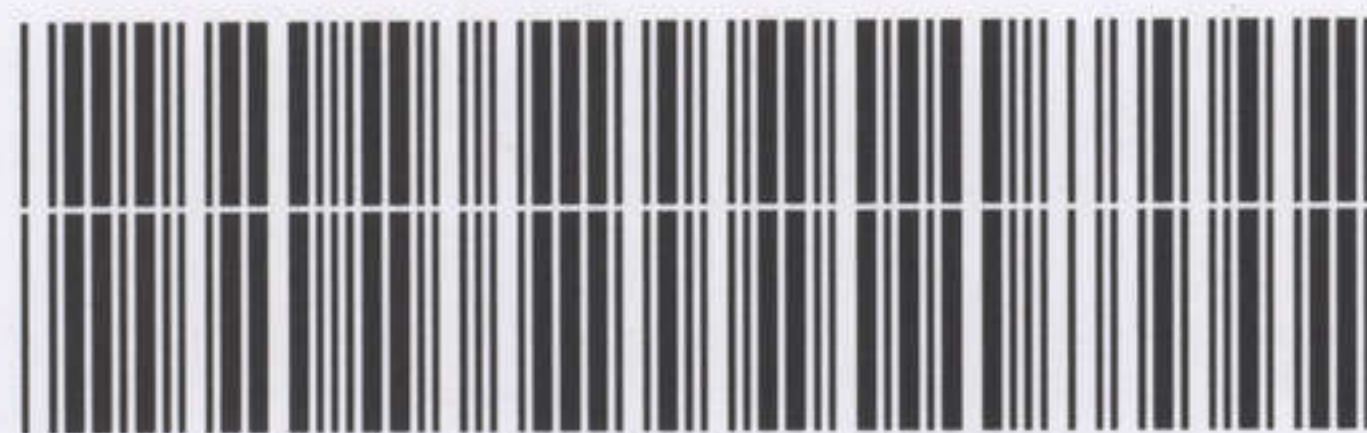


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Lieut. J.H. Utting, C?O. HMAMB "AVONITA C.C. 712.

31st. October, 1945.

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Commanding Officer, HMAS "Leeuwin II", KEANE'S POINT.
(Copy to Secretary, Naval Board.)

REPORT ON MONTHLY PROCEEDINGS FOR MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1945.

Submitted:

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1st. to 8th. Oct.	Standby at Depot.
9th.	Rottneest with Allied Works Officers. Running time 8 hours. Dist. 40 miles (approx.)
10th. " 11th. "	Standby at Depot.
12th.	Torpedo Jetty with Lt/Cdr. Roland Smith, survey duties. Running time 1 hour. dist. 5 miles (approx.)
13th. to 16th. "	Standby at Depot.
17th.	Rottneest with Accounts Officers. Running time 8 hours. Distance 40 miles (approx.)
18th.	Garden Island with B.D.F. Officers, inspection of Boom. Running time 8 hours. Dist. 40 miles (approx.)
19th. to 21st. "	Standby at Depot.
22nd.	Survey duties at Torpedo Jetty. Running time 3 hours. Distance 15 miles (approx.)
23rd.	Survey duties at Torpedo Jetty. Running time 3 hours. Distance 15 miles (approx.)
24th. to 29th. "	Standby at Depot.
30th.	Torpedo Jetty for Comm. Kennedy & Senator Tangney. Running time 1 hr. distance 5 miles.
31st.	Standby at Depot.

Total running time for month . . . 32 hours.

Total distance run for month . . . 160 miles.

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31st. October. 1945.

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Total running time since commissioning . . 2929 hours.

Total distance run since commissioning . . 14555 miles (appr.)

Health of crew . . . very good.

Morale of crew . . . excellent.

Conduct of Crew . . . very good.

Lieut. RANVR.
Commanding Officer,
H.M.A.M.B. "AVONITA".

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Commanding Officer, H.M.A.M.B. "Avenita", No. 712.

11th. October, 1945.

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Commanding Officer, H.M.A.S. "Leeuwin II", KEANE'S POINT.
(Copy to Secretary, Naval Board.)

REPORT ON PROCEEDINGS FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1945.

Submitted:

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- Sept. 1st. Harbour patrol.
Running time 1 hr. Distance 5 miles (approx.)
- " 2nd. Depot standby.
- " 3rd - Harbour patrol,
- 4th. Running time 4 hours. Distance 20 miles (approx.)
- " 5th.- Depot standby.
- 7th.
- " 8th.- To Rottneest in search of dinghy.
- 9th. Running time 11 hrs. Distance 55 miles (approx.)
- " 10th.- Depot standby.
- 14th.
- " 15th.- Rottneest special duties.
- 16th. Running time 15 hours. Distance 75 miles (approx.)
- " 17th.- Depot.
- 30th.

Total running time for month. . . . 32 hours.
Total distance run for month. . . . 160 miles (approx.)

Total running time since commissioning . . . 2897 hours.
Total distance since commissioning . . . 14395 miles (approx.)

Crews health very good.
Crews morale excellent.

J.H. Utting. Lieut. RANVR.
Commanding Officer,
H.M.A.M.B. "Avenita".

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COASTAL CRAFT REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
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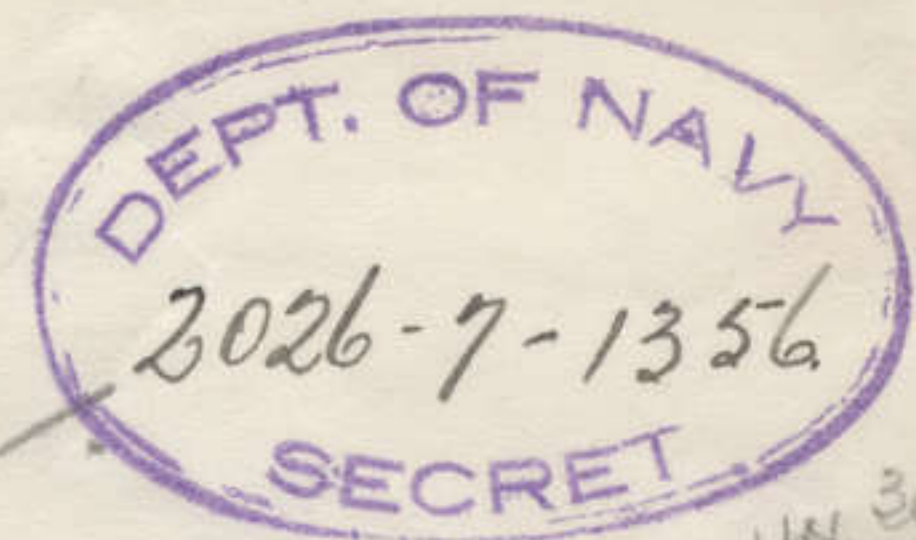
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"KIMRA"
"JAMES INNES"
"BICTON"
"AVONITA"

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(Sgd) C.J. Pope

COMMODORE, R.A.N.,
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Sub/Lieut. J. H. Utting, H.M.A.S. "AVONITA". (No. 712).

15th. September, 1945.

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Commanding Officer, H.M.A.S. "Leeuwin II", KEANE'S POINT.

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REPORT ON PROCEEDINGS FOR MONTH OF AUGUST, 1945.

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- 1st. to 2nd. August - Depot Standby.
- 3rd. to 5th. " - Harbour Patrol.
Running time 8 hrs. Distance 40 miles (approx)
- 6th. to 8th. " - Depot Standby.
- 9th. to 11th. " - Harbour Patrol.
Running time 6 hrs. Distance 30 miles (approx)
- 12th. to 14th. " - Depot standby.
- 15th. to 17th. " - Harbour Patrol.
Running time 3 hrs. Distance 15 miles (approx)
- 18th. to 20th. " - Depot standby.
- 21st. to 23rd. " - Harbour Patrol.
Running time 5 hrs. distance 25 miles (approx)
- 24th. " - Depot Standby.
- 25th. to 29th. " --Harbour Patrol.
Running time 9 hrs. Distance 45 miles (approx)
- 30th. " - Depot standby.
- 31st. " - Harbour Patrol
Running time 1 hr. distance 5 miles (approx.)

Total running time for month 32 hours.
 Total running time since commissioning . . 2865 hours.

Distance run during month 160 miles. (approx)
 Distance run since commissioning . . 14235 Miles (approx)

Crews health - very good.
 " conduct - excellent.
 Morale - excellent.

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 J.H. Utting. Sub/Lt. RANVR.

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Commanding Officer, H.M.A.M.B. "Avonita" No. 712.

9th. August, 1945.

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Commanding Officer, H.M.A.S. "Leeuwin II", KEANE'S POINT.

REPORT ON PROCEEDINGS FOR MONTH OF JULY, 1945.

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Submitted:

- 1st. to 11th. July. In depot for engine overhaul.
- 12th. July. Noise trials with H.M. Submarines "Trump" and "Tiptoe".
Running time 6 hours. Distance 30 miles (appr)
- 13th. " Depot stand-by.
- 14th. to 16th. " Patrol duties at Harbour entrance and in Harbour.
Running time 10 hours. Distance 50 miles (app)
- 17th. to 27th. " Depot for engine adjustments and deck repairs.
- 28th. to 30th. " Patrol duties at Harbour entrance and in Harbour.
Running time 14 hours. Distance 70 miles (appr)

Total running time for month	30 hours.
Total distance run for month	150 miles (appr.)

Total running time since commissioning.	2833 hours.
Total distance run since commissioning.	14075 miles (appr)

Health of crew . . . very good.
Morale of crew . . . excellent.

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Sub/Lieut. R.A.N.V.R.
Commanding Officer,
H.M.A.S.M. "AVONITA".

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Commanding Officer, H.M.A.S. "AVONITA" C.C. 712

10th July, 1945

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Commanding Officer, H.M.A.S. LEEUWIN II, (Copy to Secretary,
Naval Board)

REPORT ON PROCEEDINGS FOR MONTH OF JUNE

June 2nd - 10th.	Patrol duties at Harbour Entrance in company with Margaret and Lancelin. Running time 27 hours Distance 135 miles (approx.)
June 11th - 17th	At Depot moorings for minor repairs.
June 18th - 20th	Patrol duties at Harbour Entrance and in Harbour Running time 9 hours Distance 45 miles
June 21st - 24th	At Depot moorings for minor repairs.
June 25th - 27th	Patrol duties at Harbour Entrance and in Harbour Running time 17 hours Distance 85 miles (approx.)
	Total running time for month 53 hours " " " since commissioning 2803 hours
	Total distance run for month 265 miles " " " since commissioning 13925m. (app)
Health of crew	very good
Morale	excellent

J.H. Utting
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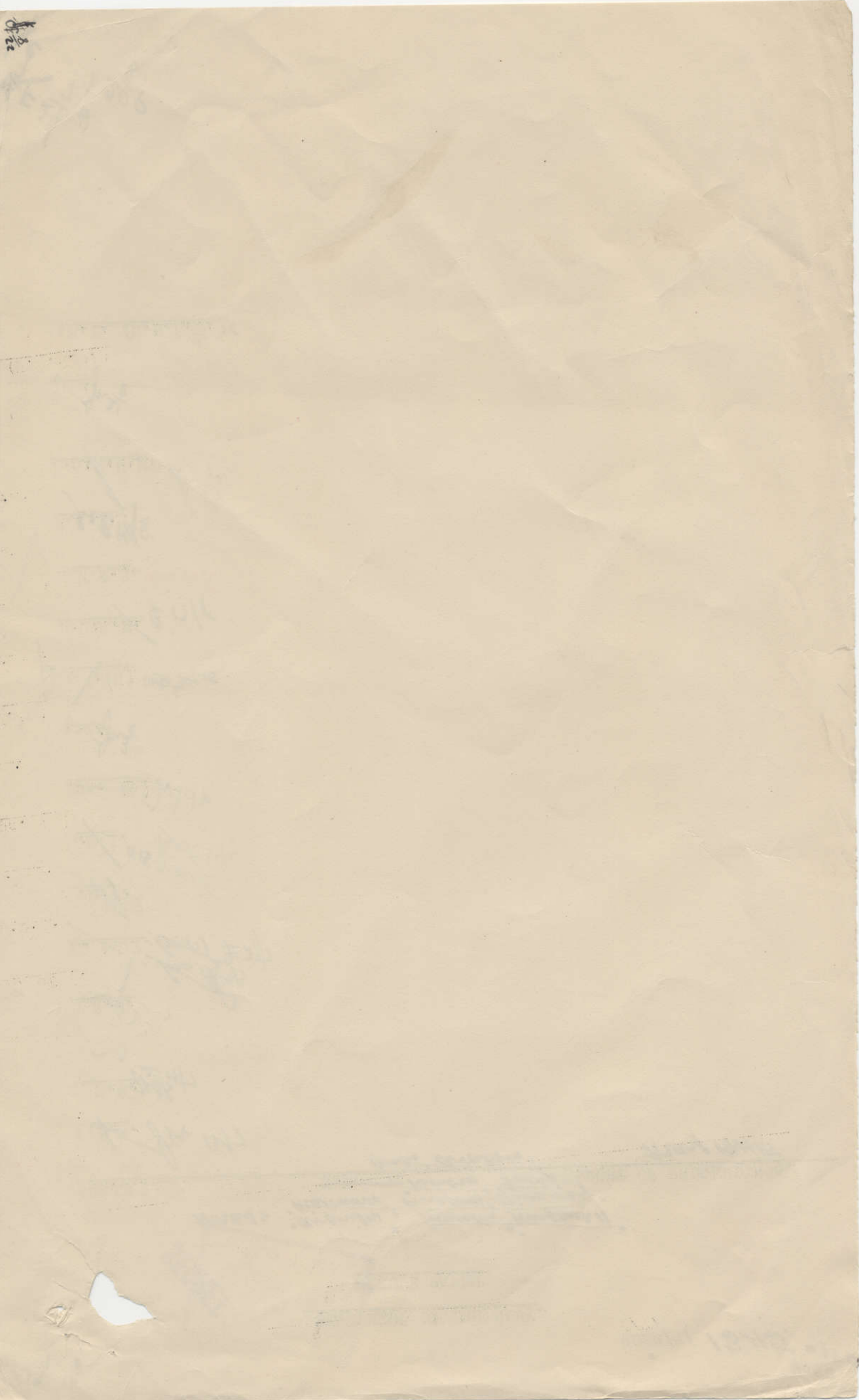
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- "PINAFORE" ✓ -
- "MARGARET II" ✓ -
- "SPINAWAY" ✓ -
- "HIAWATHA" ✓ -
- "LANCELIN" ✓ -
- "KIMRA" ✓ -
- "GRELKA" ✓ -
- "AVALON" ✓ -

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COMMODORE, R.A.N.,
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Commanding Officer, H.M.A.S. "Leeuwin II", KRANE'S POINT.
(Copy to Secretary)
REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR MONTH OF MAY, 1945. (Naval Board)

Submitted:

1. 1st. May to 9th. May - Patrol duties at Harbour Entrance in company with "Spinaway" and "Pinafore".
Running time 44 hrs. Distance 220 (app.)
2. 10th. to 13th. May - Patrol duties at Rottneest.
Running time 20 hours. Distance 100 miles (app.)
3. 14th. to 22nd. May - Patrol duties at Harbour entrance in company with "Lancelin" and "Margaret".
Running time 25 hours. Distance 125 miles (app.)
4. 23rd. to 28th. May - Patrol duties at Rottneest.
Running time 23 hours. Distance 140 miles (app.)
5. 29th. to 31st. May - Minor repairs in Depot ("Leeuwin II")
6. Distance run during month 585 miles (app.)
Distance run since commissioning 13660 " "
7. Hours under way during month 117
Hours under way since commissioning 2750.
8. Health of Ship's company very good. Morale excellent.

J.H. Utting. Sub/Lt.RANVR.

Commanding Officer,
H.M.A.S. "Avonita".

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COMMANDING OFFICER "LEEUWIN II" (Copy to Secretary
 Naval Board)
REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR MONTH OF APRIL, 1945

SUBMITTED:

1. April 1st to 7th Patrol duty at Harbour Entrance in company with Pinafore and Avalon.
 Running time 23 hours Distance 75 miles (approx.)
2. 8th - 17th General overhaul at Depot.
3. April 18th - 30th Patrol Duty at Harbour Entrance in company with "Lancelin" and "Pinafore".
 Running time 56 hours Distance 230 miles (Approx.)
4. Distance run during month 305 miles
 " " since commissioning 13075 " (approx.)
 Hours under way during month 79 hours
 " " since commissioning 2633 "

Health of Ship's company is good and morale excellent.

HW

J.H. Utting, Sub.Lt. RANVR

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From: Commanding Officer, H.M.A.M.B. "AVONITA" (no.712)
Date: 3rd April 1945 Reference No. 251/4099
To: Commanding Officer, H.M.A.S. "LEEUWIN II"
Subject: REPORT ON PROCEEDINGS FOR MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1945.

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Submitted:

February 4th & 5th. Patrol duty with H.M.S. King
George V. Running time 14 hours 40 minutes, Distance 75 miles (app)

February 6th: Noise trials in connection with H.M.S.
"Maidstone". Running time 6 hours. Distance 30 miles (app).

February 7th to 16th: Patrol duties at Harbour
entrance in company with "Pinafore" and "Lancelin". Running time
43 hours. Distance 215 miles (app.)

February 19th to 22nd: Rottneest Patrol. Running
hours 16 hours. Distance 80 (app.)

February 27th to 28th: Patrol duties at Harbour
Entrance in company with "Hiawatha" and "Avalon".

Running time 6 hours, Distance 30 miles.

Total Running Time 85 hours, 40 minutes. Distance
(app) 430 miles.

Total Running time since commissioning 2454 hours.

Total distance run since commissioning 12270 miles

Crew: Health. very good.

Morale. Excellent.

(Sgd.) J.H. Utting
Sub Lieut. RANVR.
Commanding Officer
H.M.A.S. "AVONITA".