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Superintendent of Training,
Flinders Naval Depot,
Victoria.

20th January, 1961.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit the following Report of Proceedings for the period 31st August 1960 to 31st December 1960, for H.M.A.Establishment under my command.

2. Apart from the cessation of Naval Shipwright training there has been no major change in organisation or administration. The last course for Chief Naval Shipwright was held in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS from 15th February 1960 to 22nd April 1960, the final examination for Naval Shipwright 3rd Class being held on 7th October 1960. It is not envisaged that any further training within the Shipwright Branch will take place in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS and the Shipwright's School is now closed down. All future qualifying courses for Chief Naval Shipwright and examinations for Naval Shipwright 3rd Class will be arranged and conducted at H.M.A.S. NIRIMBA, in accordance with Navy Office Letter 311/4/14 dated 13th May 1960.

3. Progress in major works items has been as follows: -

(a) The two additional Recruit School Accommodation Blocks were commenced on 21st March 1960 and bricked up to dampcourse level by 27th May 1960. At this stage progress ceased owing to the builder's lack of funds. New tenders were received and the successful contractors, T. Langford and Company, commenced work in August 1960. Progress is good and the buildings should be completed in June 1961.

(b) Construction work on the extension to the Radio Building is proceeding satisfactorily.

(c) Work on the rehabilitation of the establishment's Heating Steam System is in progress and the old boiler has been removed, together with redundant pipes and fittings, including the funnel and uptakes. After a brief period, during which H.M.A.S. CASTLEMAINE was successfully utilized to supply steam, the establishment's Yarrow boiler commenced operation.

(d) The wooden slipway, which was in use prior to the installation of the steel cradle, has been dismantled and returned as arisings. It had become too dangerous for use, having partially collapsed during the recent unslipping of an S.A.R. craft. The slipping of A.T. 1536 during October, utilizing the new equipment, proved to be less wasteful of time and manpower.

4. The only unusual maintenance problem experienced during the period October/December was in the removal of the shaft and propeller of A.T. 1536 during October. In spite of every known means, including the sustained application of heat, the propeller could not be slackened from the shaft. The only alternative was to cut the shaft in order to effect removal. In any case, the shaft itself was worn badly in the vicinity of the stern tube and required renewal.

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5. H.M.A.S. CERBERUS was inspected by The Flag Officer Commanding, H.M. AUSTRALIAN FLEET, Rear-Admiral W. H. Harrington, C.B.E., D.S.O., accompanied by his staff, during the period 24th - 28th October.

We were privileged in having as temporary residents from 10th-14th October, the Victorian Industrial Mobilization Course for 1960. This was the third and final symposium for the course and although they were by necessity, mainly occupied with lectures and internal discussion groups, members did, however, see quite a lot of the general activity and training within the establishment. This included a very interesting visit to the West Head Gunnery Range. To judge from the many remarks which were passed by the civilian members of the course during their stay, they undoubtedly gained a very good insight into the work, organisation and training of the R.A.N.

On Trafalgar Day the Massed Bands of the R.A.N. performed the ceremony of Beating Retreat at the Shrine of Remembrance - an occasion which was much appreciated by the general public.

H.M.A.S. SWAN visited Westernport during the period 23rd - 25th November, thereby enabling all recruit classes to be taken on instructional visits to the ship as she lay at anchor. Short sea trips were also arranged and recruits benefited from sea-boat drills, anchoring and weighing and other minor evolutions which were exercised for their benefit.

Activity within the public relations field has been average over the period and favourable press coverage has been given to all major visits plus occasional visits by schools. The recruiting film, "Making a Sailor" was completed during October and is now in the process of final vetting. Unexpected interest has been shown by a Melbourne newspaper and it is hoped to gain advance publicity for the film as a result.

6. We were honoured in having as our guest for the 1960 Trafalgar Night Dinner, the Governor of Victoria, His Excellency General Sir Dallas Brooks, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., C.M.G., D.S.O., Kt. St. J. As a prelude to the dinner, the massed bands of the R.A.N. performed the ceremony of Beating Retreat on the lawns in front of the Wardroom.

The Director of Naval Education Services, Instructor Captain G.B.C. Britton, M.A., R.N., paid an official visit to H.M.A.S. CERBERUS on 2nd November 1960.

On 16th November 1960, Captain J.W. Collett, R.N., on assuming his appointment as R.N. Liaison Officer, called on me officially.

The Director of Naval Construction, Commander (E) P.J.A. Daish, R.A.N. visited H.M.A.S. CERBERUS to discuss the use of the S.A.R. craft and other problems associated with support craft.

On 6th December, The Chief of the Naval Staff, Vice-Admiral Sir Henry Burrell, C.B., C.B.E., and Lady Burrell visited H.M.A.S. CERBERUS. The Admiral was able to make a brief tour of the Depot and grounds, including a visit to Flinders Naval Hospital. During the afternoon he took the salute at Divisions and on completion gave a brief address to the Ship's Company.

7. On 10th September I presented the trophies at the Annual presentation night of the Royal Saint Kilda Yacht Club.

A Royal Guard from H.M.A.S. CERBERUS was mounted at the opening of the Royal Agricultural Society Show on 23rd September, and I attended upon His Excellency The Governor-General, The Right Honorable Viscount Dunrossil, G.C.M.G., M.C., K. St. J., Q.C.

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On 21 October I addressed the Trafalgar Day Luncheon in Melbourne of The Royal Society of Saint George.

I attended the Graduation at the Officer Cadet School, Portsea, on 8th December.

8. Apart from Navy's win in the Inter-Service Rifle shoot, sporting activities have been confined to, participation in civilian competitions and inter-part matches. Some results in civilian winter competitions merit mention. The F.N.D. 1st XVIII became Premiers of the Nepean Foot-ball League and in Rugby, both F.N.D. 3rd XV and F.N.D. Colts XV won their respective premierships.

The most important field of sporting activity from the point of view of arousing interest and activity, has been the formation of the F.N.D. Sailing Club. Several small regattas have already been held, including a challenge to H.M.A.S. SWAN during her visit. The addition of two Flying Dutchman class boats to our small fleet of three whalers and two dinghies has boosted interest in the club and has introduced the opportunity of competition with civilian boats. With the supply of further 14' dinghies from Garden Island more recruits will be able to gain sailing experience. The opening of the club has provided us with the opportunity of giving all interested recruits a chance to learn to sail - a facet of service life for which there is unfortunately no time available in ships of the Fleet.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(F. Leveson George)
COMMODORE.

The Secretary,
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13(a). Unless extremely rapid progress has been made in the last two months it is most unlikely that buildings will be ready for occupation by 8th June D/26/5.

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Remarks by D.N.A.S.

Para.13(a) - The requisitions raised for construction of new blocks at Flinders Naval Depot contain an amount of £7,500 for Furniture - file 1427/51/21 refers.

Para.13(b) - As the equipment required was not available from stock, it was ordered from U.K. and U.S.A. and latest advices indicate that it will be available by September 1961. In addition some items are being manufactured by G.M.W.D.

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NAVY MINISTRY

Superintendent of Training,
Flinders Naval Depot,
Victoria.

28 APR 1961

Sir,

I have the honour to submit the following Report of Proceedings for the period 31st December, 1960 to 31st March, 1961 for H.M.A. Establishment under my command.

2. The Re-organisation of Administration and Training at Flinders Naval Depot, in accordance with Navy Office letter 80/201/6 dated 21st December, 1960 is taking effect in planned stages. On 1st February, 1961 the Central Training Organisation came into being with Commander H.O'B. Hodgson, R.A.N., as Training Officer, and Instructor Lieutenant Commander K.R. Kimmorley, B.A., R.A.N., as Course-Planning Co-ordinator. The duties of Officer-in-Charge, Recruit School were assumed by Lieutenant Commander C.J. Schmitzer, R.A.N.

3. Administration of recruits remains the responsibility of the Officer-in-Charge, Recruit School, with the exception that in disciplinary matters, cases are now dealt with by the Executive Officer before reaching me and not, as before, by the Training Commander.

4. On 6th February, 1961 a revised system of Officers' and Chief Petty Officers' watchbills came into being with a view to :-

(a) Causing less interference with training functions.

(b) Fairer distribution of duty load.

(c) Training of C.P.O.'s to assume the responsibilities of their rate.

5. On 27th February a new Training Routine was introduced - designed to avoid interference to training by outside factors. Also at this time the standardised weekly instructional programme was introduced.

6. The new Administrative Command Structure was introduced on 27th February and the following additional duties were allocated to the Executive Officer :-

(a) Depot Maintenance.

(b) Works.

(c) Relief Trust Fund and Public Relations.

(d) Passive Defence and Fire Fighting.

(e) Sports Organisation.

(f) C.P.O.'s and P.O.'s Messes.

7. The original proposal that Works be the responsibility of the Executive Officer assisted by a Lieutenant (S) would necessitate the appointment of an additional officer who would require considerable training before he could be put to full use. The present arrangement whereby all Works matters are co-ordinated and prepared by the Engineer Officer, responible to the Executive Officer has proved to operate efficiently. Therefore, in view of -

(a) Present Efficiency.

(b) Lightening of the duties of the Engineer Officer with the establishment of -

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(i) the depot maintenance organisation responsible to the Executive Officer,

(ii) the establishment of a Training Officer,

(iii) Naval Board's approved amendment to the Instructional Publications Officer's Statement of Duties - to include the duties of Assistant Works Officer,

it is intended that the Engineer Officer continue to be Works Officer and the Assistant Works Officer be responsible to him for New Works and the Barrackmaster for Repairs and Maintenance of existing works.

8. The depot maintenance party will consist of Engineering, Electrical and Boatswain's maintenance parties plus the Barrackmaster. Maintenance of Training equipment within the schools will be the responsibility of the Training Organisation. Boats, being training aids, will continue to be controlled by the Training Officer and their maintenance arranged by him as necessary.

The depot workshops will be re-organised in two distinct sections - Training and Maintenance. The present Engineer's Workshop will be altered as necessary to provide all workshop training facilities, excepting electronics, for the Engineering, Gunnery and Electrical Schools. All depot maintenance will be sited in the present Shipwright's shop - the necessary machinery being installed. Maintenance welding and blacksmithing facilities will be provided in the present blacksmith's shop.

9. Saturday forenoon instruction for recruits was introduced on 4th March. This involves the non-duty watch of recruits from 0800 - 1100 for four weekends in every five. Instruction is handled largely by the duty Recruit School staff, assisted by other departments as necessary and consists mainly of the following activities :-

(a) Rifle Range - approximately 50 recruits.
(b) Boatwork - " 75 "
(c) Firefighting - " 24 "

In addition, an estimated 30 - 50 recruits attend recreational camps at Sandy Point every 3 weeks. The boatwork instruction on Saturday forenoons should prove particularly valuable to all recruits, as, at present, they join the Fleet with little or no practical boatwork experience.

10. Investigation is at present being made into the number of instructional hours being put in by officers and instructors in the various schools with the following gains in view :-

(a) Better knowledge and appreciation of the instruction given within their schools.

(b) Improved and more efficient spreading of the instructional load.

(c) Possible future reduction in complement billets as a result of these investigations. Briefly, for the above scheme, schools have been split into Major and Minor units.

Major:	Minor:
Recruit School.	Petty Officers' School.
Gunnery School.	Inst. Technique School.
Engineering School.	P. & R.T. School.
Electrical School.	Regulating School.
Educational School.	A.B.C.D. School.
Signal School.	School of Music.
Supply & Secretariat School.	Seamanship School.
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11. In the beginning, the instructional load will be spread as follows - but subject to alteration as the scheme progresses :-

Officers in Charge Major Schools	-	8-12 hours instruction per week.
Officers in Charge Minor Schools	-	12-15 hours instruction per week.
Deputy Officers in Charge Major Schools, plus Senior Instructor Officers, Gunnery and Electrical Schools	-	15-20 hours instruction per week.
Officer Instructors generally	-	18-22 hours instruction per week.
Rating Instructors generally	-	20-26 hours instruction per week.

12. Duplication of the Central Regulating Office within individual schools has ceased.

13. Progress in major works items has been as follows :-

(a) Progress on the two new Recruit blocks continues at a satisfactory rate and they should be ready for occupation 8th June.

(b) Extensions to the Radio building were completed in March. Installation of new equipment is progressing satisfactorily in the Electrical School, although it is a matter for concern that the design of the water-cooling arrangements for the Type 12 Underwater Weapons System in Room 14 has not yet been completed by the Department of Works. This matter is being pressed in the appropriate quarters. Tardy approval for the supply of computing elements and servo components is likely to delay the setting up of practical experiments in the Servo Mechanisms Laboratory, now nearly ready for occupation in Room 8 of the Electrical School.

(c) The current rehabilitation of the Heating Steam System is progressing very satisfactorily and the new units should be steaming by mid-April. The hot water storage tank was delivered on site on 24th February and installed. The first of the new boilers should be installed in the first week in April.

(d) Boats. Refit of T.B. 1536 was completed in February.
S.A.R. 214 was re-engined (reconditioned motors only) and completed her refit mid-February.
AWB.412 underwent a hull refit early in March.
S.A.R. 212 has had reconditioned motors installed but is not yet running.
25' motor cutter - new engine has been supplied and has been bench tested. Delay in installation is due to supply of an unserviceable starter motor. This matter is being pursued through Naval Stores.
Three 14' R.N.S.A. dinghies were supplied ex Garden Island in January. Two whalers and an 8 ft. clinker built dinghy are being re-built in the Shipwrights' Shop.

(e) The old Department of Works Compound in Creswell Road which was demolished by Ship's Company in October, 1960, is now being levelled and top-dressed by Department of Works prior to lawn seeding.

(f) Twenty-one redundant buildings were sold by public auction on 8th February. Demolition and removal is proceeding at a satisfactory rate.

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14. H.M.A.S. SWAN paid an unofficial and largely recreational visit to Westernport between 20th and 23rd January.

15. There have been no official visitors for the period 31st December to 31st March, 1961.

16. Electrical maintenance of training equipment in the Gunnery, Signals and Electrical Schools is still being gravely hampered by shortages and frequent turnover of the Electrical Maintenance complement.

17. During the month of March, accompanied by my daughter, I attended two Garden Parties at Government House, Melbourne, on 3rd March, the Opening of the Red Cross Appeal, and on 10th March, a Youth Garden Party.

18. Sporting activity for this quarter has been high - focused mainly on cricket and tennis. The cricket teams have had a better than average season. The tennis team won the Peninsula Trophy. The sailing club climaxed their summer racing with a picnic day for the Victorian Flying Dutchman Association on Westernport. They day was a great success. The water polo team has had an excellent season, combining hard training with a very good visit to Ballarat for the Country Championships.

19. In the Inter-Service swimming sports, held at the Olympic Pool on 24th March, R.A.A.F. won from Army and Navy in a very close finish. As was the case in 1960, the result hinged upon the final race. In the women's section, the W.R.A.N.S. had a most convincing victory over their sister services.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

(F. Leveson George)
COMMODORE

The Secretary,
Department of the Navy,
Navy Office,
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14. H.M.A.S. CHAN held an unofficial and largely recreational visit to Jervisbay between 20th and 23rd January.

15. There have been no official visitors for the period 31st December to 31st March, 1961.

16. Technical maintenance of training equipment in the Armoury, Signals and Technical School is still being gravely hampered by shortages and frequent turnover of the clerical maintenance complement.

17. During the month of March, accompanied by my daughter, I attended two Garden Parties at Government House, Melbourne, on the occasion of the Opening of the 3rd Cross Channel, and on 10th March a Youth Garden Party.

18. Sporting activity for this quarter has been high - focused mainly on cricket and tennis. The cricket teams have had a better than average season. The tennis team won the Commonwealth Trophy. The sailing club climaxed their summer racing with a picnic day for the Victorian Flying Dutchman Association on Eastern Beach. They day was a great success. The water polo team has had an excellent season, combining hard training with a very good visit to Hobart for the Country Championships.

19. In the Inter-Service swimming sports, held at the Olympic Pool on 24th March, H.M.A.S. VON FRICKENY and NEPEAN in a very close finish. As was the case in 1960, the result hinged upon the final race. In the women's section, the H.M.A.S. had a most convincing victory over their sister services.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

(A. Lovegrove Begbie)
COMMODORE

The Secretary,
Department of the Navy,
Navy Office,
Canberra, A.C.T.

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The Commodore Superintendent
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H.M.A.S. CERBERUS - QUARTERLY REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS.

Reference: R.I. Appendix 29A, Clause 3.

1. The following Report of Proceedings for H.M.A. Establishment under my command for the period 31st January, 1962, to 31st March, 1962, is submitted for the information of the Naval Board.

2. I took up my appointment as the Commodore Superintendent of Training and in command of H.M.A.S. CERBERUS from my predecessor on Monday, 12th February, 1962.

3. There have been no major changes in organisation and administration during this quarter. It will undoubtedly take time for the new nomenclature introduced by my predecessor to come into common usage.

4. The first entry of Midshipmen of the Supplementary List for Aircrew officers joined for their basic 25 week training course on 29th January, 1962. Their course, by necessity, a most intensive one, includes Academics, Seamanship, Communications, Gunnery and A.B.C.D. The seven entrants have settled into Service routine very quickly and are entering into all facets of H.M.A.S. CERBERUS life with the greatest enthusiasm.

5. Shortages of officers is resulting in a lower efficiency in training in at least three Divisions. In the Weapons and Radio Engineering Division the long-standing shortage of two Electrical officers is still keenly felt (C.S.T. F.N.D.'s Letter 34/5/68 dated 6th April, 1962, refers.) The acute shortage of (R) Instructors makes for great difficulty in course planning and will not allow for maintenance of equipment.

6. The first group of electrical artificers destined for "WESSEX" maintenance are currently undergoing their basic technological training before their transfer to H.M.A.S. ALBATROSS.

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7. In the Seaman Division, the number of available divisional officers has now reached the all-time low of four. Three officers are due to take up appointments here in mid-1962, but three out of the current four divisional officers are due for re-appointment elsewhere at this time.

8. In the Academic Training Division, one Lieutenant Commander and twenty-five Instructor Lieutenant Commanders and Lieutenants are allowed by complement. At present, one Instructor Commander and nineteen Instructor Lieutenant Commanders and Lieutenants are borne. Of these nineteen one Lieutenant Commander is the Course Planning Co-ordinator and therefore not employed on Instructional duties and one other is still employed part time as Charge Books Officer.

9. Progress in Major Works Items is as follows :-

(a) Work is well in hand with the new Recruit Administration Block. The present forecast completion date is late August, 1962.

(b) The extensions to the Wardroom are progressing well due, in the main, it is felt, to an unusually long spell of dry weather.

(c) The foundations have been completed for the new Magazine at West Head Gunnery Range. The new Administrative and Instructional building is now in the final stages of construction and the tentative opening date is Wednesday, 16th May.

(d) The Hot Water Reticulation System has now reached the stage where the lagging of piping has commenced. Excavation for the final section (supply to Wrans Quarters) has now commenced and is scheduled for completion in Mid-April.

(e) Construction of the new Implement and Bedding Store is well in hand.

10. A "Wear and Waste" test of H.M.A.S. CASTLEMAINE's boilers has been satisfactorily completed. The estimated future life of these boilers is two years from January, 1962.

11. In general there have been no unusual maintenance problems experienced during the quarter. The long awaited 62.5 Kw motor-generator to supply the A/S Type 177 Equipment was received in March and it is hoped that this equipment will be operational before June. Unfortunately, the control panel for the motor-generator was received in a badly damaged condition and has been given to the Williamstown Dockyard for repair. This damage has been reported in my letter 156/26(b) dated 29th March, 1962.

12. Operational activities for this period have been greatly enlivened by the two visits of H.M.A.S. SWAN. She called briefly on 6th/7th March en route for her "Moomba" visit to Melbourne and again over the period 26th/30th March. During both visits, H.M.A.S. SWAN afforded every opportunity

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for sea training and general ship acquaintance trips for many classes of recruits. A most comprehensive programme was arranged by the Training Officer of H.M.A.S. SWAN. These very brief sorties to sea have been of much benefit to recruits, most of whom have never seen a fleet unit. More frequent visits to Westernport by Fleet Units would be of considerable benefit to the Training Division.

13. Both H.M.A.S. SWAN and H.M.A.S. YARRA have co-operated when possible with the practical evaluation of a prototype catamaran Gunnery surface target, designed and built in this Establishment by Lieutenant Commander (SD) P.Y. WILLIAMS (B), R.A.N. H.M.A.S. YARRA conducted one high speed trial and the target behaved perfectly up to 20 knots when the terylene tow parted. H.M.A.S. SWAN assisted, during her longer visit, by towing the target for a surface shoot from the West Head Gunnery Range.

14. On 26th February, 1962, I paid the following official calls in Melbourne :- His Excellency the Governor of Victoria, General Sir Dallas Brooks, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., C.M.G., D.S.O.; the Chief Justice of Victoria, Lieutenant General Sir Edmund Herring, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., D.S.O., M.C.; the representative of the Premier of Victoria, The Honourable V.S. Bloomfield, Minister for Education of Victoria; the Right Honourable Lord Mayor of Melbourne, Councillor M.A. Nathan, C.B.E.; the General Officer Commanding Southern Command, Major General L.G. Canet, C.B.E.; the Air Officer Commanding Support Command, Air Vice Marshal A.L. Walters, C.B., C.B.E., A.F.C.; the Naval Officer in Charge, Victoria, Captain J. Plunkett-Cole, R.A.N. These calls have been repaid by:- the Naval Officer in Charge, Victoria, Acting Captain R.S.S. Ingham, D.S.C., R.N. on 21st March; the Air Officer Commanding on 27th March and the General Officer Commanding on 30th March. The Industrial Mobilisation Course of 1962 was accommodated in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS from 18th - 23rd February, 1962. Brigadier M. Suleman paid an official visit to this Establishment on 8th and 9th March. This delightful Pakistan Soldier obtained great value from his visit. Commodore L. Stanners, O.B.E., R.N.Z.N., the Second Naval Member of the New Zealand Naval Board paid an official visit to H.M.A.S. CERBERUS on 21st and 22nd March, 1962, and made a comprehensive tour of the Training Division. On 15th February I was dined by the officers of the Wardroom Mess, H.M.A.S. CERBERUS, and during the quarter have attended Mess Dinners for the following functions :- 22nd February - dining of the Members of the Industrial Mobilisation Course; 22nd March - Ladies Guest Night. Accompanied by my wife, I attended a Garden Party at Government House, Melbourne on 23rd March to mark the opening of the Red Cross Appeal. On 29th March I attended the official cocktail party given by the Captain and Officers of H.M.A.S. SWAN in Westernport Bay.

15. As is customary, this quarter has been one of almost constant activity in the field of sport. The major effort has been directed towards the summer Inter-Service competitions. The Inter-Service Swimming competition was held at the Melbourne Olympic Swimming Stadium on 16th March.

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The Wrans won every event and set a new relay record. The men were less successful and were narrowly defeated by the Royal Australian Air Force. The later concentrations at Bandiana and Puckapunyal were unfortunately marred by wet weather towards the end of the sports. In both men's and women's events, which included Tennis, Shooting, Cricket, Water-Polo, Softball, and Basketball the Navy achieved third place except Water-Polo which we won convincingly from both opponents. In the final results Navy was third, had the Athletics not been abandoned, Navy may possibly have fared better.

16. The Sailing Club has had an excellent season - competing regularly with local and Melbourne Yacht Clubs. A most generous gift, from the Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron, of three "Fleetwing" class fibreglass dinghies complete with all rigging and full sets of sails plus the original hull mould, has given considerable boost to the club and will provide more varied sailing experience. The club has purchased an unfinished "Flying Dutchman" and it is well on the way to completion due to the efforts of a group of keen recruits. It is to be hoped that as this club grows, most new entries will be able to gain experience under sail.

17. This Establishment continues to be a popular visit for many and varied Organisations. In January a party of some 120 junior Legatees from Victorian Country Districts was with us for a day, during which several small displays were produced for their benefit. During the same month a party of 100 sea cadets and their instructors spent ten days in camp. Two Ex-Servicemen's Associations, H.M.A.S. SHROPSHIRE and H.M.A.S. WESTRALIA, visited the Establishment at weekends during February.

18. Morale and health for this quarter remains at a high level.

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H.M.A.S. CERBERUS - QUARTERLY REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS.

Reference: R.I. Appendix 29A, Clause 3.

1. Submitted for the consideration of the Naval Board my report of proceedings for the period 1st April, 1962, to 30th June, 1962.

2. There have been no major changes in organisation and administration during this quarter.

3. The first entry of Midshipmen of the Supplementary List for Aircrew officers are nearing the end of their course here and will depart for Malta late in July, 1962.

4. The Weapons and Radio Engineering Division continue to feel the long-standing shortage of electrical officers and (R) instructors. Maintenance of equipment has suffered due to heavy instructional commitments. During this quarter the first group of electrical artificers destined for "Wessex" maintenance completed training. A second group of electrical artificers destined for "Wessex" maintenance commenced training. At present the Weapons Radio and Engineering Division are instructing three classes of electrical artificers, one of P.O.E. (E), one of P.O.E. (R) and one of P.O.E. (R) (A) and numerous classes of junior rates.

5. The Seaman Division has been affected by a shortage of Divisional Officers. Four officers only were borne as Divisional Officers at the end of June; they were Lieutenants BOWEN, DOVE, HEFFERAN and LONGDEN. Lieutenant BOWEN was the training officer and Getting Divisional Officer, Getting Division containing 117 Recruits. Lieutenant DOVE, Moran Divisional Officer, had 120 Recruits in his Division. Lieutenant HEFFERAN, Waller Divisional Officer and Lieutenant LONGDEN, Rankin Divisional Officer, have 115 and 105 Recruits respectively.

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6. Progress in Major Works Items is as follows :-

(a) The new Recruit Administration Block is almost completed. It is understood that it will be completed early in August.

(b) Extensions to the Wardroom are well in hand. Work has commenced on the alterations to the interior of the existing building.

(c) Construction of the new Magazine at West Head Gunnery Range is well in hand. It is expected that this building will be completed in mid-July and should receive the first shipment of ammunition on Monday, 23rd July.

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(d) The hot water reticulation system is in the last stage of construction and is nearing completion. The system will be tested during the third week in July.

(e) Construction of the new Bedding and Implement Store has been completed. The building is now in use.

(f) Final preparations have been made for the installation of the Turbo-Alternator in the Power House.

(g) Work has commenced on the reconstruction of the operating theatre at Flinders Naval Hospital and it is progressing satisfactorily.

(h) The West Head Gunnery Range Administration building was completed early in May. The building was officially opened on 16th May and has been in operational use since.

7. No large maintenance problems have been encountered during this quarter. Lack of staff hampers the maintenance programs of both the Marine Engineering Division and the Weapons and Radio Engineering Division. Maintenance staff in the Garage are hard pressed to maintain vehicles in top condition due to inadequate staff. The serviceability of boats is poor for the same reason. Radio equipment is maintained on a "repair when damaged" system, also due to shortages in staff.

8. The Seaman Division report that the unsealed area between their accommodation blocks causes considerable inconvenience. It is considered that the sealing of the areas between the Blocks should be expedited. C.S.T.F.N.D.'s Letter 175/9/52 dated 11th May, 1962, refers.

9. There have been few operational activities during this period. No vessels have visited Westernport since H.M.A.S. SWAN's visit during March. U.S.S. TOWERS, a Charles F. Adams class Destroyer, visited Melbourne during the period 9th to 14th May. Two large groups of officers and ratings from H.M.A.S. CERBERUS visited the ship on Wednesday the 9th and Thursday the 10th of May. On each visit the group was divided into small parties. The parties were made up of officers and ratings interested in a specific subject, e.g. communications, weapons, A.I.O., engineering and general duties.

10. On Friday, 11th May, officers and men from H.M.A.S. CERBERUS marched through the streets of Melbourne with members of the armed services of the United States of America to commemorate the Battle of the Coral Sea. The TOWERS provided a company of officers and men. Other service units represented in the March were the Southern Pacific Drum and Bugle Band of the United States Air Force, units of the Australian Military Forces and the Victorian Police. The Salute was taken on the Melbourne Town Hall steps by His Excellency the Governor of Victoria accompanied by General Emmett O'Donnell, Jr. U.S.A.F.

11. Three official visits were made to H.M.A.S. CERBERUS during this quarter. The Medical Director General, Surgeon Rear Admiral L. Lockwood, C.B.E., M.V.O., D.S.C., Q.H.S., visited H.M.A.S. CERBERUS on 3rd April and inspected Flinders Naval Hospital during the forenoon. During the afternoon, the Medical Director General witnessed a diving display and toured the Establishment. Commander Snit of the Royal Thai Navy visited Flinders Naval Depot on Monday, 16th April, 1962. On Wednesday 30th May, Mr. Henderson, the Victorian Director of the Commonwealth Department of Works, inspected all new works programs in the Establishment. The United States Naval Attache, Captain J. Miller, U.S.N. and the Assistant United States Naval Attache, Lieutenant Commander A. Miller, U.S.N., visited H.M.A.S. CERBERUS on Wednesday, 6th and Thursday, 7th of June. Accompanied by their wives, they spent the night of Wednesday 6th as guests of my wife and myself at "CERBERUS" House. On Wednesday both officers toured the Establishment before attending a dinner at "CERBERUS" House. The forenoon of Thursday 7th was spent touring West Head Gunnery Range and watching Anti-Aircraft firings. The Attaches and their wives departed H.M.A.S. CERBERUS at 1430 on Thursday, 7th June.

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12. On the 13th April, 1962, I presented the Naval Guard and Band to their Excellency's the Governor General and the Governor of Victoria at the ceremony at Spencer Street Railway Station to mark the opening of the Standard Gauge Railway between Sydney and Melbourne. I attended with other Melbourne dignitaries the Lord Mayor of Melbourne's quarterly luncheon on Wednesday 9th May, 1962 and was also present at the Coral Sea Reception and luncheon given by the Australian American Association at which the guest of honour was General EmmettO'Donnell, Jr. U.S.A.F. on Thursday, 10th May, 1962. As a guest of the Lord Mayor I watched the annual Coral Sea March on Friday, 11th May, 1962, from the steps of the Town Hall and afterwards was present at the Mayoral reception for the American Guest of Honour. At the Queen's Birthday levee on Saturday, 2nd June, 1962, in the State Parliament House, Melbourne, I presented the Naval Guard and Band to His Excellency the Governor of Victoria and then attended on him during the levee. As the representative of the Naval Board I was present at the swearing in of His Excellency the Governor of Victoria as the Administrator of the Commonwealth on Tuesday, 5th June, 1962. I was amongst the many guests of my Principal Medical Officer, Surgeon Captain R. Coplans at the Wedding of his eldest daughter to Lieutenant W.B. Loftus, R.A.N. of H.M.A.S. LEEUWIN on Saturday, 16th June, 1962. I called on His Excellency the Administrator of Victoria, Sir Edmund Herring, on Thursday, 21st June, 1962, and later that day called on the new Air Vice Marshall Support Command, Air Vice Marshall C.D. Candy, C.B.E. On the 26th June, 1962, I attended a conference of senior Naval officers at Navy Office, Canberra.

13. During this quarter, H.M.A.S. CERBERUS has fielded teams in almost every type of sport played in Victoria. In addition to fielding teams against other Service Establishments and units of the Fleet, teams are fielded in numerous Civilian sporting competitions. Three Rugby Union teams are playing in the Victorian Rugby Union Competition and all teams are doing well in their respective grades. Two players from this Establishment have been selected to play for Victoria in the interstate competitions. This Establishment also fields one team in the Nepean League Australian Rules Competition and one team in the Y.C.W. Under Nineteen Australian Rules Competition. The latter team consists of recruits of all religious denominations. During the afternoon of Friday, 8th June, a Gymnastics Display was held in the Gymnasium. The display was presented by members of the Victorian Amateur Gymnastic Association. Depot personnel witnessed an excellent display by the team which will compete in Perth at the National Championships later this year.

14. Numerous activities have been held in the Establishment during this quarter to celebrate the 21st anniversary of the foundation of the Women's Royal Australian Naval Service. An Anniversary Ball was held in the Depot Gymnasium on the night of Friday, 27th April. Over three hundred and sixty guests attended the ball. Principal guests were the present Director of W.R.A.N.S., Chief Officer Streeter and the first Director of W.R.A.N.S., Mrs. F. Kenworthy, O.B.E. An open day for W.R.A.N.S. and Ex-W.R.A.N.S. was held on Sunday, 29th April on completion of special church services in Melbourne. Numerous ex-W.R.A.N.S. and their families came straight from these services to the Depot and were escorted around the Establishment by serving members of the W.R.A.N.S. Numerous other functions were held in Melbourne to commemorate this Anniversary. All functions were attended by the Unit Officer, W.R.A.N.S., First Officer B.D. MacLeod, W.R.A.N.S. Surgeon Captain (D) Southby, R.A.N. received seven of his wartime W.R.A.N.S. Dental Assistants and after being shown around the Dental Section, the ex-Wrans planted a Jacarandah tree to commemorate the visit.

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15. The Depot continues to be a popular visit for numerous youth and other organisations. During Monday 14th and Tuesday 15th May, the Red Cross Blood Bank Mobile Unit visited this Establishment. A total of 232 bottles of blood was collected from members of the Ship's Company during these two days.

16. A group of 70 boys from the Presbyterian Boys Camp, Somers, visited the Establishment on Wednesday, 23rd May. The party toured the Depot and watched break-up firings. During the afternoon of the same day, 80 boys of the 3rd Cadet Brigade toured the Depot. Seventy-five boys of the 1st Beaumaris Sea Scout group visited the Depot on Sunday, 3rd June. They toured the Establishment and swam in the Indoor Pool.

17. Morale and health for this quarter continues to remain at a high level.

(R. Rhoades)
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I recommend that DCS be instructed to investigate the testing and evaluation of a towed divers sled mentioned in para 16. We are doing a lot of work on towed sleds at RANEL and there may be unnecessary duplication. → Cenerm DCNS. WHH 15/10

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C.N.S.

Noted - I understand that there is further correspondence on foot. With an outpatients department there is no question but that there things are much urgent than they were. WHH 15/2.

Conversion of the present Cookery School to an Outpatients Department was estimated to cost £4,000 but this is dependent upon the Cookery School moving to the old Laundry Building which would also require conversion at an estimated cost of £25,000.

2. Both these projects are desirable in order :-

(a) to have the Outpatients Department near the accommodation area, and

(b) to have a Cookery Training Section adequate for the training of Cooks entered under the new scheme whereby all Cooks will do their professional training at H.M.A.S. CERBERUS. (formerly Cooks (O) were trained at WATSON).

3. However in view of the small amount of funds available, after allowing for the construction of the Kuttabul Barracks, these projects totalling £29,000 failed to gain admission to the proposed 1963/64 New Works programme.

4. If it eventually transpires that additional funds become available these conversions could be given a relatively high priority.

5. In the meantime C.S.T. has been asked for his remarks on whether the conversion of the passenger bus to a mobile outpatients unit, as recommended by the Work Study Team, should proceed or whether the present system for outpatients should remain in force.

13th February, 1963.

4th Naval Member.

Yes Discussed with C.N.S. 19/2.

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Lt.YM

Thank you - how much is the new Cat-Patrol costing us? Para 11 refers. WHH 11/2

C.N.S.

With reference to paragraph 8 of the attached report of proceedings, the vehicles referred to are Ford tankers obtained from the R.A.A.F. without financial adjustment and are used to augment fresh water supplies for West Head and to provide additional stand-by supplies for fire fighting purposes.

2. The reference to shortage of spare parts is not understood as before transfer of the vehicles was arranged, Flinders Naval Depot confirmed that spare parts were readily available from the trade.

3. Only one of the vehicles in fact required a replacement engine and this was obtained from the R.A.A.F. without financial adjustment.

4. Both vehicles were repaired and returned to service shortly after this report of proceedings was submitted.

5th February, 1963.

4th Naval Member.

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THE SECRETARY,
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H.M.A.S. CERBERUS - QUARTERLY REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Reference: R.I. Appendix 29A, Clause 3.

1. Submitted for the consideration of the Naval Board my Report of Proceedings for the period 1st July, 1962, to 30th September, 1962.

2. There have been no major changes in organisation and administration during this quarter.

3. Eight officers comprising one Lieutenant and seven Midshipmen successfully completed Phase II of their Basic Aircrew Training on 20th July. Four of these officers departed to join Number 64 Basic Observer Course at the Royal Naval Air Station HALFAR, Malta on 26th July. The remaining officers joined Number 65 Basic Observer Course early in September, 1962.

4. The Annual Training Course for the Victorian Branch of the Australian Cadet Corps was held in this Establishment between 20th and 27th August. Two officers, four Chief and Petty Officers and 41 Cadets attended. The Cadets settled in well and the Course was considered to be most instructive.

5. Eleven Army officers from Sydney Command attended one week's Naval Gunfire Support Course in this Establishment from 27th to 31st August. During this Course the officers all had practical experience of "spotting" at West Head Gunnery Range.

6. The Establishment continues to feel the strain of working with a reduced Complement. The shortage of officers mentioned in my last Report remains. The shortage of Rating Instructors and Maintenance Staff is keenly felt. Working hands for Part of Ship duties are virtually non-existent in all Branches. Motor Transport commitments are met mainly by volunteer drivers due to the small number of Motor Transport Drivers allowed by Complement. It is strongly urged that more Motor Transport Drivers be allocated to this Establishment as requested in my letter 32/1/38 dated 2nd August, 1962.

7. Progress in Major Works Items is as follows:-

(a) The new Recruit Administration Block was completed and accepted on Thursday 20th September. The landscaping of the surroundings is in hand.

(b) Extensions to the Wardroom are well in hand. The new West Wing is progressing rapidly and brickwork has been commenced on the East Wing. The first stage of internal alterations to the existing building has been completed. The new Wardroom Bar was opened on 3rd September.

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(c) The new Magazine at West Head Gunnery Range was completed early in July and was completely ammunitioned by mid-August.

(d) The hot water reticulation system has been connected to all but the new Recruit Blocks and the W.R.A.N.S. Quarters. Redundant steam piping and calorifiers are now being removed.

(e) Installation of the new 600 K.W. alternator is well in hand. Electrical work has been completed. The steam and water cooling systems to the turbine are now being fitted.

(f) The modernisation of the Hospital Operating Theatre is progressing. The air conditioning unit and associated equipment is now being installed.

(g) The Naval Store was transferred to the old Clothing Store Building on 7th August. The old Naval Store Buildings were sold by the Department of the Interior. Demolition by the purchasers has progressed rapidly and the site will be clear before mid-October.

(h) The re-wiring of the Gymnasium is progressing satisfactorily.

(j) The Dockyard Refit of West Head Gunnery Range equipment was completed in late July.

(k) The 4.5" Mk. 6 drill turret in Flinders Naval Depot was refitted during the period 6th August to 14th September. It has now been fully modified and is the same as units fitted at sea.

8. No large maintenance problems have been encountered during this quarter although lack of staff continues to hamper progress in all Departments. The arrival of M.T.R.1 Portable Receiver/Transmitter Radio sets has saved many hours of maintenance problems for the Radio Maintenance Staff. These sets have proved most satisfactory under operational conditions. Two Motor vehicles are at present unserviceable and must continue that way for awhile due to the shortage of spare parts. These are - one 1,000 gallon ex-R.A.A.F. Tanker Truck - Z.N.A. 030 and one 500 gallon ex-R.A.A.F. Tanker Truck - Z.N.A. 031. It is understood that replacement engines for these vehicles will be declared for disposal by the R.A.A.F. in the near future and it is hoped that a free transfer between the R.A.A.F. and the Navy can be arranged.

What sort of Motors are they?

9. Ceremonial commitments have been few during this quarter. On Monday 3rd September, the Band played at a Reception for the King and Queen of Thailand, King Bhumibol and Queen Sirikit. On Wednesday 5th September, a Royal Guard and the Band were paraded twice; in the forenoon at Essendon Airport for the departure of King Bhumibol and Queen Sirikit and in the afternoon for the opening of State Parliament.

10. The Band were invited to play at the Melbourne Cricket Ground during the Victorian Football League Semi-Final between Geelong and Carlton on Saturday 15th September. A most appreciative audience of over 80,000 applauded an excellent performance.

11. The Director of W.R.A.N.S., Chief Officer J. STREETER, W.R.A.N.S., visited the Depot on 31st July to 1st August and again on 25th September to the 28th September. During the latter visit the Director carried out her Annual Inspection of W.R.A.N.S.

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Air Vice Marshal C.D. CANDY, C.B.E., Air Officer Commanding, Support Command, returned my call on Friday 31st August.

On 17th September, Captain L.K. CARR, D.S.C., R.N.Z.N., the Captain designate of H.M.N.Z.S. TARANAKI, joined for one week's Gunnery Training in the Weapons Operation Division. He was accommodated in "Cerberus House".

The Director of Electrical Engineering, Captain M.L. HEAD, R.N., visited this Establishment on 20th September. During the forenoon, Captain HEAD inspected all new equipment installations in the Weapons and Radio Engineering Division. A discussion on the new and revised Syllabus for this Branch was held during the afternoon.

The Medical Director General, Surgeon Rear Admiral L. LOCKWOOD, C.B.E., M.V.O., D.S.C., accompanied by Surgeon Commander A. CAMPBELL, D.S.O., R.A.N.R., inspected the proposed site for the new Outpatients Department of the Hospital on Thursday 20th September.

12. During this quarter many of my officers have attended functions worthy of note. Commander D.W. LEACH, R.A.N., attended the Industrial Mobilisation Course in Adelaide during the period August 6th to 10th inclusive.

Lieutenant Commander J.E. ASKER, R.A.N., delivered a speech on 'Survival at Sea' to members of the Cruising Yacht Club of Victoria, on 8th August. The same lecture was presented to the Geelong Branch of the United Services Institute on 24th September.

On 28th September, 23 officers attended the presentation at the Australian Staff College, Queenscliff, by the United Kingdom Joint Services Amphibious Warfare Centre Team.

Surgeon Captain COPLANS attended the Senior Medical Officers' Conference at the Medical Directorate, Victoria Barracks, on 28th September. On 29th September, Surgeon Captain COPLANS accompanied by Surgeon Commander HAUGHTON attended the 4th Technical Training Weekend at the Royal Melbourne Hospital. The weekend was organised by the Royal Australian Army Medical Corps - the topic was "Living and Working in the Tropics".

13. At 1400 on Tuesday 31st July, the funeral of the late Recruit Naval Airman R.V. EASTWELL took place at Flinders Naval Depot Cemetery. Recruit Naval Airman EASTWELL died at 1330 on 29th July, as a result of Meningoccal Septacaemia. Mrs. Eastwell and her sister Miss Ryan, attended the funeral at which Chaplain R.C. LOVITT, R.A.N., officiated.

14. On Saturday 8th September, the Christian Television Association of Victoria conducted a programme called "Let's Face It" on T.V. Station H.S.V.7 On this afternoon the entire programme was devoted to the work of the two Protestant Chaplains - Chaplains LOVITT and BATES. The two Chaplains were interviewed by Miss Kay McLennan. During this programme a short film, made in this Establishment by Naval Photographers, was shown. This programme has done much to publish the work of the Chaplains in the Navy.

15. During the quarter all three Chaplains have been kept busy organising and conducting Moral Leadership Courses. A Protestant Moral Leadership Course was held on 20th to 31st August. This was followed by a Church of England Moral Leadership Course from 3rd September to 14th September and a Roman Catholic Moral Leadership Course from 18th September to 29th September. Numerous Lecturers visited the Establishment during these Courses and it is felt that all Courses were very worthwhile.

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16. In spite of adverse weather conditions during this quarter the Depot Diving Team has been most active. In conjunction with the Victorian State Government Department of Fisheries and Wildlife and also the Victorian Underwater Explorers' Club, the divers have been carrying out a "Benthonic" survey of parts of Westernport. Progress on the survey has been slow as the majority of diving days have been spent testing and evaluating two towed underwater sleds, one provided by the Underwater Explorers' Club which is a single sled, the other by the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, which is a two man sled - one controlling, one observing. The survey is expected to continue on alternate weekends for the next six months. A short film sequence of this survey and the Navy co-operation was shown on A.B.V. Channel 2 on 19th August, 1962. On Monday 24th September, Lieutenant Commander A. CUTHBERT, R.N. carried out an inspection of diving equipment in this Establishment.

17. This quarter has been one of great sporting activity.

The Male Victorian Inter-Service Sports were held at R.A.A.F. East Sale on 3rd to 5th September. On Monday the 3rd the Navy teams were defeated by the Air Force at Rugby (13-12), Hockey (10-1) and Australian Rules Football (13.8. - 7.12). Navy drew 1 all with Army in the Soccer game. The Navy team recovered slightly on Wednesday and defeated Air Force at Soccer (4-2) and Army at Rugby (15-3). The Army defeated Navy at Hockey (3-1) and Australian Rules Football (12.28 - 10.20). The final points were Air Force 100 - Army 70 and Navy 70.

The Women's Sports had to be postponed due to an outbreak of Rubella. The sports were eventually played on two different occasions. On Sunday 2nd September, the Army Teams visited Flinders Naval Depot and defeated the Wrans at Hockey (3-2) and Basketball (46-15). On Wednesday 12th September, the Navy teams went to R.A.A.F. Laverton and defeated the Air Force 7 - 2 at Hockey, but were narrowly defeated at Basketball (25-23).

Depot Teams entered in Civilian Competitions have been beaten in the final rounds of all grades. The Australian Rules Football Team were defeated by Rosebud in the Final of their league 6.7. to 3.11. The Y.C.W. Under 19 Australian Rules Football were defeated in their preliminary final by East Bentliegh (14.11 - 9.6.)

The Rugby 1st XV were defeated in the last round on percentage, after drawing with University 16 - 16.

The Soccer team was defeated in its first semi-final by Coburg. (8 - 1).

18. The Morale of the Ship's Company has remained high during this quarter. An outbreak of Rubella occurred during this quarter. During the month of August alone, 135 cases were treated by the Hospital. The majority of cases treated were new Recruits and W.R.A.N.S.

One death occurred during this quarter that of Recruit Seaman EASTWELL, R. 59113. The circumstances were reported in my letter 44/1/361 dated 3rd August, 1962.

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THE SECRETARY,
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H.M.A.S. CERBERUS - QUARTERLY REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Reference: R.I. Appendix 29A, Clause 3.

1. Submitted for the consideration of the Naval Board my report of proceedings for the period 1st October to 31st December, 1962.

2. Numerous changes in administration and organisation have occurred during this quarter. On Thursday 4th October, 1962, I assumed temporarily the duties of Naval Officer in Charge, Victoria, in addition to my duties as Commodore Superintendent of Training, H.M.A.S. CERBERUS.

Commander R.O. BRASCH, R.A.N. assumed the duties of Executive Officer from Commander, N.H.S. WHITE, R.AN. On Friday, 9th November, 1962.

Commander, H.K. DUNCAN, RA.N..assumed the duties of Training Commander on 12th November, 1962.

Heads of the following Departments were changed during this period: Communications Division, Marine Engineering Division, W.R.A.N.S., Weapons and Radio Engineering Division, Weapons Operation Division. Lieutenant Commander P.M. REES, R.A.N. assumed the duties of Head of Communications Division on Thursday 11th October, 1962; Commander P. BERRY-SMITH, R.A.N. assumed the duties of Engineer Officer and Head of Marine Engineering Division on Monday, 22nd October, 1962; Acting Second Officer J.A. MULLIN, W.R.A.N.S. assumed the duties of O.I.C. WRANS on Tuesday 30th October; Commander H.G. BAKER, R.A.N. assumed the duties of Electrical Officer and Head of Weapons and Radio Engineering Division on Monday, 5th November, 1962; Lieutenant Commander J.E. HARRINGTON, R.A.N. assumed the duties of Head of Weapons Operation Division on Monday 26th November, 1962.

3. Four Pakistani Naval Officers, all S.D.(C)'s joined CERBERUS on 9th December for two weeks refresher training at the Communications Training Section. After discussions with these officers, it was found that they required instruction in specific fields only. It would appear that insufficient early information was available in Australia to formulate a programme more directly in line with these officers' requirements. It is recommended that should there be future commitments to train Pakistani Officers, a specific direction as to the type of training desired should be promulgated.

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4. Nine Midshipmen joined CERBERUS for 16 weeks Basic Aircrew Training. This group is the first group of direct entry pilots to be trained under the new scheme. The Midshipmen have settled into Service life well. On completion of their training in this establishment they will proceed to Point Cook R.A.A.F. Base for further training.

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5. The Communications Training Section organisation has been revised during the latter part of this quarter. The Head of Communications Division has assumed the responsibilities of Signal Communications Officer and now controls both the operational and training sides of the Communications set up. A scheme using instructors specialising in only one subject has been formulated and will be fully implemented in January, 1963. Under this scheme, each instructor will specialise in one subject and will teach that subject to all levels of class. Previously one instructor took a class throughout its entire syllabus.

6. On Sunday 18th November, 4 officers and 20 other ranks of the Second Commando Company, Citizens Military Forces joined CERBERUS to make final arrangements for three courses which this unit held in CERBERUS during the period 21st November, to 3rd December. Swimming, Canoeist and Beach Reconnaissance courses and an Officer Coaching Course commenced on Wednesday 21st November. A new entry course was commenced on Friday 23rd November, 1962. The total numbers of Army Personnel in CERBERUS at this time was 120 officers and men. An excellent liaison between this Company and CERBERUS exists which, it is hoped, will continue in the future.

7. Progress in Major Works Items is as follows:

(a) Extensions to the Wardroom are well in hand. The new West Wing has been completed externally and internal work is progressing well.

(b) The installation of the type 177 Anti Submarine Asdic Set in the Weapons and Radio Engineering Division Section has been completed by the Dockyard. The T.A.S. trials team from HMAS WATSON tested this installation during late November and it is now serviceable.

8. No large maintenance problems have been encountered during this quarter though lack of trained staff continues to hamper progress in all maintenance departments.

The surface target built in this establishment has been damaged by gunfire while in use and its repair has been taken in hand by Williamstown Dockyard.

One of the two ex-R.A.A.F. tanker trucks mentioned in my previous report for last quarter, has now been repaired and is back in service.

The maintenance of support craft in this establishment is a large problem due to the shortage of maintenance staff. The two old 42ft S.A.R. craft 0212 and 0214 are unreliable and often break down. Other boats suffer as valuable man hours have to be allocated to these S.A.R.'s to keep them running.

9. The Chief of Naval Staff, Vice Admiral W.H. HARRINGTON, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., visited this establishment on Wednesday 17th October, 1962. During the forenoon he inspected various parts of the depot proper. During the afternoon, he inspected the West Head Gunnery Range.

At 1930 the massed bands of the Royal Australian Navy performed the ceremony of 'Beat Retreat' on the playing fields outside the Wardroom. The Chief of Naval Staff took the salute from the Wardroom Steps. The ceremony was watched by numerous members of the Ship's Company and their friends.

On completion of Beat Retreat, C.N.S. was the Guest of Honour at the official Trafalgar Night Mess Dinner held in the Wardroom.

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C.N.S. spent the night at "Cerberus House" before departing for Melbourne on Thursday 18th.

10. During this quarter numerous visits have been made to this establishment.

The Director of Naval Education Services, Captain G.P. BRITTON, R.N. visited this establishment on Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th October for discussions on training facilities and methods.

Commander V.W. WERE, R.N.Z.N., the New Zealand Naval Liaison Officer visited CERBERUS on the 19th and 20th of November. Commander WERE inspected training facilities at this establishment and at West Head Gunnery Range during his visit.

The Second Naval Member, Rear Admiral V.A.T. SMITH, D.S.C., R.A.N. visited this establishment on Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th November. He stayed overnight at "Cerberus House". During his visit, he inspected the present accommodation for Chief Petty Officers and Petty Officers, Ship's Company Junior Rates and Junior Recruits. He was shown the proposed accommodation for the Junior Recruit intakes.

Captain F.W. PURVIS, R.A.N. the Deputy Chief of Naval Technical Services and Director of Dockyard and Fleet Maintenance, visited this establishment and West Head Gunnery Range on Thursday 13th December.

On 6th December, Captain R.A. PHILLIPS, MC., U.S.N., Commanding Officer United States Naval Medical Research Unit No. 2, Taipir, Formosa, visited CERBERUS hospital and lectured to the medical staff on 'Cholera'.

11. The retirement of Senior Chaplain FAWELL and the continued absence of any Social Worker at HMAS LONSDALE has resulted in a heavy strain being placed on the Chaplains of this establishment. This additional commitment has cut drastically the time the Chaplains can spend with the new entries and the Ship's Company.

12. On Wednesday 5th December, a Mr. Slovacek of the Yacht 'Janis' on passage Sydney to Hastings, requested assistance to pump out and right his vessel, a 28 ft cutter-rigged, decked sailing vessel used as his permanent place of abode, normally moored at Ruchcutter Bay, Sydney, N.S.W. Mr. Slovacek on arrival in Westernport on the 5th December, proceeded up Hastings channel and anchored at the Western edge of the channel-bank, approximately one and a half cables South of Hastings jetty.

The vessel was left with the cabin door and the skylight open, causing it to careen and fill at low water. Mr. Slovacek stated that local civilian resources to improve the situation were not immediately available.

A work boat and divers were sent to investigate. The yacht was found to be lying on its starboard side in approximately $3\frac{1}{4}$ fms at high water and when examined by divers was found to have suffered no hull damage. When pulled upright the deck was approximately 4 feet under water. The vessel was then towed higher onto the bank West of Hastings channel until the deck edge was awash at high water with the vessel on its starboard side. It was then explained to Mr. Slovacek that on the next low water, he would be in a position to drain and bale his vessel, re-floating it on the succeeding high water. Civilian slip facilities at Hastings were indicated to him.

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13. Mr. J.H. Wilson, the Area Foreman, retired on October 27th after 41 years service at CERBERUS. Mr. Wilson was formally farewelled at Divisions on the 5th October, when he was presented with tokens of esteem from the Officers, Ship's Company and W.R.A.N.S. for his service to this establishment.

14. This quarter has seen the commencement of Summer Sport in this establishment. Inter-part competitions have been arranged for Cricket, Water Polo, Basketball and Tennis. In addition to the organised competitions counting points towards the McCarthy Cup, numerous small competitions have been organised. Volley Ball courts have appeared throughout the establishment and all are in use each lunch hour and during most of the Dog Watches. Knockout competitions have been organised and are progressing well.

The Golf and Sailing Clubs have commenced the season in earnest and are looking forward to many fixtures this season.

15. On Tuesday 20th November, 1962, a demonstration match of the "Mammoth Ball Game" was played on the depot playing fields by two teams of recruits. The game is played by two teams of any number of players up to 100 a side, on a field of any size, for any length of time suitable. The ball is 7 feet in diameter and is of inflatable rubber. The object of the game is to force the ball to cross the opponents' goal line. The only rule is 'no striking with the closed fist'.

The game was keenly watched by a large group of supporters and was considered an outright success. The game is considered an excellent morale booster as well as an excellent medium for physical activity.

16. The morale and health of the Ship's Company has remained high during this quarter.

17. One death occurred during this quarter, that of Steward Ronald HOse R.54118 who was killed in a motor accident near Kilmore Victoria at 1730 on the 23rd of December, 1962.

(R. Rhoades)
COMMODORE

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H.M.A.S. CERBERUS - QUARTERLY REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Reference: R.I. Appendix 29A Clause 3.

1. Submitted for the consideration of the Naval Board my report of proceedings for the period 1st January to 31st March, 1963.

2. The title of "Flinders Naval Depot" was officially abolished on 1st March, 1963, in accordance with A.C.N.B. Message 148F of December, 1962, the address of this Establishment then becoming 'H.M.A.S. CERBERUS, Westernport, Victoria.' as recommended by C.S.T. in 1927.

3. Surgeon Captain J.A.B. COTSELL, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., G.G.H.S., R.A.N. assumed the duties of Principal Medical Officer, Flinders Naval Hospital from Surgeon Captain R.M. COPLANS, L.M.S.S.A. (Lond.) D.P.H. (R.C.P.S.) R.A.N. on Friday 21st January, 1963. Instructor Commander K.R. KIMMORLEY, R.A.N. assumed the duties of Senior Instructor Officer from Instructor Commander N.J. GAVEN, R.A.N. on Saturday, 2nd March, 1963. Lieutenant Commander P.E.M. HOLLOWAY, R.A.N. joined as Officer-in-Charge, Junior Recruit Section on 14th January, 1963.

4. The Head of Fleet Work Study, Commander R.H. THOMSON, R.A.N. conducted a Work Study Practitioners Course for three officers, four Chief Petty Officers and one Wran Writer in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS from 14th January, to 15th March.

5. Training of Midshipmen in Basic Aircrew Courses has progressed satisfactorily. Eight Midshipmen of Course No. 2/62 left for further training with the R.A.A.F. Point Cook on 15th March. One member of the class was hospitalised and has been backclassed to Course No. 1/63. Fourteen Midshipmen of Course No. 1/63 joined on 11th March and it is expected that a further 16 Midshipmen, forming Course No. 2/63 will join on 15th April.

6. Great concern is felt at the present shortage of stewards in this Establishment. Complement allows 2 C.P.O. Stewards, 4 P.O. Stewards, 8 Leading Stewards and 14 Stewards. At present there are 2 C.P.O. Stewards, 3 P.O. Stewards, 2 Leading Stewards and 17 Stewards borne and draft notes and forecasts do not indicate that this situation will improve for quite some time if at all. The most pressing problem is the shortage of Leading Stewards as not only are they supervisors but experienced working hands as well.

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At present there are 61 officers and 12 W.R.A.N. Officers and Nursing Sisters living in the Wardroom and with the arrival of sixteen more midshipmen the total will become 89. It is felt that this number is far in excess of the number of officers for which the present Complement was allowed and it is of further note that this is a basic number which does not take into account the continual stream of officers and civilians who visit this Establishment requir ng Wardroom accommodation for varying lengths of time. Also with the opening of the new extensions to the Wardroom an extra floor space of some 22,000 square feet will be added to the already large cleaning task. It is strongly recommended therefore that an increase be allowed in the numbers of Stewards borne. This will be made the subject of a separate letter.

7. Progress on major Works Items is as follows :-

(a) Extensions to the Wardroom continue to progress. The new West Wing should become available for accomodation within the first weeks of April. The East Wing is still several months from completion.

(b) Renovation of the bathroom and toilet blocks attached to A,B, and C Blocks was commenced on Monday, 25th March.

(c) Certain difficulties have been encountered with the new Hot Water System. Investigations are being carried out by the Department of Works.

(d) The Turbo Alternator is not yet operative.

8. No major maintenance problems have arisen during the period although staff shortages have been causing concern particularly in the Shipwright shop where the added burden of work entailed with the advent of the Junior Recruit Training Section in producing training aids etc., has thrown a particularly heavy load onto this already hard pressed section. It is strohgly recommended that an increase be made in the numbers of Naval Shipwrights borne. During the period five support craft have been slipped for routine maintenance, the only major defect found being wood rot in the fore cabin top of A.W.B. 432. This is in the course of repair.

9. On Sunday, 20th January His Excellency The Governor of Victoria, General Sir Dallas Brooks K.C.B., K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., D.S.O., K.St.J., and Lady Brooks lunched at CERBERUS HOUSE and afterwards toured the establishment.

10. I attended a Flag raising ceremony at the Melbourne Town Hall in commemoration of Australia Day during the forenoon of Friday, 25th January and afterwards attended the official Australia Day Luncheon at the Royale Ballroom.

11. On Friday, 15th February I called on the Flag Officer Commanding the Australian Fleet, Rear Admiral A.W.R. McNICOLL C.B.E., G.M. aboard HMAS MELBOURNE. On Tuesday, 19th February, Rear Admiral and Mrs. McNicoll and the Captains of H.M.A. Ships MELBOURNE, SUPPLY, and QUICKMATCH dined at CERBERUS House.

12. On Saturday 16th February, fourteen officers and 120 men of the 2 Commando Company Citizen Military Forces under the command of Major J.D. Stewart, M.C. joined CERBERUS for a sixteen day annual camp. A Comprehensive training programme was carried out during the first week culminating in an exercise in which the unit parachuted onto Phillip Island, crossed Westernport Bay in an amphibious operation and after a twenty-four hour march in supposed enemy

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territory, attacked a supposed enemy stronghold at West Heads which was defended by a nominal force from this Establishment. I inspected the Company at their Church Parade on Sunday 24th February and was very impressed with their bearing. A letter received from Major Stewart is included as an Enclosure.

13. Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and His Royal Highness Prince Phillip, Duke of Edinburgh, visited Melbourne from Saturday 23rd to Monday 25th February and during this short vist many officers and men from this Establishment had the honour to see and serve Her Majesty. On Saturday 23rd my wife and I were presented to Her Majesty and His Royal Highness after their arrival at the Henley Landing on the Yarra River and I then accompanied Her Majesty as she inspected the Royal Guard from H.M.A.S. CERBERUS. In the afternoon my wife and I attended the Royal Race Meeting at Flemington and that evening the State Reception at the Melbourne Town Hall. On Monday 25th my wife and I were amongst those dignitaries who were present to her Her Majesty officially welcomed to Melbourne Melbourne by the Lord Mayor Sir Maurice Nathan, K.B.E. in front of the Melbourne Town Hall. This ceremony was followed immediately by the Moomba Procession. Later that afternoon an investiture was held at Government House at which Chief Engineering Mechanic J.T. ELLIS who is at present serving in this Establishment was invested by Her Majesty with the British Empire Medal. That evening my wife and I attended the State Dinner at Government House and later joined the Royal Procession to farewell Her Majesty and His Royal Highness at Port Melbourne. Personnel from all departments in this Establishment participated in the Royal Visit. The Band was present with the Royal Guard at Henley Landing and later played at the opening of the Royal Children's Hospital, Parkville. In addition guard boats crews, ceremonial sentrys and berthing parties were provided for the duration of the Royal Visit and I am happy to report that all performed their various duties with zeal and efficiency and were the subject of much favourable comment.

14. On Sunday 10th March, my wife and I entertained the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor of Melbourne, Councillor Sir Maurice A. Nathan K.B.E. and Lady Nathan and Air Vice Marshal C.D. CANDY C.B.E. and Mrs. Candy to luncheon and afterwards took them with my other guests on an informal tour of the Establishment.

15. I attended the Inter-Service Swimming Sports at the Melbourne Olympic Pool on the night of Friday 15th March. This was a most competitive evening's sport and all events were keenly contested. The results for men were -

First - ARMY Second - R.A.A.F. and Third - NAVY

The W.R.A.N.S. scored a little better be coming second to the ARMY with the R.A.A.F. taking third place.

16. The Junior Recruit Training Section started on Sunday 17th March with the arrival of 125 Junior Recruits from all states - Queensland 36. Victoria 33, New South Wales 25 and WesternAustralia 14, South Australia 13 and Tasmania 4. Two have since been discharged 'Disability Present on Entry' and one is due to be discharged 'Disability Present on Entrey' but three replacements arrived on Monday 25th to bring the J.R.'s up to strength.

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The Junior Recruits are accommodated in G Block (Building No. 110) 25 to each dormitory, sleeping in hammocks. They mess in the Chief and Petty Officers Cafeteria (Building No. 156). The covered access to the servery (Building No. 98) for Chief Petty Officer's is still not completed but otherwise messing arrangements are satisfactory. School for the Junior Recruits started on 25th March in the West Wing of the Academic Block (Building No. 92) which is almostt completed. Progress is being made in the main accommodation block but lack of a floor polisher is causing concern and will lead to the quick deterioration of the corticene (Supply approved by A.C.N.B. Message 250435Z). The bathrooms have been found to be barely adequate and have very uneven floors causing water to lie in pools. In the drying room the wall dryer has been found to be completely inadequate and with the onset of winter it is quite likely that some other drying device will have to be installed if the room is to function at all. Laundry facilities however, are adequate.

In general the J. R.'s have settled into Service life quite well and their initial training is progressing satisfactorily. Kitting up has been completed with a few exceptions where lack of small sizes has been the hold up. Sporting activities have been commenced and one of the J.R.'s was selected for the 1 mile event in the Inter-Service Athletic Sports on Thursday 28th March at Point Cook. The number of staff for the Junior Recruits has been found to be adequate for supervision. Press and television were informed of the opening of the section but although two television channels took great interest in the story and took quite a lot of film, the press were not interested. Hometwown news publicity is being progressed.

17. Regular diving practices have been carried out during the quarter. Two of my officers - Lieutenant Commander J.E. ASKER and Sub Lieutenant (SD) W.F. MURPHY (PT) lectured to an audience of approximately 200 at the Victorian Divers Convention which was held at Lord Somers Camp at Somers during the weekend 23rd/24th March. Their subjects, which were very well received, were "Diving Safety" and "Handling of Small Craft".

18. On Monday 25th March in company with most of my Heads of Departments I attended the farewell dinner given for the Governor of Victoria, Sir Dallas Brooks by officers of the combined Services at the Southern Command Mess at Victoria Barracks.

19. This Establishment continues to be a popular visit for many and varied organisations. During the quarter, groups from Legacy, the Mentally Retarded Children, the Gordon Boys Home - Highett and several other similar organisations have visited CERBERUS and been taken on conducted tours of the various departments and places of interest.

20. Sporting activities this quarter included the finals of all the inter-part Summer sports, the swimming sports, athletics and more recently the various sports included in the Inter Service Sporting programme. The overall results for the InterService Sports were:-

Men	1st. ARMY	2nd R.A.A.F.	3rd NAVY
Women	Three-way tie.		

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Results of individual Inter-Service Sports which were conducted this quarter are as follows:

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	Women	NAVY	RAAF	ARMY
Tennis	Men	RAAF	ARMY	NAVY
	Women	RAAF	NAVY	ARMY
Softball	Women	ARMY	NAVY	RAAF
Rifle Shooting		RAAF	ARMY	NAVY
Water Polo		NAVY	ARMY	RAAF
Cricket		ARMY	NAVY	RAAF
Basketball		RAAF	NAVY	ARMY

21. During this period I have experienced increasing difficulty in carrying out the dual functions of C.S.T. H.M.A.S. CERBERUS and Naval Officer-in-Charge, Victoria. It is extremely difficult to effectively supervise activities in the Melbourne area. This was recently demonstrated by the -- sailing without my knowledge of MWL 256. The difficulties subsequently experienced by this vessel are the subject of a report being made in accordance with A.C.N.B.'s 080545 March, 1963.

22. The health and morale of the Ship's Company have remained high during this quarter.

(R. Rhoades)
COMMODORE.

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ENCLOSURE TO COMMODORE SUPERINTENDENT OF TRAINING H.M.A.S. CERBERUS LETTER 138/4/491 DATED 5TH APRIL, 1963

Dear Commodore Rhoades,

I am happy to say that this Annual Camp is the best that the unit has conducted in its short seven year history. Due to the superlative administrative and logistic support from all Departments of H.M.A.S. CERBERUS, it was possible to direct maximum effort into the training of this unit and consequently a much higher standard was reached than has been possible in previous years.

In particular, Sir, I would like to record my personal thanks to you for the personal interest you showed in the unit and its training this was noticed by all ranks who were deeply impressed. In addition Sir I would like to thank the Commander, First Lieutenant and Lieutenant DOOLAN for the unstinted co-operation they gave us. Without their help and the support of the O.I.C.'s Recruit Section, L Department, Gunnery Department not to mention the Boats Officer, O.I.C. West Head the Wardroom Mess Manager this major unit activity would not have been the unqualified success that it has been.

The sixteen days spent as guests of your Establishment will Sir be remembered by all ranks of 2 Commando Company as the most valuable and enjoyable that they have ever experienced together.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) J. D. Stewart.

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H.M.A.S. CERBERUS - QUARTERLY REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Reference: R.I. Appendix 29A Clause 3.

1. Forwarded for the consideration of the Naval Board my report of proceedings for the period 1st April, 1963 to 30th June, 1963.

2. I relieved Commodore R. RHOADES, D.S.C., as the Commodore Superintendent of Training H.M.A.S. CERBERUS and Naval Officer-in-Charge Victoria on Friday, 21st June, 1963.

3. Two changes in my Heads of Departments have occurred during the quarter. Lieutenant Commander (SD) G.J. HARLE (C) R.A.N. relieved Lieutenant Commander P.M. REES, R.A.N. as the Head of Communications Training Division on 6th May, whilst Lieutenant Commander D.C. BENNETT (X) R.A.N. assumed, as from 19th June, his appointment as Officer-in-Charge, Recruit Training Section thereby relieving Lieutenant Commander C.J. SCHMITZER (X) (P) R.A.N.

4. Seven Midshipmen of No. 1/63, Basic Aircrew Training Course successfully completed Phase I training on 21st June. A further fourteen Midshipmen comprising No. 2/63 Basic Aircrew Training Course joined on 17th April.

During the quarter, two Midshipmen failed their course and their appointments have been terminated.

5. The shortage of Leading Stewards remarked upon in my last Report of Proceedings has continued.

6. The new Wardroom extensions have been accepted from the Department of Works, the first completed being the two storeyed West Wing on 1st May and the larger three storeyed East Wing on 17th June.

Apart from persistent trouble in the hot water service in these new cabins during peak periods, many favourable comments have been received from the occupants. It is expected that the alterations to the Wardroom central block will be completed by 15th July.

The new Naval Stores building is approximately 25% complete and despite inclement weather the contractor is on schedule.

Renovations to the Chiefs' and Petty Officers' dining accommodation have been completed and the result has been a great improvement on former arrangements.

The new operating theatre in the Hospital is now satisfactorily completed and ready for use. The current painting and repair programme for the Hospital is 95% complete.

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General Depot Maintenance is 75% complete as far as the current programme is concerned, but it is expected that the 1964/65 commitment for Repairs and Maintenance will be in the region of £200,000/-/-d.

The new S.A.L. facilities in A, B and C Blocks are approximately 20% complete and the contractor is on schedule.

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7. With the advent of winter various areas in this Establishment which require bitumen sealing have become quite unusable. A most pressing need is the sealing of the area between the Recruits Accommodation Blocks, and the roadway and garage parking area at the rear and on the western side of the Wardroom.

8. My predecessor attended many social functions associated with the departure of the former Governor of Victoria, General Sir Dallas BROOKS, K.C.B., G.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., D.S.O., K.St.J., and the arrival of the new Governor, His Excellency Major General Sir Rohan DELACOMBE, K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O. On April 1st, Commodore R. RHOADES attended a Garden Party at Government House and on 3rd April a State Luncheon in honour of the departing Governor. Commodore R. RHOADES also participated in the farewell to Sir Dallas and Lady BROOKS on board S.S. Iberia on Monday, 8th April. The following are the texts of messages exchanged on that occasion:-

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4. The New Works and R.& M. programmes for 1963/64 have now been received and even at this stage of the fiscal year it is apparent that the sums of money allocated for Minor New Works, Category 'B' R.& M. and Road Maintenance will be inadequate if the large capital investment in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS is to be protected. Requests for increases in these allocations will be raised on separate papers.

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9. On Wednesday 21st August, the Melbourne Television Channel G.T.V. 9 staged a direct telecast of their production 'In Melbourne Tonight' from the Southern Cross Theatre in this Establishment. This proved to be a most successful evening and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Another enjoyable evening's entertainment was provided in the Southern Cross Theatre on Monday 23rd September when Graeme Bell and his jazz band staged a concert for the Ships Company.

10. On three separate occasions during the quarter I have attended ceremonies at the Shrine of Rememberance in Melbourne. The first took place on Sunday 21st July, when I laid a wreath at the Cenotaph at a ceremony held by the Korean Association. On Sunday 15th September, I laid a wreath on behalf of the Royal Australian Navy at the Battle of Britain Commemoration Service and afterwards visited the R.A.A.F. Base at Laverton on the occasion of their annual open day and flying display. On Sunday 29th September, I attended the Commemoration Service for the late Admiral of the Fleet, the Viscount Cunningham of Hyndhope K.T., G.C.B., O.M., D.S.O. at which a Guard for the Dead and the Band from H.M.A.S. CERBERUS were paraded. Unfortunately the weather was inclement causing the numbers attending to be much smaller than anticipated by the combined Ex-Naval Associations who organised the ceremony. A direct telecast of the Service was made by Television Channel G.T.V.9.

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12. One of the major events at H.M.A.S. CERBERUS during the quarter was the staging in late August of the Winter Inter Service Sports. Approximately 200 officers and men of the other services arrived on Sunday 25th August and participated in the various sports for the following three days. The weather was fortunately kind during this time and all games were conducted as scheduled. Results of the games played are attached as appendix 'A'

13. Two deaths have occurred during the quarter. On Friday 16th August, Cook (S) R.H. SMITH, R52917 and Able Seaman R.D. CULLEN R55984 were killed when the car in which they were travelling left the Hastings Road near Frankston and hit a tree. Both ratings were buried privately by their next of kin.

14. Despite the cold weather during the past months, this establishment continues to be a very popular visit for numerous organisations. Sporting groups, church organisations, youth clubs and many other similar organisations have visited H.M.A.S. CERBERUS.

15. During this quarter, H.M.A.S. CERBERUS has fielded teams in almost every type of sport played in Victoria. In addition to fielding teams against

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15. (Cont.) other service establishments, teams were fielded in numerous Civilian sporting competitions. One of the most successful was the hockey team which won the C Grade premiership when they defeated Old Wesley Collegians at the Grand Final match played at Elsternwick Park on Saturday 28th September. Almost all the winter competitions are now completed and it is planned to start the summer sports within the next few weeks.

16. The training of Junior Recruits has progressed satisfactorily during the quarter. Good academic results have been achieved; all but one Junior Recruit have passed E.T.1 and 35 J.R.'s are attempting various subjects of the H.E.T. examination now in progress.

All J.R.'s with two exceptions were rated J.R.1 on satisfactory completion of the initial six months training. Despite numerous minor offences the majority of which were of a schoolboy nature, the conduct of the section has been excellent and morale is high. The J.R.'s are beginning to develop esprit de corps to a marked degree. The emergence of a more mature outlook amongst the recruits has been most noticeable.

During the winter sporting series, great enthusiasm was displayed but unfortunately talent was not present to the same degree. However, five J.R.'s were selected to represent the Navy in the Winter Inter-Service Sports -- 1 in golf, 2 in hockey and 2 in Australian Rules. This was an excellent achievement considering that the J.R.'s were barely 16 years of age.

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MEN

RUGBY

Mon 26th	Army 12 pts.	Def. Air Force 11 pts.
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Wed 28th	Navy 6 pts.	Drew Army 6 pts.

Points. Navy 25, Army 25. Air Force 10.
Cup Navy and Army.

SOCCER

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HOCKEY

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AUSTRALIAN RULES

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GOLF

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Tues 27th	Army 10	Def. Navy 3
Wed 28th	Army 7	Def. Air Force 6

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3rd Navy, 75 pts.

WOMEN

BASKETBALL

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HOCKEY

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Commodore Superintendent of Training,
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THE SECRETARY,
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H.M.A.S. CERBERUS - QUARTERLY REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Reference: R.I. Appendix 29A Clause 3.

Enclosures: Appendices A and B.

1. Forwarded for the consideration of the Naval Board my report of proceedings for the period 1st October to 31st December, 1963.

2. Although there have been no changes in my Heads of Departments during the quarter there was quite a large change over in my Junior Officers. A similar large movement of Officers will take place during the first few weeks of the next quarter.

3. Two Basic Aircrew Courses are currently under instruction. Seven Midshipmen of No. 3/63 B.A.T.C. passed their final selection board on 19th December and will leave for Pilot Training at R.A.A.F. Point Cook on 10th January, 1964. The remaining two Midshipmen of No. 4/63 B.A.T.C. who joined in October are currently undergoing instruction.

4. During the quarter the band from H.M.A.S. CERBERUS has been kept particularly busy with a great variety of engagements. On Saturday 5th October they performed at the Melbourne Cricket Ground before a crowd of over 100,000 who were present there to witness the Victorian Football League Grand Final. Three days later on Tuesday 8th October, the band was present at Government House for the annual parade of the Corps of Commissionaires, and later that month they played at St. Paul's Cathedral Melbourne on the occasion of the Annual Seafarer's Service at which I was represented by my Supply Officer A/Captain J.I. MOORE, R.A.N. who was accompanied by several other officers and their wives. The band was absent from the Establishment for much of the early part of the month of November when, amongst other commitments, they gave a Television recital, performed before His Excellency the Governor General The Right Honourable Viscount De L'Isle, V.C., P.C., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., K.St.J., at the Navy League Ball and undertook a tour of the Victorian Country Area. More recently the band has visited Adelaide and Hobart for presentations in both those cities of the Silver Ceremonial Drums presented by the States of South Australia and Tasmania respectively commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Royal Australian Navy. On 10th December at a Ceremony held at H.M.A.S. LONSDALE I accepted on behalf of the Royal Australian Navy a Silver Ceremonial Drum from the State of Victoria. This presentation was made by the Premier of Victoria.

5. Over the period 18th October to 20th October I represented the Royal Australian Navy at various functions in Hobart held in connection with Navy Week Celebrations. My visit was made by direction of the Naval Board as a result of a request by the Hobart Sub-Section of the Naval association of Tasmania.

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6. On 24th October, 1963 the Wardroom Mess held its annual Trafalgar Night Dinner at which the former Lord Mayor of Melbourne Sir Maurice NATHAN, K.B.E. was the Guest of Honour. The Ceremony of Beat the Retreat was performed on this occasion and was witnessed by many interested H.M.A.S. CERBERUS personnel and their families.

7. The Flag Officer Commander-in-Chief Far East Fleet, Vice Admiral Sir Desmond DREYER, K.C.B., C.B.E., D.S.C., accompanied by Captain T.W. STOCKER, R.N., Royal Navy Liaison Officer on the British Defence Liaison Staff, visited H.M.A.S. CERBERUS on Monday, 4th November. On Friday, 22nd November, Rear Admiral A. DAVIES the Head of the British Defence Liaison Staff at Canberra and Mrs. DAVIES visited this Establishment. On Friday, 6th December, the Chief of the Naval Staff, Vice Admiral Sir Hastings HARRINGTON, K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O., took the salute at Divisions after which he addressed the Ships Company in the Drill Hall. The following Friday Commodore L.S. STANNERS, C.B.E., R.N.Z.N., visited H.M.A.S. CERBERUS and later that day accompanied me to the Graduation Ceremony at the Army Officer Cadet School, Portsea.

8. Other visitors to H.M.A.S. CERBERUS during the quarter were the Medical Director General, Surgeon Rear Admiral L. LOCKWOOD, C.B.E., M.V.O., D.S.C., B.S., F.R.A.C.P., Q.H.S., who attended a clinical meeting at the Flinders Naval Hospital on Wednesday, 16th October, 1963 and Colonel T. BARRINGTON, the Naval Military and Air Attache to the Burmese Ambassador to Australia who visited H.M.A.S. CERBERUS on Monday, 9th December. In addition there were organised parties of school children, clubs and many other groups of visitors who visited this Establishment during the three months. Photographs of the visit of one such group are attached.

9. The Third Symposium of the 1963 Industrial Mobilisation Course was held at H.M.A.S. CERBERUS from Sunday, 6th to Friday, 11th October. In addition to the 35 students, this course was attended by the Chairman of the Sydney Industrial Mobilisation Course for 1963, Rear Admiral G.C. OLDHAM, C.B.E., D.S.C., (Ret'd).

10. During the quarter the number under training steadily decreased due to the effect of drafting Recruits to sea after their 12 weeks disciplinary training. This enabled training divisions to progress production of syllabuses for the implementation of the New Rating Structure and the preparation and marking of papers for the Branch Technical Tests.

11. During the quarter quite a substantial amount of equipment has been acquired for the maintenance of the sports fields, gardens and lawns in this Establishment. A Tandem Tilt Trailer had been provided for the transportation of the bulldozer and other heavy equipment. Two Whirlwind Simplicity Tractors complete with grass cutting attachments, a Baltic Simplex seed broadcaster and spreader and an Orchard Disc Cultivator have been purchased for the use on playing fields and other grounds. In addition the Welfare Committee has purchased a Kays Automatic Turf Drill which will be used on the Golf Course and the Tennis Courts for better distribution of fertiliser etc. All these machines have proved most successful and will undoubtedly be invaluable in keeping up the appearance of the large areas in this Establishment.

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12. There have been two funerals at H.M.A.S. CERBERUS during the quarter. The first was that of Able Seaman J.F. EASTWOOD, R.54656 who was killed in a motor accident. The second was that of P.O. (E) L.V. ROBINSON, R.59154 of H.M.A.S. VOYAGER who died in Flinders Naval Hospital from a Cardiac Infarcation.

13. In an effort to bring to the attention of the Ships Company the necessity for careful driving and road courtesy, Sergeant BELL of the Victorian Police Road Safety Squad was invited to lecture the Ships Company in the Southern Cross Cinema on Friday, 13th December. This well presented lecture was accompanied by films and was received very favourably by all who attended. It is pleasing to report that there were no deaths or serious injuries due to road accidents to personnel from this Establishment during the Christmas-New Year leave period. It is intended that the road safety lecture should be at least an annual event in future.

14. Construction work on the new Naval Stores Building fell behind schedule during the quarter and it is now expected that it will be completed by early February. The renovation of the S.A.L. Blocks is progressing but is also behind schedule. It is now anticipated that this job will be completed by the end of January. Work on the renovation of the Wardroom Annexe which is to be used for the accommodation of both the Basic Aircrew Training and the Seaman Supplementary List Midshipmen is expected to commence early in the New Year.

15. Normal monthly dips and diving acquaintance dips for Recruits were carried out during the quarter. In addition a most successful trial with a 2 man underwater sled supplied by the Fisheries and Wild Life Department was carried out on Thursday, 5th December. The Diving Officer, Lieutenant Commander J.E. ASKER, R.A.N., gave a talk on Service Diving to the Electronic Industries Staff Association on Wednesday, 9th October.

16. Prior to the advent of the bushfire season all fire breaks in this Establishment were checked, and with the declaration of the fire season on Friday, 13th December fire orders to conform with the State Regulations were brought into force. On Tuesday, 17th December, Assistant Chief Officer MORRISON gave an informative talk accompanied by films on bushfires to the Ships Company. The fire engine twice assisted in controlling minor fires in the locality in early December.

17. The early part of this quarter saw the change from winter to summer sports in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS and the Summer Interpart and outside sporting competitions are now well under way. The annual cross country race was held on Wednesday, 30th October and this was followed on the evening of Wednesday, 6th November by the Boxing Championships.

18. The following rifle shooting competitions were held during November. On 2nd November, 1963 the Grey Smith Cup was competed for by teams from H.M.A. FLEET, H.M.A.S. LONSDALE and H.M.A.S. CERBERUS at the Merritt Rifle Range at Williamstown. The event was won by the H.M.A. FLEET Team. The United Services Institute Cup was competed for by Navy, Army and Airforce teams on 6th November, at H.M.A.S. CERBERUS. This event was won by the Navy.

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19. The Right Reverend G. SAMBELL, Coadjutor Bishop of Melbourne visited H.M.A.S. CERBERUS on Sunday, 1st December for a confirmation service in the Memorial Chapel.

20. The Complements Committee visited this Establishment in the course of its bi-annual review of complements during October.

21. The health and morale of the Ships Company have remained high during the quarter.

(R.L. Shimmin)
COMMODORE.

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APPENDIX A TO REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Important Social Obligations undertaken by Commodore Superintendent of Training in his capacity as Naval Officer-in-Charge, Victoria.

Wednesday, 2nd October	Attended State Luncheon held in honour of visit of Prime Minister of Japan.
Friday 25th October	Attended Trafalgar Day Ball at Earls Court, St. Kilda, arranged by the Naval Association of Australia.
Friday 1st November	Attended the Naval and Military Ball
Wednesday, 6th November	Attended the Navy League Ball (see paragraph 4).
Monday, 11th November	Attended the Remembrance day Ceremony at the Melbourne Shrine.
Tuesday, 12th November	Represented the Chief of Naval Staff at the funeral of the late Archbishop MANNIX.
Tuesday, 10th December	Accepted on behalf of the Royal Australian Navy a Silver Drum presented by the State Government of Victoria.
Wednesday, 11th December	Attended Graduation Ceremony at the R.A.A.F. Academy, Point Cook.
Friday, 13th December	Attended Graduation Ceremony at the Officer Cadet School, Portsea. (see paragraph 7).

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APPENDIX B TO REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

PHOTOGRAPH

1. Chief of Naval Staff presenting the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal to C.E.A. R.C. BRAIN, R.88178, Friday, 6th December.

2. Chief of Naval Staff arriving for Divisions, Friday 6th December.

3. Girls from Frankston High School being greeted on their arrival at H.M.A.S. CERBERUS for a short visit.

4. Girls from Frankston High School touring H.M.A.S. CERBERUS.

5. Depot Boxing Championships.

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THE SECRETARY,
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H.M.A.S. CERBERUS - QUARTERLY REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Reference: R.I. Appendix 29A, Clause 3.

Enclosures: (1) Appendix A.
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1. Forwarded for the consideration of the Naval Board my report of Proceedings for the period 1st January to 31st March, 1964.

2. There have been no changes in my Heads of Departments but quite a large change in my junior officers occurred early in the quarter.

3. The first intake of 25 Midshipmen (S.L.) (X) together with 16 Midshipmen (S.L.) Aircrew joined on 1st March, 1964. Training is progressing satisfactorily and according to schedule. The first phase of the renovations to the Gunroom (building 89) has been slightly delayed due to the late supply of terazzo for the bathrooms. In addition, the tender for the furniture contract was not let until approximately 20th March, 1964. This latter delay will most likely be the over-riding factor for the final completion for the whole project. The majority of the furniture will be available at the beginning of May but the double tiered bunks will not arrive until the end of June. Investigations are proceeding into the feasibility of borrowing double bunks from other sources for use when the building is ready for occupation. It is envisaged that the renovations to the building will be completed by approximately mid May.

The Supplementary List Midshipmen attended the Inter-Service College Athletics Meeting at R.A.A.F. Point Cook on Saturday, 21st March, 1964. In view of the short interval between their entry date and the athletics it was not possible for them to compete.

4. Two recently graduated Dental Officers remained at H.M.A.S. CERBERUS after completing the Officer's Indoctrination Course in February thus filling the complement. The Dental Department is now working at full capacity and it is believed the majority of outstanding dental work on recruits will in future be completed before their initial draft to sea. The dental standard on entry of recruits has shown a remarkable improvement during the last few months as compared with entries of several years ago.

5. During the quarter the band from H.M.A.S. CERBERUS has fulfilled a variety of engagements. On January, 11 the band performed at the A.J. HUNTER Trotting Cup at the Melbourne Showgrounds in the presence of the Governor of Victoria and Lady Delacombe. On February, 19 a band comprised of R.A.N.R. musicians on A.C.T., musicians under training and members of CERBERUS's Band were present at the opening of the new shire of Grenville offices at Linton. On February 21, 1964 the band was present in St. Paul's Cathedral for a moving memorial service which was held for those lost in H.M.A.S. VOYAGER. The band visited Colac on March, 7 and 8 for the Kanyana Festival. During this visit they performed at an official reception for the Governor of Victoria and Lady Delacombe and at two concerts. They also led the annual procession, which was watched by an enthusiastic crowd. March 9 was the occasion of the annual Moomba parade in Melbourne which the band led.

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On March 13 and 14 the band attended the Yulunga Festival in Hamilton, and then proceeded to Warrnambool for the International Rotary Conference where they gave a Garden Concert performance and played at the official opening of the Rotary Conference. On March 21, the band was present at a Youth Garden Party held at Government House, Melbourne, where they gave a marching display. The Melbourne Easter Fair was officially opened on March 23 when the band was in attendance.

6. On the 30th January the Minister for Defence, Mr. P. HASLUCK, M.P., Minister (designate) for the Navy, Mr. F. CHANEY, A.F.C., M.P., and the Second Naval Member, Rear Admiral V.A.T. SMITH, C.B.E., D.S.C., visited this Establishment. On the 4th February, 1964 the Secretary of the Department of the Navy, Mr. S. LANDAU, O.B.E., M.A., toured the Establishment.

7. Other visitors to H.M.A.S. CERBERUS during the quarter were Vice Admiral Sir York BEVERLEY, K.B.E., C.B. (Retired) (Commander, Flinders Naval Depot, 1932 - 1934) on 12th February, Rear Admiral C. BENSON (Retired) (Captain Superintending of Training, 1931 - 1932) on 14th February, Mr. Lincoln WHITE the U.S.A. Consul General on 19th February, and Colonel SHARMA, the Naval, Military and Air Adviser to the High Commissioner for India, on 21st January, 1964.

8. During the quarter organised visits from school children and Clubs took place. Also the Mornington High School used the Indoor Swimming Pool on the 10th and 12th March for their diving and swimming Championships.

9. The loss of H.M.A.S. VOYAGER was deeply felt by all in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS. The Ship's Company filled to overflowing the two Memorial Chapels at the short services held on the morning following the sinking, and special arrangements were made on February 21 to transport the many who wished to attend the memorial services at St. Paul's Cathedral and St. Patrick's Cathedral in Melbourne. A 'drumhead' collection held in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS during February yielded the sum of £3,446/-/-d. for the Lord Mayor of Sydney, Voyager Dependants Appeal.

10. There has been one funeral at H.M.A.S. CERBERUS during the quarter that of Ordinary Seaman L.W. DONALDSON, R.93650 of H.M.A.S. ANZAC.

11. H.M.A.S. CERBERUS was the venue for the Summer series of the Inter-Service Sports in Victoria which were held in ideal weather between 16th and 19th March, 1964. The swimming championships were held in the Olympic Pool, on Friday, 6th March, 1964. Detailed results of the Sports are in Appendix B to this report.

12. Normal monthly dips and diving acquaintance dips for recruits were carried out during the quarter.

13. The new naval stores building will be available for occupancy early in the next quarter. Occupancy has been delayed pending fitting of racking and internal fittings. Tenders were let during the quarter for two new accommodation blocks and work will commence during the next quarter.

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14. On Thursday, 26th March, 1964 a Passing Out parade was held for the first Junior Recruits to graduate from H.M.A.S. CERBERUS. This parade, in which the whole Ship's Company took part, was witnessed by over two hundred relatives and friends of the Junior Recruits, many of whom had come interstate for the occasion and some from as far away as Queensland and Western Australia. After the parade I presented the prizes and trophies for academic and sporting achievements. An excellent television coverage of the parade and prize-giving appeared in A.B.C. Channel 2 News that evening.

15. The health and morale of the Ship's Company has remained high during the quarter.

(R.L. Shimmin)
COMMODORE.

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APPENDIX 'A' TO REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Important social obligations undertaken by Commodore Superintendent of Training in his capacity as Naval Officer-in-Charge, Victoria.

Friday	24th January	-	Attended an Australia Day Flag Raising Ceremony at the Melbourne Town Hall.
Monday	27th January	-	Attended a Flag Raising and Naturalisation Ceremony conducted by Mornington Shire. Inspected a guard of Army Apprentices and gave a civic address.
Thursday	20th February	-	Received the call of the Major General L.G. CANET, C.B.E., retiring G.O.C. Southern Command in Naval Officer-in-Charge, Victoria's office in Victoria Barracks.
Friday	21st February	-	Attended H.M.A.S. VOYAGER Memorial Service at St. Paul's Cathedral.
Thursday	5th March	-	Attended Official Opening of the International Motor Show by His Excellency the Governor of Victoria at the Exhibition Buildings, Melbourne.
Saturday	14th March	-	Attended the Legacy Annual Dinner in Melbourne.
Friday	20th March	-	Attended a Garden Party at Government House, Melbourne.
Saturday	21st March	-	Attended the Inter-Service College Athletics Meeting at Point Cook.

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APPENDIX 'B' TO REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

INTER-SERVICE SPORTS - SUMMER SERIES

The Navy's term as Host Service ended with the Summer Series held at H.M.A.S. CERBERUS, March 16 to 19, with the Army winning the Challenge Trophy for Mens and Womens Services.

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CLAY TARGETS	1 NAVY	30	SWIMMING	1 R.A.A.F.	30
	2 ARMY	20		2 NAVY	20
	3 R.A.A.F.	10		3 ARMY	10
RIFLE SHOOTING	1 ARMY	30	WATER POLO	1 ARMY	30
	2 R.A.A.F.	20		2 NAVY	20
	3 NAVY	10		3 R.A.A.F.	10
CRICKET	1 ARMY	30	TENNIS	1 R.A.A.F.	30
	2 R.A.A.F.	20		2 ARMY	20
	3 NAVY	10		3 NAVY	10
BASKET BALL	1 NAVY	30	ATHLETICS	1 ARMY	30
	2 R.A.A.F.	20		2 R.A.A.F.	20
	3 ARMY	10		3 NAVY	10

Challenge Trophy for 1963-64 was won by Army with 305 points Airforce followed with 260 points and Navy with 215 points.

WOMEN

BASKET BALL	3 NAVY	20	HOCKEY	Equal ARMY	25
	WAY ARMY	20		First R.A.A.F.	25
	TIE.R.A.A.F.	20		NAVY	10
SWIMMING	1 NAVY	30	TENNIS	1 R.A.A.F.	30
	2 ARMY	20		2 ARMY	20
	3 R.A.A.F.	10		3 NAVY	10
SOFTBALL	1 ARMY	30	ATHLETICS	1 ARMY	30
	2 R.A.A.F.	20		2 R.A.A.F.	20
	3 NAVY	10		3 NAVY	10

Challenge Trophy was won by Army with 145 points, R.A.A.F. Second with 125 points and Navy with 90 points.

The Army will take over as Host Service with the commencement of the Winter Series in August, 1964.

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APPENDIX C TO REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Photograph 1. The Commodore Superintendent of Training presenting prizes to Junior Recruit M.R. CAIN at Junior Recruits Passing Out Parade, 26th March, 1964.

Photograph 2. The Commodore Superintendent of Training presenting Trophy to Navy Women's team representative after winning the Women's Inter-Service Swimming.

Photograph 3. The Commodore Superintendent of Training presenting Trophy to A.B. DUKE after the Navy Shotgun team won their event at the Inter-Service Sports.

Photograph 4. The Secretary to Department of the Navy Mr. S. LANDAU, O.B.E., M.A., touring the Weapons and Radio Engineering Division at H.M.A.S. CERBERUS with Commander H.G. BAKER and the Commodore Superintendent of Training.

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Commodore Superintendent of Training,
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Westernport,
Victoria.

30th June, 1964.

THE SECRETARY,
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H.M.A.S. CERBERUS - QUARTERLY REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Reference: R.I. Appendix 29A Clause 3,

Enclosures: (1) Appendix A.
(2) Appendix B.
(3) Appendix C.

1. Forwarded for the consideration of the Naval Board my report of Proceedings for the period 1st April, 1964 to 30th June, 1964.

2. Three changes in my Heads of Departments occurred during the quarter. Commander P. BERRY-SMITH, R.A.N. was relieved as Engineer Officer and O.I.C. Marine Engineering Training Division by Lieutenant Commander W.L. ROBINSON, R.A.N. on 10th April. Instructor Captain Q. de Q. ROBIN, B.A. Dip Ed., R.A.N.V.R. joined H.M.A.S. CERBERUS on 1st May and assumed the duties of Senior Instructor Officer. On 10th June, Commander H.K. DUNCAN, R.A.N. was relieved as Training Commander by Commander G.D.H. SAMPLE, D.S.C., R.N.

3. Experience gained from Branch Technical Tests held on the 26th November, 1963, indicated the need for co-ordination, covering despatch of test papers, marking of worked papers, and reporting of results. The necessary changes have been made, and the organisation used for the Branch Technical Tests held during 1964 has proved successful. Nevertheless for a Shore Establishment there is difficulty, mainly due to the lack of facilities, or unavailability of ships, in completing the practical tests for seamen candidates aspiring to the rate of Chief Petty Officer.

4. The construction of the new Cryptographic Training centre commenced on Monday, 11th May and work commenced on the construction of the two new accommodation blocks (5 and 6) on 31st March. Both these projects are progressing in a satisfactory manner. The new Naval Stores building was handed over on 1st June, and is now in use. Some paving around this building has yet to be completed.

5. A Conference was held at H.M.A.S. CERBERUS on 12th May to consider the means of accommodating and instructing the expected increase of junior ratings which will commence in July, 1964. Arrangements for the provision of furniture are progressing satisfactorily. New accommodation blocks and new classrooms are required and the necessary sites have been decided. The Master Planning of accommodation was considered at a conference with representatives of the Department of Works on 1st April, from which has arisen the proposal for a new Chiefs and Petty Officers block to provide them with accommodation commensurate with their status. The Master Plan provides for the use of the site of the present Chiefs and Petty officers Block for junior ratings amenities. The increasing numbers and the higher proportion there will be of junior ratings in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS will severely overload the present inadequate amenities, and the first move towards providing satisfactory amenities for them is therefore the moving of the Chiefs and Petty Officers to new accommodation.

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6. After delays by sub-contractors totalling six weeks, the Gunroom mess has been completed and was handed over on 25th June. It is intended that the Midshipmen occupy the building on their return from Mid-Winter Leave.

7. Midshipman K.J. HEYNATZ represented Victoria in the Rugby Team that played against Western Australia and New Zealand. Also in the sporting field a Midshipmen's team won the Curry Cup Medley Relay. Midshipman D.E. STONES left the Supplementary List (X) course, appointment terminated after three academic failures.

8. The Second Symposium of the 1964 Industrial Mobilisation Course was held in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS from 1st to 5th June. I acted as Chairman of the Symposium at the request of Rear Admiral A.W.R. McNICOLL, C.B.E., G.M., who was unable to be present.

9. During the quarter the band from H.M.A.S. CERBERUS has fulfilled a variety of engagements in Victoria which are listed in Appendix C. Following the Coral Sea March in Melbourne on Friday, 15th May, the band left for a tour of Tasmania in conjunction with the Coral Sea celebrations in that State. The band performed in Hobart, Launceston, Huonville, Campbelltown, Devonport, Ulverstone and Burnie between 15th May and 21st May. Between 5th and 7th June the band was in Naracoorte, South Australia. During this time the band performed at four concerts, a marching display at a football match and at the South Australian Spastic Association Ball.

10. On Friday, 15th May the annual combined services march through the City of Melbourne took place. The band from H.M.A.S. CERBERUS and a contingent of 560 naval personnel from H.M.A.S. CERBERUS took part. The salute was taken at the town hall by the Governor of Victoria and the guest of honour was General Hamilton H. HOWZE, United States Army. The form of future participation by the Services in the Coral Sea Week in Melbourne is at present under discussion by the heads of the three Services in Victoria. This year the march was received apathetically by the public, the television coverage was disappointing and the press reports meagre. It was therefore of doubtful value in recruiting and publicity whilst expensive in the amount of training time lost in preparation for it.

11. Surgeon Captain (D) C.S. MARTIN travelled to Perth, W.A. to represent the R.A.N. Dental Services at the Australian Dental Congress between 25th and 29th May.

12. At the invitation of the General Manager, Captain G.P. HOOD, R.A.N., I attended the annual prizegiving for Apprentices on Wednesday, 27th May at H.M.A. Naval Dockyard, Williamstown, to present the awards and to address them.

13. During the first two weeks of June a film unit from Crawford Productions was present in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS. They were making two 5 minute T.V. Interlude Films for the Department of the Navy, one on the R.A.N. School of Music and one on H.M.A.S. CERBERUS.

14. On Monday, 22nd June the Vice President of the Victorian Division of the National Safety Council of Australia, Mr. O.C. PHILLIPS, and Mr. HARRIS, a field officer, gave an excellent lecture supported by films on Road Safety to the Ship's Company.

15. During the quarter many organised visits from school children and clubs took place.

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16. On Thursday, 25th June the Victorian Judo Federation and the Victorian Amateur Gymnastic Association presented a display in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS Gymnasium to help raise funds to send competitors to the Olympic Games in Tokyo.

17. The Physical Training Staff of H.M.A.S. CERBERUS organised the continuity for the Olympic Boxing trials held in June. The Physical Training Officer, Sub Lieutenant MURPHY was a referee on this occasion and two Physical Training instructors were timekeepers. Sub Lieutenant MURPHY also refereed at the Olympic Judo Trials in Sydney.

18. The Depot Boxing Championships were held in the Drill Hall on Wednesday, 27th May. The quality of the entrants was disappointingly low; but it reflects the lack of interest in this sport that now exists throughout the Navy.

19. The second entry of Junior Recruits to H.M.A.S. CERBERUS joined on Sunday, 5th April, 200 strong. Accommodation for this intake is divided between G Block containing five divisions of 28 each and the top floor of Getting Block containing two divisions of 30 each. These latter are the two top academic divisions and have been given preference in accommodation to enable them to carry out evening prep in their cabins and encourage private study for which extra tables have been provided. Since entry, only three Junior Recruits have been discharged, one for disciplinary reasons, one for a Disability Present on Entry, and one for unsuitability. This is a much lower percentage than occurred with the previous intake, which lost a higher proportion for medical reasons soon after joining. This entry has settled down quite well and are progressing favourably. 161 have passed E.T.1 at their first attempt and the first progress exams are being held in late July prior to proceeding on Long Leave, which has been retarded so that the time from joining in April until Christmas is divided equally.

20. During the month of June the following Life Savings awards were gained in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS.

Resuscitation Certificates	245
Bronze Cross	7
Bar to Bronze Cross	1
Bronze Medallion	4

21. Normal monthly dips and diving acquaintance dips for recruits were carried out during the quarter.

22. In the Queen's Birthday Honours list Lieutenant Commander G.J. HARLE, R.A.N. received the M.B.E. and Chief Dental Mechanic A.G. HEESH, R.A.N. received the B.E.M. It was very pleasing to see the services of these men honoured in this way.

23. Appreciation was expressed in the Melbourne press about the valuable and voluntary assistance given to the police by Naval ratings and other Service personnel during the recent visit of the "Beatles" to Melbourne.

24. The health and morale of the Ship's Company has remained high during the quarter.

(R.L. Shimmin)
COMMODORE.

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APPENDIX 'A' TO REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Social obligations undertaken by Commodore Superintendent of Training in his capacity as Naval Officer-in-Charge, Victoria.

DATE	EVENT
8th May	Luncheon H.M.A.S. DUCHESS after her acceptance by the R.A.N.
8th May	Commissioning Party H.M.A.S. DERWENT.
11th May	State Dinner, Government House.
12th May	Reception by Thai Consul General to welcome National Defence College of Thailand.
13th May	Press Luncheon on board U.S.S. GOLDSBOROUGH.
14th May	Coral Sea Luncheon - Australian-American Association.
14th May	Dinner at Government House.
15th May	Lunch with U.S. Consul General before attendance at Coral Sea March.
23rd May	Dinner, Council of British Commonwealth Society.
29th May	Southern Command Ball.
10th June	Opening of General Motors Holden Technical Centre by the Honourable Mr. Harold HOLT.
11th June	Queen's Birthday Ball - The Victoria League.
12th June	Evening Reception at Government House on occasions of Queen's Birthday.
19th June	Prince Henry's Hospital Ball.
24th June	Buffet Dinner, H.M.A.S. LONSDALE, guest of Reserve Medical and Dental Officers.

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APPENDIX 'B' TO REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

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Photograph 1	His Excellency the Governor of Victoria inspecting R.A.N. Guard of Honour on Anzac Day, Saturday, 25th April.
Photograph 2	H.M.A.S. DERWENT commissioned on 30th May. The Naval Officer-in-Charge, Victoria reading the Commissioning Order.
Photograph 3	Two T.V. Interlude films were made in June, one on H.M.A.S. CERBERUS and the other on the R.A.N. School of Music.
Photograph 4	R.A.N. Contingent passing the saluting dais during the Coral Sea March in city of Melbourne, 15th May.
Photograph 5	Two recipients of awards in the Queen's Birthday Honours List, Lieutenant Commander G.J. HARLE who received the M.B.E. and Chief Dental Mechanic A.G. HEESH, who received the B.E.M.

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APPENDIX 'C' TO REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

BAND ENGAGEMENTS IN VICTORIA

DATE	EVENT
Saturday, 4th April	The Opening of the Apple and Pear Festival at Somerville in the presence of the Governor of Victoria and Lady DELACOMBE.
Saturday, 11th April	A band comprised of R.A.N.R. Musicians and selected Musicians from H.M.A.S. CERBERUS was present at the Country Fire Brigades Convention at Frankston which was opened by the Governor of Victoria.
Friday, 17th April	The Dance Band performed at the R.A.N. Ski Club Ball in H.M.A.S. LONSDALE.
Wednesday, 22nd April	An Investiture at Government House, Victoria.
Saturday, 25th April	The band was present with a Guard from H.M.A.S. CERBERUS for the Anzac Day Parade in Melbourne and played at the Saluting Dais during the march past.
Sunday, 26th April	The Anzac Day Parade in Frankston.
Thursday, 30th April	The commissioning of H.M.A.S. DERWENT.
Sunday, 10th May	The band played at Olympic Park, Melbourne at the Everton versus Australia Soccer Match in the presence of the Governor of Victoria.
Sunday, 24th May	The band played at Olympic Park, Melbourne at the Everton versus Victoria Soccer Match in the presence of the Governor of Victoria.
Wednesday, 13th May	The H.M.A.S. CERBERUS Band was present when the Apprenticeship Commission of Victoria held their annual award night in the presence of the Governor of Victoria and Lady DELACOMBE.

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Commodore Superintendent of Training,
H.M.A.S. CERBERUS,
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THE SECRETARY,
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H.M.A.S.CERBERUS - QUARTERLY REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

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1. Forwarded for the consideration of the Naval Board my report of Proceedings for the period 1st July, 1964, to 30th September, 1964.

2. On 16th July my Executive Officer, Commander R.O. Brasch, R.A.N. was relieved by Commander M.H. Fowler, R.A.N.

3. The Supplementary List Midshipmen moved into the new Gunroom Mess on return from mid winter leave in July. The renovation work carried out has been very satisfactory, in particular the new galley, which has porta-gas equipment and is extremely efficient. The Gun Room staff is still far below complement, and it has been found necessary to augment the three stewards with three seamen from the Ship's Company to act as pantry hands until more stewards become available.

4. A shortened form of the Officers' Indoctrination Course was carried out for three newly entered Instructor Officers in order to obviate their waiting for a period of approximately six months before the next scheduled course.

5. The Midshipmens' training has proceeded as scheduled. Twelve Seaman Midshipmen proceeded to H.M.A.S. WATSON for N.D. instruction in August whilst eight Aircrew Midshipmen were entered for B.A.T.C. 2/64.

6. The Fourth Naval Member, Rear Admiral R.I. Peek, O.B.E., D.S.C.* visited H.M.A.S. CERBERUS on Wednesday, 22nd July to tour the Establishment and to discuss the master plan for its development.

7. Captain R.J. Robertson, D.S.C., R.A.N., was present in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS during the period 3rd to 5th August carrying out part of a survey on the requirements of technical training in the R.A.N.

8. During the quarter many visits and organised tours by school children, sea cadets, scouts and guides have taken place. Also, the Red Cross Mobile Unit visited H.M.A.S. CERBERUS on 26th and 27th August, when 236 pints of blood were donated.

9. The annual State Conference of the Naval Association of Australia was held in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS on Saturday, 1st August. I opened the conference which was chaired by Captain J. Plunkett-Cole, R.A.N. (Retired) who is the State President of the Association.

10. A most successful Symposium of Head Masters and Principals was held in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS on Wednesday, 16th September. This event was filmed by our naval photographer and appeared on A.B.C. T.V. Channel 2 news at 2200 that night.

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11. On the forenoon of Friday, 4th September I flew by U.S. Navy helicopter to visit the U.S.S. LONG BEACH at the invitation of her Captain. That afternoon Captain F.H. Price Jr. U.S.N. and his Executive Officer, Commander W.W. Schwartz Jr. U.S.N. came by helicopter to be present at Divisions. This event was filmed by our naval photographer and presented on A.B.C. T.V. Channel 2 news at 2200 that night. To their embarrassment the helicopter would not start when the time came to leave, and they were returned to their ship by car. An aircraft starter was obtained overnight from the U.S.A.F. Weather squadron at Laverton which enabled the helicopter to rejoin the U.S.S. LONG BEACH during the forenoon of the next day. A cartoon recording this event has been forwarded to Captain Price for possible inclusion in the ship's journal of their cruise. A copy of this cartoon is at Appendix 'B'.

12. Between 3rd and 10th September a party of Officers and Ship's Company of H.M.A.S. CERBERUS was in Adelaide to assist at the Naval Display at the Royal Adelaide Show.

13. A night evasion exercise was carried out on the 21st August by M.E.'s Class 1/64. The opposition was provided by a group of Supplementary List Midshipmen. Publicity was given to the exercise in the three local newspapers. It is intended to have another night exercise on the 2nd October and with this in mind the three local newspapers were informed and provided with two cartoons drawn by one of the participants in the first exercise. The Frankston Standard subsequently printed one cartoon and the Westernport News printed both.

14. During September CASTLEMAINE was prepared for a passage to Williamstown to have boilers retubed. This passage will take place in October.

15. S.A.R. Craft 02-102 departed on 24th August for H.M.A. Naval Dockyard, Williamstown for the fitting of a new engine and repair to electrical wiring.

16. A Dental Officer and a Dental Assistant is now loaned for one or two days per week to H.M.A.S. LONSDALE in order that personnel from Navy Office, H.M.A.S. LONSDALE and ships refitting at Williamstown may have Naval dental facilities readily available to them.

17. During September, Acting Surgeon Captain (D) C.S. Martin, R.A.N. lectured to twenty Brisbane and sixty Sydney dental undergraduates on the advantages of service in the Royal Australian Navy. Lectures have also been arranged in the near future at the dental colleges in Melbourne and Adelaide. From the interest which has been displayed so far, no difficulty is anticipated in suitably filling the five vacancies which will occur next January in the Dental Branch Undergraduates Scheme.

18. The arrival, during the first week of September of an Instructor Sub-Lieutenant (on probation) as a direct entry from Queensland brought to twelve the total number of Instructor Officers who have joined the service this year. Most of these officers had sufficient teaching experience before joining to justify their being used almost immediately as instructors in the various training divisions, the only delay being occasioned by the necessity, at times for brief acquaintance courses dealing with topics not previously studied or taught. These young men have created a favourable impression.

19. The Crypto Instructional Centre should be complete by the 5th October. Tenders which close on 13th October, have been called for three blocks of new classrooms in the Communication Training Section.

20. Construction of the new accommodation blocks 5 and 6 is proceeding in a very satisfactory manner.

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21. Renovation of D, E and F Blocks has commenced with F block, and satisfactory progress is being made.

22. Building 106E, The Crypto Maintenance Training Centre was completed and in use by the 24th August.

23. On September 6 a direct entry Electrical Lieutenant Ex. University Graduate, the first for some years, joined for 9 months Weapons and Radio training prior to joining the Fleet.

24. Commander R.E. Lesh R.A.N., Director of Communications paid a two day visit to the Communication Division, on Tuesday, 21st and Wednesday, 22nd July.

25. From 20th July to 3rd August, Commander P.M. Rees, R.A.N. carried out an investigation into possible means of alleviating shortages in the Communications Branch higher rates by alterations to courses.

26. Mr. A.H.D. Hind, Managing Director of Australian Services Canteens accompanied by Mr. K.C. Glynn, General Manager of the New Zealand Armed Forces Canteens Council were shown around H.M.A.S. CERBERUS Canteen facilities on 15th July.

27. Acting Captain J.I. Moore (S) R.A.N., attended a clothing conference at Navy Office, Canberra on the 8th July on my behalf.

28. The Physical Training Officer Lieutenant W.F. Murphy (PT) R.A.N. was selected during August to act as a Boxing Official for the 1964 Olympic Games and departs for Tokyo early in October.

29. The Health and morale of the Ship's Company has remained high during the quarter.

(R.L. Shimmin)
COMMODORE.

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APPENDIX 'A' TO REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Activities undertaken by Commodore Superintendent of Training in his capacity as Naval Officer-in-Charge, Victoria.

DATE	EVENT
7th July	Attended a lunch to meet Major General J.M. McNeill, C.B., C.B.E., the Head (designate) Defence Dept. Commonwealth Relations Office.
18th July	Royal Yacht Club of Victoria Annual Smoke Night and Presentation of Trophies.
28th July	Reception given by the Higher Commissioner of New Zealand.
1st August	Opened the State Conference of the Naval Association of Australia held at H.M.A.S. CERBERUS.
6th August	Interservice Sports at Bandiana.
13th August	Principal Speaker at the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, Marine Engineering Students night and presentation.
15th August	Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron Annual Smoke Night and presentation of Trophies by His Excellency the Governor.
22nd August	Southern Command Army Rugby Union Clubs Annual presentation function.
31st August	Reception at Parliament House on occasion of retirement of the Chief Justice Lt. General Hon. Sir Edmund Herring K.C.M.G., K.B.C., D.S.O., M.C., E.D. (1944).
1st September	At Home at Government House given in honour of the retiring Chief Justice.
3rd September	Underway visit to U.S.S. ENTERPRISE
4th September	Reception given by the U.S. Consul-General.
11th September	Dinner - 50th Anniversary of Landing at Kaba Kaul 1914.
13th September	Commemorative Service St. Paul's Cathedral - Air Force Association.
14th September	Guest of English Speaking Union for premier of the film "The Finest Hours".
15th September	Battle of Britain Ball.
17th September	Lunch Royal Agricultural Society. Dinner with Air Force Association to commemorate fifty years of military aviation.
19th September	Victorian Football League Grand Final.
21st September	Reception by Thai Consul-General to meet the Secretary General of SEATO.
23rd September	Investiture at Government House.
26th September	Opening of sailing season Royal Brighton Yacht Club.

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APPENDIX "B" TO REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

PHOTOGRAPH ONE. The Fourth Naval Member of the Naval Board, Rear Admiral R. I. Peek, O.B.E., D.S.C. and bar with the Commodore Superintendent of Training and the Executive Officer of H.M.A.S. CERBERUS, Commander M. H. Fowler, R.A.N. inspecting the progress of construction of a new accomodation block in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS.

PHOTOGRAPH TWO. The 23rd July, saw the retirement of Mr. Frank Goodwin after 41 years of service in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS. He ended his employment as Curator of the Depot playing fields. He is shown speaking to the Commodore Superintendent of Training.

PHOTOGRAPH THREE. Captain Price, U.S.N., Captain of the U.S.S. Long Beach was present at Divisions on Friday, September, 4th.

Cartoon.

The U.S.N. Helicopter would not start under its own battery power, 4th and Saturday 5th September. It became airborne at 1100 on 5th, after a ground starter unit was obtained from Laverton.

Press Cutting.

From Westernport News, 30th September the top cartoon appeared in Frankston Standard also.

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APPENDIX "C" TO REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

BAND ENGAGEMENTS IN VICTORIA

DATE:	EVENT:
Saturday, 22nd August.	The opening of a New Wing at Toorak College in the presence of the Governor of Victoria.
Friday, 11th September.	A Bugler was present at the Shrine for the Kaba Kaul-German Landing commemoration.
Tuesday, 15th September. Wednesday, 16th September.	A Bugler was present with a funeral party from H.M.A.S. CERBERUS at Myrtleford.
Saturday, 19th September.	The H.M.A.S. CERBERUS Band played at the Melbourne Cricket Ground for the Grand Final of the Victorian Football League.
Saturday, 26th September.	The Band was present at the opening of the Royal Brighton Yacht Club.

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APPENDIX "D" TO REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
RESULTS INTER SERVICE SPORTS - WINTER SERIES.

MEN. Tuesday, 4th August.

HOCKEY.	R.A.A.F.	5 Gls.	de	NAVY	2 Gls.
SOCCER.	ARMY	4 Gls.	de	NAVY	2 Gls.
AUST-RULES.	R.A.A.F.	14-11-95	de	ARMY	11.12.78
RUGBY.	ARMY	21 Pts.	de	NAVY	3 Pts.
GOLF.	ARMY	7	R.A.A.F. 5	NAVY	3

Wednesday, 5th August.

HOCKEY.	ARMY	3 Gls.	de	R.A.A.F.	2 Gls.
SOCCER.	NAVY	4 Gls.	de	R.A.A.F.	2 Gls.
AUST-RULES.	ARMY	8-18.66	de	NAVY	2-4-16
RUGBY.	NAVY	9 Pts.	de	R.A.A.F.	3 Pts.
GOLF.	R.A.A.F.	7	ARMY 5	NAVY	3

Thursday, 6th August.

HOCKEY.	ARMY	3 Gls.	de	NAVY	2 Gls.
SOCCER.	R.A.A.F.	3 Gls.	de	ARMY	2 Gls.
AUST-RULES.	R.A.A.F.	75 Pts.	de	NAVY	55 Pts.
RUGBY.	ARMY	9 Pts.	de	R.A.A.F.	3 Pts.
GOLF.	R.A.A.F.	7	ARMY 5	NAVY	3

POINTS.

HOCKEY.	ARMY	30	R.A.A.F.	20	NAVY	10
SOCCER.	NAVY	20	ARMY	20	R.A.A.F.	20
AUST-RULES.	R.A.A.F.	30	ARMY	20	NAVY	10
RUGBY.	ARMY	30	NAVY	20	R.A.A.F.	10
GOLF.	R.A.A.F.	30	ARMY	20	NAVY	10

WOMEN. Tuesday, 4th August.

BASKET BALL.	R.A.A.F.	37	de	NAVY	36
HOCKEY.	ARMY	5 Gls.	de	NAVY	1 Gl.

Wednesday, 5th August.

BASKET BALL.	ARMY	37	de	R.A.A.F.	29
HOCKEY.	NAVY	3 Gls.	de	R.A.A.F.	1 Gl.

Thursday, 6th August

BASKET BALL	NAVY	29	Drew	ARMY	29
HOCKEY	ARMY	6	De.	R.A.A.F	3

POINTS

BASKET BALL	ARMY	30	NAVY	20	R.A.A.F. 10
HOCKEY	ARMY	30	NAVY	20	R.A.A.F. 10

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THE SECRETARY,
DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY.

H.M.A.S. CERBERUS - QUARTERLY REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

Reference: R.I. Appendix 29A, Clause 3.

Enclosures: (1) Appendix A.
(2) Appendix B.
(3) Appendix C.

1. Forwarded for the consideration of the Naval Board my report of Proceedings for the period 1st October, 1964, to 31st December, 1964.

2. On 7th December my Engineer Officer Lieutenant Commander W.L. Robinson, R.A.N. was relieved by Lieutenant Commander P.T. Edwards, R.A.N.

3. On 7th December the Deputy Supply Officer, Commander B.H. Worrall, R.A.N., was relieved by Commander T. Lea, R.A.N.

4. Preparations for the passage of H.M.A.S. CASTLEMAINE under the command of Lieutenant Commander J.E. Asker, R.A.N. (EL) were started on Thursday 8th October. The steaming party were given instruction and practical experience in the use of the two 20 man inflatable life rafts and jackets carried in the ship and each man was issued with a life jacket. Stores were placed onboard on 9th October and basic trials were carried out alongside CERBERUS wharf on 9th October and 12th October. On conclusion of the basic trial on Monday 12th October vacuum was lost on the Port Condenser. Investigation revealed that five sets of suction valves in the Port Air pump were found to have sheared stems and the plates were buckled and free from the piston.

5. Repairs were effected by 1115K on 13th October and at 1615K Castlemaine slipped and proceeded down Hanns Inlet with ATB 1521 secured ahead to assist in steadying the swing of the ship's head. After clearing Hanns Inlet and completing speed determination trials and establishing compass deviation CASTLEMAINE anchored at 1746, 135° Stony Point 1·7 miles in 7½ fathoms of water.

6. At 0530K on 14th October CASTLEMAINE weighed and proceeded to rendezvous with tug Batman south of Westhead at 0700. Tug Batman remained in company until released by CASTLEMAINE when clear of West Channel at 1125K on 14th October. CASTLEMAINE berthed starboard side to, Cross Wharf, Williamstown Naval Dockyard at 1445K on 14th October.

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7. His Excellency the Governor of Victoria, Major General Sir Rohan Delacombe, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O., K.St.J. was guest of honour at the Trafalgar Night Mess Dinner held in the Wardroom on Wednesday 21st October. The dinner was preceeded by a Beating Retreat at which eight of the R.A.N.'s Silver Drums were paraded.

8. The Commander-in-Chief of the French Forces in the Pacific, Rear Admiral Picard Destelan visited CERBERUS on Thursday, 22nd October.

9. The Co-ordinator of the State Disaster Plan conducted an exercise on Sunday 25th October in which CERBERUS participated. The exercise took the form of a bushfire in the vicinity of Lyndhurst Railway Station spreading out of control down the Mornington Peninsula. A token vehicle was dispatched from CERBERUS.

10. The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works visited H.M.A.S. CERBERUS on the 1st and 2nd November and inspected the existing accommodation and sites for proposed barrack blocks. Proposals and recommendations are included in a report by the Committee dated 9th November.

11. Fregatten Kapitan Dr. W. Schunemann, Ober Leutnant Sur Zee E.D. Jung and Ober Bootsmaat Leuk-Emden of the Federal German Republic's Navy toured CERBERUS on Friday 13th November. These officers were in Australia in connection with the 50th Anniversary of the Sydney-Emden engagement.

12. A contingent of personnel and the Band from H.M.A.S. CERBERUS were paraded at the Shrine of Remembrance, St. Kilda Road, Melbourne on 4th October for a Naval Commemoration Ceremony.

13. The Medical Director General carried out his Annual Inspection of Flinders Naval Hospital on Thursday 12th November.

14. On Monday 9th November seven members of the newly formed Royal Australian Naval Nursing Service joined the staff of Flinders Naval Hospital.

15. Acting Captain J.I. Moore (S) R.A.N. represented the Naval Board at Hobart Navy Commemoration Week on 24th and 25th October.

16. Acting Captain J.I. Moore (S) R.A.N. attended the State funeral at Horsham of the late Minister for Health, Senator Wade, on behalf of the Minister for the Navy on 20th November.

17. On Monday 30th November Fleet Staff Officers commenced Departmental inspections of H.M.A.S. CERBERUS. The Flag Officer Commanding Australian Fleet Rear Admiral O.H. Becher, C.B.E., D.S.O., D.S.C.* inspected Accommodation and Administration areas, West Head Gunnery Range, Rifle Range and Banyandah Park area on Thursday 3rd December. He inspected Training Divisions during the forenoon of Friday 4th December and inspected H.M.A.S. CERBERUS at Divisions during the afternoon.

18. The Crypto Instructional Centre was satisfactorily completed during this quarter and work commenced on three new classroom blocks in the Communications Training Section.

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19. Accommodation Blocks 5 and 6 are proceeding satisfactorily. Block 6 is within six working weeks of completion and Block 5 should be completed by the end of April 1965.

20. Conversion of South Battery to a classroom block will commence in January 1965.

21. Renovation of D.E. and F Blocks is progressing satisfactorily , E and F block are completed and D block should be completed by January, 1965.

22. During the quarter there have been many organised tours of CERBERUS by parties of Boy Scouts, Guides, School Children and Sea Cadets.

23. On Monday 14th December a talk on Bush Fire Prevention and elementary fire fighting precautions taken in country areas was presented to the Ship's Company by an Officer of the Country Fire Authority.

24. Due to exceptionally wet weather clearing of fire breaks around CERBERUS has been delayed this year but the work is now in hand.

25. The Victorian Police Road Safety Squad delivered another splendid lecture to the Ship's Company on Road Safety on Tuesday 15th December.

26. Training Courses for 1964 ceased on Friday 11th December and the establishment was closed down during the following week as the Ship's Company proceeded on long leave.

27. The health and morale of the Ship's Company has remained high during the quarter.

(R. L. Shimmin)
COMMODORE.

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APPENDIX 'A'

Activities undertaken by Commodore Superintendent of Training in his capacity as Naval Officer-in-Charge, Victoria.

DATE		EVENT
1st September		Government House - At home in honour of the retiring Chief Justice.
3rd	"	Underway visit to U.S.S. Enterprise.
4th	"	Reception given by U.S. Consul General.
11th	"	Attended Shrine ceremony followed by a Dinner to commemorate 50th Anniversary of landings at Kaba Kaul on 11th September, 1914.
13th	"	Attended Commemoration Service at St. Pauls Cathedral - The Air Force Association.
14th	"	Attended the premier of the film The Finest Hours as guest of English Speaking Union.
15th	"	Attended the Battle of Britain Ball.
17th	"	Lunch as guest of the Royal Agricultural Society. Dinner as guest of the Air Force Association. Commemorating 50th Anniversary of Military Aviation in Australia.
19th	"	Witnessed the V.F.L. Grand Final.
21st	"	Attended a reception given by the Consul General for Thailand for the Secretary General of S.E.A.T.O.
23rd	"	Attended Investiture at Government House.
26th	"	Attended the Opening of the Sailing Season at the Royal Brighton Yacht Club.
2nd October		Cocktails with Group Captain E.B. Courtney, M.V.O., R.A.A.F.
4th	"	Attended the Naval Commemoration Service at the Shrine. Attended reception to meet Mr. C. E. Wrangham, C.B.E., the the Chairman of Short Bros. & Harland.
6th	"	Represented the Naval Board at the funeral of Captain E. H. Leitch, C.B.E., R.A.N. (Re'trd.) Inspected and addressed the Wesley College Cadet Unit.
7th	"	Received the call of the Deputy Master of the Company of Master Mariners.
11th	"	Dinner as guest of the Gas & Fuel Corporation.
22nd	"	Received the Call of Catre-Amiral F.Y. Picard DESTELAN.
23rd	"	Attended Naval Association Ball as their Guest of Honour.
30th	"	Attended Naval and Military Club Ball.
4th November		Attended Navy League Dinner Ball.
8th	"	Attended Ceremony of Dedication of the Victorian Garden of Remembrance.

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APPENDIX 'A'

DATE	EVENT
13th November	Attended IKARA presentation by Department of Supply. Dined as guest of the General Officer Commanding and officers of the Southern Command.
15th "	Evensong at St. Lukes Church Frankston - When chalice and paten were dedicated.
18th "	Cocktail party given by N.O.I.C. Victoria in the Wardroom Mess, H.M.A.S. LONSDALE.
27th "	Cocktails as guest of the United Service Institution.
28th "	Attended dinner dance as guest of the Court of the Company of Master Mariners.
9th December	Attended Graduation Ceremony at R.A.A.F. Academy, Point Cook.
15th "	Cocktails - guest of the Chairman and Commissionaires of the Melbourne Harbour Trust.
17th "	Reception given by General Officer Commanding and Officers of the Southern Command.

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APPENDIX 'B'

Photograph 1.

H.M.A.S. CERBERUS Contingent and Band at the Shrine of Remembrance on 4th October for the Naval Commemoration Service.

Photograph 2.

His Excellency the Governor of Victoria, Major General Sir Rohan Delacombe, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., C.B., D.S.O., K. St. J. was guest of honour at the Trafalgar Night Mess Dinner and witnessed Beating Retreat.

Photograph 3.

The Commander in Chief, French Forces in the Pacific, Rear Admiral Picard Destelan visited H.M.A.S. CERBERUS on Thursday 22nd October, seen here talking with Commander M.H. Fowler, R.A.N., Executive Officer of H.M.A.S. CERBERUS.

Photograph 4.

Visitors from the Navy of the Federal German Republic inspecting a sub-calibre gun barrell from S.M.S. Emden.

Photograph 5.

H.M.A.S. CERBERUS - recent photograph taken from H.M.A.S. MELBOURNE's Helicopter by L. Air (Phot) P.A. Alexanderson.

Photograph 6.

Inspection of H.M.A.S. CERBERUS by Rear Admiral O.H. Becher, C.B.E., D.S.O., D.S.C. and Bar.

Photograph 7.

Santa Claus - Christmas party for the Children of Personnel serving in H.M.A.S. CERBERUS was held on 12th December, 1964.

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APPENDIX 'C'

BAND ENGAGEMENTS IN VICTORIA 1/10/64 - 31/12/64

DATE	EVENT
Sunday, 4th October.	The band was present at the Naval Commemoration Service at the Shrine.
Sunday, 18th October.	The band played at the Seafarers' Service in St. Paul's Cathedral in the presence of the Governor of Victoria.
Wednesday, 21st October.	Beating Retreat and Trafalgar Day Wardroom Dinner. The Governor of Victoria was in attendance.
Friday, 30th October.	The band played at the Naval and Military Club Dinner Ball in the Palais De Danse in the presence of the Governor of Victoria.
Wednesday, 4th November.	The band played in the Palais De Danse for the Navy League Dinner Ball in the presence of the Governor of Victoria.
Monday 9th November.	A Bugler played at the funeral of Captain E. Butler (ex Naval Reserve Lieutenant) of the Australian National Shipping Line.
Saturday 14th November.	Fourteen musicians assisted the R.A.N.R. Band perform at Healesville. The Governor of Victoria was in attendance.
Saturday, 28th November.	The band fulfilled various commitments in the City of Sale, Victoria.
Wednesday, 9th December.	The band performed at the Premiere of My Fair Lady in the presence of the Governor of Victoria.

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