunnery

Massed Air Attack (1)
P.A.C. and Towed Surface Target Firings.
A.A. Sleeve Firing (2)
40/60 Firing at sleeve target (2)
A.A. Tracking (1)
Surface Efficiency Firing.
A.A. Efficiency Firing.
Night Encounter Exercise.
Naval Gunfire Support Firing.

(b) A.I.O.

Farsex (1)
Radar Switching on Instruction (1 hour)
Synthetic A/S Exercise ($4\frac{3}{4}$ hours)
Logging and Voice Procedure ($\frac{1}{2}$ hour)
Massed Air Attack.
Night Encounter Exercise.
Casex 6/7 (5 hours)
Casex 15 (3 hours)
Casex 43 ($6\frac{1}{2}$ hours)

(c) T.A.S.

Tubes crew and Control Party to Instruction ($\frac{3}{4}$ hour)
T.F.X. (2)
Tartex (6 hours)
N.E.X. (1)
Diving Efficiency Test
Casex 6/7 (5 hours)
Casex 15 (3 hours)
Casex 43 ($6\frac{1}{2}$ hours)
Opposed underway Replenishment.

(d) Seamanship

Jackstay Transfer (9)
Seaboats (6)
Tow Forward (1)
Replenishment (FFO) (4)
Replenishment (Stores) (2)
Heaving Line Transfer (2)

(e) A.B.C.D.

Cleansing Station Drill (1)
Check of all Closing Down Boards.

Section 'B'

Wednesday 4th.

Tow Forward.
Farsex.
T.F.X.
Tartex.

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APPENDIX 4

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Section 'B'
Cont.

Thursday 5th.

Synthetic A/S Exercise.
Fuel from MELBOURNE
M.A.X. and E.W.X.

Monday 9th.

Surface Firings.
Fuel from MELBOURNE.
A.A. Firing.

Tuesday 10th.

Tartex
A.A. Tracking
Jackstay transfer (2)
Surface Firing.
Night RAS approaches.

Wednesday 11th

Synthetic A/S exercise.
Jackstay transfer (2)
A.A. Firing.
N.E.X.

Thursday 12th

Jackstay transfer.
N.G.S. Firing
T.F.X. (Efficiency Test)
Diving (Efficiency Test)

Monday 16th

Casex 6 (2 hours)
Casex 7 (3 hours)
Navcomex 402
Navcomex 202.

Tuesday 17th

E.C.M. Tracking (2 hours)
Naval Gunfire Support Firing
A.A. Weapon Firings
Casex 43 (3 hours)

Wednesday 18th

E.C.M. Tracking (2 hours)
A.S.W. Demonstration rehearsal.
A.A. Gun coordination.
Navcomex 404
Casex 15
Casex 43.

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APPENDIX 4

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Section 'B'
Cont.

Thursday 19th

Seamex 5 (opposed)

Monday 23rd

A.S.W. Demonstration.

Tuesday 24th -
Monday 30th.

Phase II Exercise Sea Devil.

APPENDIX 5

OFFICIAL CALLS

Monday 2nd.

Called on Rear Admiral WHITAKER, U.S.N.
COMNAVSUBIC.

Dined with Rear Admiral WHITAKER, U.S.N.

Tuesday 3rd.

Call on Rear Admiral MILLER, U.S.N.,
COMCARDIV 15, considered paid and returned.

Calls on COMDESDIV 92 and 252 paid and returned.

Dined with Rear Admiral MILLER, U.S.N.

Friday 6th.

Calls paid and returned by U.S.S. WHITEHURST,
U.S.S. BLUE, U.S.S. RENSHAW.

Saturday 7th.

Call paid and returned by the Mayor of TACLOBAN.

APPENDIX 6

SPORT

Monday 2nd.	Basketball	VOYAGER 25 - USS EPPERSON 42
	Softball	VOYAGER 2 - USS ROGERS 10.
	Tug O War	Commenced Inter Part Competition. VOYAGER Seamen defeated USS ROGERS 2 - 0. VOYAGER Seamen defeated U.S.N. Underwater Demolition Team 2 - 1.
Tuesday 3rd	Volley Ball	VOYAGER lost to U.S.N. Underwater Demolition Team.
	Football	Half Rugby/Half American Football VOYAGER versus U.S.N. Underwater Demolition Team.
Friday 6th.	Shooting	.22 rifle shooting competition held onboard.
Thursday 12th.	Volley Ball	VOYAGER lost to USN Base 2 - 1.
Friday 13th	Shooting	VOYAGER had one representative in Fleet Team against USN Base.
Sunday 15th.	Golf	VOYAGER had 5 representatives in Destroyers and Frigates team which defeated MELBOURNE by two points. One VOYAGER representative had best score.
Saturday 21st.	Baseball	VOYAGER versus USN Base Sangley Point. Non scoring match.
Sunday 22nd	Bowling.	VOYAGER 'A' lost to USN Base Sangley Point by 21 points. VOYAGER 'B' lost to USN Base Sangley Point by 40 points.

APPENDIX 7

OFFICERS MOVEMENTS

Wednesday 4th.	Chaplain J.A. WILLSON joined.
Monday 9th.	Chaplain J.A. WILLSON was discharged to H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE.
Friday 27th.	Commander R.C. SWAN, R.A.N. joined as a SEATO observer.
Saturday 28th.	Commander R.C. SWAN, R.A.N. rejoined U.S.S. BENNINGTON.

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May, 1962

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H.M.A.S. VOYAGER,
At Sea.

1st June, 1962.

The Flag Officer Commanding,
H.M. AUSTRALIAN FLEET.

(Copy to : The Commander in Chief,
FAR EAST STATION).

REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - MAY, 1962

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of H.M.A.S. VOYAGER for May, 1962.

2. The detailed activities of the month may be seen by reference to the following appendices:-

1. Ships Movements.
2. Ships in Company.
3. Distance and Steaming Figures.
4. Exercises and Drills.
5. Official Calls.
6. Sport.
7. Officers Movements.

Tuesday 1st - Wednesday 2nd

3. Phase II of Exercise Sea Devil was completed when H.M.A.S. VOYAGER secured alongside H.M.A.S. QUEENBOROUGH, in Nest 3, MANILA at 1345 (H), Wednesday 2nd May.

Thursday 3rd - Sunday 6th

4. Post exercise discussions were held on Thursday 3rd and the complete wash-up of Exercise Sea Devil was held on Friday 4th May. This exercise forms the subject of a separate report.

5. H.M.A.S. PARRAMATTA and H.M.A.S. YARRA arrived in MANILA on Saturday 5th May.

Monday 7th - Friday 11th

6. At 0900, Monday 7th, VOYAGER sailed from MANILA in company with H.M.A. Ships MELBOURNE, VENDETTA, QUEENBOROUGH, YARRA and PARRAMATTA. After publicity photographs had been taken at 1115, H.M.A.S. QUEENBOROUGH was detached for passage to AUSTRALIA and the remainder proceeded to NAGASAKI.

7. VOYAGER's A/S Efficiency Test was held during Monday 7th. Other exercises carried out may be seen in Appendix 4.

8. H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE was detached on Thursday 10th to proceed ahead to NAGASAKI with an injured Naval Airman.

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Saturday 12th - Monday 14th

9. At 0920, Saturday 12th, VOYAGER secured alongside H.M.A.S. VENDETTA between Numbers 3 and 4 buoys, NAGASAKI.

10. This was the first of four Japanese ports visited during the month. For the majority of the Ships Company it was the first visit to JAPAN, but all, I think, found plenty to interest them. During the stay in NAGASAKI tours of the surrounding country and local items of interest were arranged, and parties were taken over the Mitsubishi Ship Yard.

11. It was generally agreed that NAGASAKI was a most successful beginning to our Japanese Cruise.

Tuesday 15th - Wednesday 16th

12. H.M.A.S. VOYAGER proceeded from NAGASAKI at 0830 Tuesday 15th in Company with MELBOURNE, VENDETTA, PARRAMATTA and YARRA for passage through Shimonoseki Strait and the Inland Sea to KURE.

13. Apart from the usual innumerable small fishing boats, who appeared to be unconcerned about blocking the fairways, this passage was uneventful and the ship secured alongside the Main Pontoon Wharf, KURE at 1005, Wednesday 16th, outboard of YARRA and PARRAMATTA.

Thursday 17th - Friday 18th

14. Once again, our visit was well organised and all had plenty to occupy their time. Quite a number of the Ships Company found the time to visit HIROSHIMA.

15. VOYAGER sailed from KURE in company with the other four ships at 1525, Friday 18th and after another overnight passage through the Inland Sea secured alongside Pier 6, Berth X, KOBE at 0850 Saturday 19th ~~May~~.

Saturday 19th - Wednesday 23rd

16. KOBE, being the second largest foreign trading port in JAPAN had much to offer in the way of shopping facilities and tourist attractions.

17. Tours had been arranged to all the main places of interest in the area, including KYOTO, NARA, OSAKA and MOUNT ROCCO. Of especial interest were the visits to the Takarazuka Opera Company, featuring an all girl revue.

18. After a most enjoyable visit VOYAGER slipped and proceeded from KOBE at 1450, Wednesday 23rd.

Thursday 24th - Friday 25th

19. Passage to YOKOHAMA was again made in company with MELBOURNE, VENDETTA, PARRAMATTA and YARRA. Exercises carried out are shown in Appendix 4.

20. VOYAGER secured alongside at Berth D, North Wharf, YOKOHAMA at 1005, Friday 25th.

Saturday 26th - Thursday 31st

21. In addition to numerous bus tours in and around TOKYO the British Communities of YOKOHAMA and TOKYO had arranged entertainment for large numbers of the Ships Company.
22. The opportunity was taken to bring together briefly the R.A.N. ships and the four ships of the Japanese Training Squadron which will be visiting AUSTRALIA in July. These ships, TARAZUKI, ARIRAKE, AGURE and HARUSAME made a special visit from YOKOSUKA to YOKOHAMA between 1000 and 1500 Saturday 26th in order to meet the Australian ships. Calls, meals, visits of inspection by officers and ratings and a game of rugby all took place in this period.
23. H.M.A. Ships PARRAMATTA and YARRA proceeded from YOKOHAMA at 0800, Wednesday 30th followed at 0830 by VENDETTA and VOYAGER and at 0900, by MELBOURNE.
24. All ships made a rendezvous with R.F.A. FORT CHARLOTTE to replenish with provisions, as soon as they were clear of TOKYO BAY. After completing the days exercises PARRAMATTA and YARRA were detached to HONG KONG and the remainder proceeded southwards to GUAM. Exercises carried out on Wednesday 30th and Thursday 31st are shown in Appendix 4.
25. The visit to JAPAN was a most enjoyable experience for all but those dullest few members of the ships company whose thoughts never wander from their own home town. Bus and train tours (not ordinarily well patronised by sailors) were taken enthusiastically and frequently and as far as can be ascertained from reliable sources, general conduct ashore was of a very high level. Not only were the ships company well received ashore by the common people, but a number were invited into Japanese homes and large numbers of the Japanese were sufficiently interested in the Australian Ships to make rather tedious journeys to visit them on open days.
26. It is difficult to believe that there could be a more effective way of spreading Australian national goodwill directly and personally to many thousands of Asian people than by a visit of this kind, nor that there could be a better way of broadening the outlook and understanding of the young sailors fortunate enough to be involved.
27. The health, morale and conduct of the Ship's Company have been satisfactory.



I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your obedient servant

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The Secretary,
Department of the Navy.

[Signature]
(D.C. WELLS)
CAPTAIN



APPENDIX 1

SHIPS MOVEMENTS

Wednesday 2nd.	1345	Berthed Nest 3, MANILA.
Monday 7th	0905	Departed MANILA.
Saturday 12th	0920	Arrived NAGASAKI. Secured between Numbers 3 and 4 buoys.
Tuesday 15th.	0827	Departed NAGASAKI.
Wednesday 16th.	1005	Arrived KURE. Berthed alongside Pontoon Wharf.
Friday 18th	1525	Departed KURE.
Saturday 19th	0850	Arrived KOBE. Berthed Pier 6, Berth X.
Wednesday 23rd	1450	Departed KOBE.
Friday 25th	1005	Arrived YOKOHAMA. Berthed North Wharf, Berth D.
Wednesday 30th	0845	Departed YOKOHAMA.

APPENDIX 2

SHIPS IN COMPANY.

Tuesday 1st.	<u>T.G. 265.2</u>	<u>C.T.F. F.O.2 F.E.S.</u>
	H.M.S. ARK ROYAL: PLYMOUTH: LINCOLN. U.S.S. EPPERSON: COLLETT. P.N.S. BADR.	
Wednesday 2nd) - Sunday 6th) In MANILA)	<u>T.F. 265.</u>	<u>C.T.F. F.O.C.A.F.</u>
	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF): VENDETTA: QUEENBOROUGH. H.M.S. ARK ROYAL (FO2 FES): LINCOLN: PLYMOUTH: EASTBOURNE: LOCH KILLISPORT: RHYL: ALERT: HOUGHTON: WOOLASTON: WILKIESTON: FISKERTON: CHOWTON: PUNCHESTON. U.S.S. BENNINGTON (COMCARDIV 15): SWENSON: COLLETT: BLUE: SHELTON: EPPERSON: RADFORD: PHILLP: RENSHAW. H.M.N.Z.S. PUKAKI. P.N.S. KHAIBAR (COMPAK): BADR. H.T.M.S. PINKLAO (Chief of Staff ASW Squadron); TACHIN: PRASAE. U.S.S. HASSAYAMPA. R.F.A. WAVE SOVEREIGN: WAVE MASTER: RELIANT: RESURGENT: PORT CHARLOTTE: FORT DUNVEGAN: FORT LANGLEY.	
	<u>T.F. 270.</u>	<u>C.T.F. COMNAVPHIL</u>
	U.S.S. HANCOCK. U.S.S. SABALO: CATFISH. H.M.S. AMBUSH: AMPHION.	
Monday 7th.	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF): VENDETTA: YARRA: QUEENBOROUGH: PARRAMATTA.	
Tuesday 8th -) Friday 25th)	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF): VENDETTA: YARRA: PARRAMATTA.	
Saturday 26th) - Tuesday 29th)	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF): VENDETTA: YARRA: PARRAMATTA: J - MSDF Ships TARAZUKI: ARIRAKE: AGURE: HARUSAME: U.S.N.S. GENERAL DANIEL I SULTAN. F.S. MARCEL LE BICHAN	
Wednesday 30th	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF): VENDETTA: YARRA: PARRAMATTA.	
Thursday 31st	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF): VENDETTA.	

APPENDIX 3

DISTANCE AND STEAMING FIGURES

Distance Steamed during May	3690.6 miles.
Hours underway during May	181 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours.
Total Distance Steamed since First Commissioning	170641.9 miles.
Total Hours underway since First Commissioning	12086 $\frac{3}{4}$ hours.

Hours exceeded economical speed.

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1/2	17 hrs	21	4.0	5.25	Sea Devil Carrier Operations.
7	5 hrs	21.4	4.2	5.1	N.E.X.

APPENDIX 4

EXERCISES AND DRILLS

SECTION 'A'

(a) Seamanship and General

Seaboats (5)
R.A.S. (2)
Jackstay transfer (3)
Navigating Officer conning Ship alongside (2)
General Quarters (1)

(b) A.B.C.D.

Fire and Repair Party Exercises (2)
Electrical Repair Party Exercise (2)
Respirator Drill. All personnel (15 minutes)

(c) A.I.O.

S.P.X. (B) (2)
Synthetic Plotting Exercises (1)
Farsex (1)
N.E.X. (1)
Air Defence and E.W. Exercise (1)
Synthetic A/S Exercise (1)
Voice Procedure Instruction (7 hours)
Logging Instruction (2 hours)
A.A.G.C. Plotting Exercises (6½ hours)
'S' band tuning instruction (5½ hours)
293 Switching Drill Instruction (3½ hours)
978 Switching Drill Instruction (1½ hours)
Relative Velocity Instruction (4 hours)
Raid and Racket reporting instruction (6 hours)

(d) Gunnery

40/60 B.U. Firings (1)
N.E.X. (Starshell not fired) (1)
40/60 R.O.F.X. (1)
Day Starshell Firing (1)

(e) T.A.S.

T.A.S. Efficiency Test.
N.E.X. (D.T.F.X.) (1)
Mortar Firing Competition (1)
Synthetic A/S Exercise.
Farsex (1)
D.T.F.X. (1)
I.D.C.T. Tapes (2¼ hours)
Diving (5 hours)

APPENDIX 4

EXERCISES AND DRILLS

SECTION 'B'

Tuesday 1st -)	Exercise Sea Devil.
Wednesday 2nd)	
Monday 7th.	A/S Efficiency Test. N.E.X. Jackstay transfer.
Tuesday 8th.	Mortar Firing Competition. Synthetic A/S Exercise. R.O.F.X. Farsex O.C.W. Manouvres. Seaboat (1) Economical Steaming Trial.
Wednesday 9th.	Synthetic Plotting Exercise A.A.G.C. Plotting.
Thursday 10th.	D.T.F.X. O.C.W. Manouvres Seaboat (1)
Friday 11th	S.P.X. (B) E.W.X. O.C.W. Manouvres.
Thursday 24th	Air Defence and E.W. Exercise. Seaboats (3)
Wednesday 30th.	R.A.S.
Thursday 31st	Jackstay transfer (2) O.C.W. Manouvres

APPENDIX 5

OFFICIAL CALLS

- Thursday 3rd. Lunch with Rear Admiral J.B. FREWEN. C.B. R.N., F.O.2 F.E.S. (Calls to be considered paid and returned).
- Friday 4th. Dinner with Rear Admiral D.J. WELSH, U.S.N., COMNAVPHIL.
- Saturday 5th. Lunch with His Excellency the Australian Ambassador to the Phillipines.
- Saturday 12th. Present when F.O.C.A.F. received return calls by His Excellency the Governor of NAGASAKI prefecture, Mr. Sato., His Honour the Mayor of NAGASAKI City, Mr. Tagawa., Vice Admiral Ouzumi, NAGASAKI Chamber of Commerce.
- Sunday 13th. Entertained Australian Services Attache, TOKYO, Commanding Officers, PARRAMATTA and YARRA to lunch.
Dinner with His Excellency the Governor.
- Monday 14th. Attended Fleet Reception in H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE.
- Wednesday 16th. Present when F.O.C.A.F. received return calls by Rear Admiral Tomita, Rear Admiral Nishimura, Rear Admiral Akabori.
Attended Cocktail Party by M.S.D.F.
Attended Dinner Party by His Honour the Mayor of KURE.
- Saturday 26th. Attended reception by His Excellency the Australian Ambassador to JAPAN.
- Sunday 27th. Attended reception by Admiral Nakayama.
Dinner with Vice Minister Defence Agency Mr Toga.
- Tuesday 29th. Attended Fleet reception in H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE

APPENDIX 6

SPORT

Thursday 3rd.	Australian Rules.	VOYAGER (50) v QUEENBOROUGH (31)
Friday 4th.	Basketball	VOYAGER (38) v Phillipine Navy (50)
Saturday 5th	Soccer	VOYAGER (1) v Phillipine Navy (4)
Sunday 6th	Bowling	VOYAGER (A) Defeated U.S.N. Sangley Point. VOYAGER (B) Lost to U.S.N. Sangley Point.
Saturday 12th	Tennis	VOYAGER had one representative in Fleet Team against NAGASAKI Team.
Sunday 13th	Soccer	VOYAGER had one representative in Fleet Team against Mitsubishi Shipyard.
	Rugby	VOYAGER (8) v Mitsubishi Shipyard (30)
Thursday 22nd	Basketball	VOYAGER (6) v PARRAMATTA/YARRA (26)
Saturday 26th	Rugby	VOYAGER had six representatives in combined team against Japanese Maritime Self Defence Force.
Tuesday 29th.	Softball	VOYAGER (8) v U.S. ARMY (10)

APPENDIX 7

OFFICERS MOVEMENTS

Wednesday 2nd.

Lieutenant W.D.H. LEES, R.A.N. discharged to H.M.A.S. QUEENBOROUGH for passage to AUSTRALIA.

Saturday 5th.

Lieutenant Commander T.R. VASEY, R.A.N.R. joined for 14 days A.C.T.

Midshipman R.H. KEELING, R.A.N. joined from H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE.

Sunday 6th.

Midshipman D.J. THORNTON, R.A.N. discharged to H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE.

Sunday 20th.

Lieutenant Commander T.R. VASEY, R.A.N.R. checked to Shore on completion of training.

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20301

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The Flag Officer Commanding,
HER MAJESTY'S AUSTRALIAN FLEET.

(Copy to: The Commanding Officer,
H.M.A.S. VOYAGER.)

H.M.A.S. VOYAGER - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR JUNE, 1962,
TAKING OF NATIVES AND MISSIONARIES TO SEA.

I am directed by the Naval Board to inform you that it is noted the Report of Proceedings submitted by H.M.A.S. VOYAGER for June 1962 includes a description of taking Eastern New Guinea inhabitants including Europeans, Missionaries and native children to sea and giving them a demonstration by firing the A/S mortar and rockets, brown smoke puffs, and fairy lights.

2. The regulations concerning passengers in H.M.A. Ships are contained in R.I.'s Article 1705 and some dispensation was given to you in Navy Office letter 12/2/70 of 6th April, 1962. It is not clear from VOYAGER's Report of Proceedings whether approval was obtained for taking these people to sea or for giving a demonstration. It is noted that the cost could have been anything from about £30 to over a £1,000 depending on the numbers and types of ammunition, rockets, etc., used and not including the cost of oil fuel.

3. The views expressed in your letter AF 578/2 of 31st May, 1961, are concurred in and it is requested that you forward a full report on the taking to sea of passengers and the demonstrations as carried out by VOYAGER at Ladava and Samarai.

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H.M.A.S. VOYAGER,
At Sydney.

3 JUL 1962

The Flag Officer Commanding,
H.M. AUSTRALIAN FLEET.

REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - JUNE, 1962.

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Friday 1st - Sunday 3rd

3. On passage from YOKOHAMA to GUAM, with H.M.A.S.
MELBOURNE (FOCAF) and VENDETTA in Company, exercises and
drills were carried out as directed by the Flag Officer
Commanding, H.M. AUSTRALIAN FLEET. (See Appendix 4 for
details).

4. On Saturday 2nd June a Sports Day was held onboard
H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE. Four teams took part; MELBOURNE,
MELBOURNE Air Group, VENDETTA and VOYAGER. All contestants
and spectators thoroughly enjoyed themselves and the broad-
cast of the afternoons' events created a lot of lively
interest onboard.

Monday 4th - Wednesday 6th

5. At 0932, Monday 4th, VOYAGER berthed at S1 berth,
Apra Harbour, GUAM.

6. This visit was the last opportunity for spending
money at duty free prices and most made full use of the
short time available. The local American Services entertained
the Ships Company on all levels, in their clubs, at games and
sight seeing. It was an enjoyable visit.

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7. VOYAGER departed GUAM at 0905, Wednesday 6th June followed by VENDETTA and MELBOURNE. Once clear VENDETTA was detached to proceed ahead to Manus.

Thursday 7th - Friday 8th

8. Exercises, as shown in Appendix 4 were carried out whilst in company with MELBOURNE, and on completion of fuelling, P.M. Friday 8th June, VOYAGER was detached to carry out an independant visit to LADAVA, Milne Bay, and SAMARAI.

Saturday 9th - Wednesday 13th

9. After a short stop off Hyane Harbour, Los Negros Island, to collect mail, the ship proceeded via Vitiaz Strait, carrying out a twenty four hour fuel consumption trial at 17 knots.

10. As there were several hours in hand a detour was made to Yanaba Island, part of the Egum Atoll Group on Monday 11th. Several natives were seen as the ship steamed past but it was felt that there must have been many more watching from the shelter of the heavily wooded beaches. All boats were sent away with fishing parties and for sailing, but no landings were made.

11. Continuing the passage to Milne Bay, the whaler was slipped at 0500 Tuesday 12th, five miles north of the entrance to China Strait with instructions to sail to SAMARAI, a distance of approximately nine miles. Radio contact was maintained and the whaler reported its arrival at 1100. As VOYAGER was going there later in the day it was found most useful to have this contact to make last minute arrangements for social and sporting fixtures.

12. The ship anchored off LADAVA at the head of Milne Bay at 0630, Tuesday 12th.

13. I had been warned that there was very little activity at LADAVA and a scan of the foreshore through binoculars at this early hour confirmed this - the jungle and its inhabitants were asleep. However, our aim was to find native children and to this end several 'scouts' were landed and the ship's siren sounded off. These measures were effective.

14. Several boat loads of native children with their teachers and three Europeans were embarked. The ship was then steamed across the Bay to WAGGA WAGGA where similar noises made by the ship produced more boat loads of children and teachers. By this time there were about 80 children onboard (30 small ones from the LADAVA native school and 50 from the WAGGA WAGGA Government School) and about 15 adults.

15. A final collection was made from the Roman Catholic mission at DAIO, some 5 miles further along the coast. Here Father Murphy, three Nuns and 50 mission children were embarked. All the children onboard were very well mannered; mission children were particularly well turned out and their speech and bearing was most impressive.

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16. The ship was steamed round Milne Bay for about an hour during which time the A/S mortar was fired and a fire-work display given using rockets, brown smoke puffs and very's lights. All this was very successful if the "Ooooh's and Ahhh's" are any guide. Members of the ships company had broken out many of the toys they had bought for their own children and laid them out in the cafeteria to show the visitors - dolls, train sets and mechanical toys of many varieties were viewed with wide-eyed enchantment.

17. Finally there were cakes and sweets to be consumed and washed down with coloured fizzy drink. All good things then came to an end and the children landed at their places of embarkation (except 2 Ladava stowaways aged about 8 who were apprehended in time to be landed at Wagga Wagga).

18. The ship anchored at SAMARAI at 1630. The District Commissioner, Mr. Clifton Bassett came onboard on arrival to inform me of the arrangements made for the visit there. These consisted of dinner invitations, a dance and games for officers and ratings. About 40 of the European community were entertained to cocktails onboard.

19. I informed the District Commissioner of the events earlier in the day and suggested that perhaps some of the local children of Samarai and the surrounding islands might like a ride in the ship for an hour next morning. This offer was accepted readily, so I requested that those coming be onboard by 0900.

20. At 0800 Wednesday 13th I observed boats and canoes converging on the ship from all directions. We were not embarrassed however as the number actually embarked was under 150 and included European as well as native children from SAMARAI and ROGEA islands, together with parents and other European adults. The District Commissioner, his wife and family were amongst the guests.

21. A short run was made up China Strait to Milne Bay and back, with activities similar to those of the previous day and with similar appreciation. Both days gave the ship as much pleasure as they appeared to give the visitors. An indication of the reactions can be gained from a selection of letters and photographs grouped together as Appendix 8.

22. After landing the visitors at SAMARAI, VOYAGER sailed south through China Strait to rendezvous with MELBOURNE.

Thursday 14th - Thursday 21st

23. Rendezvous was made with H.M.A. Ships MELBOURNE and VENDETTA at 0800, Thursday 14th June. After passing through Grafton Passage and south inside the Barrier Reef all ships anchored in Cleveland Bay, off Townsville at 1700 Friday 15th.

24. Customs officials joined for passage to Brisbane on the morning of Saturday 16th and North Queensland long leave libertymen were landed.

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25. H.M.A. Ships QUICKMATCH and QUIBERON anchored in company at 0800 Saturday.
26. At 1200 VENDETTA, VOYAGER, QUICKMATCH and QUIBERON sailed from the anchorage to be joined by H.M.A.S. SWAN for exercises off Cleveland Bay.
27. On completion of the days exercises, all ships made rendezvous with MELBOURNE and proceeded southward to Brisbane. H.M.A.S. SWAN was detached at 1730, Saturday 16th.
28. After a good passage all ships anchored off Pile Light, Moreton Bay at 2035, Monday 18th.
29. Long leave libertymen were embarked from MELBOURNE, QUICKMATCH, and QUIBERON on Tuesday morning and VENDETTA and VOYAGER proceeded up the Brisbane River berthing at No. 3 Hamilton Wharf at 0900.
30. VENDETTA proceeded down river at 1000 followed by VOYAGER at 1300 and at 1500 the FLEET sailed from Moreton Bay for SYDNEY.
31. Exercises, as shown in Appendix 4 were carried out on passage and at 0825, Thursday 21st, VOYAGER secured alongside Oil Wharf, Garden Island, to be greeted by several hundred friends and relatives.

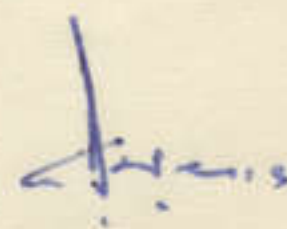
Friday 22nd - Saturday 30th

32. The ship was moved by tugs to No. 4 buoy on Monday 25th to de-ammunition and returned alongside Oil Wharf on completion at 1525.
33. Pre-refit trials commenced on Monday 25th June.
34. The health, conduct and morale of the Ship's Company during the month has been satisfactory.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your obedient servant.



(D.C. WELLS)
CAPTAIN

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The Secretary,
Department of the Navy.



APPENDIX I

SHIPS MOVEMENTS

Monday 4th.	0932	Arrive GUAM. Secured S1 berth Apra Harbour.
Wednesday 6th.	0905	Departed GUAM.
Saturday 9th.	0940	Arrived off Hyane Harbour, Admiralty Islands to collect mail.
	1044	Departed Hyane Harbour.
Tuesday 12th.	0630	Arrived Milne Bay Area - Gili Gili and Waga Waga Anchorages.
	1515	Departed Milne Bay.
	1630	Anchored off SAMARAI Island.
Wednesday 13th.	0935	Proceeded North through China Strait to Milne Bay and return.
	1123	Anchored off SAMARAI Island.
	1205	Departed SAMARAI for rendezvous with H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE.
Thursday 14th.	0745	Made rendezvous with H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE.
Friday 15th.	1700	Anchored Cleveland Bay.
Saturday 16th.	1200	Departed Cleveland Bay.
Monday 18th.	2030	Anchored Moreton Bay, off Pile Light.
Tuesday 19th.	0700	Proceeded up Brisbane River.
	0850	Secured No. 3 berth, Hamilton Wharf.
	1300	Proceeded down Brisbane River and passage out of Moreton Bay.
Thursday 21st.	0825	Secured Oil Wharf, Garden Island.
Monday 25th.	0800	Proceeded to No.2 buoy for de-ammunitioning.
	1535	Returned alongside Oil Wharf.

APPENDIX 2

SHIPS IN COMPANY.

Friday 1st - Sunday 3rd.	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF): VENDETTA.
Monday 4th - Thursday 5th At GUAM.	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF): VENDETTA: U.S.S. BRISTER: U.S.S. CAYUGA COUNTY: U.S.S. WEXFORD COUNTY: U.S.S. GENERAL W.A. MANN: U.S.S. WANDYKE: MEXICAN N.S. POTOSI: MEXICAN N.S. QUERETARO.
Wednesday 6th - Friday 8th.	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF).
Thursday 14th - Friday 15th.	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF): H.M.A.S. VENDETTA.
Saturday 16th.	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF): H.M.A.S. VENDETTA: H.M.A.S. QUICKMATCH: H.M.A.S. QUIBERON: H.M.A.S. SWAN.
Sunday 17th - Thursday 21st.	H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE (FOCAF): H.M.A.S. VENDETTA: H.M.A.S. QUICKMATCH: H.M.A.S. QUIBERON.

APPENDIX 4

EXERCISES AND DRILLS.

(a) Seamanship and General

Jackstay Transfers (2)
Replenishment (2)
Seaboats (12)
O.O.W. R.A.S. Approaches (1 hour)
O.O.W. Manouvres (2 hours)

(b) A.I.O.

Jasex (1)
S.P.X. (B) (2)
Vectacs (2 hours)
Synthetic Surface Plotting Exercise.
Voice Procedure and Logging Exercises (9)
A.A.G.C. Exercises (3)
A.R.L. Table Calibration
'S' Band Tuning Instruction (2 hours)
A.I.O. Efficiency Test.

(c) T.A.S.

I.D.C.T. All U.C. Rates (3 $\frac{3}{4}$ hours)
Vectacs (2 hours)
Light Mortar Firings (2)
D.T.F.X. (1)
Film 'Operation Awkward'. All divers.

(d) Gunnery

R.O.F.X. (1)
R.I.X. (2)
A.A. Tracking (1)

(e) A.B.C.D.

Minor A.B.C.D. Exercise (1)

APPENDIX 5

OFFICIAL CALLS.

Monday 4th.

Captain U.S.S. CAYUGA COUNTY called.

Tuesday 12th.

District Commissioner SAMARAI, Mr.
Clifton Bassett, called.

APPENDIX 6

SPORT.

Tuesday 5th.	Softball Rugby Union	VOYAGER (12) v U.S.N. Guam (20) VOYAGER (5) v VENDETTA (16)
Tuesday 12th.	Rugby League Sailing	VOYAGER (8) v Samarai Club (2) 5 ratings sailed whaler 9 miles from Milne Bay through China Strait to Samarai.
Saturday 16th.	Sailing	VOYAGER (4) v VENDETTA (5) (Fleet Championship)
Wednesday 27th.	Australian Rules Rugby Union	Provided 3 players for Sydney and Fleet Ships versus KUTTABUL Police. Game won 3-9 (27 points) to 2-8 (20 points) Provided two players for Dempster Cup. PENGUIN and Destroyers versus SYDNEY and Frigates. Game lost 15 to 9.

APPENDIX 7

OFFICERS MOVEMENTS

Tuesday 19th	Commander J.A. WISHART joined from H.M.A.S. KUTTABUL.
Friday 22nd	Lieutenant I.F. HOLMES joined from H.M.A.S. LONSDALE.
	Lieutenant V.R. LITTLEWOOD joined H.M.A.S. SYDNEY.
Monday 26th	Lieutenant S.B. GRIFFITH joined from H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE.
	Commander P.G. ELLIOTT joined H.M.A.S. HARMAN.
Wednesday 28th	Eng. S. Lieutenant M.G. BUNN, R.N., checked to H.M.S. TERROR on reversion to R.N.

APPENDIX 8

A selection of photographs and letters of
appreciation from Samarai and Milne Bay.

C O P Y

Catholic Mission,
Milne Bay,
via Samarai,
PAPUA.
June 14, 1962.

Dear Captain Wells,

The enclosed will let you see that the visit and kindness of yourself and your ship's company will not be forgotten for a long time to come. They are looking for a return visit already. The letters are written in the name of all the children here and at Ladava.

A tribute from one of the girls expressed to one of the Sisters, while not one that the Navy would apply to themselves perhaps in the same words, possibly sums up the feeling of us all who were privileged to be your guests, "Sister, what lovely people!"

God bless you all.

Gratefully yours,
(sgd) Father K.B. Murphy, M.S.C.

P.S. As a matter of interest, the letters are the childrens own composition, and uncorrected.

C O P Y

Catholic Mission,
Daio,
Milne Bay.
14 June, 1962.

The Captain,
H.M.A.S. VOYAGER.

Dear Sir,

Thank you very much for taking us to your ship. We enjoyed your ship very much, and your sailors were very kind to us. We also were very happy to ride like that in the warship. We have never seen such a big boat. This is our first time to see the big warship, and ride on it. We were very excited, and we thought this was the biggest ship in the world. When you threw rockets we were frightened and said how clever you were. Will you come back to Milne Bay once more? We want to see your ship again.

Your little friend,
Bridget Wabunailo.

C O P Y

Catholic Mission
Daio,
Milne Bay,
14 June, 1962.

The Captain,
H.M.A.S. VOYAGER.

Dear Sir,

Thank you very much for coming to Milne Bay for us to see your big ship. In Papua the children have never seen a big warship. This is their first time to see your ship.

Sir, we were very pleased because you let us to come on your ship. And also we saw many sailors and many things on your ship and we were very happy.

The sailors were very kind to us. They taught us all the things on your ship. And also we thank you for letting your sailors fire the guns and the rockets for us to see.

We hope you will come back to Milne Bay to see your ship again.

Your Papuan friend,
Marie Jacinta Mili.

C O P Y

Catholic Mission,
Daio,
Milne Bay.
14 June, 1962.

The Captain,
H.M.A.S. VOYAGER.

Dir Sir,

Thank you Sir for letting us see your boat.
I am very happy because some of your sailors showed us
different kinds of things. Also your sailors fired the
guns to let us see and some rockets too.

We were very happy because your sailors gave
us some lollies to eat.

We hope you will come back one day.

Yours sincerely,
John Phillip Giyewa.

C O P Y

Catholic Mission
Daio,
Milne Bay.
14 June, 1962.

The Captain,
H.M.A.S. VOYAGER.

Dear Sir,

Thank you very much for the lovely holiday which we had in your ship. We were very happy to see your ship and also the sailors. I am dropping just a few lines for you to see, because you have brought your ship for us to see. You have shown us the guns and bombs in your warship and the sailors fired guns into the air. I wish sometimes you would send your ship for Papuan people to see it again. Some of the things in your warship were very interesting. The school children were very happy to see warship and they liked to see it sometimes. The sailors have taught us everything in the boat.

We were very pleased with you.

Your Papuan friend,
Theresa Lawrence.



R.S .(S) E.J. SHAW, R37199, acting as guide for Mission children.



Watching pyrotechnics.



Big eats.



L.S. J.D. GALOTTA, R50039, VOYAGER'S P.T.I., coaching local runner, Warrington of Samarai.



A.B. A.C. SKINNER, R56869, with guns crews.



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The Secretary,
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2. Inspection of the starboard L.P. turbine 5th
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Navy Office letter 1215/51/30 dated 28th June 1962 and
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H.M.A.S. VOYAGER,
At Sydney.

5 AUG 1962

The Flag Officer Commanding,
H.M. AUSTRALIAN FLEET.

(Copy to : The Flag Officer in Charge,
EAST AUSTRALIA AREA).

H.M.A.S. VOYAGER - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - JULY, 1962

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of
H.M.A.S. VOYAGER for July, 1962.

2. The following appendices are attached to this
report:-

1. Official Calls.
2. Officers Movements.

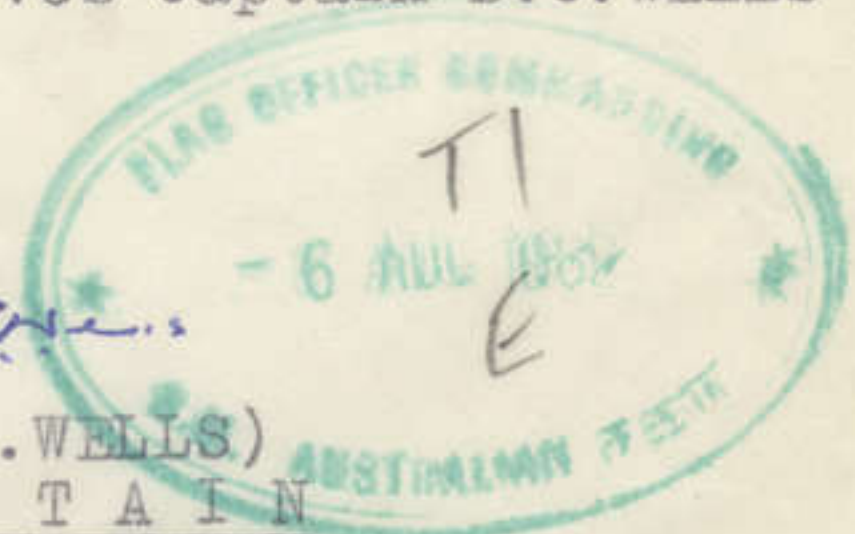
3. The ship has been at Sydney throughout the period.
The Annual refit began on 2nd July and the ship entered dry
dock on the 26th.

4. Inspection of the starboard L.P. turbine revealed
the 5th and 6th stage blades rubbing and has resulted in a
requirement to re-blade these rows in the starboard L.P. and
to lift the port L.P. for examination and possible re-blading.
An extension of time to complete this work has not been
granted but approval has been given for work to continue in
the machinery spaces for the first two weeks of the post-
refit trials period to enable the present planned programme
to be held.

5. The health, morale and conduct of the ships
company continue to be satisfactory.

6. Commander A.A. WILLIS relieves Captain D.C.WELLS
at 0900 on 31st July, 1962.

(D.C.WELLS)
CAPTAIN



APPENDIX 1

OFFICIAL CALLS.

Tuesday 10th.

The Captain, H.M.A.S. BARCOO
called.

Thursday 12th.

Call of The Captain H.M.A.S.
BARCOO returned.

APPENDIX 2

OFFICERS MOVEMENTS

Sunday 1st.	Sub Lieutenant (SD)(TAS) G.E.A. WARD, R.A.N. discharged to WATSON.
Sunday 15th.	Lieutenant K.A. DOOLAN, R.A.N. discharged to MELBOURNE(Temporary). Sub Lieutenant BOETTCHER, R.A.N. discharged to CERBERUS.
Friday 20th.	Lieutenant H.O. WARNICK, R.A.N. discharged to ALBATROSS.
Sunday 22nd.	Lieutenant Commander L.W. BINNINGTON, R.A.N. discharged to LONSDALE (Addl for Navy Office). Surgeon Lieutenant S.K. SUTHERLAND, R.A.N. discharged to CERBERUS.
Tuesday 31st.	Captain D.C. WELLS, A.D.C., R.A.N. discharged to HARMAN (Addl for Navy Office).
Thursday 19th.	Commander E.W. TAPP, A.M.I.E.E., A.M.(Brit) I.R.E., R.A.N. joined from LONSDALE. (Vice BINNINGTON)
Saturday 21st.	Lieutenant R.J. WRIGHT, R.N. joined from TERROR (Vice WARNICK)
Monday 30th.	Commander A.A. WILLIS, R.A.N. joined from HARMAN (In Command Vice Captain WELLS).

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GARDEN ISLAND, SYDNEY

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The Flag Officer Commanding,
H.M. AUSTRALIAN FLEET.

(Copy to:- The Flag Officer in Charge,
EAST AUSTRALIA AREA).

H.M.A.S. VOYAGER - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - AUGUST, 1962

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of
H.M.A. Ship under my command for the month of August, 1962.

2. Appendices attached are as follows:-

1. Official Calls.
2. Officers Movements.
3. Sport.

3. From the 1st - 30th inclusive VOYAGER remained
in Captain Cook dock whilst the annual refit was progressed.

4. Defects to the port L.P. turbine were discovered
similar to those reported in the starboard L.P. turbine.
This has entailed re-blading of the fifth and sixth rows
which will extend dockyard work in 'B' Engine room until
8th October. This will result in a one week reduction
of the work-up programme. Apart from this matter the
refit has continued satisfactorily.

5. At 1415 Friday 3rd, VOYAGER was moved by tugs
from Captain Cook dock and berthed at North East Cruiser
Wharf, 1500.

6. The health, morale and conduct of the Ship's
Company is satisfactory.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant.

(A.A. WILLIS)
COMMANDER IN COMMAND

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The Secretary,
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6. Appendices attached are as follows:-

H.M.A.S. Voyager under my command for the month of August, 1962.

I have the honour to report the proceedings of

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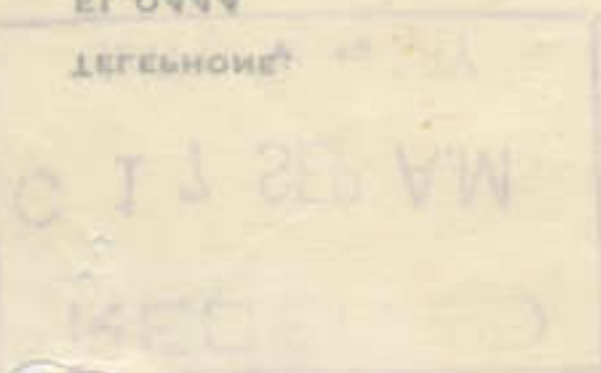
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APPENDIX I

OFFICIAL CALLS

Friday 3rd

Called on the Flag Officer Commanding,
H.M. AUSTRALIAN FLEET.

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APPENDIX II

OFFICERS MOVEMENTS

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APPENDIX III

SPORTS

Due to leave and refit the ship's sporting activities have been restricted. VOYAGER has provided players to make up Dempster Cup Rugby teams.

BASKETBALL

VOYAGER defeated SYDNEY 20 - 8
VOYAGER defeated VAMPIRE 30 - 16

VOLLEYBALL

VOYAGER defeated VAMPIRE 2 - 0

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VOYAGER

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(Sgd). ALAN McNICOLL
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H.M.A.S. VOYAGER.
at Sydney.

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The Flag Officer Commanding,
H.M. AUSTRALIAN FLEET.

H.M.A.S. VOYAGER - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
SEPTEMBER, 1962.

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of H.M.A. Ship under my command for the month of September, 1962.

2. Appendices are attached as follows:-

1. Officers' movements.
2. Sport.
3. Training and Exercises.

3. Throughout the month H.M.A.S. VOYAGER remained at Cruiser Wharf, Garden Island. During this period the Ship's main refit progressed satisfactorily.

4. From Monday 17th to Friday 28th during the visit of Royal Navy Units to Sydney H.M.A.S. VOYAGER acted as a host Ship to H.M.S. CASSANDRA.

5. The health and morale of the Ship's Company has been satisfactory.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(A.A. WILLIS.)

COMMANDER - in - COMMAND.



APPENDIX 1

September.

MOVEMENTS.

p.m. 2nd Sub-Lt.(SD)(C) I.J. NIMMO, R.A.N. joined from
H.M.A.S. CERBERUS.

a.m. 3rd Lt. Cdr. P.T. CABBAN, R.A.N. joined from
H.M.A.S. SYDNEY (as Executive Officer vice ROBERTSON)

p.m. 4th Cdr. J.A. ROBERTSON, R.A.N., left to join H.M.A.S.
SYDNEY.

a.m. 10th Lieut. D.J. MARTIN, R.A.N. joined from H.M.A.S.
KUTTABUL (as Gunnery Officer vice HANNEY)

a.m. 10th Lt. Cdr. D.T. HANNEY, R.N. left to join H.M.A.S.
KUTTABUL.

a.m. 18th Lieut. K.A. DOOLAN, R.A.N. rejoined after 2 months
service in H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE.

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APPENDIX 2.

SPORT.

Basket Ball.

Voyager	V	Vampire	Won	34 - 16
Voyager	V	Garden Island Dockyard.	Lost	36 - 15
Voyager	V	Sydney.	Lost	32 - 31
Voyager	V	Garden Island Dockyard	Won	12 - 11

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APPENDIX 3

TRAINING AND EXERCISES.

Command Team Training at H.M.A.S. WATSON.

24th - 28th September.

Single Ship A/S action	2½ hours.
O.O.W. urgent attacks	3 hours.
Multi-ship A/S action	4½ hours.
Joint A/S exercises	7 hours.

T.A.S.

19th September.	Demolitions	4 hours.
20th "	Tube Crew Drill	4½ hours.
21st "	A/S Mortar Crew Drill	9 hours.
24th "	AURAL A.S.U.A.T. Drill	3½ hours.
24th "	A.S.U.A.T. single ship A/S Action.	2¼ hours.
24th "	A/S Mortar firing.	2¾ hours.
25th "	A.S.U.A.T. O.O.W. urgent attacks	3½ hours.
25th "	A.S.U.A.T. Multi-ship A/S action	2¾ hours.
26th "	T.C. Drill	4 hours.

N.D.

24	"	Logging exercise	1 hour.	All R.P. Ratings.
		L.O.P. exercise	2 hours.	
		A/S P exercise	2 hours.	
25th	"	Voice procedure exercise.	1 hour.	
		Close air plot lecture.	2 hours.	
		Multi L.O.P. exercise.	2 hours.	
26th	"	G.O.P. exercise	2 hours.	
		Multi A/S exercises.	2 hours.	
		Voice logging exercise.	1 hour.	
27th	"	JASEX	3 hours.	
		A.A.G.C.P. exercise.	2 hours.	
28th	"	JASEX with helicopters.	3 hours.	
		Relative velocity	1 hour.	
		Authentication	1 hour.	

APPENDIX 3

TRAINING AND EXERCISES.

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Pre - commissioning training at H.M.A.S. CERBERUS.

17th - 21st September	1 Turret's crew
24th - 28th "	1 Turret and C.R.B.F.D. Crew.

at H.M.A.S. KUTTABUL GUNNERY INSTRUCTION CENTRE.

26th - 28th September	All close range crews
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A.B.C.D.

at H.M.A.S. PENGUIN.

2 day fire fighting course	17 M(E)'s
Repair and decontamination course	11 'L' branch ratings.

COMMUNICATIONS.

V.S.

11th - 14th September	Flashing and Semaphore exercises.
17th - 21st "	"
24th - 26th "	"

Safety equipment - Life raft at H.M.A.S. ALBATROSS.

2 week course - 3 ratings.

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HMAS VOYAGER

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DOE 15/11

This is a sorry state of affairs. On other papers FOCAF & FORCEA are being asked for remarks.

DCNS

2. I feel the state of a ship at the end of a refit reflects to a large extent on the interest shown by duty officers when cleaning up after daily work has ceased. Two other ships this year have reported favourably on their appearances at the end of a refit.

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I shall write to FOCAF & suggest that he consider making an inspection on completion of Refit. 16/11

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DME per 1st N.M. minute of 19/11 hereunder.
D/Sc

DME views with concern the incidents described paras 12-13 and assumes that F.R.C. would have taken action to see that there was no recurrence. (Appropriate)

D. C. N. T. S.
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The Secretary,
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2. With reference to paragraph 4 of Minute I, this fire was reported in my letter A.F. 1963/91 dated 26th October 1962.

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H.M.A.S. VOYAGER - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - OCTOBER, 1962.

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of H.M.A. Ship under my command for the month of October, 1962.

2. The detailed activities of the month are listed in the following attached Appendices:-

- A. Ship's Movements.
- B. Distance and Steaming Figures.
- C. Exercises and Drills - Section 1 Specialist Headings.
Section 2 Chronological Headings.
- D. Sport.
- E. Officers' Movements.
- F. Damage Sustained 29th - 30th October.

Monday 1st - Monday 8th.

3. 'VOYAGER' during the first week in October remained at the North End Cruiser Wharf carrying out Post Refit trials and cleaning ship and preparing for sea. The ship was in an extremely dirty condition at the end of the Refit period despite the Dockyard having employed some extra labour cleaning up in the closing stages of the Refit.

Tuesday 9th - Sunday 14th

4. At 0815, Tuesday 9th, the ship was moved by Tugs to Rose Bay Dolphins prior to commencing anti - submarine mortar calibrations. On completion of calibrations for the day, and whilst flashing - up to proceed under own power from the Dolphins, a bilge fire occurred in 'B' Boiler Room at 1210. The fire was extinguished by foam applied through stand pipes, and a separate report has been forwarded on this matter. 'VOYAGER' cast off and proceeded to No. 4 Buoy at 1420.

5. On Wednesday 10th October further calibrations were carried

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out at Rose Bay Dolphins. Beam shots were not attempted owing to a strong westerly wind which prevented the ship being held in position even with the assistance of 3 tugs. The ship returned to No. 4 buoy at 1100 prior to carrying out Degaussing calibration runs over the shallow range between 1330 and 1450. On completion 'VOYAGER' again secured to No.4 buoy.

6. Perfect weather enabled the ship to be ammunitioned during normal working hours on Thursday, 11th.

7. Friday 12th was devoted to final storing, fuelling and a Compass swing. On this day I attended a one day instructional period at A.J.A.S.S. as an introduction to JUCEX 44, the A.J.A.S.S. directed exercise in which 'VOYAGER' was scheduled to take part during her work-up period.

Monday 15th - Sunday 28th.

8. 'VOYAGER' with H.M.A.S. QUICKMATCH (Lieutenant Commander C.H.C. SPURGEON, R.A.N.) in company, sailed at 0815 on Monday 15th as T.G. 327.1 to commence the ship's work - up programme. The exercises and drills carried out during the period are tabulated in Appendix C. Section 2.

9. On Tuesday 16th Doppler Calibration Trials Team was disembarked off Watson's Bay at 1700, and at 0700 Wednesday 17th the ship again entered Sydney Harbour - this time to embark Dockyard personnel off No. 4 buoy prior to commencing a partial repair trial. On both these occasions it was apparent that the Engine Rooms were having difficulty in observing the ordered revolutions and subsequent investigation showed the Chadburn Turbometers to be defective.

10. The ship commenced working up to full power for a partial repair trial on clearing Sydney Heads at 0830 on Wednesday 17th. Some difficulty was experienced in settling down at full power which necessitated reducing power and working up again at 1130. The trials were successfully completed by 1400, at which time the ship returned to Sydney berthing alongside H.M.A.S. PARRAMATTA at Garden Island for fuel at 1510.

11. On completion of fuelling 'VOYAGER' cast off and proceeded for Jervis Bay at 1800, anchoring in the North West corner of the Bay at 0730 on Thursday 18th for Gunnery Radar alignment checks. As all helicopters at H.M.A.S. ALBATROSS had been grounded at this time, a meteorological balloon tethered to an S.A.R. was used for this trial. The results achieved by this means were moderately successful.

12. The ship was not under command for a period of 30 minutes during the forenoon of Friday 19th, at a time when A/S Actions on a T.A.R.T. were in progress some 10 miles East of Jervis Bay. A joint in the steam line to 'K' Turbo Alternator blew out, causing failure of this Alternator, and subsequent failure of G Turbo Alternator because of loss of steam pressure. This was caused by the boiler being shut down

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when the P.O.M(E) of the watch could no longer see a water level, due to loss of gauge glass lighting when . K Turbo Alternator failed. When the boiler was shut down and the water level raised, priming occurred causing loss of vacuum on both main engines. The emergency lighting on the boiler gauge glasses was immediately investigated, and it was found that the circuits through the lamps were high resistant and required servicing.

13. Exercises and trials on Saturday 20th October were rendered largely abortive by unsuitable weather conditions and the ship was anchored in Montagu Roads at 1740. During the day a serious inflow of sea water occurred in 'A' Engine Room and it was not until 2100 that the source was eventually located as the main circulating pump bilge suction valve, where accumulated rubbish was holding the valve open. Depth of flooding reached two feet above the Keel and was controlled using a fire and bilge pump, a portable submersible and the electric ballast pump.

14. H/F . D/F calibrations commenced at 0500 on Sunday 21st and were completed at 0835. Before commencing this calibration shallow water divers had recovered the Pitometer Log which had become defective two days earlier and was impossible to raise. The log was bent but showed no signs of abrasions, and it is considered possible that it had caught one of the numerous long set tuna lines scattered outside Jarvis Bay.

15. 'VOYAGER' weighed and proceeded from Montagu Roads at 1050 and a welcome break in the overcast weather enabled Overall Gunnery Control Trials to continue at midday, and complete successfully later in the afternoon. These trials had successively been delayed by unsuitable weather and component failures, and the assistance of H.M.A.S. 'ALBATROSS' and particularly 724 Squadron who cheerfully flew extra sorties in unpleasant weather throughout the weekend was greatly appreciated.

16. A further cause of postponement of serials during this period was the slightly unusual occurrence of two acute appendicitis cases onboard in a period of 48 hours.

17. 'VOYAGER' returned to Sydney for fuel on Monday 22nd, securing to No. 4 buoy at 0700 and sailing on completion of fuelling at 1130. A sleeve target firing scheduled for 1330 was postponed after the aircraft lost the first sleeve and was unable to stream a second.

18. An unscheduled visit to Sydney was made at 1800 on Wednesday 24th to replace a training motor for the G.R.U. MK.II. The ship remained at No.4 buoy until 2300 during which time the replacement was fitted and the G.R.U. rates checked.

19. Further serials were unavoidably cancelled on Thursday 25th when H.M.A.S. QUICKMATCH returned to Sydney to allow the Dockyard to start work on a defective main feed pump. 'VOYAGER' anchored in Jarvis Bay at 1300. All shallow water divers were exercised during the afternoon and for the first time since the work-up commenced the Executive Officer found himself with sufficient hands to successfully progress ship husbandry.

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ship's husbandry.

20. The ship proceeded to Sydney at 0001 Friday 26th for fuel and maintenance, securing alongside H.M.A.S. PARRAMATTA, at Garden Island at 0730.

21. Throughout the period 15th - 29th October 'VOYAGER' took part in Exercise Seascope. This exercise has been reported on separately, but it is possibly worthy of repetition to state in this report that many Merchant ships challenged during this exercise quite deliberately refrained from answering.

Monday 29th - Wednesday 31st.

22. 'VOYAGER' proceeded at 1100 Monday 29th with H.M.A.S. QUICKMATCH in company for further exercises, including JUCEX 44. Rough seas caused the cancellation of a scheduled Battle Practice Target calibration firing and A/S exercises with H.M. Submarine TAPIR.

23. As sea conditions had not appreciably improved by Tuesday 30th further serials were cancelled and the ship proceeded to Jervis Bay, anchoring at 1100. At this time it was proposed by A.J.A.S.S., and agreed by the authorities concerned, that as weather conditions were likely to remain unsuitable 'VOYAGER' and 'TAPIR' should return to Sydney, make good urgent defects and recommence JUCEX 44 on Friday 2nd November.

24. In order to progress defects in 'QUICKMATCH' at the same time, I sailed 'VOYAGER' for Sydney with 'QUICKMATCH' in company at 1715. 'VOYAGER' secured alongside H.M.A.S. VENDETTA' at Garden Island at 0500 Wednesday 31st October.

25. Apart from having a small back-log of urgent defects before sailing for JUCEX 44, 'VOYAGER' suffered hull and weather deck damage in heavy weather during the period Monday 29th - Tuesday 30th which became the subject of a separate urgent defect. This damage is listed at Appendix F. The principal defect is the corrosion and failure of some 500 aluminium rivets in both superstructures, the forward funnel, and the funnel deck. Garden Island Dockyard has now taken all defects in hand and the ship's programme has been amended to allow a completion date of Wednesday 21st November.

State of Work - Up.

26. Owing to an extension of the refit period by one week to reblade turbines 'VOYAGER' was left with a four week work-up period. To date 'VOYAGER' has been working - up for two weeks. Some of this time has been of a necessity, devoted to trials, and in the time remaining many programmed serials have not been fully met due to weather conditions and equipment failures. The ship, is not operationally efficient now, and it is doubtful if she could have become operationally efficient by the end of her original scheduled work-up programme. An amended programme for the period 21st November - 12th December has not yet been issued.

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yet been issued.

Health, Morale and Conduct.

27. The state of health of the Ship's Company is good, and conduct has been satisfactory although too many leave breaking offences have occurred. I have been particularly impressed with the keenness and cheerfulness of the younger ratings and the manner in which they have settled into their first ship. The morale of the Ship's Company is very high despite an amended programme which prevents the ship visiting Adelaide and being present for the Empire Games.



I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

(A.A. WILLIS.)
COMMANDER - in - COMMAND.

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APPENDIX A

SHIP MOVEMENTS

Tuesday 9th	0815	Moved by tugs from Cruiser Wharf, Garden Island, to Rose Bay Dolphins.
	1420	Proceeded to No.4 Buoy, Garden Island.
Wednesday 10th	0800	Proceeded to Rose Bay Dolphins.
	1100	Proceeded to No.4 Buoy, Garden Island.
	1315	Proceeded to Rose Bay degaussing Range.
	1514	Secured to No. 4 Buoy, Garden Island.
Monday 15th	0815	Sailed Sydney for exercise areas.
Tuesday 16th	1635	Arrived Sydney-Disembarked dockyard trials team at Watson's Bay.
	1710	Sailed Sydney for exercises.
Wednesday 17th	0700	Arrived Sydney - Embarked dockyard personnel for Partial Repair Trials.
	0800	Sailed Sydney for exercises and Partial Repair Trials.
	1500	Arrived Sydney - Secured alongside H.M.A.S. PARRAMATTA at North End Cruiser Wharf.
	1800	Sailed Sydney for Jervis Bay.
Friday 19th	0650	Sailed Jervis Bay for exercise areas.
	1200	Arrived Jervis Bay land appendicitis case.
	1220	Sailed Jervis Bay for exercise areas.
	1920	Arrived Jervis Bay - Anchored.
Saturday 20th	0655	Sailed Jervis Bay for exercise areas.
	1130	Arrived in Jervis Bay - Anchored.
Sunday 21st	1050	Sailed Jervis Bay for exercise areas.
	1430	Arrived Jervis Bay landed appendicitis case.
	1450	Sailed Jervis Bay for exercise areas.
Monday 22nd	0700	Arrived Sydney - Secured to No.4 Buoy.
	1130	Sailed Sydney for exercise areas.
Wednesday 24th	1750	Arrived Sydney - Secured to No.4 Buoy.
	2250	Sailed Sydney for exercise areas.
Thursday 25th	1300	Arrived Jervis Bay - Anchored.
Friday 26th	0001	Sailed Jervis Bay.
	0730	Arrived Sydney.
Monday 29th	1100	Sailed Sydney for exercises and JUCEX 44
Tuesday 30th	1055	Arrived Jervis Bay - Anchored.
	1715	Sailed Jervis Bay.
Friday 31st	0500	Arrived Sydney.

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APPENDIX B.

DISTANCE AND STEAMING FIGURES

Distance Steamed during October, 2582.3
Hours underway during October, 233.0
Total distance steamed since first commissioning. 178,358.2
Total hours underway since first commissioning. 12,818

HOURS EXCEEDED ECONOMICAL SPEED.

<u>DATE.</u>	<u>DURATION.</u>	<u>AVERAGE SPEED.</u>	<u>FUEL/HOUR (TONS)</u>	<u>DIST/TON. (MILES)</u>	<u>REASON.</u>
Wednesday 17th	5 hours.	24.9	Est.11	2.23	Partial Repair Trial.
Sunday 21st	1 hour	18.1	Est.4	4.5	Returning sick rating to Jervis Bay.
Monday 22nd	1 hour	17.7	Est.3.5	5.0	To transit exercise areas and make R/V for serial.

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APPENDIX C.

EXERCISES AND DRILLS.

SECTION 1.

SPECIALIST HEADINGS.

(a)	<u>Seamanship and General.</u>
Seaboats	(5)
R.A.S. Approaches.	(7)
Jackstay Transfers.	(9)
Action Stations.	(7)
Defence Stations.	(2)
Shelter Stations.	(1)
O.O.W. Manoeuvre periods.	(4)
Break down drills.	(6)
Tow forward.	(1)
Layout night transfer gear.	(2)
Darken Ship.	(2)
(b)	<u>A.B.C.D.</u>
Fire and repair party exercises.	(8)
Electrical repair party exercises.	(8)
Closing down exercises.	(7)
Exercised Cleansing Stations.	(1)
(c)	<u>A.I.O.</u>
S.P.X.(B)	(3)
Synthetic Plotting exercises.	(3)
Farsex.	(1)
E.W.X. Plotting exercise.	(2)
Voice procedure instruction.	(6 man hours)
Logging instruction.	(6 man hours)
A.A.G.O. Plotting exercise.	(1)
Relative velocity instruction.	(8 man hours)
A.I.O. Quizzes.	(3)

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EXERCISES AND DRILLS .

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GUNNERY.

FIRING EXERCISES.

Doppler Calibration.
Gun Functioning Trials.
Radio Shock and Vibration Trials.
P.A.C. Firing (2).
A.A. Sleeve firing.
Day Starshell firing.
R.O.F.X.
A.A. Winged firing.

NON FIRING EXERCISES.

Action, Defence, Cruising Stations.
A.A. Tracking.(5)
Balloon alignment of Gunnery Radar.
275 Auto follow tuning.
Sea O.G.C.T.'s.
N.G.S.C.X.(2).
G.D.X.
R.I.X.

EXERCISES MISSED TO DATE.

1 Sleeve firing. (Sleeve Defect)
1 Sleeve firing. (Weather)
1 A.A. Throw Off. (Defect in G.R.U.)
1 G.D.F.X. (Defect in G.R.U.)
1 M.R.S.S S.U. firing. (Weather)
1 G.D.X. (Programme alteration to fit in 1 Sleeve Tartow)
1 R.O.F.X. (Programme alteration to fit in 1 Sleeve Tartow)
1 B.P.T. Calibration firing. (Weather)
1 A.A. Tracking. (Weather)
1 G.D.F.X. (Weather)
1 N.E.X. (No consort)

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T.A.S.

Mortar Mk.10 and Asdic Calibration	-	2 days.
Sea Check firing.		1 day.
A.S.U.A.		1 day.
Asdic Sea Operating (TART) (including sea check firing)		7 $\frac{3}{4}$ hours.
1 D.C.T.		2 hours.
Mortar firings (including Calibration and Sea check firing)		29 light. 48 inert.
D.T.F.X.		1
Torpedoes prepared but not fired.		2
Diving.		2 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours.
U.W.T. Trials.		15 minutes.

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APPENDIX C.

EXERCISES AND DRILLS.

Section 2.

CHRONOLOGICAL HEADINGS.

Friday 5th Command team, . U.C.'s, U.W.'s and R.P.'s to A.S.U.A.T.
at H.M.A.S. WATSON for 1 day.

Monday 15th Defence Stations.
 Action Stations.
 Emergency Stations.
 A.A. Tracking.
 R.A.S. Approaches.
 Lay out transfer gear.
 O.O.W. Manoeuvres.
 Darkened Ship.
 Lay out night transfer gear.
 Surface Plotting exercise (Bravo)

Tuesday 16th Exercised Sea Boats.
 Steering gear break down.
 A.A. Tracking.
 M.F. D.F. Calibrations.
 Light Mortar firings.
 Surface Plotting exercise (Bravo)
 Doppler Calibration .. firings.
 Radar Calibration exercise.
 Underwater telephone exercise.

Wednesday 17th Log calibrations.
 Partial Repair Trial.
 A.A. Tracking exercises (2)
 A.B.C.D. Drills.
 Radio shock and vibration firings.
 Electronic Warfare equipment checks.

Thursday 18th Gunnery radar alignment.
 Procedure exercises with A/S aircraft.
 Gunnery radar auto follow training using aircraft and
 surface targets.
 O.O.W. Manoeuvres.
 R.A.S. Approaches.
 Break down drills.

Friday 19th Overall Gunnery control trials.
 A/S attacks using T.A.R.T.
 P.A.C. firings.

Saturday 20th A/S sea check firings.
 Break down drills.
 Overall Gunnery Control trials.

Sunday 21st H/F D/F Calibrations.
 Overall Gunnery Control trials.

Monday 22nd. Naval gunfire support communication exercise.
 Rapid open fire exercise.
 Exercised action stations (2)

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APPENDIX C.

EXERCISES AND DRILLS.

Section 2.

Monday 22nd (cont.)	Surface firings. (Day Star Shell) C.O.W. Manoeuvres. Electronic Warfare and plotting exercise.
Tuesday 23rd.	Jackstay transfers. A.A. Tracking exercise. Exercise Action Stations(2) A.A. Firings. (winged target) Tow forward. A.A.G.C. exercise. O.O.W. Manoeuvres. Electronic Warfare exercise.
Wednesday 24th	Surface Plotting exercise. F.A.R.S.E.X. A/S exercise using T.A.R.T. N.G.S.C.X.
Thursday 25th	A.A. firings (Sleeve target) Gun direction exercise. Exercised action stations. A.B.C.D. Drills.
Monday 29th	Harbour plotting exercise. Case B1 with P2V7 Neptune.

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APPENDIX D.

SPORTS

BASKET BALL.

4th October.	VOYAGER defeated VENDETTA.	50 - 16
8th October.	VOYAGER defeated SYDNEY.	58 - 32

VOLLEY BALL.

5th October.	SYDNEY defeated VOYAGER.	2 - 1
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CRICKET.

11th October.	VOYAGER defeated SYDNEY 150 runs/147 runs.
31st October.	VENDETTA defeated VOYAGER 141 runs / 41 and 47.

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APPENDIX E.

OFFICERS' MOVEMENTS.

1st October. Acting Sub-Lieutenant J.L. DOWLING. R.A.N. left to
join H.M.A.S. WATSON for "d" Officers' Course.

8th October. Lieutenant (on probation) A.A.A.PALMER. R.A.N.R.(E)
joined for 28 days training.

31st October. Lieutenant E.G. WILLIAMS. R.A.N.R.(L) joined for
14 days training.

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APPENDIX F.

DAMAGE SUSTAINED 29th - 30th October.

1. Over 500 rivets failed in both super structures, forward funnel and funnel stack.
2. C.20 gas flap buckled.
3. Boat rope reelsheered pins. Reel buckled.
4. D.22 gas flap hinges twisted.
5. Two torpedo running gear lockers broken from mountings. One locker badly damaged.
6. Picking up rope sheered pins. Reel buckled.
7. 'B' Boiler Room Starboard fan intake cover washed overboard.
8. Portable pump sea suction valve handwheel and spindle bent.
9. Shaded stern light stove in.
10. C.12 exhaust upper deck fractured.
11. Whaler holed. Steadying chain pulled out.
12. Spurn water damaged over four feet in length.
13. Q.25 exhaust trunking buckled.
14. Scare charge locker leg on X deck fractured.

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H.M.A.S. VOYAGER - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - NOVEMBER, 1962.

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of H.M.A. Ship under my command for the month of November, 1962.

2. The detailed activities of the month are listed in the following attached Appendices:-

- 'A' Ship's movements.
- 'B' Distance and Steaming Figures.
- 'C' Exercises and Drills - Section 1 Chronological Headings.
Section 11 Specialist Headings.
- 'D' Sport.
- 'E' Officers Movements.

THURSDAY 1st - WEDNESDAY 21st.

3. During this period H.M.A.S. VOYAGER remained alongside Garden Island while defects previously reported were made good. The Ship's Company was largely employed on ship husbandry but training facilities at H.M.A.S. WATSON were used as opportunities occurred.

4. In company with three of my officers I attended the AJASS JUC 44 exercise de-brief at H.M.A.S. ALBATROSS on Friday 8th. Although H.M.A.S. VOYAGER had been unable to participate, several U.C. and Communication ratings from the ship were loaned to H.M.A.S. QUICKMATCH for the period of the exercise, and gained valuable practical experience.

5. Harbour torpedo discharge trials were carried out on Tuesday 13th. My letter No. 85/2 dated 21st November, 1962, refers.

6. H.M.A.S. VOYAGER came to immediate notice for steam for S.A.R. duties at 0530 Tuesday 20th for a two hour period during the passage by air from FIJI to SYDNEY of His Royal Highness, Prince Philip.

7. On Sunday 11th H.M.A.S. VOYAGER paraded a guard, colours were half masted and a two minutes silence observed on the occasion of Remembrance Day.

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THURSDAY 22nd - FRIDAY 30th.

8. All defects having been completed H.M.A.S. VOYAGER sailed from Sydney at 0830 on Thursday 22nd to commence a revised work - up programme. Details of serials carried out are shown at Appendix 'C'. Four tons of obsolete ordnance embarked from R.A.N. Armament Depot, Sydney, were dumped in depths over 300 fathoms at 2100 on Thursday 22nd.
9. The ship anchored in Montagu Road, Jervis Bay, at 1850 Friday 23rd where a good lee was obtained from a northerly wind which was gusting to 35 knots. The wind moderated in the early morning of Saturday 24th and at 0555 berth was shifted to Darling Road.
10. During the weekend a most enjoyable social and sporting programme was completed with and against H.M.A.S. CRESWELL. This was the first occasion in this commission that the ship's programme has allowed recreational leave to be granted outside the Sydney area, and the value of this type of leave in fostering ship spirit is inestimable. Regretably, the time available for work-up programmes and the minimum requirements of these programmes allow little scope in this regard.
11. H.M.A.S. VOYAGER proceeded to sea at 0555 on Monday 26th for further weapon training and exercises. An unscheduled return of short duration to Jervis Bay was made early on Tuesday 27th for medical assistance in manipulating a dislocated shoulder suffered by myself. On completion of this light relief for all concerned the day's exercise programme was continued and H.M.A.S. VOYAGER was subsequently anchored in Darling Road at 1720.
12. Mr. R. Benson, a master from the Royal Australian Naval College was embarked at 0700 on Wednesday 28th for a day at sea. Between 0800 and 0915 a T.F.X. was carried out with an S.A.R. Craft acting as target. Two torpedoes were fired and were kept continuously in sight during the period of their run by a helicopter from H.M.A.S. ALBATROSS. On entering harbour at 1615 a boat load of angling enthusiasts was successfully slipped on the 'Middle Ground', but their subsequent catch scarcely justified the Navigating Officer's efforts on their behalf. O.O.W. Ship handling practice was carried out in Jervis Bay until 1730 and the ship was anchored in Darling Road at 1800.
13. At 0800 on Thursday 29th H.M.A.S. VOYAGER sailed from Jervis Bay. The day's exercises passed without incident until 1525 at which time H.M.A.S. VOYAGER successfully destroyed her first winged target of the commission, the target in question having remained afloat 40 minutes after being slipped by its parent aircraft on completion of an A.A. Firing. On passage to Sydney the shallow Bathythermograph was calibrated, and between 1900 and 2100 advanced A.B.C.D. exercises were carried out with the ship fully darkened.
14. H.M.A.S. VOYAGER berthed alongside South East Cruiser Wharf, Garden Island at 0730 Friday 30th.

HEALTH, MORALE AND CONDUCT.

15. Throughout the month the morale of the Ship's Company has been high and the conduct good. Although the health of the Ship's Company has also been good the total admissions to hospital resulting from a variety of causes has been unusually high. An upper limit was reached of 18 ratings in hospital at one time, only 20% of whom would have been retained onboard had a medical officer been borne.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

FLAG OFFICER COMMANDING
- 7 DEC 1952
(A.A. WILLIS.)
H.M. A.S. COMMANDER - in - COMMAND.

APPENDIX 'A'.

SHIPS MOVEMENTS.

Thursday 1st - Wednesday 21st.	-	At Garden Island.
Thursday 22nd	0830	Sailed Sydney for exercises.
Friday 23rd	1850	Arrived Jervis Bay, anchored in Montague Road.
Saturday 24th	0550 0631	Weighed and proceeded. Anchored in Darling Road.
Monday 26th	0555	Sailed Jervis Bay for exercises.
Tuesday 27th	0800	Arrived Jervis Bay for medical assistance.
	0855	Sailed Jervis Bay for exercises.
	1720	Arrived Jervis Bay, anchored in Darling Road.
Wednesday 28th	0725	Sailed Jervis Bay for exercises.
	1800	Arrived Jervis Bay, anchored in Darling Road.
Thursday 29th	0801	Sailed Jervis Bay for exercises.
Friday 30th	0730	Arrived Sydney, secured Garden Island.

APPENDIX 'B'

DISTANCE AND STEAMING FIGURES.

Distance steamed during November.	984.3
Hours underway during November.	104.3
Total distance steamed since first commissioning.	179,342.5
Total hours underway since first commissioning.	12,922.3

HOURS EXCEEDED ECONOMICAL SPEED.

<u>DATE.</u>	<u>DURATION.</u>	<u>AVERAGE SPEED.</u>	<u>FUEL/HOUR (TONS)</u>	<u>DIST/TON (MILES)</u>	<u>REASON.</u>
Tuesday 27th	1 hour	19.2	EST. 4.0	EST. 4.5	Return to harbour for medical assist- ance.

APPENDIX 'C'

EXERCISES AND DRILLS.

Section 1

CHRONOLOGICAL.

Tuesday 8th Command team and R.P.'s to ASTT at H.M.A.S. WATSON for afternoon.

Friday 9th Command team to H.M.A.S. ALBATROSS for A.J.A.S.S. JUCEX 44 wash up.

Monday 12th Command team, R.P.'s and U.C.'s to ASUAT at H.M.A.S. WATSON for 1 day.

Tuesday 13th Command team and R.P.'s to ASTT at H.M.A.S. WATSON for 1 day.

Thursday 15th Command team and R.P.'s to ASTT at H.M.A.S. WATSON for 1 day.

Thursday 22nd Polar Diagram Plotting.
A.A. Tracking.
Surface Calibration firings.
Log Calibration.
Gun functioning trials (close range weapons)
Sea boat drill.
Log Calibrations.

Friday 23rd Navigation exercise.
Exercised Action Stations.
A.B.C.D. exercise.
A.A. Tracking exercise.
A.A. Firing exercise at winged target.
A/S operating using a T.A.R.T.
O.O.W. A/S attacks.
Gun direction exercise.

Monday 26th Exercised Action Stations.
A.B.C.D. exercises.
A.A. Tracking exercise.
Joint A/S exercise with Gannet aircraft.
Gun direction exercise.
Surface firings at a B.P.T.
Day star shell firing.

Tuesday 27th A.A. Tracking exercise.
Joint A/S exercise with Gannet aircraft.
A/S operating using T.A.R.T.
Naval gunfire support communication exercises.
Naval gunfire support firing exercise.
Dummy torpedo firing exercise.

Wednesday 28th Torpedo firing exercise.
Joint A/S exercise with Gannet aircraft.
A.B.C.D. exercises.
A.A. Tracking exercise.
A.A. Throw off shoot.
A/S operating using T.A.R.T.
O.O.W. Ship handling.
Lay out gear for tow aft.
Light Mortar firing.

APPENDIX 'C'

EXERCISES AND DRILLS.

Section 1.

CHRONOLOGICAL.

Sea boat drill.

Thursday 29th

A/S operating using T.A.R.T.
Joint A/S exercise with Gannet aircraft.
Gun direction exercise.
A.A. Firing at towed target.
Bathythermograph Calibrations.
A.B.C.D. exercises.
Evolutions.
Sea boat drills.
Exercised Action Stations.
Live Mortar firing.

Friday 30th

Naval gunfire support communication exercise.
Command team to A.S.T.T. at H.M.A.S. WATSON for A/S exercise -
Forenoon.

APPENDIX C.

EXERCISES AND DRILLS.

SECTION II

SPECIALIST HEADINGS.

SEAMANSHIP AND GENERAL.

(A)	Sea Boats	3 hours		
	Action Stations	3 hours		
	O.O.W. manoeuvre periods	1 hour		
	Break down drills	2 hours		
	Lay out gear for tow aft.	1 hour		
	Leaving ship stations	1 hour		
	Darken ship	1 hour		
	Executive Officer in Command leaving harbour.	1 hour		
(B)	<u>A.B.C.D.</u>			
	Fire and repair party exercises.	3	-	6 hours
	Electrical repair party exercises.	3	-	6 hours
	Closing down exercises	3	-	3 hours
	Exercised cleansing stations.	1	-	1
	Pre-wetting rigged - 2			-2
	Respirators worn 15 minutes or more			3
	Shelter Stations			-1
	<u>A.I.O.</u>			
(C)	Relative velocity instruction	4 man hours.		
	A.I.O. Quizzes	2 man hours.		
	Voice procedure instruction	4 man hours.		
	Command team to ASTT at H.M.A.S. WATSON, A/S exercises.	8 hours.		
(D)	<u>GUNNERY.</u>			
	A.A. Tracking	5 serials.		
	G.D.X.	4 serials.		
	Sleeve firings. (4.5"s)	1		
	Sleeve firings. (40/60's)	1		
	Throw off firings.	1		
	S.U. Calibration firing.	1		
	B.P.T. firing.	1		
	Starshell firing in defence watches.	1		
	N.G.S.C.X.	2		
	N.G.S.F.X.	1		
(E)	<u>T.A.S.</u>			
	Asdic operating in H.M.A.S. QUICKMATCH during "LONGEX".	(1 U.C.1 and 3 U.C.3's)		
	Asdic sea operating (TART)	24 hours.		
	A.S.U.A.T.	5½ hours.		

APPENDIX 'C'.

T.A.S.

Harbour torpedo trials.	1
D.T.F.X.	1
T.F.X. (2 torpedoes)	1
Live Mortar firings.	1 Salvo.
Light Mortar firings.	1 Salvo.
Diving.	3 hours 40 minutes.

APPENDIX 'D'

SPORT.

CRICKET.

7th November.	Iron Deck 133	Lost to	F.X. 139
13th November.	A.X. 118	Lost to	F.X. 150
21st November.	F.X. 76	Lost to	Wardroom 113
24th November.	VOYAGER. 93	Lost to	R.A.N.C. 187

SOFT BALL.

11th November.	6 Mess 15	Lost to	1 Mess 18
18th November.	4 Mess 11	Lost to	1 Mess 21
24th November.	VOYAGER 6	Lost to	CRESWELL 13

WATER POLO.

14th November.	PENG.DEST.KUTT. 1	Lost to	ALBATROSS 10
21st November.	PENG.DEST.KUTT.	won on	SYDNEY. FRIGATES.
		Forfeit	
	(a scratch match was played on this occasion)		
24th November.	VOYAGER 3	Lost to	R.A.N.C. 4

GOLF.

21st November.	Stableford Match V MELBOURNE.		
	VOYAGER 141	Lost to	MELBOURNE 147

RIFLE SHOOTING.

GREY SMITH CUP.

Leading Seaman GREGORY and E.M. PORTER shot for the Fleet team which won the cup.

Leading Seaman GREGORY also achieved top score for Flinders Naval Depot in the Brassey Cup.

APPENDIX 'E'.

MOVEMENTS OF OFFICERS.

3rd November. Lieutenant J.L.C. WIGAN. R.A.N.R.(E) joined from Shore (TORRENS) for 13 days training.

5th November. Lieutenant A.A.A. PALMER. R.A.N.R.(E) left after 28 days training.

11th November. Surgeon Lieutenant Commander TRIGG. R.A.N.R. joined from shore (LONSDALE) for 33 days training.
Lieutenant WIGAN. R.A.N.R. transferred to H.M.A.S. QUICKMATCH for passage to ADELAIDE.

12th November. Surgeon Lieutenant Commander TRIGG. R.A.N.R. transferred to H.M.A.S. QUICKMATCH for visit to Western Australia.

15th November. Lieutenant E.G. WILLIAMS. R.A.N.R.(L) left after 14 days training.
Lieutenant W.F. JAMIESON. R.A.N.R.(X) joined from shore (LONSDALE) for 25 days training.

16th November. Lieutenant C.L. BROWN. R.A.N.R. (E) joined from shore (MORTON) for 28 days training.

17th November. Lieutenant J.T. CLIFT. R.A.N.R.(X) joined from shore (RUSHCUTTER) for 35 days training.

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~~DOD~~ 31/1

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~~2nd NM~~ 5/2

~~3rd NM~~ 27/2

~~4th NM~~ 27/2

~~SEC~~ 27/2

~~CNPR~~ 24/3

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~~INR~~ *14/2*
~~DNESS~~
~~MEG~~
~~DCNTS~~ *1/3*
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~~DNC~~ *1/3*
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QUOTE NO. 180/10H.M.A.S.VOYAGER,
At Sydney.**3 JAN 1963**The Flag Officer Commanding,
H.M.Australian Fleet.

(Copy to: The Captain(D), 10th. Destroyer Squadron.)

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of H.M.A.Ship under my command for the month of December, 1962.

2. The detailed activities of the month/^{are listed} in the following attached Appendices:-

- 'A' Ship's movements.
- 'B' Distance and Steaming Figures.
- 'C' Exercises and Drills.
- 'D' Sport.
- 'E' Officers' Movements.

SATURDAY 1st. - SATURDAY 8th.

3. H.M.A.S.VOYAGER cast off and proceeded from Garden Island at 0800 Monday 3rd. for exercises, weapon training and gunnery efficiency firings. The first postponement of the ship's A.A. efficiency firing occurred at 1145 on this morning when, after one firing run, the target towing aircraft returned to N.A.S.Nowra because of rapidly deteriorating weather conditions at Nowra. At 1330 a surface efficiency firing was commenced. Weather and sea conditions were ideal. On completion of the firing H.M.A.S.VOYAGER returned to Watsons Bay at 1600, disembarked observers, and proceeded once again to sea. A quantity of obsolete armament stores was dumped from the ship at 2100 in depths in excess of 300 fathoms. Speed was increased to 20 knots at 2250 and course set for Jervis Bay after a suspect appendicitis had been reported onboard. H.M.A.S.VOYAGER entered Jervis Bay at 0600 4th. and the patient was landed at this time. The ship was closed up in the Action State at 0800 and remained in the Action State until 1515 at which time a closing down trial using lachrymatory floats was successfully completed with the ship at anchor in Montagu Road. Pre-wetting was also exercised during this Serial.

4. A rapidly strengthening southerly wind caused an anchor watch to be set at 0500 Wednesday 5th. and the ship came to immediate notice for steam. Berth was shifted to the lee of Darling Road at 0610. Due to unsuitable weather conditions A.A. efficiency firings re-scheduled for this day were postponed for a second time and the ship remained at anchor in Jervis Bay. During the afternoon 'Operation Awkward' was exercised. Weather conditions had not improved on Thursday 6th. and the A.A.firing was postponed until 0515 Friday 6th. 'Operation Awkward' was successfully exercised from 1630 until 1900 on Thursday 6th. Opposition was provided by divers of the Mobile Clearance Diving Team.

5. H.M.A.S.VOYAGER proceeded for Sydney at 2230 Thursday 6th. At 2310 major feed water contamination was reported and the ship returned to Jervis Bay anchoring at 0015 Friday 7th. Subsequent actions and investigation of this matter have been reported on separately.

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6. The source of contamination having been established and rectified, H.M.A.S.VOYAGER proceeded for Sydney at 0400 Saturday 8th. arriving at 1100 and berthing at North End Cruiser Wharf on H.M.A.S. PARRAMATTA. Boiler cleaning by chemical means was commenced on Monday 10th. As this cleaning could not be completed in time to allow H.M.A.S.VOYAGER to participate in exercises previously arranged for Wednesday 12th. December the commencement date for the ships self maintenance period was advanced to Tuesday 11th. December.

7. The ship was moved by tugs to alongside South End Cruiser Wharf at 1000 Wednesday 12th. First long leave Libertymen were despatched during the afternoon.

8. A Board of Enquiry assembled onboard H.M.A.S.VOYAGER at 1000 on Monday 10th. to investigate "The circumstances surrounding the Contamination of the feed water in both boilers and the feed system of H.M.A.S.VOYAGER on Thursday 6th. December."

9. H.M.A.S.VOYAGER was moved by tugs into inner Captain Cook Dock at 1000 Monday 17th. where the ship remained for the rest of the month.

STATE OF EFFICIENCY.

10. Although the ship's work up programmes have been repeatedly interrupted in this commission satisfactory states of efficiency have been achieved overall. The weapon systems now work and both the users and maintainers have received adequate practical training. More practice is required however in evolutions requiring a consort, and in this respect the Officers of the Watch in this ship have not had sufficient Fleet Work or Ship Handling experience.

HEALTH, MORALE AND CONDUCT OF SHIP'S COMPANY.

11. Throughout the month the health, morale and conduct of the Ship's Company have been satisfactory.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "A.A. Willis".

(A.A.Willis.)
COMMANDER in COMMAND.

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APPENDIX 'A'

SHIPS MOVEMENTS.

Monday 3rd.	0800	Sailed Sydney for exercises.
	1600	Arrived Sydney. Disembarked observers at Watsons Bay
Tuesday 4th.	0600	Arrived Jervis Bay.
	0640	Sailed Jervis Bay.
	1245	Arrived Jervis Bay. Anchored in Montagu Road.
Wednesday 5th.	0610	Sailed Montagu Road.
	0700	Anchored Darling Road.
Thursday 6th.	2230	Sailed Jervis Bay.
Friday 7th.	0015	Anchored Jervis Bay.
Saturday 8th.	0400	Sailed Jervis Bay.
	1100	Arrived Sydney.

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APPENDIX 'B'

DISTANCE AND STEAMING FIGURES.

Distance steamed during December.	439.5
Hours steamed during December.	38.3
Total distance steamed since first commissioning.	179,782.0
Total hours steamed since first commissioning.	12,960.6

HOURS EXCEEDED ECONOMICAL SPEED.

<u>DATE.</u>	<u>DURATION.</u>	<u>AVERAGE SPEED.</u>	<u>FUEL/HOUR (TONS)</u>	<u>DIST./TONS (MILES)</u>	<u>REASON.</u>
3rd./4th.	3 Hours	20 Knots	Est. 6	3.8	Suspected appendicitis case.

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APPENDIX 'C'

EXERCISES AND DRILLS.

Monday 3rd.

A.A. Tracking.
A.A. Firing.
Surface Firing.
Action Stations.

Tuesday 4th.

A.B.C.D. Drills.
Mass air attack exercise - Break up shop(2).
A/S operating using T.A.R.T.
Rapid open fire exercise.
Closing down trials.
Pre-wetting.
Action Stations.
A/S Mortar Firings (Light projectiles).
Sea Coast Exercise.

Wednesday 5th.

Operation Awkward.

Thursday 6th.

Operation Awkward.
Landing Party exercise.

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APPENDIX 'D'

SPORT.

12 December

Cricket V. KUTTABUL

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VOYAGER 114
KUTTABUL 48

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APPENDIX 'E'

OFFICERS MOVEMENTS.

8th. December

Acting Sub Lieutenant J.L.DOWLING, R.A.N. rejoined after completing Little 'd' course at H.M.A.S.WATSON.

12th. December

Lieutenant W.F.JAMIESON, R.A.N.R. and Lieutenant C.L.BROWN, R.A.N.R.(E) left after completing 26 and 25 days training respectively.

15th. December

Lieutenant K.A.DOOLAN, R.A.N. left for leave and re-appointment to H.M.A.S.CERBERUS.

21st. December

Lieutenant J.T.CLIFT, R.A.N.R. left after completing 34 days training.

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