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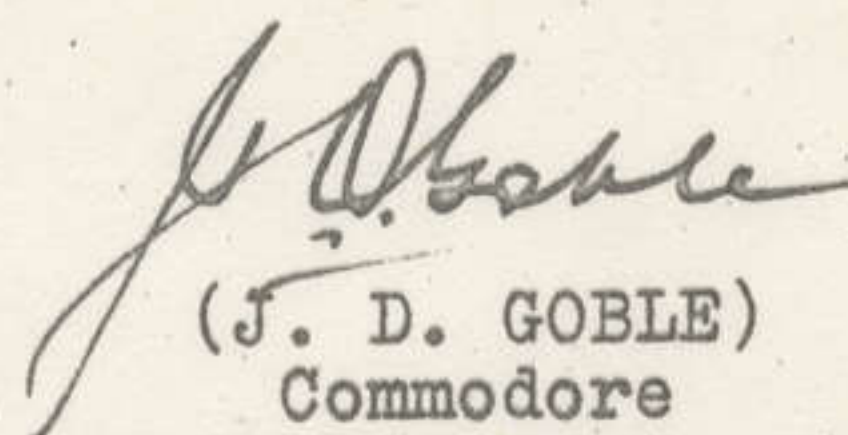
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HMAS PERTH,
at Long Beach.

1st February, 1975.

The Flag Officer Commanding,
HM AUSTRALIAN FLEET.



For Information

The Australian Naval Attache,
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The Commander,
FIRST AUSTRALIAN DESTROYER SQUADRON.

The Commanding Officer,
HMAS BRISBANE.

The Commanding Officer,
HMAS HOBART.



HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - JANUARY, 1975.

Sir,

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of Her Majesty's Australian Ship PERTH, under my command, for the month of January, 1975. Times throughout are Zone (+8).
2. During the month PERTH has been in Long Beach Naval Shipyard hands for repair and modernisation work. The Ship's company leave period continued during the month.
3. On Wednesday 15th January accompanied by my wife I attended a dinner meeting of the Long Beach Council of the Navy League of the United States and gave an address on the subject of the 'Royal Australian Navy'.
4. On Saturday 25th January I attended an Australia Day reception given by the Consul-General in Los Angeles Mr. P.R.Searcy OBE and on Monday 27th January at 1800 I hosted a reception at my home for some 100 persons principally for those associated with PERTH's activities in the Long Beach area.
5. The appeal for Darwin relief closed onboard on Wednesday 29th January. The final total collected was \$1639.16 and included contributions by shipyard employees working onboard.

WEAPONS ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

6. The recovery programme for the NCDS and Digital Tartar installation phase is proceeding according to schedule with cold and hot wire checking occurring simultaneously with the final installation of equipments. All other up-date tasks are on time.
7. There is some concern that support systems may not meet their completion dates; however, the shipyard is confident that the checkout will remain on schedule.

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8. A meeting with representatives from FLTCOMBATDIRSSACT (Dam Neck Programming Centre), NAVSEA and the Combat Systems Group of LBNSY was held on 8th January regarding the NCDS Operational Program Functional Checkout (OPFCO). It was resolved that the standard USN program would be delivered as scheduled during the latter portion of shipyard period, with an updated program available in July after the completion of Combat System Proving Trials. This updated version of the NCDS operational program will enable use of the ninth multifunction display and the radar video simulator, neither equipments being installed in USN DDG's.

MARINE ENGINEERING

9. Progress of shipyard and ship's staff work remains satisfactory and the retubing of boilers is on schedule.

10. Although there are still outstanding demands for onboard maintenance spares they are not at this stage critical to the scheduled boiler hydro's and final light-off.

SUPPLY AND SECRETARIAT

11. The SOAP schedule remains in arrears. However it is considered that the more important final actions will not be delayed and the reload will take place on schedule. The COSAL was received early in the month and the Supply Availability Card (SAC) deck is in the process of being updated, together with other ancillary actions, prior to input to the NSC Oakland computer for processing. Some doubts exist at present as to the FLSIP computation used by the USN in the construction of PERTH's COSAL. Clarification has been sought that the required .15 factor was used and not .25 as indicated on the COSAL fly leaf. My 102130Z JAN 75 refers.

12. Supply of maintenance materiel through Long Beach Naval Shipyard supply department has resolved many of the difficulties previously being experienced. However, at this juncture, PERTH has over obligated available funds and the shipyard is reluctant to proceed with any great volume of further requisitions until more funds are made available. A request to provide a funding of \$A40,000 was made in November for this form of requisitioning (my 271737Z NOV 74 and ANA(W) 152030Z JAN 75 refer) but as yet provision has not been made.

GENERAL

13. The health, welfare and conduct of the Ship's Company are satisfactory. Because of shipyard activity, sailors sleeping spaces onboard are largely uninhabitable and although the Ship's Company are victualled onboard only the duty watches are billeted in the ship. The material state of the ship taking into consideration update progress and the current leave period is considered to be satisfactory.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant.

P.J. Hutson

(P.J. HUTSON)
CAPTAIN RAN
COMMANDING OFFICER

Annex to HMAS IERIN Letter
1/16/1 dated 1st February,
1975.

ANNEX 'A' - STEAMING ANNEX JANUARY 1975.

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| 1. Distance steamed during the month of January | NIL |
| 2. Hours underway during January | NIL |
| 3. Total distance steamed since first commissioning | 321,584.0 |
| 4. Total hours underway since first commissioning | 22,919 ²⁰ /60 |
| 5. Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed. | NIL |

ANNEX 'B' - EXERCISE ANNEX JANUARY 1975.

DIVING

1. All divers not absent on long leave have been exercised through the month.
2. Annual diving medicals have been completed.

ANNEX 'D' - MOVEMENTS ANNEX JANUARY 1975.

NIL

ANNEX 'E' - OFFICERS MOVEMENTS

LEUT G.A.MORTON RAN	JOINED FROM	HARMAN N.O.	10 JANUARY 1975
LEUT J.D. RIDLER RAN	JOINED FROM	WARATAH	20 JANUARY 1975
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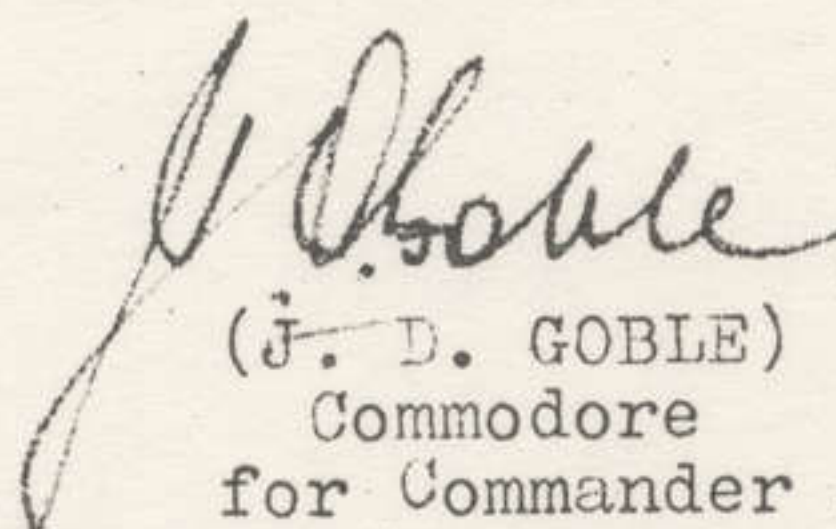
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The Secretary,
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HMAS PERTH,
at Long Beach.

4th March, 1975.

The Flag Officer Commanding,
HM AUSTRALIAN FLEET.

For Information

The Australian Naval Attache,
WASHINGTON.

The Commander,
FIRST AUSTRALIAN DESTROYER SQUADRON.

The Commanding Officer,
HMAS BRISBANE.

The Commanding Officer,
HMAS HOBART.



HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - FEBRUARY, 1975.

Sir,

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of Her Majesty's Australian Ship PERTH, under my command, for the month of February, 1975.

2. Throughout the month PERTH remained in Long Beach Naval Shipyard hands for repair and modernisation work. The Ship's Company continued to take leave during the period and with few exceptions all leave due in the 1974/75 leave year has now been taken.

3. On Tuesday 18th February as a preliminary to the production of the Total Combat Proving Trial Schedule, I attended a conference in Washington D.C. The conference, chaired by Mr. C.Thomas (NAVSEASYSCOM), included representatives of all activities concerned with planning the ship's proving trials and responsibilities together with a clear schedule of events were agreed.

WEAPONS ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

4. Update and repair work continued satisfactorily during the month. Most support systems are now operational and power has been applied to all weapons and electronics systems.

MARINE ENGINEERING

5. Shipyard and ship's staff work continues to progress satisfactorily. Some ship's staff tasks are being held up for want of spare gear; however promised delivery dates appear satisfactory to ensure completion before sea trials.

6. Retubing of all boilers is nearing completion and 2B boiler is now ready for hydro testing.

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SUPPLY & SECRETARIAT.

7. Although still in arrears in some areas of the operation, PERTH's SOAP is proceeding satisfactorily towards the requisitioning phase. The inventory shortage listing was received from NSC Oakland on 26th February and is now being reviewed in conjunction with listings from the contractors who will provide repair parts and spares as a direct supply to the ship. On completion of this review the refined shortage listing will be costed to ascertain whether local authority exists for immediate input of requisitions or further authority/funding is required.

8. PERTH remains in an over-obligated status for funding of maintenance material supplied through Long Beach Naval Shipyard Supply Department. This subject was discussed in my January report and although there has been no cessation to provision of material, the matter of funding has been raised on several occasions recently by the Shipyard Supply Officer.

TRAINING

9. On the 27th and 28th February a promotion board for 42 candidates was held. Of these 38 passed Part 1 and 35 passed Part 2.

GENERAL.

10. The spray painting of living spaces has progressed satisfactorily during the month and it is anticipated the majority of the Ship's Company will be accommodated onboard by the end of March.

11. The Ship's Company was instructed in security matters during the month and the Welfare Committee met on two occasions.

12. The health, welfare and conduct of the Ship's Company are satisfactory. The material state of the ship is also considered to be satisfactory in light of the high level of shipyard activity still going on.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant.

(Sgd) P. J. HUTSON

(P.J.HUTSON)
CAPTAIN RAN
COMMANDING OFFICER.

ANNEX A - STEAMING ANNEX - FEBRUARY 1975.

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| 2. Hours underway during February. | NIL. |
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| 4. Total hours underway since first commissioning. | 22,919 ²⁰ /60 |
| 5. Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed. | NIL. |

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ANNEX B - EXERCISE ANNEX - FEBRUARY 1975.

DIVING

No diving training has been carried out during the month due to the absence on leave of the ship's qualified supervisor.

ANNEX D - MOVEMENTS ANNEX - FEBRUARY 1975.

NIL.

ANNEX E - OFFICERS MOVEMENTS - FEBRUARY 1975.

NIL.

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Rear Admiral
Commander Australian Fleet

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HMAS PERTH,
at Long Beach.

4th April, 1975.

The Flag Officer Commanding,
HM AUSTRALIAN FLEET.

For Information:

The Australian Naval Attache,
WASHINGTON.

The Commander,
FIRST AUSTRALIAN DESTROYER SQUADRON.

The Commanding Officer,
HMAS BRISBANE.

The Commanding Officer,
HMAS HOBART.

HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - MARCH, 1975.

Sir,

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of Her Majesty's Australian Ship PERTH, under my command, for the month of March, 1975. Times throughout are Zone (-7).
2. Throughout the month PERTH has been in Long Beach Naval Shipyard hands for repair and modernisation work.
3. At 0215 on Monday 3rd March, a bomb threat telephone call was received. The RAN procedures followed were similar to those taken in USN ships at Long Beach which have been frequently subjected to these calls in the past. No suspicious objects were found and normal activities resumed onboard at 0415.
4. On Tuesday 11th March at 1155, His Excellency the Australian Ambassador to the United States, Sir Patrick Shaw CBE visited the ship for a brief tour. He was accompanied by the Australian Consul-General in Los Angeles, Mr. P.R. Searcy OBE, and the Australian Naval Attache, Washington, Commodore R.H. Percy, RAN. I was pleased to also entertain these visitors to luncheon onboard.
5. On Saturday 15th March my wife and I attended the Navy Ball at the Beverly Wilshire, Los Angeles as guests of the Ball Committee. The guest of honour was the Commander in Chief US Pacific Fleet, Admiral M.F. Weisner.
6. On the evening of Thursday 20th March the ship's company held a most successful dinner/dance in Long Beach.

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7. During the week commencing Monday 24th March a series of conferences were held onboard and in the Shipyard to discuss Total Combat System Proving Trials, DDG Updates and the NCDS Project. Representatives from the Department of Defence (Navy), NAVSEASYS COM, SMA, COMBAT DIRSSACT DAMNECK, and other authorities in the Southern California area were involved and much useful discussion directed towards the ship's progress and proposed trials resulted.

WEAPONS ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

8. Update and repair work continued satisfactorily during the month. The transfer of testing authority from the production shops to the Combat Systems Office commenced during the month, reflecting the shift of emphasis from equipment to system level testing as the update enters its final phase.

MARINE ENGINEERING

9. 2B boiler was successfully lit off on the scheduled date of 24th March. Since that date safety valves have been set on both aft boilers and auxiliary machinery testing has progressed satisfactorily.

10. Final hydrostatic tests have been completed on both forward boilers and the planned light off date for the forward unit of 4th April is expected to be met.

SUPPLY & SECRETARIAT.

11. A major milestone in the SOAP was reached during the month with the input of all shortage requisitions for which sufficient funding had been made available. A small number of high value items did not qualify for input due to lack of funds and these are currently being reviewed in Navy Office.

12. All excess materiel has been segregated and awaits Navy Office instructions regarding final disposition. It is estimated that the whole, totalling 12,082 line items, when fully packaged to a satisfactory standard, will exceed 2,000 cubic feet.

13. Last minute additions and items which have been identified as requirements during manual review of the new COSAL, are cumulatively producing a listing which will be input as the first supplementary requisition shortage package after the scheduled cut-off date, 15 April. Further funding will be sought for this and a final supplementary package due to be input at the end of June.

14. The position regarding lack of funds for maintenance materiel requisitions proceeded through the Long Beach Naval Shipyard Supply Department remains unchanged since my last report.

GENERAL

15. An intensive programme of instruction in life saving equipments and damage control commenced in the latter half of the month.

16. The use of USMC instructors and facilities in the Long Beach and Camp Pendleton areas during the month enabled the Landing and Boarding Parties to be trained in depth in all facets of their duties.

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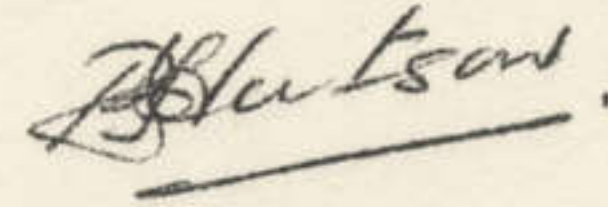
17. The Ship's Welfare Committee met on two occasions during the month.

18. The health, welfare and conduct of the Ship's Company are satisfactory. The material state of the ship is improving steadily in preparation for sea trials which will commence in late April and is considered to be satisfactory.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant.



(P.J.HUTSON)
CAPTAIN RAN
COMMANDING OFFICER

Annexes to HMAS PERTH letter
1.16.1 dated 4th April, 1975.

ANNEX A - STEAMING ANNEX - MARCH 1975.

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| 2. Hours underway during March. | NIL |
| 3. Total distance steamed since first commissioning. | 321,584.00 |
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| 5. Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed. | NIL. |

ANNEX B - EXERCISE ANNEX - MARCH 1975

DIVING

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>
11th	0830-1100	Underwater cathode survey.
17th	1000-1100	Salvage industrial equipment.
20th	0930-1130	Plug/inplug compressor inlets for maintenance purposes.

ANNEX C - MOVEMENTS ANNEX - MARCH 1975.

NIL

ANNEX D - OFFICERS MOVEMENTS - MARCH 1975.

LEUT D.S.PERT RAN	-	FROM HARMAN	-	4 MARCH 1975
LEUT R.CAWTHORN RAN	-	TO WATSON	-	24 MARCH 1975.

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2. Manxwing sea trials.

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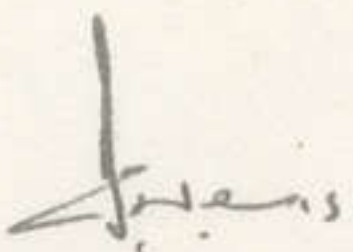
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HMAS PERTH,
at Long Beach.

5th May, 1975.

The Flag Officer Commanding,
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For Information

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The Commander,
FIRST AUSTRALIAN DESTROYER SQUADRON.

The Commanding Officer,
HMAS BRISBANE.

The Commanding Officer,
HMAS HOBART.

HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - APRIL, 1975.

Sir,

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of Her Majesty's Australian Ship PERTH, under my command, for the month of April, 1975. Times throughout are Zone (+7).
2. Throughout the month PERTH has been in Long Beach Naval Shipyard hands for repair and modernisation work with the major event during the period being machinery sea trials on 29th and 30th April.
3. A new USN Command Structure was implemented on 1st April and on Wednesday 2nd April I went to San Diego to call on the Commander Naval Surface Forces U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMNAVSURFPAC), Vice Admiral Robert S. Salzer, his deputy, Rear Admiral W.H. Rogers and the Commandant, Eleventh Naval District, Rear Admiral F.B. Gilkeson.
4. In the afternoon of Wednesday 16th April an inter-departmental sports day involving some 120 competitors was held. Despite a serious challenge from the Marine Engineering Department, the Seamen were winners in a programme of predominately athletic events.
5. On Thursday 24th April, shipyard activity onboard was held to a minimum whilst the ship exercised a full programme of drills and exercises primarily concerned with ensuring the ship's company were briefed fully before proceeding to sea the following week.
6. At 0800 on Tuesday 29th April PERTH cast off and proceeded to sea for her machinery sea trials with 79 naval shipyard employees embarked. The trials carried out during the period are listed in Annex C.

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WEAPONS ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING.

7. Update and repair work continued satisfactorily during the month. The modernisation completion date of 2nd June is still valid with respect to weapons and electronics work; however the digital Tartar system checkout is encountering some difficulties in the SPG-SIC area.

8. NCDS Operational Program Functional Checkout (OPFCO) commenced in early April, and is proceeding generally according to schedule.

9. Although the first sea trial was primarily concerned with the main machinery, the opportunity was taken to concurrently perform some electronics testing prior to the electronics/weapons sea trial in mid May. Among tests successfully completed were TACAN FAA certification, active ECM range certification, Link II operation and radio broadcast termination.

MARINE ENGINEERING

10. All scheduled cardinal event dates were met during the month and all machinery units were tested prior to a successful basin trial on the 22nd. The Machinery Sea Trials which were conducted on the 29th and 30th proved to be most successful and no major defects or discrepancies were revealed. The sea trials included; a four hour full power trial, a crash reversal to full power astern, a pump capacity test, ahead and astern steering tests and boiler flexibility tests.

SUPPLY AND SECRETARIAT

11. Approximately 4,500 line items of SOAP shortage materiel supplied by, and through, NSC Oakland have been merged with 3,300 line items supplies direct by contractors and stowed in the storeroom mock-ups located in the SOAP warehouse. Reload is due to commence on 15th May. Supplies which have failed to meet the reload deadline, plus increments resulting from input of supplemental requisition packages will be staged through the SOAP warehouse for loading during following weeks.

12. Initial indications are that the USN Supply system has responded to the SOAP shortage requisitions at approximately 60% availability. It is believed that this percentage will be increased substantially before the cut off date just prior to PERTH's departure from the USA.

13. Funding for the remainder of the SOAP shortages, the high value APA items, has still not been made available. My 212300Z MAR 75 refers.

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14. Throughout the month onboard training has been directed at ensuring the Ship's Company were instructed in damage control and firefighting, the purposes of NCDS and emergency drills. The quarterbill and watch and station bill were also proved.

15. All available ship's divers were exercised during the month.

16. The ship's Welfare Committee met on three occasions during the month.

17. The health, welfare and conduct of the Ship's Company are satisfactory. Living conditions onboard have almost returned to normal and the material state of the ship is considered satisfactory.

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Sir,

Your Obedient Servant.

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Enclosures:

Annex A. Steaming Figures.
Annex B. Exercises.
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Annex A to HMAS PERTH letter
1.16.1 dated 5th May , 1975.

STEAMING FIGURES.

1. Distance steamed during April 645.4
2. Hours underway during April. 37²⁵/60
3. Total distance steamed since first commissioning. 322,229.4
4. Total hours underway since first commissioning. 22,956⁴⁵/60

5. Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SPEED</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>REMARKS.</u>
29 APR	23	.3	Boiler Flex Test.
30 APR	23	.4	Boiler Flex Test.
30 APR	25	.4	Boiler Flex Test.
30 APR	22	1.3	Boiler Flex Test.
30 APR	20	.2	Sonar noise level measurements.
30 APR	22	.2	Sonar noise level measurements.
30 APR	24	.2	Sonar noise level measurements.
30 APR	24	1.2	Full power work-up.
30 APR	31	1.0	Full power work-up.
30 APR	33.7	3.5	Post refit full power trial.
30 APR	33	.4	Ahead steering trials.
30 APR	20 ASTERN	.5	Full power reversal and astern steering trial.

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EXERCISES CARRIED OUT DURING APRIL, 1975.

1. GENERAL

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EXERCISE</u>
24 APRIL	0900	Action Stations. Respirator Test.
	0930	Emergency Stations.
	0945	Leaving Ship Stations. o/c Life Jacket Demonstration..
	1030	DC Communications Exercise. Normal-air breathing apparatus demonstration. Medical Party Exercise.
	1130	Helo Transfer Party Exercise.
	1300	Special Sea Dutymen close-up. Check communications.
	1330	NBCD Exercise. Engineering Spaces Fire Exercise.
	1430	Demolition Party Exercise.

2. SEA TRIALS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EXERCISE</u>
29 APRIL	0943-0951	Main thrust bearing trial.
	1003-1727	Boiler Flex Tests.
	1552-1727	ULM4 ranging.
	2123-2359	Boiler Flex Tests.
30 APRIL	0001-0112	Boiler Flex Tests.
	0830-1201	Boiler Flex Tests.
	1207-1311	Sonar noise level measurements.
	1311-1317	Vibration tests.
	1317-1530	Work up to full power.
	1317-1430	Pump capacity tests.
	1530-1900	Full power trial.
	1900-1925	Ahead steering trials.
	1925-1930	Full power reversal.
	1930-1955	Astern steering trial.
	2239-2359	URD4/ESM polar diagram trials.

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3. DIVING EXERCISES.

All available Ship's Divers were exercised from 0900-1100 on the
17th April, 1975.

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dated 5th May, 1975.

SHIP'S MOVEMENTS DURING APRIL, 1975.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>REMARKS.</u>
29 APR	0800	Sailed Long Beach.
	1832	Entered Long Beach.
	2030	Sailed Long Beach.
30 APR	0703	Entered Long Beach.
	0755	Sailed Long Beach.
	2110	Entered Long Beach.
	2128	Sailed Long Beach.

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SHIP'S MOVEMENTS DURING APRIL, 1975.

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HMAS PERTH Report of Proceedings MAY 1975

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2. Minor damage sustained in collision with USS OGDEN
3. CNS vis. C.

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HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - MAY 1975

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HMAS PERTH Report 1/16/1 dated 5th June 1975

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HMAS PERTH,
at Long Beach.

5th June, 1975.

The Flag Officer Commanding,
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The Australian Naval Attache,
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FIRST AUSTRALIAN DESTROYER SQUADRON.

The Commanding Officer,
HMAS BRISBANE.

The Commanding Officer,
HMAS HOBART.



HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - MAY, 1975.

Sir,

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of Her Majesty's Australian Ship PERTH, under my command, for the month of May, 1975. Times throughout are Zone (+7).
2. During this final month of the modernisation in Long Beach Naval Shipyard the pace of work accelerated in order to complete outstanding work within the availability. In addition the ship proceeded to sea for a further two sea trial periods.
3. On Thursday 1st May PERTH was at sea completing the remainder of the machinery sea trials as listed in Annex B. On completion the ship berthed in the Shipyard at 1004.
4. At 1700 on Wednesday 7th May I attended a reception given by Long Beach City Council for the ship's officers and their wives at which I was honoured with the freedom of the City.
5. At 1130 on Monday 12th May I welcomed the Chief of the Naval Staff, Vice Admiral H.D.Stevenson CBE, onboard. He was accompanied by the Australian Naval Attache, Washington, Commodore R.H.Percy RAN and I had much pleasure in showing C.N.S. how much had been achieved during PERTH's time in the shipyard. Following his address to the Ship's Company we were joined at luncheon by the Australian Consul General in Los Angeles, Mr. P.R.Searcy OBE, the Commanding Officer Naval Support Activity Long Beach, Captain J.J.Meyer USN and the Commander Long Beach Naval Shipyard, Captain A.W.Duacsek USN. CNS and the other guests departed at 1400.
6. The following day at 0800 PERTH proceeded to sea for gun functioning trials. After ammunitioning at anchor inside the Long Beach breakwater the ship arrived in her assigned area at 1300 when the trials started. The gun functioning trials successfully completed at 2000 after firing 201 rounds and the correcting of some minor casualties.

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7. The second day of the sea trials was essentially assigned for long range electronics testing which is listed in Annex C. Not all the planned tests were achieved due to the unservicability of available tracking aircraft late in the day. The ship secured in the Shipyard at 1717.

8. The SOAP loadout commenced on Thursday 15th May at 0805. By considerable effort on the part of the SOAP team the loadout was completed one day ahead of schedule on Monday 19th May.

9. At 0800 on Tuesday 20th May PERTH proceeded to sea for further trials as listed in Annex B. Later that day at 1738 whilst proceeding alongside, the ship collided with the port after sponson of USS OGDEN, resulting in some minor damage to guardrails (My KKE210137Z MAY refers).

10. The next day at 0800 PERTH proceeded to sea to complete the remaining trials scheduled, returning alongside in the Shipyard at 1845 on Thursday 22nd May.

WEAPONS ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

11. Update and repair work continued during the month. The state of weapons and electronic equipment two days away from modernisation completion is satisfactory; however shipyard effort will undoubtedly continue to be required after 2nd June to complete combat system checkout and correct discrepancies.

12. Two shipyard sea trials were conducted during the month. The Weapons/Electronics sea trial on 13th and 14th May was concerned with proving the new 5"/54 Mk42 Mod 10 gun mounts, the certification of search radars and IFF, and acquisition and tracking performance of the gun and missile fire control systems. The gun functioning trial was successful with some minor discrepancies being rectified during and shortly after the trial. Reduced aircraft services enabled only the SPS-40C, SPS-10F and IFF systems to be certified, with the remainder of tests being postponed until the following week.

13. The final shipyard sea trial, during the 3 days 20th - 22nd May, comprised antenna radiation patterns, a radio frequency interference survey and the re-scheduled radar and weapons systems tests. Again controlled aircraft availability was a problem and further checks have been programmed for the week following refit completion.

MARINE ENGINEERING

14. Main and auxiliary machinery performed satisfactorily during the month and the two brief periods at sea without shipyard work allowed fine tuning of the boiler ACC system and re-familiarization with breakdown and casualty drills.

SUPPLY AND SECRETARIAT

15. The SOAP reload phase was completed in less time than that which had been scheduled and without incident. Although there will be further smaller loading operations as materiel is received in increments from NSC Oakland, the greater portion of the inventory has now been stowed onboard.

16. Before the reload commenced, a quality assurance check was performed randomly on 820 line items by the Supply Officer to validate the outcome of PERTH's SOAP project. This sampling produced an accuracy rate of 99.15%. The USN SOAP rules allow up to 2% error. Continuing random quality assurance checks will be carried out as opportunity permits to further verify the SOAP product.

17. Based on the initial input of SOAP shortage requisitions, the USN supply system is now showing an availability rate of 83%, while repair parts being supplied direct by contractors are almost 90% delivered at this point.

18. Final disposition of SOAP generated excesses remains undecided at present.

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19. An engineering promotion board was held on 15th and 16th May. Of seven candidates there were only two failures.

20. The ship's welfare committee met on three occasions during the month.

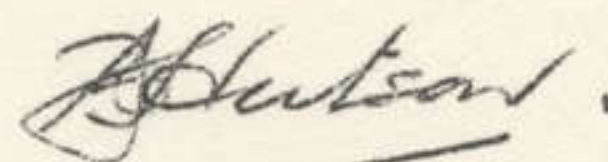
21. All divers onboard were exercised during the month apart from two who were absent on long leave.

22. The health, welfare and conduct of the ship's company are satisfactory. Living conditions onboard have returned to normal and the material state of the ship is now considered good.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant.



(P.J.HUTSON)
CAPTAIN RAN
COMMANDING OFFICER.

Enclosures:

- Annex A. Steaming figures.
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Annex A to HMAS PERTH letter 1.16.1
dated 5th June, 1975.

STEAMING FIGURES.

1. Distance steamed during May. 1,052.6
2. Hours underway during May. 85⁰⁸/60
3. Total distance steamed since first commissioning. 323,282.0
4. Total hours underway since first commissioning. 23,041.⁵³/60
5. Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SPEED</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
13MAY	24	1.3	Pump capacity trial.

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Annex B to HMAS PERTH letter 1.16.1
dated 5th June, 1975.

EXERCISES AND TRIALS

A. SHIPYARD TRIALS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>TRIAL</u>
1 MAY	0001-0038	ESM and URD4 D/F bearings.
	0702-0918	ULM4 Ranging
13 MAY	1330-2000	Gun Functioning Trial.
14 MAY	0859-0930	Balloon Tracking.
	1015-1200	Aircraft Tracking.
	1330-1450	Aircraft tracking.
	1550-1650	ECM Alignment.
20 MAY	0900-1641	Antenna Radiation Patterns.
21 MAY	1010-1622	Radio Frequency Interference Trials.
22 MAY	0702-0804	Balloon Tracking
	0804-1000	Aircraft Tracking.
	1415-1624	Aircraft Tracking.

B. SHIP TRIALS

21 MAY	1140-1455	Compass swing.
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C. EXERCISES

6 MAY	0840-1028	Divers Exercised in Hull Searches.
14 MAY	1010-1024	Steering Gear Breakdown.
15 MAY	0845-1004	Divers Exercised.
22 MAY	1005-1015	Steering Gear Breakdown.
	1036-1135	Man overboard drills.
	1322-1401	Man overboard drills.
23 MAY	0927-1146	Exercised Half Nocklace Search.
	0902-0945	Exercised Divers in Hull Searches.
	2008-2112	Night Diving Exercise.

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MOVEMENTS.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MOVEMENT</u>
1 MAY	1004	Secured Long Beach Shipyard.
13 MAY	0800	Departed Long Beach Shipyard.
	0839	Anchored E4 Explosive Anchorage.
	0955	Weighed and proceeded.
14 MAY	0702	Secured Long Beach Shipyard.
	0732	Departed Long Beach Shipyard.
	1717	Secured Long Beach Shipyard.
20 MAY	0800	Departed Long Beach Shipyard.
	1740	Secured Long Beach Shipyard.
21 MAY	0800	Departed Long Beach Shipyard.
	1903	Secured Long Beach Shipyard.
	1935	Departed Long Beach Shipyard.
22 MAY	1845	Secured Long Beach Shipyard.

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Annex D to HMAS PERTH letter 1.16.1
dated 5th June, 1975.

OFFICERS MOVEMENTS

SBLT J.S.COLLINS RAN	-	JOINED FROM HMAS CARPENTARIA	- 28 MAY 75
SBLT R.J.SHERWOOD RAN	-	JOINED FROM HMAS CARPENTARIA	- 28 MAY 75
LEUT J.S.PETRIE RAN	-	DEPARTED FOR HMAS HARMAN (NO)	- 29 MAY 75

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HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - JUNE 1975

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HMAS PERTH,
at Long Beach.

3rd July, 1975.

The Flag Officer Commanding,
HM AUSTRALIAN FLEET.

For Information:

The Australian Naval Attache,
WASHINGTON.

The Commander,
FIRST AUSTRALIAN DESTROYER SQUADRON.

The Commanding Officer,
HMAS BRISBANE.

The Commanding Officer,
HMAS HOBART.



HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - JUNE, 1975.

Sir,

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of Her Majesty's Australian Ship PERTH, under my command, for the month of June 1975. Times throughout are Zone (+7).
2. During the majority of the period the ship has been at sea carrying out post modernisation trials.
3. At 0001 on Tuesday 3rd June update availability at Long Beach Naval Ship Yard ended and PERTH came to 8 hours notice for sea. Later at 0800 the ship was moved by tugs into the Sonar Accuracy Check Site at Long Beach for tests.
4. After completing these tests on Thursday 5th June at 0800 the ship sailed from Long Beach for a FORACS ranging, after which the ship remained at sea to fulfil some outstanding shipyard trial requirements.
5. At 0750 Friday 6th June the ship berthed in Seal Beach to ammunition ship. This task was completed early and PERTH sailed from Seal Beach at 1353 for Long Beach where the ship later berthed at 1507.
6. My officers and I had the pleasure of attending a luncheon given in honour of the ship by Captain J.J. Meyer Jr. USN the Commanding Officer of the Naval Support Activity, Long Beach on Thursday 12th June.
7. An intensive trials programme (Total Combat System Proving Trials) commenced on Monday 16th June at 0900 when PERTH cast off and proceeded to sea. Despite the holding of a major exercise at the same time almost all of the services required of the USN for trials were provided during the sea portions of the Combat System Proving Trials. The services obtained are listed in Annex B.
8. In addition to trials the opportunity to work with some other USN units has allowed progress towards achieving most shakedown targets during the sea periods shown in Annex C.

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WEAPONS ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

9. Although the LBNSY modernisation availability officially completed at midnight on 2nd June, there were still a significant number of discrepancies and incomplete combat system tests which have been progressed while the ship has been alongside during the month. HMAS PERTH Final Modernisation Progress Report (letter 20/0/3 dated 17th June, 1975) details outstanding shipyard work at modernisation completion.

10. The two day period at the Sonar Accuracy Check Site (SACS) provided a real time measure of gyro, sonar, echo sounder and underwater telephone performance and accuracy. The SACS report indicated that the only out-of-tolerance results were the SQS-23F receive sensitivity and source level, and it was concluded that the present original TR152 transducer should be replaced as soon as practicable by the TR208 transducer (currently held in Australia for fitting.).

11. The FORACS results substantiated the gyro and sonar SACS results, and in addition gave alignment data for short range radars, displays and ESM.

12. The two weeks between modernisation completion and the start of Combat System Proving Trials (CSPT) was mainly spent alongside running preliminary tests and progressing delinquent shipyard work. The CSPT USN and contractor team were onboard for one week prior to CSPT assisting ships force in making final preparations.

13. For the first two weeks of CSPT, equipment availability has been satisfactory with no major casualties causing non-utilisation of scheduled services.

MARINE ENGINEERING

14. Main and auxiliary machinery performed satisfactorily during the month with no significant defects having developed. Of all the shipyard work that was accomplished during the modernization, the only system which is not satisfactory is the vital air system; however the problems are principally of the 'setting to work' type, and resolution should be accomplished shortly.

15. Considerable emphasis has been placed on internal training drills such as machinery breakdowns and NBCD exercises. Progress and results of these drills has been satisfactory.

SUPPLY & SECRETARIAT

16. A further SOAP reload was completed in which 2,500 line items of shortages forwarded by NSC Oakland have now been incorporated into the Naval Store stock.

17. The space allocated for PERTH's SOAP in the Pacific Fleet SOAP Team warehouses has now been terminated. All documentation associated with the SOAP has been brought onboard and is being progressed as required. The only exception to this being the 12,000 line items of excess materiel and supporting documentation which is located in a lay apart storage area provided by LBNSY.

18. The SOAP 'T' Division has been reduced, with one exception, to Stores N personnel only. However, during the forthcoming SMP, the division will be re-augmented to permit a concentrated effort to be made in processing excess items.

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19. The Ship's Welfare Committee met on three occasions during the month.
20. A three day NCS team training course, including the San Clemente Range Safety briefing was attended by 18 students at San Diego from 9th-11th June. Ship's Divers were not exercised during the month owing to the heavy trials programme.
21. The Ship's Company were addressed on security on Monday 30th June.
22. The health, welfare and conduct of the Ship's Company are satisfactory. Living conditions onboard are satisfactory and the material state of the ship is considered good.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant.

P. J. Hutson

(P.J. HUTSON)
CAPTAIN RAN
COMMANDING OFFICER

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Annex A to HMAS PERTH letter 1.16.1
dated 3rd July, 1975.

STEAMING ANNEX.

1. Distance steamed during month of June 2,479.3
2. Hours underway during month of June $226^{58}/_{60}$
3. Total distance steamed since first commissioning. 325,761.3
4. Total hours underway since first commissioning. $23,268^{51}/_{60}$
5. Occasions for exceeding fast foutheing speed.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SPEED</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
5 JUNE	20	.2	Log Calibrations
	24	.2	Log Calibrations
26 JUNE	20	.2	Measured Mile.
30 JUNE	22	.4	To join USS RANGER for RAS(L)

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Annex B to HMAS PERTH letter 1.16.1
dated 3rd July, 1975.

EXERCISES AND TRIALS.

A. SHIPYARD TRIALS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>TRIAL</u>
5 JUNE	1730-1821	A4s for Long Range Performance Checks.
6 JUNE	0510-0605	CSER Buoy. D/F cuts.
	0615-0705	ULM4 Ranging.

B. SHIP TRIALS

3/4 JUNE	-	Sonar Accuracy Checks
5 JUNE	1241-2350	FORACS Ranging.
16 JUNE	1645-1800	Acorn Plan Checks (MFD)
17 JUNE	1530-1630	NCDS ASW CSOT
18 JUNE	1200-1230	NCDS ASW CSOT
19 JUNE	1031-1045	Boiler Flex Tests.
23 JUNE	1600-1800	CSAT 7
24 JUNE	1630-1730	CSAT 7
25 JUNE	1530-1545	Boiler Flex Tests
26 JUNE	0545-0830	Measured Mile/ Log Calibrations
30 JUNE	1630-1730	CSAT 7.

C. TOTAL COMBAT SYSTEM PROVING TRIALS

16 JUNE	1300-1500	A4s for Short Range CSAT
	1930-2130	RVP Data Collection
	2200-2359	Data Extraction
17 JUNE	0800-0830	Balloon Tracking
	1000-1200	A4s for Long Range Sensor Checks
	1330-1530	A4s for Long Range CSAT
	1800-2000	RVP Data Collection
	2000-2200	Data Extraction
18 JUNE	0800-0900	Balloon Tracking
	0900-1100	A4s for MRC -R3
	1300-1500	A4s for MRC - R3
	2000-2030	Radar Calibrations
	2030-2200	RVP Data Collection
	2200-2359	Data Extraction
19 JUNE	1320-1500	A7s for MRC R3
23 JUNE	1430-1545	A7s for Medium Range Sensor Checks.
	1900-2100	RVP Data Collection
	2100-2300	Data Extraction.
24 JUNE	0830-1115	A4s for Short Range Sensor Performance Checks.
	2200-2359	RVP Data Collection
25 JUNE	0001-0200	Data Extraction
	0830-1030	A4s for Low Level Tracking.
	1030-1230	A7s for Medium Range Tracking.
	1300-1500	A4s for MRC R3/AA1
	2030-2230	RVP Data Collection
	2230-2359	Data Extraction.
26 JUNE	0845-1030	A4s for Intex
	1300-1500	A4s for Short Range Sensor Checks.
30 JUNE	1000-1400	S2s for RVP Resolution Trial.
	1000-1200	A4s for MRC R3
	1400-1600	AA1
	1700-1900	RVP Data Collection
	2000-2200	Data Extraction

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EXERCISES
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d. EXERCISES

5 JUNE	1900-2156	F14s/F4s for Intex.
16 JUNE	1145-1200	Steering Breakdown
	1900-2200	F4s for Intex.
	2000-2300	OOW Manoeuvres.
17 JUNE	0910-0930	Steering Breakdown
	2000-2200	F4s for Intex
	2200-2359	Link 11 Ops with USS RANGER
18 JUNE	0001-0800	Link 11 Ops with USS RANGER
	1730-1945	RAS Approaches and Jack Stay Transfer.
	2000-2200	F14s/F4s for Intex.
	2030-2200	SPX
	2200-2359	Link 11 Ops with USS RANGER and USS CHICAGO
19 JUNE	0001-0715	Link 11 Ops with USS RANGER and USS CHICAGO.
	0600-0640	Token RAS(L)
	1115-1300	OOW Manoeuvres
23 JUNE	1315-1400	NBCDX
	1430-1530	Lay out Towing Gear
	1600-1605	Streamed Sonar Buoy
	1740-1800	Recovered Sonar Buoy
	1853-1905	Steering Gear Breakdown.
24 JUNE	0900-1000	DC Communications Exercise.
	1211-1243	Helo Transfer
	1250-1310	Balloon Tracking
	1315-1500	PAC and SU1
	1315-1530	Decontamination and Monitoring Exercise.
	1701-1730	Helo Transfer
	1720-1725	Streamed Sonar Buoy
	1753-1807	Recovered Sonar Buoy
	1600-1730	Prove Casualty Cable Runs.
	2200-2359	Link 11 Ops with USS RANGER
25 JUNE	0001-0800	Link 11 Ops with USS RANGER
	0808-0835	Helo Transfer
	0830-1015	Exercised Major Fire
	1035-1100	T Mk 6 Drills
	1300-1400	Machinery Casualty Drills
	1710-1755	Machinery Casualty Drills
	1830-2000	Jackstay Transfers
	2030-2200	Intex
	2030-2150	NGS Navex
26 JUNE	0925-1025	Machinery Casualty Drills
	1030-1200	OOW Manoeuvres
	1515-1610	NGS Navex
27 JUNE	1030-1145	T MK 6 Streaming/Recovery Drills
30 JUNE	0835-0845	Minefield Transit
	0900-0945	NGS Navex
	1030-1130	Torpedo Tube Drill
	1300-1345	First Aid Lectures
	1430-1600	A6s for Intex
	1700-1705	Streamed Sonar Buoy
	1756-1810	Recovered Sonar Buoy.
	2025-2140	Token RAS (L)
	2340-2359	Link 11 Ops with FACSLAC San Diego.

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MOVEMENTS.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MOVEMENT</u>
5 JUNE	0805	Departed Long Beach (SACS Site)
6 JUNE	0743	Secured NWS Seal Beach
	1353	Departed NWS Seal Beach
	1507	Secured Long Beach (Pier 7)
16 JUNE	0900	Departed Long Beach (Pier 7)
19 JUNE	1740	Secured Long Beach (Pier 7)
23 JUNE	0804	Departed Long Beach (Pier 7)
26 JUNE	1730	Secured Long Beach (Pier 7)
30 JUNE	0800	Departed Long Beach (Pier 7)

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OFFICERS MOVEMENTS.

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Report of Proceedings

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2. Visit by minister, CCS, Sec. Def.

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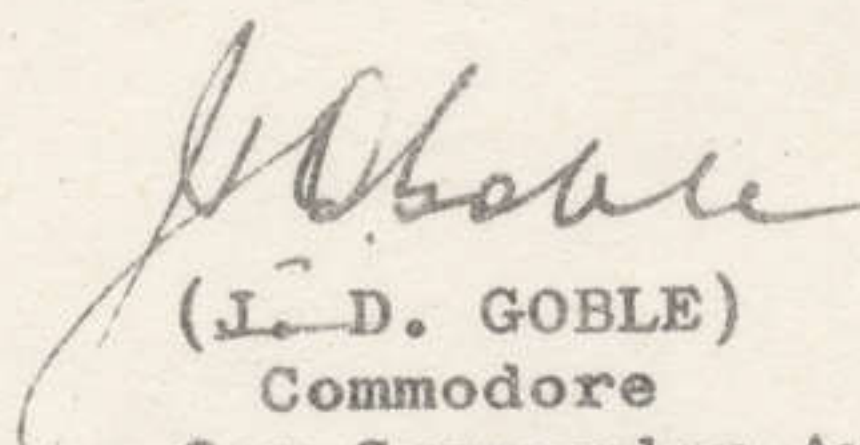
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The Secretary
Department of Defence (Navy Office)

HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - JULY 1975

1. Forwarded.
2. The provision of an EW training van such as the AN/MPQ/T1, would be of significant value to the RAN.
3. The exercise referred to in paragraph 5 is a US Third Fleet Exercise READIEX 1-76 involving sixteen ships off the southern California coast.


(J.D. GOBLE)

Commodore
for Commander Australian Fleet

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HMAS PERTH Report 1/16/1 dated 7th August 1975

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HMAS PERTH,
at Long Beach.

7th August, 1975.

The Flag Officer Commanding,
HM AUSTRALIAN FLEET. ←

For Information

The Australian Naval Attache,
WASHINGTON..DC

The Commander,
FIRST AUSTRALIAN DESTROYER SQUADRON.

The Commanding Officer,
HMAS BRISBANE.

The Commanding Officer,
HMAS HOBART.

HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - JULY, 1975.

Sir,

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of Her Majesty's Australian Ship PERTH, under my command, for the month of July, 1975. Times throughout are Zone (+7).
2. At the beginning of the month PERTH was completing her Total Combat System Proving Trials. These culminated with missile firings at the Pacific Missile Test Centre and after some missile system fault corrections the firings completed on Thursday 10th July after which PERTH returned to Long Beach.
3. A two week self maintenance period commenced on Monday 14th July. On the same day the Commander Fleet Training Group, San Diego conducted a Training Readiness Evaluation (TRE).
4. Later in the same week operations training using the AN/MPQ/T1 van commenced. Of special interest was the training in Electronic Warfare the van was able to give and training continued until the end of S.M.P.
5. On Wednesday 16th July at 1100 I called on the new Commander, Naval Surface Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, Vice Admiral E.H.Tidd. I was particularly anxious to meet COMNAVSURFPAC as much of the success of proving trials depended on the target services he had taken a personal interest to ensure would be provided. Afterwards I called on the Commander, Destroyer Squadron Thirteen, Captain R.D.Macfie USN, for a planning brief on the exercise which will take place in the latter part of August.
6. On Thursday 17th July a lunchtime smorgasboard was held onboard and in the evening the Ship's Company held a most successful dinner dance to celebrate the ship's tenth birthday.

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7. The following weekend on 19th and 20th July, as a farewell gesture, the ship was opened to visitors. A total of 861 visitors were recorded and this made the efforts of all involved worthwhile.

8. On Thursday 24th July at 0930 I called on the newly elected Mayor of Long Beach, Dr. T.J.Clark.

9. At 0800 on Monday 28th July PERTH sailed for San Diego and for operations with Commander Fleet Training Group San Diego. The exercises carried out are listed in Annex B.

10. During the first week of refresher training on Thursday 31st July at 1110. I welcomed the Minister for Defence, The Honourable W.H.Morrison MHR onboard for a short visit. Accompanying him was the Chairman of the Chiefs of Staff Committee, Admiral Sir Victor Smith K.B.E., C.B., A.C., D.S.C and the Defence Secretary Sir Arthur Tange C.B.E. The ministerial party was able to view seagoing operations at close hand and they departed by helicopter at 1310.

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11. Later in the day PERTH berthed in Long Beach after completing the first week of refresher training.

WEAPONS ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

12. The first half of the month comprised the last two weeks of Combat System Proving Trials; system and equipment availability remained high enabling all scheduled services to be fully utilised.

13. The two weeks SMP provided an essential respite which enabled progress of shipyard modernisation discrepancies and installation of equipment for the Naval Gunfire Accuracy System (NGAS) and SPS-52/Radar Video Processor trials. In addition the SSR-1 Satellite Communications system was installed.

14. The SMP also enabled extensive use of the MPQ-T1 trainer, which comprises a van fitted with analog simulators for EW and most search and fire control radars. The van was situated on the wharf alongside the ship and hooked directly into the relevant ship's equipments.

15. The NGAS and SPS-52/RVP sea trials were carried out along with Refresher Training during the last week of the month. A preliminary readout indicates that NGAS was most successful and the 3D video processing trial will continue into August.

MARINE ENGINEERING

16. Main and auxiliary machinery has performed satisfactory during the month and all significant problems associated with new dry air system have been rectified.

SUPPLY AND SECRETARIAT.

17. The final supplementary package of 141 SOAP shortage requisitions were input to NSC Oakland on 11 July. This action represents completion of the SOAP controlled requisitioning phase and a finality to the SOAP itself so far as the Pacific Fleet SOAP Team is concerned. There are however, many residual SOAP actions still to be performed by the ship and a final updated Integrated Stock List (ISL) is still to be produced by the USN.

18. Two of the three elements of SOAP excesses have been processed for final action. These are:

- a. Materiel to be returned to Australia which will be loaded onboard HMAS PERTH as free freight.
- b. Materiel of under \$US10 extended line item value to be turned over to the Property Disposals Officer, Naval Supply Centre, San Diego.

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19. It is disappointing that at this late stage, the way ahead has still not been made clear for processing of the third element, i.e., materiel not required by the RAN and for which the USN may, or may not have a requirement. My message OWY/OXE 252300Z JUL 75 refers.

GENERAL

20. During the SMP two external training courses were held. These were SQS23 sonar and ASW team training courses and both were held at the Fleet ASW School, San Deigo.

21. All ship's divers qualified for time during the month.

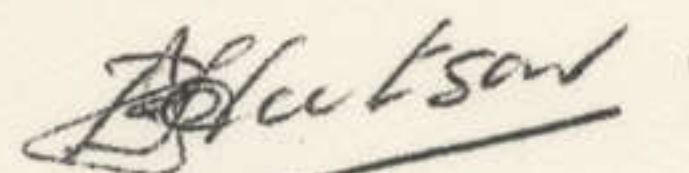
22. The ship's welfare committee met on three occasions during the month.

23. The health, welfare and conduct of the ship's company are satisfactory. Living conditions onboard are satisfactory and the material state of the ship is now considered good.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant.



(P.J. HUTSON)
CAPTAIN RAN
COMMANDING OFFICER.

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Annex A to HMAS PERTH letter 1.16.1
dated 7th August, 1975.

STEAMING FIGURES.

1.	Distance steamed during month of July	2694.0
2.	Hours underway during month of July	217. ³⁵ / ₆₀
3.	Total distance steamed since first commissioning	328,455.3
4.	Total hours underway since first commissioning	23,486. ²⁶ / ₆₀
5.	Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed.	NIL

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Annex B to HMAS PERTH letter 1.16.1
dated 7th August, 1975.

A. TOTAL COMBAT SYSTEM PROVING TRIALS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>TRIAL</u>
1 JUL	0830-1000	Massed Air Attach (5 x A4s)
	1300-1440	AATFX
	1600-1730	NGSCX
	1800-2000	RVP Data Collection
	2200-2359	Data Extraction
2 JUL	0830-1000	NGSEFX
	1300-1500	Hi Speed Target Engagement
	1600-1800	RVP Data Collection
	2200-2359	Data Extraction
3 JUL	0830-1030	Countdown Drills
7 JUL	1300-1530	Countdown Drill
8 JUL	0600-1100	Link 11 with P.M.T.C.
	0800-0900	Countdown drills
	0900-1030	Missile Firing Presentation.
9 JUL	0745-0845	Countdown Drill
10 JUL	1230-2000	Link 11 with P.M.T.C.
	1330-2000	Missile firing presentations.

B. EXERCISES CARRIED OUT DURING PROVING TRIALS

1 JUL	0900-1000	DC Communications
	1030-1130	Electronic Casualty Control Exercise.
	1030-1130	Mk 32 Torpedo Tube Drill
	1235-1250	Balloon Tracking
	1300-1345	First Aid Lectures
	1400-1530	Monitoring and Decontamination Exercise.
	1600-1700	Electrical D.C. Parties Instruction
2 JUL	1200-1300	Danbuoy Approaches
	1300-1345	First Aid Lecture
	1400-1530	NBCDX. Included hand pump steering
	1600-1740	NGSCX
	1650-1800	Machinery Casualty Drills
3 JUL	1030-1115	Tested & Run Prewetting
	1030-1130	5JV, X6J1 Communications Exercise.
7 JUL	1015-1130	Defensive Minefield Transit.
	1115-1215	Exercised emergency destruction.
	1300-1400	Flag-hoist drills.
	1630-1830	OOW Manoeuvres
	1830-1945	Intex (4 x 4Fs)
8 JUL	1700-1800	Flag-hoist drills
	1800-2030	Intex (2 x A4s)
9 JUL	0300-0430	Exercised Emergency Destruction
	1100-1200	Exercised Emergency Destruction.
	1220-1330	Screenex.

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C. REFRESHER TRAINING

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>EXERCISE</u>
28 JUL	1000-1100 1700-1800	Equip and fit Boarding Party. OOW Manoeuvres.
29 JUL	0800-1600 0900-1030 1113-1223 1330-1500 1500-1600 1930-2143 2015-2140	Defence Watches Damage Control Exercise. Manoverboard Drills. Damage Control Exercise. Monitoring Exercise. Sonar Ping Exercise (Using SQUAW target) Intex
30 JUL	0530-0641 1030-1200 1233-1327 1300-1400 1330-1500 2100-2359	Blind Pilotage Entry and Departure Electronic Casualty Control Drill Man Overboard Exercises Cleansing Station Drill EW Exercise (with ULM4 Range) Sonar Ping Exercise (Using SQUAW target)
31 JUL	0001-0200 0600-0805 0600-1000 0845-0940 1000-1130 1200-1400 1400-1630	Sonar Ping Exercise (Using SQUAW target) OOW Manoeuvres with USS CAYUGA Link 11 with USS Blue Ridge RAS(L)(S). Token transfers only with USS WABASH Decontamination Exercise NGSCX/NAVEX Nuclear Fallout Transit Exercise

D. MISCELLANEOUS TRAINING/EXERCISES.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>EXERCISE</u>
14 JUL	-	Diving to plug/unplug No5 fire pump and to recover lost tool.
16 JUL	0900-1145 1300-1545	T1 Van jamming demonstration T1 Van jamming demonstration
17 JUL	0900-1145	T1 Van jamming demonstration T1 Van Training
18 JUL	1000-1145	T1 Van Training
21 JUL	0930-1045 1630-2200	T1 Van Training Intex Training
22 JUL	0900-1130 1300-1530	T1 Van Training T1 Van Training Night Diving Exercise.
23 JUL	0900-1145 1300-1540	T1 Van Training T1 Van Training

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MOVEMENTS.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MOVEMENT</u>
1 JUL	0001	At Sea.
3 JUL	1300	Secured Long Beach (Pier 7)
7 JUL	1030	Departed Long Beach.
9 JUL	1412	Secured Long Beach (Pier 7)
10 JUL	0830	Departed Long Beach.
11 JUL	0748	Secured Long Beach (Pier 7)
28 JUL	0757	Departed Long Beach
31 JUL	1802	Secured Long Beach (Pier 7).

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>EXERCISE</u>
24 JUL	-	Diving Exercise
	0900-1145	T1 Van Training
	1300-1545	T1 Van Training
25 JUL	0900-1140	T1 Van Training and Debrief
28 JUL	1300-2200	RVP/52 Techeval
	1500-1700	AATX (for NGAS)
	2200-2359	Data Reduction
29 JUL	0800-1600	RVP/52 Techeval
	0830-1030	AATX (for NGAS)
	1300-1500	AATFX (for NGAS)
	1600-1800	Data Reduction
30 JUL	1200-2000	RNP/52 Techeval
	1600-1730	AATFX (for NGAS)
	2200-2359	Data Reduction
31 JUL	0900-1700	RVP/52 Techeval

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2. READDEX 1/76.

3. Para 12 - FPO no longer embarked in USN replacement ships.

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26 SEP 1975

The Secretary
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HMAS PERTH REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - AUGUST 1975

1. Forwarded.
2. The comment on non availability of FFO from USN afloat support sources at paragraph 12 is significant.
3. READIEX 1/76 provided a good opportunity for PERTH to test the NCDS in realistic conditions.

(J. D. GOBLE)
Commodore
for Commander Australian Fleet

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HMAS PERTH Report of Proceedings dated 4th September, 1975

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HMAS PERTH,
at Sea.

4th September, 1975.

The Flag Officer Commanding,
HM AUSTRALIAN FLEET.

For Information:

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WASHINGTON..DC.

The Commander,
F1 T AUSTRALIAN DESTROYER SQUADRON.

The Commanding Officer,
HMAS BRISBANE.

The Commanding Officer,
HMAS HOBART.



HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - AUGUST, 1975.

Sir,

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of Her Majesty's Australian Ship PERTH, under my command, for the month of August, 1975. Times throughout are Zone (+7).
2. At the beginning of the month PERTH was operating under the Commander, Fleet Training Group, San Diego, for refresher training.
3. On Monday 4th August at 0900 PERTH proceeded to sea for exercises scheduled by COMFLETRAGRU, and listed in Annex B.
4. At 0645 on Thursday 7th August the ship entered San Diego in thick fog to land FLETRAGRU personnel at the end of refresher training. After leaving harbour at 0900 a self run battle problem commenced at 0940. During the problem a total steam failure occurred at 1020 and it was 1330 before the ship was able to proceed as programmed (My RTT 080005Z AUG 75 refers).
5. At 1517 PERTH berthed at the Naval Weapons Station, Seal Beach to complete ammunitioning before returning to Australia. This completed in good time and at 1630 PERTH cast off and proceeded to Long Beach, berthing there at 1735.
6. The following day at 1000 PERTH cast off and proceeded to Santa Catalina Island on a family's day cruise. About 270 dependants and guests were embarked for the day which was thoroughly enjoyed by all and the ship berthed back in Long Beach at 1430.
7. A brief self maintenance period commenced on Monday 11th August and continued for the remainder of that week.
8. At 1207 on Wednesday 13th August I had the pleasure of welcoming Vice Admiral E.H.Tidd, the Commander, Naval Surface Force U.S.Pacific Fleet onboard for a quick tour and luncheon. He departed at 1335.

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9. At 1830 on Thursday 14th August, my officers and I gave a farewell cocktail party. About 70 guests attended and the occasion gave us all a further opportunity to thank those whose assistance has been most useful in our stay in Southern California.
10. To finalise last minute details for READIEX 1-76 I attended a full briefing on the exercise in San Diego commencing at 1500 on Friday 15th August. Whilst there I met the O.C.E for READIEX, Rear Admiral L.A.Snead, the Commander Carrier Group Seven.
11. On Sunday 17th August at 1830 PERTH cast off and proceeded for READIEX 1-76 and the following morning joined up with the escort task group in a departure screen followed by the screening of an amphibious task group from a separate but concurrent exercise - RESMAULEX 2-76. Working with this group continued until 1800 on Friday 22nd August. Included in this phase as well were weapon training periods comprising ASW, AAW, Anti KOMAR and link exercises. The individual exercises carried out are listed in Annex B.
12. As FFO is no longer embarked in USN replenishment ships it was necessary for PERTH to detach from the exercise between 1300 and 2359 on Thursday 21st August in order to fuel in San Diego. |||*
13. From 1800 on Friday 22nd August until 1200 on Tuesday 26th August the exercise centered around a war at sea and sea power projection phase. In this period PERTH acted as planeguard for the USS CRISKANY on two occasions and also carried out an NGS firing and achieved some limited AAW tracking at the Pacific Missile Test Centre range. Additionally from 1600 on Saturday 23rd August the ship came under multiple air attacks whilst being threatened by surface and sub-surface forces.
14. At 1034 on Tuesday 26th August the Commander Third Fleet, Vice Admiral R.P.Coogan, joined for a quick visit by helicopter. Admiral Coogan was visiting the units of READIEX and he departed the ship at 1050. Whilst onboard he remarked most favourably on PERTH's inputs to the exercise.
15. At 1200 PERTH detached from the remaining units and proceeded to Long Beach where the ship berthed at 1600. A separate report on some of the more interesting aspects of the exercise will be forwarded.
16. The remainder of the month was spent in Long Beach preparing for departure home on September 1st. On Saturday 30th August a charter flight departed Los Angeles at 2000 with most of the dependant families onboard.

WEAPONS ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

17. The first week of the month saw the conclusion of the SPS-52/Radar Video Processor sea trial. Initial indications are that the trial was a success and the interim modification to enable 3D radar processing has been authorized for retention.
18. The nine day SMP in mid August enabled the last remaining loose ends from the modernisation and Total Combat System Proving Trials (TCSPT) periods to be progressed.

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19. Equipment availability during READIEX 1-76 was high with the exception of the missile fire control radars, which did not both become fully operational until the latter half of the exercise.

20. The status of shipyard and TCSPT discrepancies on departure CONSUS which in the main can be considered satisfactory will be reported by signal.

MARINE ENGINEERING

21. On Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th, the Fleet Training Group from San Diego conducted a series of casualties which exercised the three steaming watches. Forty seven casualties were imposed, all of which were executed satisfactorily with an average rated mark of 92%. The success of this section of the work up was blighted by a total steam failure during the Final Battle Problem. Fortunately no equipment damage resulted, but the severity of a total steam failure made an indelible impact on all personnel concerned. A report on this failure has been forwarded.

22. On Monday 11th leaking tube joints were discovered in 1A, 1B and 2A boilers. The joints were re-rolled by the shipyard, and URDEF action has been initiated to correct the cause.

SUPPLY AND SECRETARIAT

23. All SOAP excess materiel has now been dealt with and it only remains for that portion for which the RAN has future need, some 8,000L/I, to be landed in Sydney.

24. The final delivery of SOAP shortage requisitions arrived in time to be embarked before sailing and it was gratifying to observe that NSC Oakland had achieved 91% issue effectiveness in response to the overall SOAP requisition input.

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25. All Ship's Divers qualified for time during the month.

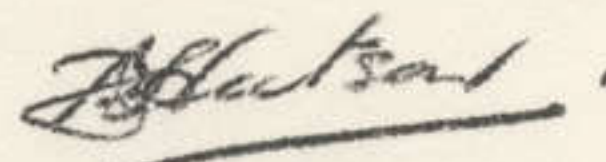
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27. The health, welfare and conduct of the ship's company are satisfactory. Living conditions onboard are satisfactory and the material state of the ship is considered good.

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(P.J. HUTSON)
CAPTAIN RAN
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Annex A to HMAS PERTH's letter
1.16.1 dated 4th September, 1975.

STEAMING FIGURES.

1. Distance steamed during the month of August. 3770.1
2. Hours underway during month of August. 292¹³/₆₀
3. Total distance steamed since first commissioning. 332,225.4
4. Total hours underway since first commissioning. 23,778.³⁹/₆₀
5. Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed.:-

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SPEED</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
7 AUG.	22 24	.2 1.3	To arrive Seal Beach to Ammunition ship after power failure.
23 AUG.	24 25	.9 .4	To join ORISKANY as RESDES for flight Ops.
24 AUG.	27 27	2 .4	To join ORISKANY as RESDES for flight Ops.
26 AUG.	24	1	To close ORISKANY.

EXERCISES CARRIED OUT

A. REFRESHER TRAINING

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>EXERCISE</u>
4 AUG.	1000-1100	AS170 training.
	1350-1600	Link 11 Ops. with E2B
	1630-1800	AA tracking. Augmented TDU22B
	1830-1930	SPX/RLX
	1930-2300	OCW manoeuvres.
5 AUG.	0001-0400	Teletype training.
	0030-0400	Pingex. Search for SQUAW target.
	0815-0945	EW Exercise (with ULM4 range)
	1030-1400	Defence watch NCSCX/NAVEX
	1300-1400	DC DRILLS. FTG sponsored.
	1300-1430	Link 11 Ops with E2B.
	1500-2000	Link 11 Ops with P3C.
	1900-2000	RAS(S) PERTH supplied MHL to WABASH.
	2000-2100	RAS(L) WABASH probe.
6 AUG.	0001-0400	Teletype training.
	0630-0730	Blind pilotage drilled in entry to San Diego.
	0815-1100	Towex with USCG COMANCHE.
	1345-1500	Boardex with USCG COMANCHE.
	1600-1715	AA tracking/MTX with augmented TDU22B.
	1830-1900	Precision anchorage.
	1930-2130	Internal Operation Awkward. Hull search carried out.
	2300-2359	Engineering Casualty drills.
7 AUG	0001-0600	Engineering Casualty drills.
	0645-0900	Blind pilotage turnaround of observers, San Diego.
	0940-1300	Battle Problem. A/C support from USS RANGER.
		Action messing. AAWEX.

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B. READIEX 1-76.

18 AUG	0900-1100	Casex A8/Opposed departure screen.
	1100-1300	Casex C3.
	1400-1900	Casex C3. Escort amphibious T.G.
	2000-2200	Casex C2.
	2055-2359	Link 11 ops with READIEX units.
	2200-2359	Screenex/Casex C4 passive search.
19 AUG	0001-2359	Link 11 ops with READIEX units.
	0001-0500	Screenex/Casex C4 passive search/Anti FPB Ex.
	0800-1400	Surf Raidex.
	1130-1400	AAWEX
	2200-2359	JAMEX

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2. Annex B to HMAS PERTH letter
1.16.1 dated 4th September, 1975

EXERCISES CARRIED OUT (CONT'D)

B. (cont'd) READIEX 1-76.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>EXERCISE</u>
20 AUG.	0001-2359	Link 11 ops with READIEX units.
	0100-0500	Casex C3.
	0800-1400	Casex A4.
	1645-1945	AAWEX
	2100-2359	Casex C4/TG Operations.
21 AUG.	0001-1400	Link 11 ops with READIEX units.
	0001-0500	Casex C4/TG Operations
	0800-1300	Casex A3.
	2000-2359	Link 11 ops with READIEX units.
22 AUG	0001-2359	Link 11 ops with READIEX units.
	0100-0400	Screenex.
	0400-0800	Opposed RAS(L). Silent.
	1300-1800	Casex A3.
	2000-2359	Casex C4/TG Operations
23 AUG.	0001-0600	Casex C4/TG Operations.
	0700-1100	NGSFX/NGSCX for defence watches.
	1800-2130	Planguard for CRISKANY
	1800-2359	War-at-sea/Casex C3/AAWEX/SURF RAIDEX
24 AUG	0001-2359	War-at-Sea/Casex C3/AAWEX/SURF RAIDEX/ Exercised Action Stations.
	1647-2042	Planeguard.
25 AUG	0100-0500	ECM
	0100-2359	Link 11 ops with READIEX units.
	0600-1800	PMTIC MISSILEX/AAWEX
	1800-2359	ASWEX
26 AUG	0001-1145	Link 11 ops with READIEX units.
	0001-0400	ASWEX
	0400-0800	CASEX C3
	0500-1100	Opposed RAS(L) . Silent.

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C. MISCELLANEOUS EXERCISES

1 AUG	0915-1000	Diving demonstrations.
7 AUG	2030-2230	Hull search.
28 AUG	0900-1130	Checked fire pump inlets. Repaired sonar dome.
29 AUG	0900-1200	Repaired sonar dome.

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Annex C to HMAS PERTH letter 1.16.1
dated 4th September, 1975.

MOVEMENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MOVEMENT</u>
4 AUG	0900	Departed Long Beach.
6 AUG	1900	Anchored San Diego Harbour.
	2148	Weighed and proceeded from San Diego.
7 AUG	1511	Berthed Seal Beach.
	1630	Departed Seal Beach.
	1735	Berthed Long Beach.
8 AUG	1000	Departed Long Beach.
	1430	Berthed Long Beach.
17 AUG	1830	Departed Long Beach.
21 AUG	1645	Berthed San Diego Fuelling Pier.
	1930	Departed San Diego.
26 AUG	1600	Berthed Long Beach.

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OFFICER'S MOVEMENTS

NIL.

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1. Throughout the month of September PERTH was on passage from Long Beach to Sydney, calling at HONOLULU and SUVA.
2. The First Sea Lord visited the ship on 30th Sep.
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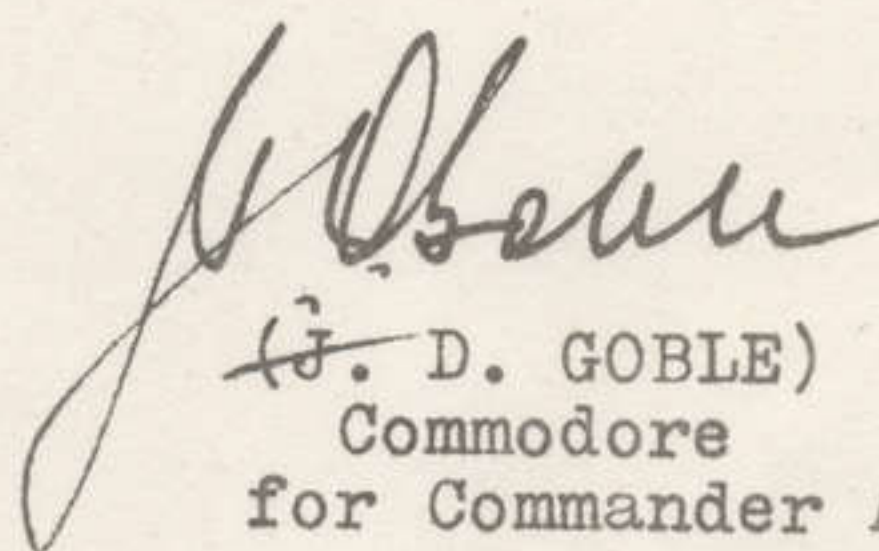
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The Secretary
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HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - SEPTEMBER 1975

Forwarded.


(J. D. GOBLE)
Commodore
for Commander Australian Fleet

Enclosure:

HMAS PERTH Report of Proceedings dated 1st October, 1975

1st October, 1975.

The Flag Officer Commanding
HM AUSTRALIAN FLEET.

For Information:

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WASHINGTON D.C.

The Commander
FIRST AUSTRALIAN DESTROYER SQUADRON.

The Commanding Officer
HMAS BRISBANE.

The Commanding Officer
HMAS HOBART.



HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - SEPTEMBER, 1975.

Sir,

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of Her Majesty's Australian Ship PERTH, under my command for the month of September 1975.
2. At 1000 (+7) on Monday 1st September PERTH cast off from the Naval Support Activity, Long Beach and proceeded for Pearl Harbour. The occasion marked the end of just over twelve months' stay in the Long Beach area and a crowd of some 250 farewelled the ship.
3. Whilst on passage to Australia a programme of continuation training and amusements and other activities was involved, and these are listed in Annex B. As well, the opportunity was taken to raise proposals and to comment on the new systems training, operating and maintenance procedures, especially in the view of the sea operating experience PERTH has gained.
4. On Friday 5th September some unscheduled ASAC training was obtained from 1400 (+9) till 1730 (+9) when two P3B aircraft from Hawaii cooperated in providing training on a not to interfere basis.
5. The ship berthed in Pearl Harbour at 0905 (+10) on Sunday 7th September after an uneventful passage. The following day at 1200 (+10) I hosted a luncheon on board for some of the local officials. Amongst those who attended were the Commandant Fourteenth Naval District, Rear Admiral R.P. Wentworth, and the Australian Consul in Hawaii, Mr W.C. Rowe.
6. On Tuesday 9th September at 0900 (+10), PERTH cast off and proceeded for Suva. At the same time operational control of the ship passed to you, Sir from the Commander U.S. Third Fleet.
7. The passage to Suva was pleasant and the economical steaming condition used throughout. On Monday 15th September PAC firings were carried out from 1403 (+12) for thirty minutes.

8. At 0900 (-12) on Thursday 18th September the ship berthed at the Kings Wharf in Suva. Whilst here many from the ship's company made last minute duty free purchases before our return home. After berthing, at 1000 (-12) I called on His Excellency the Australian High Commissioner for Fiji, Mr H.E. Bullock and the Head of the Royal Fijian Military Forces, Colonel P.F. Manuelli RFMF.

9. The following day at 1200 (-12) I hosted a luncheon onboard at which the Australian High Commissioner and the Head of the Military Forces returned their calls.

10. At 0900 (-12) on Saturday 20th September PERTH cast off and proceeded for Sydney. The passage was uneventful except for heavy southeasterly seas experienced during the last 24 hours, however towards the morning of Thursday 25th September conditions eased and the ship anchored in Watson's Bay at 0635 (-10) for customs clearance.

11. At 0930 (-10) on the same day PERTH weighed and proceeded alongside at the West Dock Wall, Garden Island, berthing there at 1000 (-10). A good crowd of relatives and friends plus the Fleet Band greeted the ship on its arrival.

12. On Friday 26th September at 0950 (-10) I called on your Chief of Staff, Commodore J.D. Globe RAN and afterwards talked briefly with Fleet Training Group on PERTH operations later in the year. At 1200 (-10) a leave and assisted maintenance period commenced.

13. At 1050 (-10) on Tuesday 30th September the First Sea Lord, Admiral Sir Edward Ashmore GCB, DSC, ADC arrived onboard by barge and was received by a Lieutenants Guard. Following a quick tour and discussion of the NCDS and updated tartar system he departed the ship at 1145 (-10). Later in the day PERTH was shifted to alongside HMAS STALWART where the ship is scheduled to remain for the rest of the leave and maintenance period.

WEAPONS ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

14. The passage from Long Beach to Sydney was mainly a period of consolidation and review of the past year's activities. Reports were forwarded on various modernisation topics, including material status on departure CONUS, Tartar and NCDS software status, design recommendations for HMA Ships HOBART and BRISBANE, WEE Department Complement and WEE Department Training.

15. Two USN personnel from the Fleet Combat Direction Systems Support Activity, Dam Neck, Virginia were embarked from Long Beach to Pearl Harbour and delivered an updated NCDS operational program (designated ECXC). This was the last USN action in direct support of PERTH's operational computer programs, with this responsibility now devolving upon the Combat Data System Centre in Canberra.

16. The current state of Weapons Electrical Engineering Systems and equipment is good; however problems of base spares support and adequacy of shore power are beginning to make themselves felt.

MARINE ENGINEERING

17. Main and auxiliary machinery has performed satisfactorily throughout the month with no significant defects arising. A comparison of fuel expenditures before and after the recent boiler repairs was possible during the voyage from USA to Australia and the result indicate a saving of approximately 10%.

18. Arrival in Garden Island Dockyard was marred by the unavailability of shore steam which necessitated steaming auxiliary until 1600 Friday 26th with the result disruption to leave and duty watches

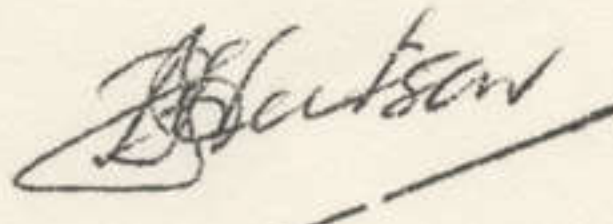
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19. Divers were not exercised during the month because of passage requirements and the start of the leave period after arrival in Sydney. A promotion board for parts one and two was held while on passage and 23 candidates were successful.
20. The Ship's Welfare Committee met on three occasions during the month.
21. The health, welfare and conduct of the ship's company are satisfactory. Living conditions onboard are satisfactory and the material state of the ship is considered good.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant.


 (P.J. HUTSON)
 CAPTAIN RAN
COMMANDING OFFICER

Enclosures: Annex A. Steaming Figures
 Annex B. Exercises/Activities carried out
 Annex C. Movements
 Annex D. Officers Movements

Annex A to HMAS PERTH's letter
1.16.1 dated 1st October, 1975.

STEAMING FIGURES

1.	Distance steared during the month of September	6772.8
2.	Hours underway during the month of September	481 ¹⁰ /60
3.	Total distance steamed since first commissioning	338,998.2
4.	Total hours underway since first commissioning	24,259.49/60
5.	Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed	NIL

EXERCISES/ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EXERCISE</u>
03SEP	1630-1800 2000-2045	Pistol / Rifle firings Flashing Exercise
04SEP	0815-0900 1030 1630-1745	Flashing Exercise Engineering Department Rounds Firefighting equipment demonstration
05SEP	1030-1200 1400-1730 1630-1800	Flag hoist drills ASAC training with 2xP3B Pistol / Rifle firings
06SEP	0900-0907 1000-1600 1030	Balloon tracking Link 11 ops attempted with MACRON Pearl Harbour Messdeck Rounds
09SEP	1030-1200 1200-1600 1300-1345 1400-1600	NBCDX Link 11 ops attempted with MACRON Pearl Harbour Flashing Exercise MRC 5-1
10SEP	0900-1000 1400-1600 1630-1800 2000-2045	FCS 1 drill MRC M-1 Pistol / Rifle firings Flashing Exercise
11SEP	0815-0900 0900-1000 1030 1400-1530 1630-1800	Flashing Exercise FCS 1 drill Weapons Electrical Department Rounds Exercised emergency destruction Pistol / Rifle firings
12SEP	0900-1000 1030-1200 1630-1800	FCS 1 drill Flag hoist drill Rifle firings
13SEP	0910-0950 1030 1330-1630 1630-1800	Balloon Tracking Messdeck Rounds Mini Olympics sports afternoon Pistol / Rifle firings
15SEP	0815-0900 1400-1500 1630-1800	Flashing Exercise PAC Firings Pistol / Rifle firings
17SEP	0855-0922 0900-1030 1020-1120 1620-1635 2000-2045	Balloon Tracking NGS Navex / Comms drills AX Aerial Radiation Trials Manoverboard Exercise Flashing Exercise
21SEP	1330-1710 2000	Final inter Mess Rifle Competition Final inter Mess Pistol Competition. Ships Concert
23SEP	0815-0900 0905-0955 1030-1200	Flashing Exercise Balloon Tracking Flag hoist drill
24SEP	1600-1820 2000-2045	A4 Strikes Flashing Exercise

Annex C to HMAS PERTH's letter
1.16.1 dated 1st October, 1975

MOVEMENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MOVEMENT</u>
01SEP	1000 (+7)	Departed Long Beach
07SEP	0905 (+10)	Berthed Pearl Harbour
09SEP	0900 (+10)	Departed Pearl Harbour
19SEP	0900 (-12)	Berthed Suva
20SEP	0900 (-12)	Departed Suva
25SEP	0635 (-10)	Anchored Watson's Bay
	0930 (-10)	Weighed and proceeded to Garden Island
	1000 (-10)	Berthed Garden Island

Annex D to HMAS PERTH's letter
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OFFICERS MOVEMENTS

LEUT R.A. CHRISTIE RAN
LEUT I.M. MURRAY RAN

- Joined from HMAS PARRAMATTA - 29SEP75
- Joined from HMAS KUTTABUL (FOCAF) 29SEP75

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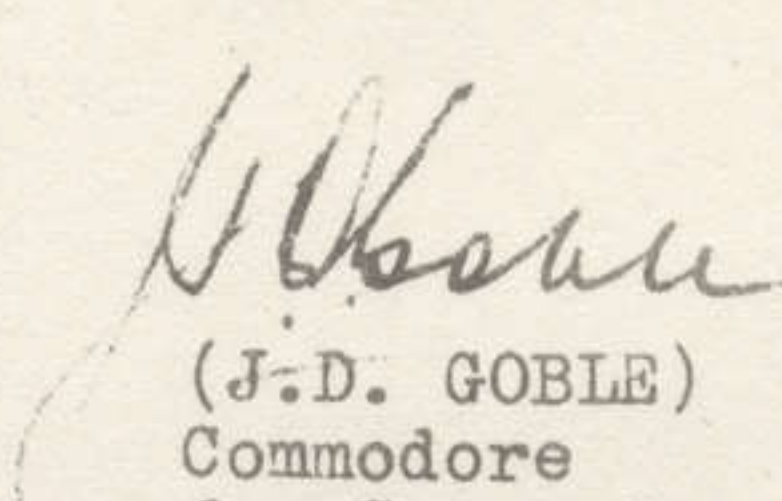
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The Flag Officer Commanding
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The Commanding Officer
HMAS BRISBANE.

The Commanding Officer
HMAS HOBART.

HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - OCTOBER 1975

Sir,

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of Her Majesty's Australian Ship PERTH, under my command, for the month of October, 1975.
2. Throughout the month the ship has been berthed at Garden Island, Sydney undergoing an assisted maintenance and leave period. During this period approximately 150 uniformed and civilian visitors from various departments toured the NCDS and associated equipment installations. In addition some 108 school children visited the ship over three days.
3. On Wednesday 1st October at 1000(K) I called on the Flag Officer Commanding East Australia Area, Rear Admiral N.E. MacDONALD.
4. On Thursday 2nd October at 1130(K) Rear Admiral N.E. MacDONALD returned my call and following a brief tour of NCDS equipments and meeting my officers, remained onboard for lunch.
5. At 1600(K) on Thursday 2nd October I called on Commodore H.J. Bodman RAN, General Manager Garden Island Dockyard and conveyed to him a plaque from the Commander, Naval Shipyard, Long Beach commemorating the successful completion of PERTH's overhaul and update.
6. At 2230(K) on Tuesday 21st October PERTH was shifted by a cold move from alongside HMAS STALWART at the EMS mooring using the duty watch. This was to permit STALWART to proceed to sea if required to recover the wreckage of a Seaking helicopter which ditched in the sea off Kiama.



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7. A training readiness evaluation of the ship was conducted in the week commencing Monday 27th October.

8. On Tuesday 28th October at 1455(L) the ship raised steam and prepared to proceed to sea for a "SUBMISS" operation. Although the ship was still in assisted maintenance condition, it would have been possible to have proceeded at 1630(L). The organisation was not fully tested as the operation was cancelled at 1610(L).

WEAPONS ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

9. The AMP/leave period during October was mainly concerned with keeping the Combat System operational and showing a large number of interested visitors the various modernisation areas.

MARINE ENGINEERING

10. Main and auxiliary machinery has performed satisfactorily during the month. A large maintenance programme was attempted during the current AMP, and the assistance given by the FMU and FMP has been most significant.

TRAINING

11. During the month as much Pre Work Up Training as possible was programmed, despite a heavy commitment to leave periods and posting actions. PWT's for ASAC, AIC, RP, UW, and UC categorised sailors were carried at HMAS WATSON. In addition the Command Team received refresher training there on 27th, 28th and 29th of October.

12. All available divers qualified during the month.

13. The welfare committee met on three occasions during the month.

14. The health, welfare and conduct of the ship's company are satisfactory. Living conditions onboard are satisfactory and the material state of the ship is considered good.

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

PJ Hutson

(PJ HUTSON)
CAPTAIN RAN
COMMANDING OFFICER

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ANNEX A
STEAMING FIGURES

1. Distance steamed during the month of October = NIL
2. Hours underway during the month of October = NIL
3. Total distance steamed since first commissioning
= 338,998.2
4. Total hours underway since first commissioning
= 24,259.49/60
5. Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed = NIL

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ANNEX B

TRAINING CARRIED OUT

A. PRE WORK UP TRAINING

<u>DATES</u>	<u>PLACE</u>	<u>TRAINING</u>
13 OCT - 18 OCT	HMAS WATSON	AIC Training
20 OCT - 21 OCT	HMAS WATSON	AIO PWT
20 OCT - 24 OCT	HMAS WATSON	ASAC requalification course.
27 OCT - 29 OCT	HMAS WATSON	CTT(R)
27 OCT - 28 OCT	HMAS CERBERUS	50 CAL M.G. PWT

B. OTHER TRAINING

10 OCT	ANZAC Rifle Range	Annual Range Course
13 OCT - 24 OCT	HMAS NITIMBA	Welding Course
17 OCT	ANZAC Rifle Range	Annual Range Course
29 SEP	HMAS PENGUIN	Advanced NBCD Course
13 OCT	HMAS PENGUIN	for 5 technical Sailors
03 NOV	HMAS PENGUIN	

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ANNEX C

OFFICERS MOVEMENTS

LEUT KJ GASCOINE RAN	-	DEPARTED 7 OCT 75
LEUT MT MATTHEWS RAN	-	DEPARTED 7 OCT 75
LEUT WR OVERTON RAN	-	JOINED FROM HMAS HARMAN 7 OCT 75.

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HMAS PERTH operated in the Sydney area until 13 Nov,
and from 14 - 19 Nov participated in Exercise TASMANEX.
PERTH continued exercising in the Sydney/TB areas
until 28 Nov when she join other units for
a Fleet Entry into Port Jackson. She remained in
Sydney until the end of the month.

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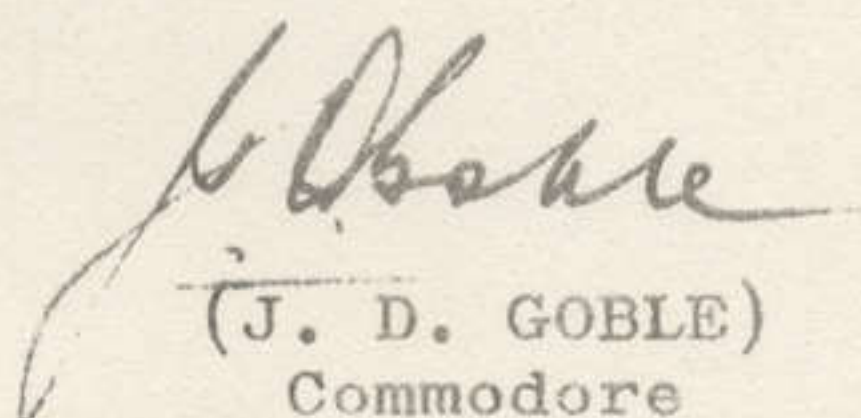
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HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - NOVEMBER 1975

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(J. D. GOBLE)
Commodore

for Commander Australian Fleet

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FOR COMMANDER, AUSTRALIAN FLEET

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Department of Defence (Navy Office)
The Secretary

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HMAS PERTH DDG38
at Sea

3rd December, 1975.

The Flag Officer Commanding
HM AUSTRALIAN FLEET

For Information:

The Australian Naval Attache
WASHINGTON D.C.

The Commander
FIRST AUSTRALIAN DESTROYER SQUADRON

The Commanding Officer
HMAS BRISBANE

The Commanding Officer
HMAS HOBART



HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - NOVEMBER 1975

Sir,

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of Her Majesty's Australian Ship PERTH under my command for the month of November 1975. All times are zone LIMA (-11).
2. At the beginning of November PERTH was alongside Garden Island dockyard.
3. On Monday 3rd November at 0830 PERTH moved under her own power to No 3 buoy to ammunition. Ammunitioning was completed by 1530.
4. At 1000 Tuesday 4th November the ship slipped the buoy and proceeded to the exercise areas to commence a weapon training period.
5. Three ship launched torpedoes were fired, during a torpedo steeraway trial, at HMAS OTWAY on Friday 7th November. All three torpedoes were recovered, in a most professional manner, by torpedo recovery vessel 801 despite a five feet swell.
6. At 1330 the same day PERTH berthed at Chowder Bay wharf for fuelling. This was completed by 1445 and at 1537 PERTH berthed alongside HMAS DERWENT at the Cruiser wharf, Garden Island.
7. On Monday 10th November at 0830 the ship cast off and proceeded to No 3 buoy to embark three action torpedoes. This completed PERTH proceeded at 1010.
8. At 1230 that day PERTH rendezvoused with HMAS OVENS and for three and a half hours stood by whilst OVENS carried out initial post refit dives.
9. On Tuesday 11th November PERTH again assisted HMAS OVENS during post refit trials on this occasion from 1030 until 1630.
10. At 1743 PERTH secured to No 5 buoy in preparation for Operation Awkward the next day.

At 1800 Wednesday 12th November PERTH assumed Awkward State 3. Opposition was provided by Clearance diving team 2. This most successful exercise terminated at 2230.

12. On Thursday 13th November PERTH was ranged at the shallow water degaussing range in Sydney Harbour. This was satisfactorily completed at 1510 having carried out nineteen runs. On completion PERTH secured to No 5 buoy.

13. On Friday 14th the ship's landing party carried out weapon training at ANZAC rifle range at Long Bay.

14. At 1145 Friday 14th November your predecessor Sir, Rear Admiral D.C. Wells CBE arrived by barge to present his commendation to Leading Seaman ETP R. Goulding. Admiral Wells was later entertained to lunch in the Wardroom and departed at 1315.

15. On Monday 17th November at 0845 PERTH slipped the buoy and proceeded to join Exercise TASMANEX. During PERTH's forty three hour participation in TASMANEX the ship carried out two night and three day surface actions against the ORANGE TASMANEX surface force all of which were considered to have been successful.

16. At 0600 Wednesday 19th November PERTH withdrew from Exercise TASMANEX and proceeded for Jervis Bay.

17. On Thursday 20th November at 0730, after exercising a minefield transit, the ship came to anchor in Darling Roads, Jervis Bay.

18. On anchoring, an exercise to prove the Disaster relief organization was commenced. During the day the teams ashore coped well with the numerous emergencies, and the exercise was concluded by a concert and a ceremony to mark the opening of the 'Knightstown' Town Hall which had been built from Sea King packing cases. A wash-up was held by the Fleet Training Group at 1500 and then all stores and personnel were re-embarked.

19. At 0543 Friday 21st November PERTH weighed and in company with HMAS BRISBANE proceeded out of Jervis Bay for the exercise area.

20. HMAS PERTH and BRISBANE joined HMAS OVENS off Port Jackson at 1130 to assist with submarine passive sonar trials. These were complete at 1230 and the two ships set course for Port Jackson.

21. At 1355 PERTH secured to the Fitting Out Wharf for the weekend.

22. On Sunday 23rd November the ship was opened to the public from 1400 to 1700 during which time 1,400 people toured PERTH.

23. At 1115, on completion of fuelling, on Monday 24th November PERTH cast off and proceeded for the exercise areas. That evening jackstay transfers were conducted with HMAS BRISBANE and from 2100 to 2215 PERTH and BRISBANE were targets for F111 strikes flown by pilots converting to that aeroplane.

24. On Wednesday 26th November off RAAF Williamtown airfield a liaison team of two officers boarded PERTH from a helicopter to discuss and advise on the programme for two days of air intercept training using RAAF mirage and Macchi aircraft.

25. At 2000 that evening HMAS HOBART joined PERTH and BRISBANE bringing the First Australian Destroyer Squadron together, for the first time since January 1974.

26. During two days 26th and 27th November a comprehensive intercept training and missile tracking programme was completed. This was to prepare the ship for Jervis Bay missile range activation and air to air missile firings to take place early next month.

27. The liaison officers while onboard provided much invaluable advice before disembarked by helicopter at 0820 Thursday 27th November.

28. At 0530 Friday 28th November HMAS PERTH, BRISBANE and HOBART rendezvoused with HMAS SUPPLY off Broken Bay and all three DDG's refuelled.

29. That forenoon PERTH took part in a Fleet entry into Port Jackson in company with HMAS SUPPLY, BRISBANE, HOBART, SWAN and Her Majesty's Ship BERWICK and Royal Fleet Auxiliaries TIDESPRING and TARBATNESS.

WEAPONS ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

30. Equipment availability during the Weapon Training period was high with exception of the Digital Tartar System. The lack of spare printed circuit cards for the SDC MK 72 along with problems in the MK 474 Test Set and SPG-51C radar resulted in only one MFCS being available for much of the month.

31. Eight URDEFS were raised during the month of which six were rectified. This leaves a total of four still outstanding, three awaiting stores and one still undergoing repair.

32. Preliminary results from the degaussing range indicate satisfactory performance of the ships system with minor corrections required.

MARINE ENGINEERING

33. The only significant Marine Engineering defect during the month was the perforation of No 5 sootblower pipe 2B boiler on the 18th. The defect was reported by URDEF but as yet GID has not effected repair. Apart from this item main and auxiliary machinery has performed satisfactorily.

GENERAL

34. All ships divers qualified during the month.

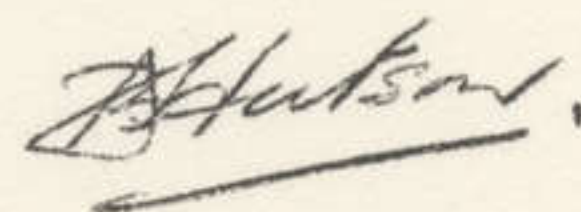
35. The welfare committee met on three occasions during the month.

36. The health, welfare and conduct of the ships company are satisfactory. Living conditions aboard are satisfactory and the material state of the ship is considered good.

I have the honour to be,

sir,

Your Obedient Servant.


(P.J. HUTSON)
CAPTAIN RAN
COMMANDING OFFICER

Enclosures: Annex A. Steaming Figures.
Annex B. Exercises carried out.
Annex C. Officers Movements.

STEAMING FIGURES

1. Distance steamed during the month of November 3722.5
2. Hours underway during the month of November 261⁵³/₆₀
3. Total distance steamed since first commissioning 342,720.7
4. Total hours underway since first commissioning 24,521 ⁴²/₆₀
5. Occasions of exceeding fast routeing speed:-

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SPEED</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
07 NOV	26	1	Passage to Sydney. COMAUSFLT KEB 052050Z NOV75
17 NOV	24	9	Exercise TASMANEX
	20	4 ¹ / ₂	
	27	1 ¹ / ₂	
	31	1 ¹ / ₂	
18 NOV	24	3	Exercise TASMANEX
	27	3	
	31	3 ¹ / ₄	
19 NOV	24	4	Exercise TASMANEX
	31	3 ¹ / ₄	

EXERCISES CARRIED OUT

NBCD

10th Shelter Stations and Deep Shelter Stations - Prewet
11th Full NBCD exercise (2 hours)
12th Firefighting Instruction (2 hours)
16th Decontamination, Cleansing and Monitoring instruction (2½ hours)
Firefighting Instruction (3½ hours)
17th Full NBCD exercise (3½ hours)
18th Full NBCD exercise (1½ hours)
Nuclear Transit

COMMUNICATIONS

4th Flag Hoisting 2 FRX, RRX, TTX, NCX 453
5th TTX, FRX, RRX, Semaphore, Flag Hoisting, Challenge and Reply, Longcommex.
6th FRX, EWX 23, RRX, TTX, Fleetwork
10th EWX 22, EWX 23, RRX, TTX
11th 2 FRX, Semaphore, RRX, TTX, NCX 451
12th FRX, Fleetwork, RRX, TTX, Longcommex
13th RRX, TTX, NCX 451
14th FRX
17th TASMANEX, RRX
18th TASMANEX, RRX
19th TASMANEX, RRX, Flag Hoists, NCX 453.
29th Flag Hoists, RRX, FRX
21st Flag Hoists, RRX, FRX, NCX 419, NCX 451
24th NCX 501, RRX, TTX
25th Flag Hoists, RRX, TTX
26th FRX, RRX, TTX, Semaphore, NCX 453
27th EWX 5, RRX, TTX, NCX 453.

A.I.O. and NAVIGATION

5ht Log Calibration
10th Nuclear Transit
11th Enemy Contact Reporting AAWDX
20th Minefield Transit
24th GOPEX, AAWDX, ARRX, INTEX, SPX
25th AAWDX
26th INTEX ADEX
27th INTEX ADEX

TAS

5th CASEX C3, CASEX B1, Sonar Sensitivity Trial.
7th CASEX A1, Torpedo Steeraway Trial
10th Standby HMAS OVENS DIVE
11th CSAT 7 - Standby Trials HMAS OVENS
19th CSAT 7
21st Standby HMAS OVENS Trials.

GUNNERY

4th Balloon Tracking
5th AATX, MTX
6th NGS, NAVCOMEX, MTX
10th MTX, AATX
1th AATX
14th Landing Party Weapon Training
17th Balloon Tracking
19th 50 Calibe shoot
21st MTX
24th MTX, RIX, Day Starshell, PAC
25th MTX, NEX/Starshell
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Annex C to HMAS PERTH
letter of 3rd December, 1975.

OFFICERS MOVEMENTS

3NOV75 - Commander I.D. ROBERTS RAN - Joined from HMAS KUTTABUL.
3NOV75 - Lieutenant G.P. KABLE RAN - Joined from HMAS WATSON.
10NOV75 - Sub Lieutenant L. WALTON RAN - Joined from HMAS DERWENT.

7NOV75 - Commander D.D. FARTHING RAN - Departed for HMAS HARMAN (NO)
7NOV75 - Lieutenant C.A. BARRIE RAN - Departed for HMS DRYAD

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PERTH operated in the Sydney-JB area from
01-06 Dec carrying out weapon training, including

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Tartar firings and Turana Trial, in the

DCNS

TB exercise areas. The ship moved alongside

HMAS STALWART on 08 Dec and remained

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here until the end of the month giving leave
and maintaining.

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HMAS PERTH DDG38
at Sydney

31st December, 1975.

The Flag Officer Commanding
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For Information:

The Australian Naval Attache
WASHINGTON D.C.

The Commander
FIRST AUSTRALIAN DESTROYER SQUADRON

The Commanding Officer
HMAS BRISBANE

The Commanding Officer
HMAS HOBART



HMAS PERTH - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - DECEMBER 1975.

Sir,

1. I have the honour to report the proceedings of Her Majesty's Australian Ship PERTH under my command for the month of December 1975. All times are zone LIMA (-11).
2. At 0930 Monday 1st December PERTH sailed in company with HMAS BRISBANE from Sydney to the exercise areas. HMAS HOBART joined at 1520 and the squadron conducted naval gunfire support firings until 1900.
3. After exercises conducted on Tuesday 2nd December HMAS SWAN joined the three DDG's for a formation anchorage in Jervis Bay.
4. It had been programmed that PERTH would control A4G Skyhawks firing sidewinder missiles against Jindivik towed target on Wednesday 3rd December. Unfortunately due to problems with the target control these firings were postponed until 1976.
5. At 1835 Wednesday 3rd December you, Sir, came onboard in Jervis Bay to spend the night prior to witnessing TARTAR missile firings which were to be conducted by the First Australian Destroyer Squadron the next day.
6. On Thursday 4th December you, Sir, transferred to HMAS HOBART before both ships weighed and proceeded for the missile firing area. Some sixteen members of the 1975 NSW Industrial Mobilisation course joined before sailing.
7. HMAS BRISBANE and HOBART fired TARTAR missiles simultaneously at 1133. PERTH manoeuvred to take photographs. Unfortunately the Jindivik towing the target was hit and destroyed. This precluded PERTH from firing TARTAR that day.
8. At 1250 you, Sir, returned onboard by jackstay from HMAS HOBART. The Squadron then formed for squadron photographs on completion of which all three ships fired five inch guns against a sleeve target.
9. At 1550 the same day PERTH and HOBART hove to off the breakwater at HMAS CRESWELL and you, Sir, were landed by boat. The Industrial Mobilisation Course were also landed.

10. That evening the Squadron conducted a tactical NGS firing which included registration of targets.
11. At 0907 the next day, Friday 5th December, HOBART fired another TARTAR missile. On completion of this firing I detached BRISBANE and HOBART for Port Jackson.
12. Later that forenoon PERTH was within 25 seconds of TARTAR launch when the tonic target parted from the towing JINDIVIK thus the firing was aborted. PERTH anchored in Jervis Bay overnight.
13. At 0730 Saturday 6th December PERTH weighed and proceeded with HMAS SWAN for TURANA trials. At 0910 PERTH commenced five inch firings against TURANA, a total of 95 rounds were fired. On completion PERTH set course for Port Jackson.
14. PERTH secured to No 4 buoy Garden Island at 1440 that afternoon.
15. The ship moved alongside HMAS STALWART, at the EMS berth, at 0830 Monday 8th December to commence a self maintenance and leave period.
16. On Tuesday 9th December a Squadron sports day was held at the Randwick Sports Complex. This highly competitive and most enjoyable day finished with BRISBANE running out the winner from PERTH and with HOBART third.
17. On Friday 12th December twelve sea cadets and their instructors joined for twelve days training.
18. At 1100 on Monday 15th December I called on you, Sir, at Fleet Headquarters.
19. The Chief Defence Scientist DR J. Farrands and the Controller Service Laboratories Air Vice Marshal Noble accompanied by Captain Dalrymple, RAN Trials and assessing Unit, visited the ship on the forenoon of Tuesday 16th December.
20. PERTH commenced duty as standby for emergency destroyer at 1200 27th December.

MARINE ENGINEERING

21. Main and auxiliary machinery has operated satisfactorily during the month no significant defects.
22. Work on defects outstanding from previous months have been continuing during this SMP.

WEAPONS ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

23. Because of the failure to fire an ITR missile (para 12) the system is still to be proved in that mode.
24. Two URDEFS were raised during December. There are now a total of five outstanding of which two are awaiting stores from the USA.

GENERAL

25. Due to leave and ships programme only two ships divers out of a total of nine qualified during the month.
26. The Ship's Company were lectured on security on Thursday 11th December.

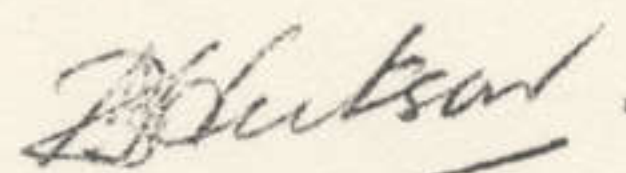
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Sir,

Your obedient Servant.



(P.J. HUTSON)
CAPTAIN RAN
COMMANDING OFFICER

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Annex A to HMAS PERTH letter
1.16.1 of 31st December, 1975

STEAMING FIGURES

1.	Distance steamed during the month of December	1083.6
2.	Hours underway during the month of December	87 ²⁸ / ₆₀
3.	Total distance steamed since first commissioning	343,804.3
4.	Total hours underway since first commissioning	24,609 ¹⁹ / ₆₀
5.	Occasions of exceeding fast routine speed	NIL

EXERCISES CARRIED OUT

AIO

1st December	ARRX	SAG/SAV procedures
2nd December	SPX	ARRX TACAN Test
3rd December	ARRX	
4th December	ARRX	
4th December	ADEX	(F111 strikes)

GUNNERY

1st December	NGSFX	
2nd December	MTX	NGSFX
3rd December	MTX	
4th December	MTX (2)	AATFX (sleeve) NDSFX (Tactical firing)
5th December	MTX	
6th December	AATFX	(TURANA)

SEAMANSHIP

1st December	OOW Manoeuvres (2 hours)		
	RAS approaches		
	Heaving line transfer,	Screenex,	Stationmaster.
2nd December	Formation Anchorage		
4th December	Squadron Photograph		

COMMUNICATIONS

1st December	EWX 23	
2nd December	EWX 10	FRX Semaphore
3rd December	EWX 7	
5th December	EWX 23	
9th December	NAVCOMEX	204
11th December	NAVCOMEX	405

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OFFICERS MOVEMENTS

17 DEC 75 Lieutenant J.R. COOK RAN Departed for HMAS KUTTABUL (GMGID)

1 DEC 75 Sub Lieutenant J.C.MARRS RAN Joined from HMAS WARATAH

19 DEC 75 Sub Lieutenant D.J. GLADMAN RAN Joined from HMAS SUPPLY.

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