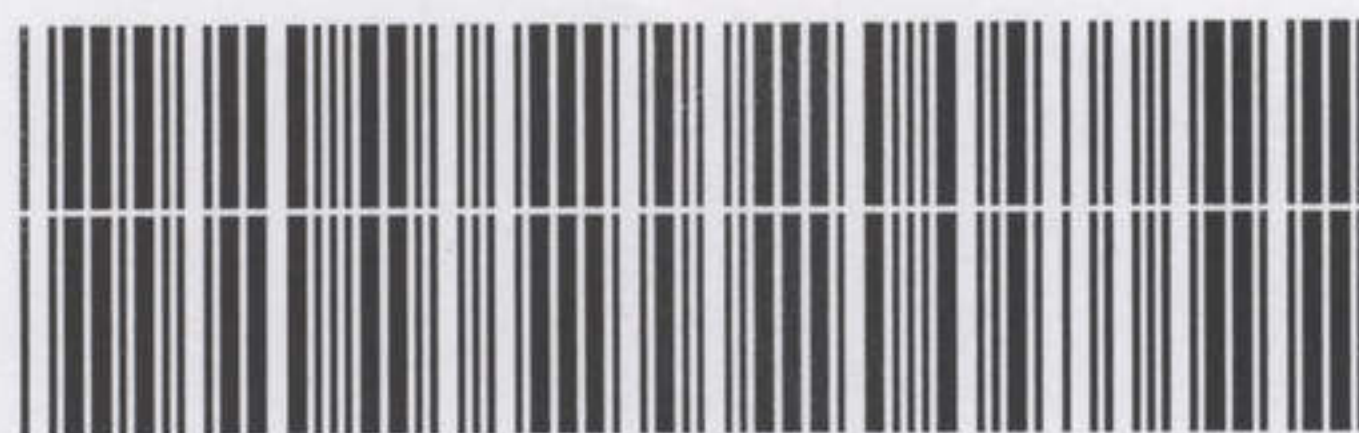


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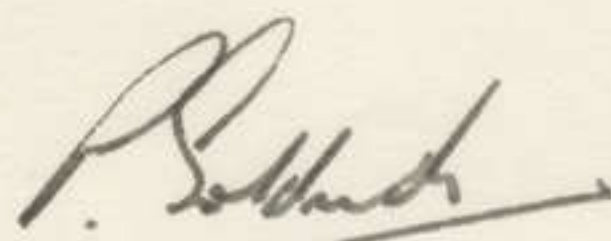
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HMAS BANKS - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS JANUARY, 1974

Reference: A. R.&I. Appendix 29A.

1. During the month of January, 1974 HMAS Banks remained alongside the Naval Wharf, Gawler Reach.


(P. GOLDRICK),
COMMANDER, RAN,
COMMANDING OFFICER.



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The Secretary,
Department of Defence (Navy Office),
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HMAS BANKS - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS FEBRUARY 1974

Reference: A. R. & I. Appendix 29A.

Report of Proceedings for the weekend training cruise
9 - 10 February, 1974, is forwarded.

2. On Saturday, 23 February, 1974, the ship under the
command of LCDR RLEX A.J.T. Bennett, proceeded at 0840 for a single
day training cruise. After exercising in the Largs Bay area the
ship secured to the Naval Wharf at 1543.

3. All times are Zone KL.

H. J. P. Adams
(H.J.P. ADAMS),
COMMANDER, RAN,
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HMAS Banks
at PORT ADELAIDE

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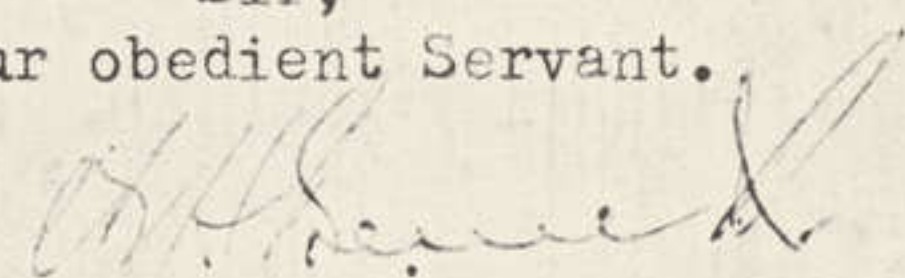
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HMAS BANKS - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
WEEKEND TRAINING CRUISE : 9/10 FEBRUARY 1974

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS Banks under my command from 9/10 February 1974. All times are Zone Kilo Lima (-10½).
2. The Ships Company joined at 0730 9 February and prepared the ship for getting under way at 0844. During the passage from Gawler Reach to Outer Harbour, berthing manoeuvres were carried out at the Naval and bulk handling wharves.
3. Clearing Outer Harbour at 1048, St Vincent's Gulf was crossed under excellent weather and sea conditions. Opportunity was taken to carry out OOW manoeuvres, recruit training in helmsmanship, engine telegraph and lookout duties and emergency steering exercises.
4. The ship was secured at 1615 along side the Ardrossan Town Jetty.
5. At 0802 on Sunday 10 February the ship sailed from the Ardrossan Jetty and during the passage to Port Adelaide a number of evolutions and exercises were carried out.
6. The ship entered the Outer Harbour at 1308 and berthed at the Naval wharf at 1433. Rounds were carried out and the ship secured at 1600.

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I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant.



(A.J.T. Bennett)
Lieutenant Commander in Command.

Enclosures: Appendix A.
Appendix B.
Appendix C.

APPENDIX 'A' TO HMAS BANKS - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
WEEKEND TRAINING CRUISE : 9/10 FEBRUARY 1974

Total distance steamed	-	86.4 miles
Time underway	-	14 2/60 hours
Average speed	-	6.1 knots

APPENDIX 'B'

The following exercises were carried out:

Saturday 9 February	-	Officer of the Watch manoeuvres
	-	Emergency Steering
	-	Recruit training in helmsman, telegraph and lookout duties
Sunday 10 February	-	Officer of the Watch manoeuvres
	-	Donbuoy laying and recovering
	-	Emergency steering
	-	Fire party in confined space
	-	First Aid and Rescue from a confined space

APPENDIX 'C'

Movements during the weekend:

9 February	-	Gawler Reach to Ardrossan
10 February	-	Ardrossan to Gawler Reach

HMAS Banks
at PORT ADELAIDE

10 February 1974

Naval Officer-in-Charge
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

HMAS BANKS - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
WEEKEND TRAINING CRUISE : 9/10 FEBRUARY 1974

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The Secretary,
Department of Defence (Navy Office),
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HMAS BANKS - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS MARCH, 1974

Reference: A. R. & I. Appendix 29A.

1. Reports of Proceedings for the Annual Continuous Training cruises which commenced 11th March, 1974 are forwarded.
2. On Saturday 2nd March, 1974, the ship under the command of LEUT K.C. Liddiard proceeded at 0840 for a single day training cruise. After exercising in the Largs Bay area the ship secured to the Naval Wharf at 1520.
3. All times are Zone I/K.

H.J.P. Adams
(H.J.P. ADAMS),
COMMANDER, RAN,
COMMANDING OFFICER.

Enclosures: 6 copies Report of Proceedings.

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This report requires circulation.

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HMAS BANKS
at Portland, Victoria

23rd March, 1974

The Naval Officer-in-Charge,
South Australia
HMAS ENCOUNTER

Sir,

Report of Proceedings for HMAS BANKS
Training Cruise ACT 1/74 11th-23rd March, 1974

I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS BANKS under my command from 11th to 23rd March, 1974.

2. All times given are Zone Kilo (-10).
3. The ship was stored on Saturday 9th March and watchkeepers remained on board during the weekend. The remainder of the crew joined at 0800 on Monday, 11th March.
4. The ship slipped from the Gawler Reach Wharf, Port Adelaide, at 1059 on 11th March and proceeded to sea, clearing the Outer Harbour breakwater at 1207.
5. Backstairs Passage was cleared at 2100 and coastal passage was made to Cape Otway, arriving in that area during the evening of 13th March. During this period moderate seas were experienced, with a heavy SW swell. Several members of the crew were seasick and were treated by the Medical Officer.
6. During the early morning of the 14th March, the weather deteriorated, the wind reaching force 8/9 from the SW with rough seas. A gale warning was not received until mid morning. Several fittings came adrift, although previous precautions had been taken, and it became necessary to heave to and lash down. In these conditions, entry to the forward cabins was unsafe. Fuel blockages were experienced in both main engines, but these were rapidly cleared. The ship performed remarkably well in the high seas, and was never in serious danger.
7. The remainder of the passage was uneventful, and the ship arrived at Burnie at 1645 on 14th March, securing port side to, North McGaw Wharf.
8. The ship departed Burnie at 0718 on 15th March and passage was made in calm seas to Low Head, anchoring in the Pilot area at 1230. A Pilot was embarked and anchor was weighted at 1300. The ship proceeded down the Tamar River, arriving at Launceston at 1715, and was secured starboard side to, King's Wharf.
9. No official calls were made at Launceston because of closure of Council Offices over the weekend. The Town Clerk (Mr. Allan) and NRC officers from TS TAMAR were entertained on board. Courtesy calls were made to the Mayor (Mr. Gunn) and Senator P. Rae. The ship was open for inspection on Sunday 17th March.
10. The ship departed Launceston at 0807 on 18th March, and the Pilot was disembarked at Low Head at 1150. O.O.W. manoeuvres and fire exercises were conducted in calm seas on passage to Devonport. The ship arrived at Devonport at 1547 and was secured port side to, No. 1 berth.
11. At 0846 on 19th March, the ship departed Devonport and proceeded to Port Fairy Bay for exercises. Good weather was experienced in Bass Strait, with slight seas and a low NE to E swell. Cape Otway light was raised at 0448 on 20th March, and coastal passage was made to Port Fairy. O.O.W. manoeuvres were carried out in Port Fairy Bay and a dan buoy was deployed and retrieved. The ship anchored at Port Fairy at 1535 in 5 fathoms water with 3 shackles on deck.

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12. During the forenoon of 21st March, the ship remained at anchor and the crew were engaged in ship husbandry and practical seamanship exercises. Anchor was weighed at 1203 and the ship proceeded to Portland, exercising on passage.
13. The ship arrived at Portland at 1710 and was secured starboard side to Anderson Wharf.
14. Because of the absence of the Mayor of Portland on official business, formal calls were not made. The Town Clerk (Mr. Fell) and the Mayor's personal representative were entertained on board.
15. On 22nd and 23rd March the ship was fueled and victualled, and self-maintenance was carried out in preparation for ACT 2/74. The crew for ACT 2/74 arrived at Portland at 1630 on 23rd March, and the Command was transferred to CMDR F.G. Swindells at 1730. The ships company then departed from Portland by bus, arriving at Port Adelaide at 0300 on 24th March.
16. The ship was in good mechanical condition, except for type 974 radar, which remained unserviceable during the entire cruise despite intensive repair efforts. The morale of the ship's company was high throughout the cruise, and I am pleased to report my complete satisfaction with the enthusiastic and competent manner in which they performed their duties.
17. I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your Obedient Servant



K.C. LIDDIARD
LIEUTENANT IN COMMAND

REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR 11TH - 23RD MARCH, 1974

APPENDIX A

Total distance steamed	1005 M
Hours underway	130.6
Fuel consumed	1,600 gallons
Average speed	7.7 knot

APPENDIX B

Summary of Movements

	Arrive		Depart
	-		111058 Port Adelaide
141645	Burnie		160718 Burnie
161715	Launceston		180807 Launceston
181547	Devonport		190846 Devonport
201535	Port Fairy		211203 Port Fairy
211710	Portland		-

HMAS BANKS
at Port Adelaide.

4th April, 1974.

The Naval Officer in Charge,
South Australia.

Sir,

Report of Proceedings - HMAS BANKS - ACT II/1974

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS Banks under my command during the period 23rd March, 1974 - 4th April, 1974. All times local.
2. The ships company for ACT II/74 joined "BANKS" at Portland at 1545 on Saturday 23rd March having travelled by bus from Port Adelaide. The crew from ACT I/74 returned to Adelaide by the same bus leaving Portland at 1635 on the same day.
3. The ship sailed from Portland at 1700 on Sunday 24th March to rendezvous with "BASS" off Burnie at 0800 on Tuesday 26th March. Breakdown and emergency stations were exercised on passage. (All exercises are listed at Appendix "A").
4. The rendezvous with "Bass" was made at the planned time and position, and exercises between the two ships commenced at 0815, continuing until 1400 when "Bass" entered Burnie Harbour to effect repairs to a stern gland. "Banks" continued exercises independently until berthing at Jones Pier North at 1600, astern of Bass.
5. Calls were not made, but the local Navalman's Association offered their usual hospitality to the Ships Companies.
6. Both ships slipped at 0830 on Wednesday 27th March for Devonport, exercising on passage. Sea Cadets from the Burnie unit were embarked in both ships for the day. Local press representatives also came to sea and good pictorial coverage was given in the "Advocate", the regional newspaper.
7. The unit entered Devonport harbour at 1500 and berthed at No. 2 berth, West.
8. A call was made on the Harbour Master whose staff was very cordial and helpful throughout the stay.
9. At 0830 on Thursday 28th March the unit sailed for further exercises off Devonport. "Bass" was detached for passage to Melbourne at 1200. "Banks" continued independently until returning to the same berth in Devonport Harbour at 1530. The ships companies were received very well by the people of Devonport who went out of their way to make the sailors welcome.
10. At 0745 on Friday 29th March the ship left Devonport for passage to Launceston, taking the Pilot on board at Low Head at 1120. The ship berthed at the Wheat Wharf at 1515 and calls were made on the Master Warden, the Harbour Master and the Port Engineer. These calls were returned in the evening. The Mayor and Town Clerk were contacted but whilst expressing a welcome to the ship, were unable to receive or return calls.
11. The Officers and Ships Company were made welcome by the people of Launceston and it is felt that a generally good impression was made.
12. On Sunday 31st March, the ship sailed from Launceston at 1100 with

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a Tamar River Pilot on board. The Pilot was disembarked at Low Head at 1515 and the passage to Port Adelaide resumed.

13. The ship entered Outer Harbour at 0211 on Thursday 4th April, 1974 and finally berthed at the Naval Jetty, Gawler Reach at 0312. Weather on passage was generally unfavourable but in spite of this the Ships Company reacted well and some exercises on passage were possible.

14. The ship was destored, cleaned and decommissioned by 1100 /4th April.

15. The performance of machinery and equipment during the course of the cruise was generally good. The exceptions were the Radar Type 974 which was inoperative throughout, and a failure of the gyro power source.

16. The health, morale and behaviour of the Ships Company was excellent throughout the cruise. Much value was derived from the few days training with "Bass" in company and the useful links established with the Tasmanian Reserve in the past have been strengthened.

17. The quality of men recently recruited was particularly notable. They settled to their tasks in an industrious and intelligent manner and quickly became useful and reliable members of the Ships Company.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,


COMMANDER IN COMMAND.

Appendix "A"

Report of Proceedings HMAS BANKS ACT II/74

Exercises Carried Out

Single Ship

- (1) Leaving Ship
- (2) Steering Breakdown
- (3) Fire and Damage Control
- (4) First Aid
- (5) Compass Breakdown
- (6) Man Overboard
- (7) Pilotage
- (8) Astro navigation
- (9) Rifle Firings

In Company

- (1) O.O.W. Manoeuvres
- (2) Relative Velocity (Use of Battenburgh)
- (3) Voice procedure
- (4) Flashing and Flags Manoeuvring
- (5) Resultant position exercises
- (6) Use of ATP I & ATP II

Note: Ships were prepared for transfers and towing but the weather was not suitable.

Appendix "B"

Total Distance steamed	978.2 M
Hours under way	150.5
Average Speed	6.5 kts

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14 MAY 1974

HMAS BANKS - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS APRIL, 1974

Reference: A. R. & I. Appendix 29A.

1. The movements of HMAS BANKS during the month of April are as reported in the enclosed Report of Proceedings.
2. During the remainder of the month the craft remained alongside the Naval Wharf Port Adelaide.

H.J.P. Adams
(H.J.P. ADAMS),
COMMANDER, RAN,
COMMANDING OFFICER.

Q Enclosures: 3 Copies Report of Proceedings *Q*

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H.M.A.S. BANKS
At Port Adelaide
23rd April, 1974

The Naval Officer in Charge,
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of H.M.A.S. BANKS under my command on Saturday and Sunday, 20th and 21st April, 1974.

2. All times are zone India/Kilo (Zone - 9 $\frac{1}{2}$).
3. Three of the ship's company joined at 1930 on Friday, 19th April, 1974 and the remainder of the ship's company joined at 0730 on Saturday, 20th April, 1974.
4. At 0855 on Saturday, the ship proceeded down the Port River in company with AWB 403 and the Harbour Personnel Launch. During the passage down the Port River communication checks and radio voice procedure training were carried out.
5. At 1045 the ship cleared the Outer Harbour breakwater and at 1105, O.O.W. manoeuvres were commenced. At 1225, A.W.B. 403 and the Harbour Personnel Launch were detached and H.M.A.S. BANKS proceeded to Edithburgh.
6. At 1648, the ship arrived at Edithburgh, berthing port side to North Wharf.
7. On Sunday, 21st April, 1974 at 0802 the ship departed Edithburgh for Adelaide and anchored at 1256 in the Semaphore Anchorage in 5 fathoms with port anchor and 3 shackles on deck. Anchor was weighed at 1355 and the ship entered Outer Harbour 15 minutes later.
8. H.M.A.S. BANKS came alongside the Naval wharf at 1520 and was secured at 1620.

Electrical and Engineering.

9. During the weekend the ship steamed 100.3 miles at an average of 7.0 knots. The performance of machinery was good.

I have the honour to be Sir,

Your obedient servant

W. L. Hildyard Lt Col R.N.E.T.

Appendices to Report of Proceedings

H.M.A.S. 'BANKS'

Weekend cruise - 20th - 21st April, 1974

APPENDIX 'A'

Miles Steamed	:	100.3
Hours under way	:	14½
Average speed	:	7.0 knots
Percentage of fuel on board	:	69%

APPENDIX 'B'

The following exercises were carried out :

1. Radio Voice Procedure Training
2. Steaming in Company
3. O.O.W. manoeuvres

APPENDIX 'C'

Movements during the weekend :

1. Port Adelaide to Edithburgh
2. Edithburgh to Port Adelaide

H.M.A.S. BANKS
At Port Adelaide
23rd April, 1974

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HMAS BANKS REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS MAY 1974

Reference: A. R. & I. Appendix 29A.

1. On Saturday May 4th, 1974, the ship under the command of LCDR B.L. Haugaard proceeded at 0835 for a single day training cruise. After exercising in the Largs Bay area the ship returned and secured to the Naval Wharf at 1510. Times are Zone IK.
2. The report of proceedings for weekend training 24/27th May is forwarded. The assistance given to W.R.E. has been the subject of much favourable comment and as a result the ship will again be employed during its forthcoming ACT III to continue equipment trials for the same project. Not only has the assistance proved invaluable to W.R.E. but has given a sense of real purpose to the training being undertaken by the Reserve crew.

H.J.P. Adams
(H.J.P. ADAMS),
COMMANDER, RAN,
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H.M.A.S. BANKS,
At Port Adelaide,
27 May, 1974.

The Naval Officer-in-Charge,
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Sir,

REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS, H.M.A.S. BANKS - PORT ADELAIDE TO
WEDGE ISLAND 24 - 27 MAY, 1974.

I have the honour to report the proceedings of H.M.A.S. BANKS under my command 24 - 27 May, 1974.

2. All times are Zone India Kilo (-9½).
3. The purpose of the cruise was to provide R.A.N. support for Weapons Research Establishment, Salisbury, to conduct sea trials of experimental equipment. As the nature of the equipment is classified no descriptive details can be given in this report of the evolutions BANKS was required to perform. The details of the trials are the subject of separate report which will be submitted to the appropriate authorities by the WRE Trials Team.
4. The ship's company joined on Friday, 24 May, 1974, at 1530. Five scientists were embarked with a large quantity of equipment. The Senior Trials Officer was Dr. Alan Carpenter. It is pleasing to report the keenness of the sailors of the Port Adelaide Division all of whom had to obtain leave of absence from their employment to join the ship mid-afternoon.
5. A delay in sailing was experienced due to difficulties in the opening of Birkenhead Bridge and one hour twenty minutes time was lost. However, BANKS finally cleared the bridge at 1750 and the Outer Harbour at 1850.
6. A good passage was made to Wedge Island in ideal weather conditions with winds force 2. Speeds of up to 9.8 knots were achieved during the passage and BANKS was on station 210°, 10 miles from Wedge Island light at 0835 on 25 May, 1974.
7. Weather conditions remained calm throughout the day and although this delighted the ship's company, the scientists were disappointed as their trials required rougher conditions and winds force 3/4.
8. Several devices had to be deployed and recovered during the day. This was excellent seamanship training for the ship's company and I am able to report all evolutions were carried out successfully.

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9. The first days trials were completed at 1450 and course was set for Wedge Island where the ship anchored in 5 fathoms on the Northern side at 1718.

10. At 0610 on Sunday, 26 May, 1974, the ship weighed and proceeded to the trails area and was on station at 0820. Similar evolutions to the previous day were performed and all equipment recovered by 1200. Once again the weather was excellent which was unfortunate for the Trials Team as they failed to achieve all their required data. However, Dr. Carpenter was pleased with the rest of the trials and the performance of his equipment.

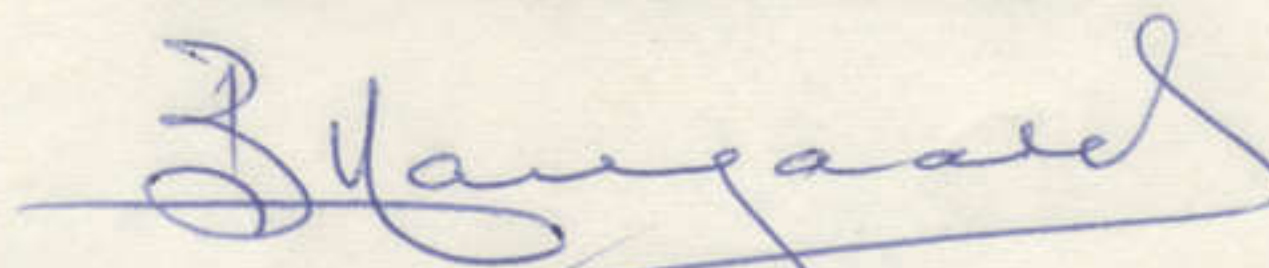
11. Course was set for Port Adelaide at 1200 and again, a good passage was made in ideal weather conditions. The ship entered the breakwater at Outer Harbour at 0200 on the 27 May, 1974, and berthed at Gawler Reach at 0330.

12. This is the first time BANKS has been used in this type of support role and the training value was excellent. A lot of practical seamanship was required and the sailors were most enthusiastic because the nature of the evolutions they were required to perform was purposeful. It is recommended that WRE are advised of our willingness to provide sea support for future operations.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.



(B.L. Haugaard)
LIEUTENANT COMMANDER, R.A.N.R.
COMMANDING OFFICER.

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APPENDIX A TO H.M.A.S. BANKS REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS 24 - 27 MAY, 1974.

Miles steamed	-	270.8
Hours under way	-	45
Average speed	-	6.0 knots
Percentage fuel remaining	-	88%

APPENDIX B

Exercises during cruise. As required for WRE Trials.

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The Secretary,
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26 JUL 1974

HMAS BANKS REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS JUNE 1974.

Reference: A. R. & I. Appendix 29A.

During the month of June the movements of HMAS BANKS were as reported in the enclosed Report of Proceedings.

2. In amplification of the ROP of the third period of A.C.T. training it is worthy to note that HMAS BANKS and her RANR crew made a very worthwhile contribution to Weapons Research Establishment equipment testing in sea conditions which were not always ideal for the task. It was mutually agreed that this co-operation was both beneficial to the crew, officers and sailors alike and most helpful to the research scientists involved with the development of the equipment being tested. It is to be hoped that similar assistance may be possible on future occasions.

H. J. P. Adams
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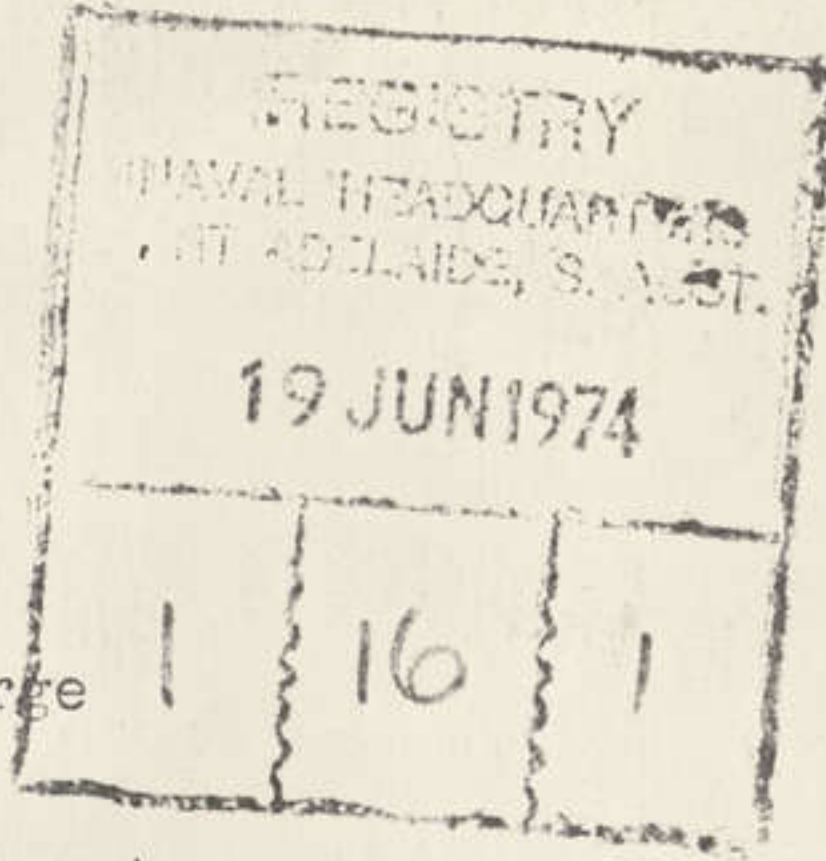
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HMAS BANKS
At PORT ADELAIDE

15 June, 1974

Naval Officer-in-Charge
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HMAS BANKS - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
WEEKEND TRAINING CRUISE : 8/9 JUNE 1974

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS BANKS under my command from 8/9 June, 1974. All times are Zone I.K. (-9½).
2. The Ships Company joined at 0730 8 June and prepared the ship for getting underway at 0844 in company with AWB 403 and the 261 HPB.
3. Two journalists from the 'Advertiser' embarked at Port Adelaide and during the passage down the Port River and in St Vincent's Gulf area, photographed a variety of evolutions for a possible feature article.
4. The journalists disembarked at Outer Harbour at 1250 and having detached AWB 403 and 261 HPB, the ship returned independently to Port Adelaide, berthing manoeuvres being carried out during the passage.
5. At 0832 on Sunday 9 June the ship returned to St Vincent's Gulf area clearing the Outer Harbour breakwater at 1020.
6. During the forenoon and afternoon a number of exercises were carried out for OOW and recruit training, the ship returning to the Naval Wharf at 1455. Rounds were carried out and the ship secured at 1600.

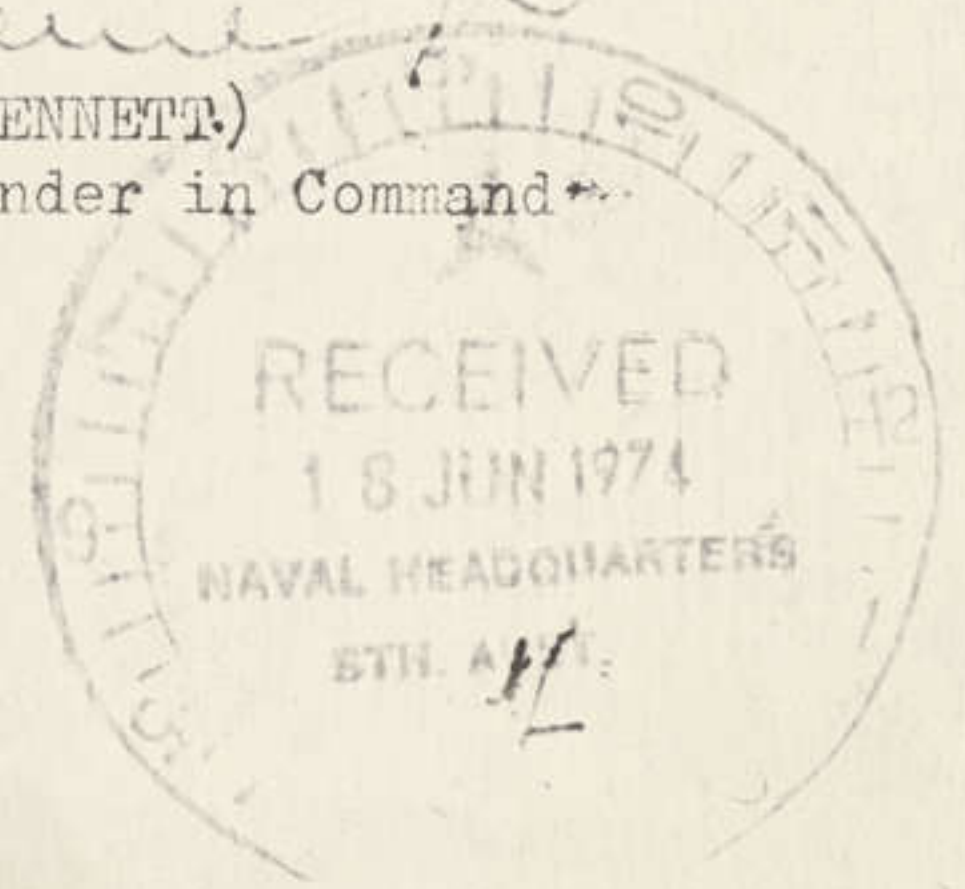
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I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant

A.J.T. Bennett
(A.J.T. BENNETT)
Lieutenant Commander in Command

Enclosures:

Appendix A			
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APPENDIX 'A' TO HMAS BANKS - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
WEEKEND TRAINING CRUISE : 8/9 JUNE, 1974

Total distance steamed - 51.3 miles
Time underway - 10 46/60 hours
Average speed - 4.8 knots

APPENDIX 'B'

The following exercises were carried out

Saturday 8 June - Stationkeeping
- Transfer of injured personnel
- Man Overboard
- NBCDX
- Bordex
- Berthing Manoeuvres

Sunday 9 June - Berthing Manoeuvres
- Steering breakdown - steering from
a. Emergency steering position
b. Tiller flat pumps
c. Steering by Main engines
- Danbuoy laying and recovering (2)

APPENDIX 'C'

Movements during the weekend

Weekend 8/9 June - Gawler Reach/St Vincent's Gulf/
Gawler Reach

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28th June, 1974.

The Naval Officer in Charge,
South Australia,
H.M.A.S. "Encounter",
Birkenhead. S.A.

Sir,

Report of Proceedings H.M.A.S. "Banks" A.C.T. Cruise
16th to 28th June, 1974

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS "Banks" under my command during the period 16th to 28th June, 1974.
2. All times quoted are India Kilo.
3. The Officers and Ship's Company joined afternoon on Sunday 16th June and Banks commissioned at 1400. Sailing was delayed until Monday 17th as a considerable quantity of stores from Weapons Research Establishment Salisbury had to be loaded during Monday fore-noon.
4. Loading of the stores was completed by 1030 on Monday 17th June and the Ship's Company completed the task of storing ship and preparing for sea.
5. The ship slipped from Gawler Reach Wharf and proceeded to sea at 1200 clearing the Outer Harbour Breakwater at 1315. Course was set for Wallaroo and an uneventful passage in perfect weather conditions ensued.
6. Speeds of up to 9 knots were achieved during the passage and Banks berthed alongside Number 3 Berth at 1519 on the 18th June.
7. His Worship, the Mayor of Wallaroo, Mr. R.E.O. Diedrich and the Lady Mayoress, Town Clerk Mr. W.J. Birk and Mrs. Birk called shortly after berthing. An invitation was extended to the Officers to attend an informal reception at the Town Hall at 2000 that night. This was a very pleasant function and an opportunity to meet several of the town's leading citizens, the Harbourmaster and other Councillors.
8. Weather continued very fine during the stay at Wallaroo although extremely cold. Banks slipped and proceeded for Port Pirie at 0600 on Wednesday 19th June. Once again an uneventful passage in ideal weather conditions and every opportunity to exercise on passage was taken.
9. The ship entered the Port Pirie channel at 1501 and berthed alongside Number 5 Berth Port Pirie at 1610. Harbourmaster, Captain Pickover and the Sub Collector of Customs called shortly after berthing. By agreement a call to the Mayor, Mr. Ted Connelly was taken as understood as a mutually convenient time could not be arranged but we had the pleasure of entertaining Mr. Connelly, The Town Clerk Mr. Fullgrave and a party of approximately 16 guests to a reception on board during the evening.
10. At 1050 on the 20th June Banks slipped and proceeded to sea and on clearing the Port Pirie channel at 1205 the opportunity to exercise taken. On completion of exercises course was set for Whyalla and we berthed at the inner end of the Blast Furnace Wharf at 1555. Whilst this is a most comfortable berth, the surroundings are most dismal with large mounds of coking coal lying on the adjacent wharves and the ship becomes permeated with the continual pall of dust from this mound.
11. At 1700 accompanied by my Navigating Officer, and Coxswain I called on the Mayor, Mr. C.M. Norton. A small reception had been arranged at the Town Hall which was attended by the Town Clerk, Mr. Maynard, the Harbourmaster,

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Captain Cook and the Commodore of the B.H.P. Fleet, Captain Ekholm. During the evening a small reception was held in Banks which was attended by the Mayor and Town Clerk and approximately 20 other citizens of Whyalla.

12. After replenishing fresh provisions from Whyalla, Banks slipped and proceeded at 1102 on Friday 21st June and course was set for Port Lincoln. Throughout the entire trip around the northern parts of Spencer's Gulf ideal weather conditions were experienced with very calm seas and winds never more than Force 2. During the passage a number of O.O.W. Manouvres were carried out together with fire exercises and First Aid. Due to the fine weather speeds of up to $9\frac{1}{2}$ knots were achieved and a fast passage was made to Port Lincoln and Banks berthed alongside the Roll-on Roll-off Berth at 0702 on Saturday 22nd June.

13. At 1115 I called on the Mayor of Port Lincoln, Mr. C. Tohver and met the Town Clerk, Mr. Roger Trevor and several other Councillors. During the evening Banks entertained the Mayor, Town Clerk and other citizens on board. After the reception in Banks Officers were invited to a Progressive Dinner Party which was a very gay and pleasant evening. Invitations had been extended by the Navalmen's Association for the Ship's Company to attend local football matches and to enjoy their hospitality at the Club during the evening.

14. At 1000 on Sunday 23rd June a truck from Weapons Research Establishment Salisbury arrived and further stores and equipment for the W.R.E. Trials Team were loaded. The Trials Officer, Mr. A.F. Langford arrived during the forenoon and arrangements were made to embark a party of 7 W.R.E. personnel for passage to Wedge Island on Monday 24th June.

15. At 0936 on Monday 24th June Banks slipped and proceeded and, on clearing Port Lincoln Harbour, course was set for Wedge Island. During the passage the W.R.E. Personnel briefed the Officers and Senior Sailors on the operations which were to take place for the rest of the week and 4 sailors were selected to be cameramen so that all trials which took place were filmed. Again we were most fortunate in that we experienced slight seas and wind of approximately Force 2 or 3 and an uneventful passage was made to Wedge Island where Banks came to anchor at 1549 in 6 fathoms of water.

16. From the time Banks anchored until 1930 the whole of the Ship's Company and W.R.E. Personnel were engaged in unloading stores and transferring personnel and equipment to the shore. A larger dinghy had been brought along for the trip and, as the conditions at the anchorage were rather choppy, it was indeed most fortunate otherwise stores and equipment would never have been landed in the prevailing conditions.

17. As 3 W.R.E. Personnel were to live on board accommodation was strained to the limit so it was decided to establish a shore camp with 4 sailors who would attend to the boats and ferry stores and personnel to and from Banks as required and thereby also relieving the strain on accommodation. On the second day the shore party were changed and reduced to two in number.

18. On Tuesday 25th June at 0800 4 W.R.E. Personnel were embarked and Banks weighed and proceeded to sea at 0855 for commencement of trials as directed by the W.R.E. Trials Officer. The Trials area was in a position 7 miles on a bearing of 210 degrees from Wedge Island Light and Banks was on Station at 1055. Weather conditions were not quite as rough as the W.R.E. Trials team would have liked but the wind was blowing Force 3 and gusting up to Force 4 with a fairly choppy sea. At 1115 the devices were deployed as directed and successfully recovered at 1542. As the nature of the trials which were being conducted is classified, full details of the nature of the devices and Banks role in these trials can not be given in this Report, a separate Report to the appropriate Authority has been rendered by the W.R.E. Personnel.

19. During Wednesday 26th June and Thursday 27th June, W.R.E. Trials continued in varying weather conditions and we understand very useful data was obtained. Banks fulfilled her role successfully and during the total trial period all devices were successfully deployed and recovered.

Appendix "A" to HMAS BANKS Report of Proceedings ACT 3/74 16/6/74 to 28/6/74

Miles Steamed	757.2
Hours under way	103 hrs
Average Speed	7.35 knots

Appendix "B"

Summary of Movements

Arrive

Depart

-		171200	Port Adelaide
181519	Wallaroo	190600	Wallaroo
191610	Port Pirie	201050	Port Pirie
201555	Whyalla	211102	Whyalla
220702	Port Lincoln	240936	Port Lincoln
241549	Wedge Island	271710	Wedge Island
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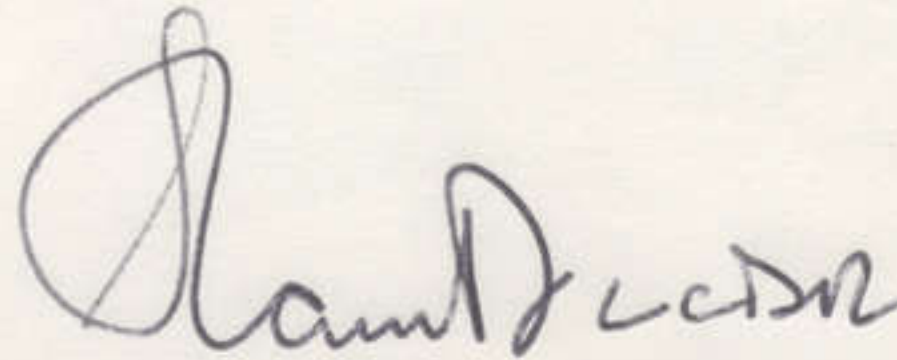
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During August, 1974 HMAS Banks remained in refit. The craft was unslipped on Friday 23rd August and returned by cold move to the Naval Wharf, Port Adelaide.


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The Secretary,
Department of Defence (Navy Office),
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HMAS BANKS REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OCTOBER 1974

Reference: A. R. & I. Appendix 29A.

1. On Saturday 5th October, 1974 the ship under the command of LCDR K.C. Liddiard RLEX slipped and proceeded at 1023 for post refit trials in the Largs Bay area securing alongside No. 1 Berth, Outer Harbour overnight, slipping and proceeding at 0800 for the completion of the trials and returning to Naval Wharf at 1249, Sunday 6th October, 1974.
2. On Saturday 19th October 1974 the ship under command of LCDR A.G.T. Bennett, slipped and proceeded at 0830 for a single day training cruise. After exercising in the Largs Bay area the ship secured to the Naval Wharf at 1520.
3. All times are Zone I/K.

H.J.P. Adams
(H.J.P. ADAMS),
COMMANDER, RAN,
COMMANDING OFFICER.

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HMAS BANKS,
PORT ADELAIDE

15th October, 1974

The Commanding Officer (Reserves),
HMAS ENCOUNTER

Sir,

REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR POST REFIT TRIALS 5TH-6TH OCTOBER, 1974

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS BANKS under my command for Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th October, 1974.
2. All times are India Kilo (-9½).
3. One officer and nine of the crew joined at 1930 Friday 4th October, 1974 and the remainder at 0730 Saturday 5th October, 1974.
4. Preliminary post refit checks were carried out alongside. At 1023 the ship slipped from Gawler Reach and proceeded to sea, clearing the Outer Harbour breakwater at 1124.
5. During the morning turning and full astern trials were carried out in the vicinity of the Fairway Beacon. Emergency steering trials and miscellaneous machinery tests were also completed during this period.
6. At 1242 the ship anchored in the quarantine anchorage, both cables being separately ranged.
7. At 1433, the ship weighed anchor and full power trials were held in the Fairway Beacon - Semaphore area.
8. At 1645 the ship entered the Outer Harbour breakwater, securing port side at Number 1 berth Outer Harbour. The derrick was then tested, and the ship's boat was lowered and outboard motor tested.
9. At 0759, Sunday 6th October, the ship slipped and proceeded to sea, clearing the Outer Harbour breakwater at 0810. Course was set for the Largs Bay area where swinging ship, danbuoy laying and O.O.W. exercises took place.
10. At 1128 the ship entered the Outer Harbour breakwater, securing port side to Gawler Reach wharf at 1249.
11. The crew disembarked at 1600.
12. Machinery functioned satisfactorily during the trials, except for radar and gyro which were both unserviceable. Because of the inability to navigate safely and the limited life raft capacity imposed by the return of the new 20 man life rafts, operations were restricted to the Outer Harbour area.

I have the honour to be, Sir

Your Obedient Servant,

(K. C. LIDDIARD),
LIEUTENANT COMMANDER, RANR,
COMMANDING OFFICER

APPENDIX A TO HMAS BANKS REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR
POST REFIT TRIALS 5TH-6TH OCTOBER, 1974

Miles Steamed	61.5
Hours underway	10 Hours
Average speed	6.1 Knots
Fuel consumption	215 Gallons
Percentage of fuel remaining on board	89%

APPENDIX B

The following trials and exercises were carried out:

- (i) Turning trials
- (ii) Full astern trials
- (iii) Steering gear failure trials
- (iv) Full power trials
- (v) Swinging ship
- (vi) Danbuoy exercise
- (vii) O.O.W. manoeuvres
- (viii) Helmsmanship training for recruits
- (ix) Miscellaneous machinery tests
- (x) Mast derrick test

APPENDIX C

Machinery Trials

- ½ A/H both engines Starboard 30
3 min 18 sec. for 360° turn
- ½ A/H both engines Port 30
3 min 18.5 sec. for 360° turn
- Slow A/H both engines Starboard 30
5 min 15 sec. for 360° turn
- Slow A/H both engines Port 30
4 min 52 sec. for 360° turn
- ½ A/H both engines to full astern
35 seconds
- Full ahead both engines
10.1 knots average

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HMAS BANKS

Report of Proceedings 2nd/3rd Nov + 29 Nov -

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1. 2 RANA courts combined with Army courts.
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18 DEC 1974

The Secretary,
Department of Defence (Navy Office),
CANBERRA, A.C.T. 2600

H.M.A.S. BANKS REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Reference: R & I Appendix 29A.

1. On Saturday 2nd November, 1974 the ship under the Command of Leut. RLEX A.R. Lindsay, proceeded at 0800 for a Week-end Training Cruise to the Port Giles area, anchoring overnight and returning to the Naval Wharf at 1545 on Sunday.

2. On Tuesday 5th November, 1974 the ship under the Command of Lieutenant Commander A.G.T. Bennett slipped and proceeded at 2000 for Night Training in the Port Adelaide River, securing to Naval Wharf at 2200.

3. On Friday 29th November, 1974 the ship under the Command of Leut. RLEX A.R. Lindsay proceeded at 2000 for Week-end Training in co-operation with the Army in the Kingscote Area, Kangaroo Island, anchoring overnight Saturday and returning to Naval Wharf at 1530 Sunday 1st. December, 1974.

4. The incident referred to in Para 10 of BANKS Report of Proceedings has been raised with the Army authorities and may be considered closed.

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H. J. P. Adams
(H.J.P. ADAMS),
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HMAS BANKS,
PORT ADELAIDE

4th November, 1974

Naval Officer In Charge,
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

HMAS BANKS - Report of Proceedings

Weekend Training Cruise: 2/3 November, 1974

Sir,

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS Banks under my Command from 2nd November to 3rd November, 1974. Times throughout are Kilo/Lima (-10½).
2. The ships company joined at 0700 on Saturday, 2nd November and prepared the ship for sea. Key Specialist sailors had joined the previous evening. At 0730, 23 personnel from A Company, 10 RSAR joined the ship, stowed their gear and received instruction on fire, life saving and leaving ship drill.
3. At 0800 the ship sailed from her berth at Gawler Reach and passage was made to Outer Harbour in cold, windy and overcast conditions. Leaving ship and fire exercises were conducted.

At Outer Harbour it was decided to continue with passage to Pt. Giles. Some sailors and soldiers were affected by seasickness. Direct passage was made to Pt. Giles.
4. 21 Army personnel and 3 RANR personnel were landed on the Pt. Giles jetty at 1445, after some difficulty in securing alongside. The group landed proceeded directly to carry out the program described by 10 RSAR as Exercise "Bag Wash". The Pt. Giles jetty is not recommended for use with HMAS Banks in strong southerly wind and/or sea conditions. At 1450 the ship sailed from Pt. Giles jetty and proceeded towards Edithburgh.
5. An anchorage was carried out 1 mile off Edithburgh jetty. This was followed by a point ship exercise and a mooring exercise. The ship was secured alongside Edithburgh jetty at 1742. Leave to sailors NRFD was granted from 1945.
6. 19 Army personnel and the 3 members of ships company joined the ship from 0645 on Sunday, 3rd November. Gear and weapons were restowed and the ship sailed from Edithburgh jetty at 0740. (2 Army personnel returned to Adelaide by road).
7. During a comfortable passage to Adelaide with strong NE winds, the derrick was topped and bosuns chair and Neil Robertson stretcher exercises were conducted using the derrick. Other exercises included lowering the boat, dropping a dan bouy and Emergency steering tests.

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8. The ship entered Outer Harbour at 1315 and secured alongside the Naval Wharf, Gawler Reach at 1430. Rounds were carried out and the ship secured at 1545.
9. The morale of the ships company remained high during the weekend. There was a good interchange with CMF personnel. Captain P. Thompson of 10 RSAR was delighted with the success of the weekend from the point of view of his own exercise - Operation "Bag Wash".

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

A.R. LINDSAY
LEUT. RLEX
COMMANDING OFFICER

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ANNEX "A" TO HMAS BANKS REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Weekend Training Cruise: 2/3 November, 1974

Total Distance Steamed - 103.8 miles
Time Underway - 15 Hours
Average Speed - 7 knots

ANNEX "B"

The following exercises were carried out Saturday, 2nd November:

Fire
Leaving ship
Neil Robertson stretcher
Anchorage
Point ship
Moor ship
Man overboard exercises

Sunday 3rd November:

Fire
Leaving ship
Neil Robertson stretcher
Topped derrick - bosuns chair
Flashing exercises
Dan buoy dropped and recovered
Motor boat lowered and tested
Emergency Steering tested

ANNEX "C"

Movements during the weekend:

2nd November - Gawler Reach to Pt. Giles
- Pt. Giles to Edithburgh
3rd November - Edithburgh to Gawler Reach

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ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY

HMAS Banks,
PORT ADELAIDE.

7th December, 1974

Naval Officer in Charge,
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

HMAS Banks - Report of Proceedings

Weekend Training Cruise: 29/30 Nov. & 1 Dec. 1974

Sir,

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS Banks under my command from 29th November to 1st December, 1974. Times throughout are Kilo/Lima (-10 $\frac{1}{2}$).
2. The Ships Company joined at 1900 on Friday, 29th November, and prepared the ship for sea. Key specialists had joined the ship earlier. At 1930, 17 personnel (including 7 Officers) from 6MC Training Group, under Lt. Col. G. McGowan joined the ship, stowed their gear and were instructed on leaving ship and fire drills.
3. At 2005 the ship sailed from her Gawler Reach berth and passage was made to Outer Harbour in fair weather. A comfortable passage was made to Eastern Cove, Kangaroo Island, with Army personnel receiving instruction in ship-handling, lookout duties and, for the 7 Officers, basic fixing.
4. The ship was anchored at Eastern Cove at 0604 on 30th November. Army Reserve personnel proceeded ashore with 2 RANR sailors, acting as boat handlers for the day. One permanent Army W/O stayed on board the ship.
5. Exercises for the day included point ship, blind pilotage and anchorage, survey exercise (Seaboat with handlead, Banks with Echo Sounder), Dan buoy streamed and recovered, Neil Robertson stretcher exercise, O.O.W. exercises, fire exercise, leaving ship exercises, emergency steering exercise.
6. Army Reserve personnel were embarked, after anchoring off American Bay, at 1700. Passage was then made to Kingscote where the ship secured alongside at 1910. Leave was granted to sailors NRFD at 2000.

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7. The ship sailed from Kingscote Jetty at 0335 in balmy conditions. At 0355 the Starboard engine was stopped due to overheating. The port engine was also stopped shortly afterwards and the ship was anchored in safe waters. The possibility of a blockage in seawater suction was investigated but no fault was found. The ship weighed and proceeded at 0540 on the Port engine. The Starboard engine was restarted at 0834 and passage made to Adelaide.
8. During the passage to Adelaide various joint Service exercises were conducted involving the derrick, helo strop and bosuns chair, shiphandling and basic fixing.
9. The ship entered Outer Harbour at 1410 and secured Starboard side alongside the Naval Wharf, Gawler Reach at 1525 in strong southerly winds. Army Reserve personnel and gear, including Assault Boat, were landed by 1600. Rounds were carried out and the ship secured at 1645.
10. The morale of the ships company remained high during the weekend. 6 sailors were adrift from leave. I was not entirely satisfied with certain aspects of the conduct of the Army Reserve personnel from 6MC Training Group. However, they entered lustily and willingly into most joint service tasks we arranged. I heard mixed reports on the success of their own exercises ashore on Saturday, 30th November, 1974.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

A.R. LINDSAY
LEUT. RLEX

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ANNEX "A" TO HMAS BANKS REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Weekend Training Cruise: 29/30 Nov. & 1 Dec. 1974

Total Distance steamed - 184.3 miles
Time Underway - 26.5 hours
Average Speed - 6.9 knots

ANNEX "B"

The following exercises were carried out Friday, 29 November:

Leaving Ship procedure
Man Overboard procedure
Life Jacket usage

Saturday, 30 November:

Point Ship
Blind Pilotage
Survey exercise
First Aid & Neil Robertson stretcher
Emergency Steering
Laying & recovering dan bouy
O.O.W. exercises
Fire exercises

Sunday, 1 December:

Topped derrick - Bosuns chair and Helo strop exercises
Service Standing Rigging

ANNEX "C"

Movements during the weekend:

29th November - Passage from Gawler Reach to Eastern Cove
- Passage to Eastern Cove
Exercises - Eastern Cove
Eastern Cove to Kingscote
1st December - Kingscote to Gawler Reach

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- Вуарели Сале до Кинескоге
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- Вуарели до Вуарели Сале
- 20-го ноября - Вуарели Сале до Сунгук Невсу до Вуарели Сале

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Земельный участок в Вуарели
Доброй земли - земля сруб и его артефакты

Земельный 1 декабря:

- Земельный участок
- 0*0*4* земельный
- земельный и сельскохозяйственный фонд
- земельный участок
- Земельный участок в Невсу Невсу Невсу
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- Земельный участок
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- Земельный участок - 0*0*4* участка
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HMAS BANKS - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Reference: R & I Appendix 29A

On Saturday 7th December 1974, the Ship under the command of LCDR B.L. HAUGAARD proceeded at 0900 for a single day training cruise.

After exercising in the Largs Bay Area, the ship returned and secured to the Naval Wharf at 1530. Times are Zone I-J.

H.J.P. Adams

(H.J.P. ADAMS)
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Commanding Officer

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