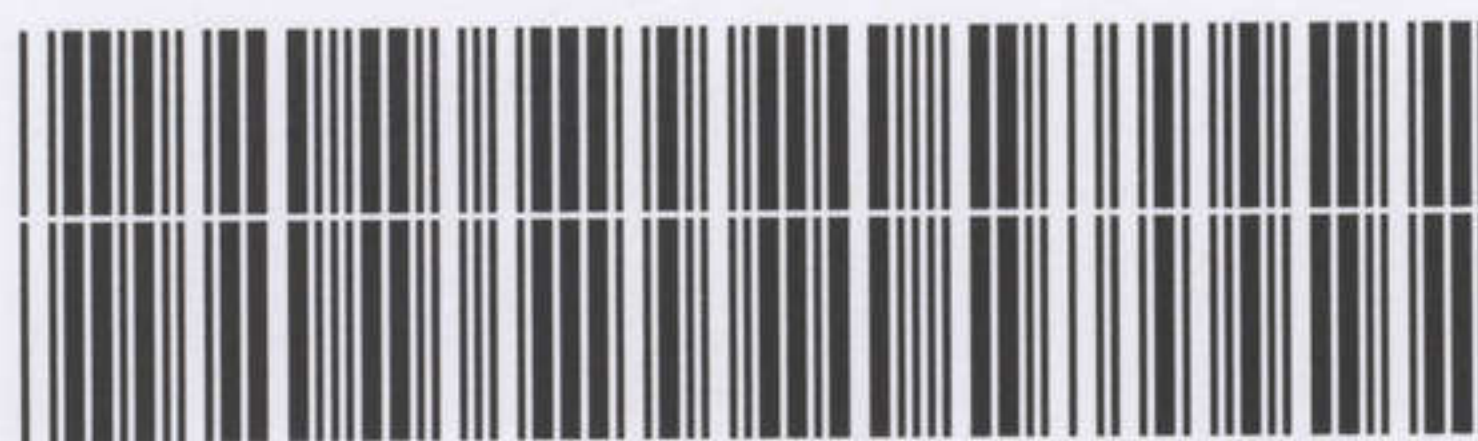


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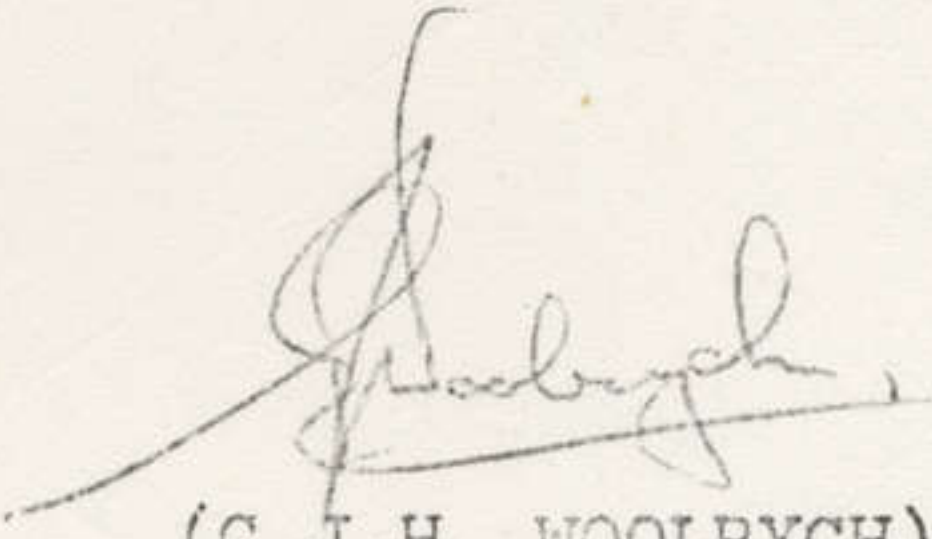
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HMAS BAYONET - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

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HMAS BAYONET
at Cairns

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HMAS BAYONET REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
JANUARY 1980

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS BAYONET under my Command for the month of January 1980. All times are KILO (-10).

2. At the beginning of the month BAYONET was alongside HMAS BARBETTE at number one wharf, Cairns, undergoing a maintenance period. This concluded on Monday 07th when, at 1000, the ship cast off and proceeded to sea on an area A, T Patrol. This was short lived, however, as excessive vibration on the starboard engine necessitated a return to harbour. BAYONET berthed alongside HMAS FLINDERS at number one wharf at 1125 to investigate the problem and at 1332 cast off and proceeded alongside the fitting out wharf, NQEA, securing at 1340. The remainder of the week was spent preparing the ship for its intermediate docking which had been advanced two weeks to coincide with this defect.

3. BAYONET was slipped from 1630 to 1730 Thursday 10th and the Intermediate Docking commenced at this time. On Monday 21st from 0800 to 0930 BAYONET was unslipped and moved cold to alongside the NQEA fitting out wharf. The intermediate docking period was completed at 1600 Tuesday 22nd. At 0840 Tuesday 29 BAYONET proceeded to sea for engine trials, returning alongside number one wharf at 1011. At the end of the month BAYONET was alongside number one wharf, Cairns completing a maintenance period in preparation for the next patrol.

Engineering and Electrical

4. The three INDEF's outstanding at the end of last month - 24/82 Solas radio straps, 26/82 Port and Starboard Aft life raft stowages and 27/82 Starboard Main Engine lagging - were all completed during the month.

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The following URDEF/INDEF's were raised and rectified during the month:-

URDEF 25/82 - Port and Stbd Main Engine resilient mounts and alignment check.

INDEF 30/82 - Defective guardrail.

INDEF 29/82 - Ceremonial lifebuoys was raised during the month and remains outstanding.

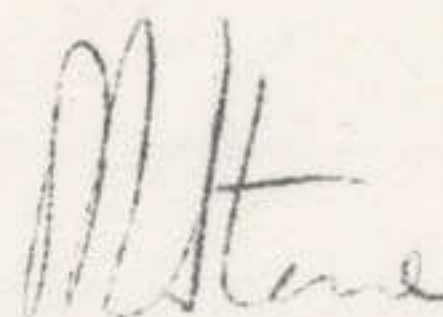
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5. The health, welfare, conduct and morale of the ships company remains good.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,



(D.R. STONE)
Lieutenant RAN
Commanding Officer

ANNEXES: A. Steaming Report
B. Exercises

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ANNEX A to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1-16-7C dated
01st February 1980

STEAMING REPORT

1. Distance steamed during the month 33
2. Total distance steamed since commissioning 245,507
3. Hours underway during the month 3
4. Total hours underway since commissioning 18,763

5. Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speed</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
29th	20.5K	8 mins	Engine trial following I.D.

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ANNEX B to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1-16-7C dated

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EXERCISES

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>
<u>Seamanship and General Evolutions</u>		
Nil		
<u>Gunnery</u>		
Nil		
<u>Navigation and AIO</u>		
Nil		
<u>NBCD</u>		
In harbour exercises	Daily	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr

NOTE: Lack of exercises due to ship being in intermediate docking
and maintenance period for the entire month.

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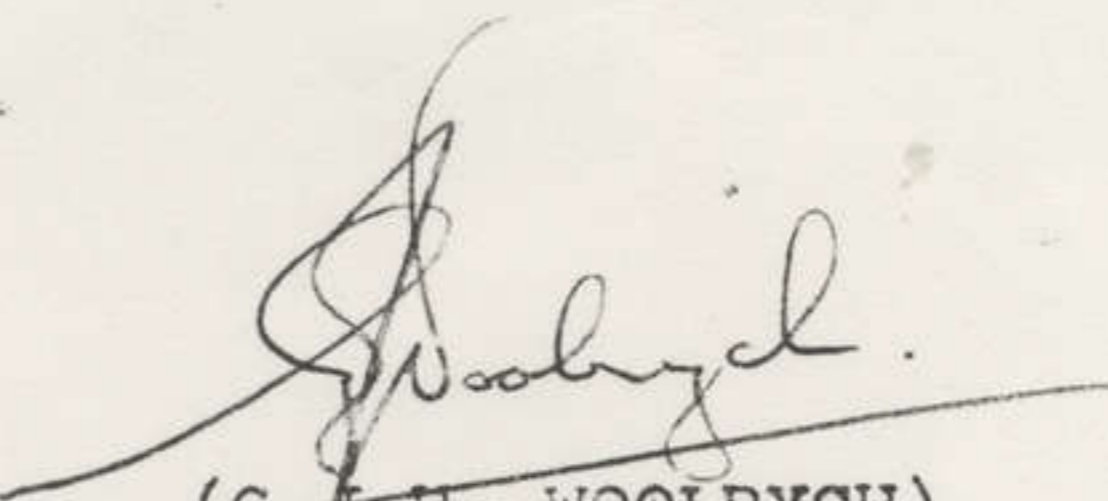
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HMAS BAYONET
at Bundaberg

01st March 1980

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HMAS BAYONET REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
FEBRUARY 1980

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS BAYONET under my command for the month of February 1980. All times are KILO (-10).

2. At the beginning of the month BAYONET was alongside number one wharf, Cairns undergoing an Assisted Maintenance Period. At 0924 Monday 4th BAYONET proceeded to sea on an area A, B, C patrol. An uneventful passage was made to Thursday Island where the ship berthed alongside HMAS BARRICADE at the Caltex fuel wharf at 0911. Wednesday 6th. From 1118 to 1124 that same day BAYONET moved off to allow BARRICADE to depart whilst BAYONET moved back alongside to refuel. At 1332 BAYONET departed the wharf and anchored off from 1337 until 1535 when the ship proceeded alongside BARRICADE at the main wharf.

3. The following morning at 0753 BAYONET cast off to allow BARRICADE to proceed, moving back alongside the main wharf at 0800 to take on water. At 0903 BAYONET cast off and proceeded in company with BARRICADE until 0934 when BARRICADE detached.

4. BAYONET returned to Cairns on Monday 11th berthing alongside BARRICADE and BARBETTE at number one wharf. On Wednesday 13th the Director of Fleet Maintenance, CAPT F.W. COOMBS RAN, walked round the ship from 1515 to 1525.

5. The area A, B, C, patrol continued on Thursday 14th when BAYONET sailed from Cairns at 1003 with BARRICADE in company. Following a period of joint exercises, BARRICADE was detached at 1430, and BAYONET proceeded independently to Townsville where the ship berthed at number seven wharf at 1155 Sunday 17th.

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6. At 1627 Monday 18th, BAYONET cast off and proceeded. An overnight stop was made at Mackay from 0852 Tuesday 19th to 0905 the following day. During the forenoon, heavy weather was encountered. A series of four or five particularly large swells broke over the bows, loosening the cable lashings, and allowing the anchor to move about in the hawsepipe. The force of the waves on the anchor forced it against the stop which tore away from the bulwark. Speed was reduced and the course reversed whilst the anchor was rescured before proceeding to the shelter of Middle Percy Island where the ship anchored from 1458 Wednesday 20th to 2055 Thursday 21st.

7. In relatively calmer weather BAYONET continued the passage to Brisbane, entering the Brisbane River at 0845 Saturday 23rd and secured alongside HMAS WETAK at HMAS MORETON number six berth at 1000. I called on NOCQLD at 0930 Monday 25th and he returned the call at 1230 the same day. The appearance of cyclone "Simon" prevented the ship sailing as planned on Tuesday 26th and at 0955 Wednesday 27th berth was shifted from MORETON to Dalgetty's Wharf in preparation for any effects of "Simon". In the early hours of Thursday 28th the cyclone passed to seaward of Brisbane and at 1500 on Friday 29th BAYONET sailed to return to Cairns.

Engineering and Electrical

8. INDEF 29/82 - Ceremonial lifebuoys, outstanding at the end of last month was completed whilst INDEF 32/82 - Anchor stop and URDEF 26/82- Port main engine thermostat were raised and rectified during the month. INDEF 31/82 - Replacement PVC covers, raised during the month, remains outstanding.

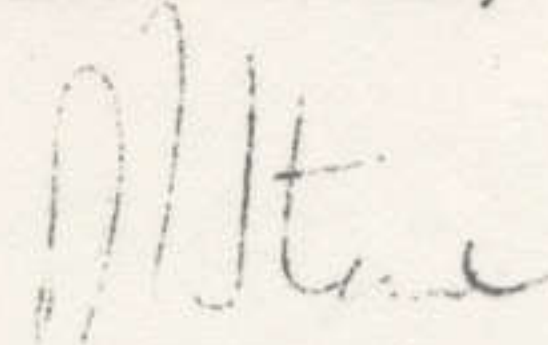
Health, Welfare, Conduct and Morale

9. On Tuesday 26th I lectured the ships company on safety, security and the dangers of drugs and alcohol. The health, welfare, conduct and morale of the ship's company remains good.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,



(D.R. STONE)
Lieutenant RAN
Commanding Officer

ANNEXES: A. Steaming Report
B. Exercises

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ANNEX A to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1-16-7C dated

01st March 1980

STEAMING REPORT

1.	Miles steamed during the month	2,160
2.	Total miles steamed since commissioning	247,667
3.	Hours underway during the month	163
4.	Total hours underway since commissioning	18,926
5.	Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed	Nil

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ANNEX B to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1-16-7C dated

01st March 1980

EXERCISES

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>
<u>Seamanship and General Evolutions</u>		
BOARDEX	14	1 hr
Emergency Party Exercise (External Aid)	14	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
Mustered Helo Transfer Party	21)	1 hr
Leaving Ship and Emergency Stations	21)	
COO/ Eng Breakdown drills	15	$1\frac{1}{2}$ hrs
COO Manoeuvres	14	1 hr
Streamed Para Anchor	21	Laid out gear only
 <u>Gunnery</u>		
AAWDX - non firing	22	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
 <u>Navigation and AIO</u>		
Blind Pilotage	7	-
	29	-
XO Con Ship leaving harbour (Brisbane)	29	-
 <u>NBCD</u>		
In harbour exercises	Daily	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr

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HMAS BAYONET
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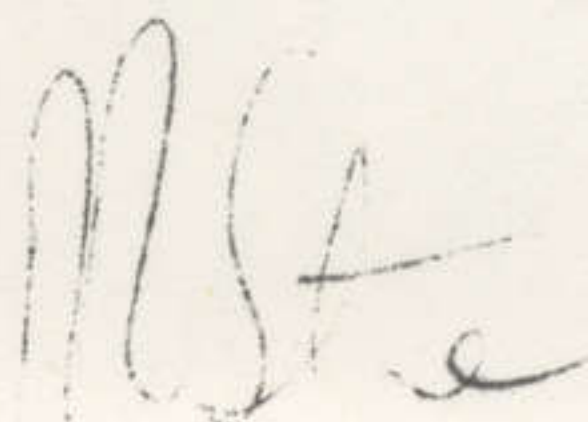
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HMAS BAYONET PATROL REPORT 1/80

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(D.R. STONE)
Lieutenant RAN
Commanding Officer

Enclosures: A. Event Report
B. PTF Annual Exercise Targets (NOIC CAIRNS only)

HMAS BAYONNET EVENT REPORT AREAS A,B,C
04 FEBRUARY TO 05 MARCH 1980

- References:
- A. AUSTSAIL 2/80 (NOIC CAIRNS IAJ 300400Z JAN 80)
 - B. Amendment 1 to AUSTSAIL 2/80 (NOIC CAIRNS IAJ 062210Z
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 - C. Amendment 2 to AUSTSAIL 2/80 (NOIC CAIRNS IAJ 202320Z
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1. Events. Nil. No FFV's were sighted throughout the period.

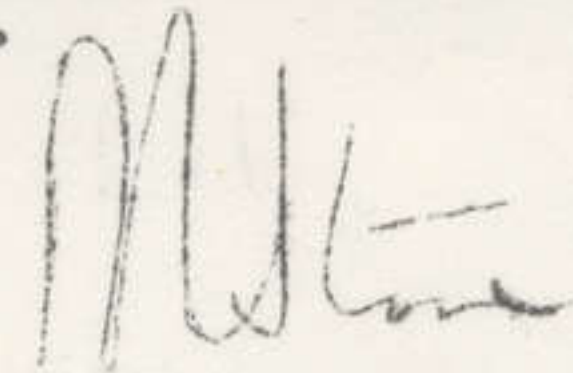
2. General Weather Conditions. The passage north to Thursday Island was undertaken in generally good weather. The wind was light and mostly north westerly, with a calm sea on a short, low, northerly swell. On leaving Thursday Island the weather had worsened with the wind blowing from the north west at about 25 kts causing the seas to increase and the swell to build up. After sheltering at Mt Adolphus Island for 19 hours the sea conditions calmed down and the passage south was generally in good weather with the wind from the south east.

The passage south to Brisbane was conducted in mixed weather. Generally the wind was south easterly with a short low south easterly swell. However, on leaving Mackay the wind had increased to around 25 kts and a short moderate south easterly swell was running. Conditions worsened and shelter was sought at Middle Percy Island. After 30 hours at anchor the weather had improved and the passage was continued in good weather.

The passage north to Cairns was delayed 72 hours because of cyclone SIMON, but was conducted in improved weather, although a heavy south easterly ground swell was still running. This became non existent further north until the entrance to Cairns was made in near calm conditions.

3. Average Detection Ranges. As no FFV's were sighted no detection ranges could be ascertained. However, small steel-hulled trawlers were being detected at 12-20 miles dependent on the sea conditions. Small wooden fishing boats were detected at 8-12 miles, again dependent on the sea conditions.

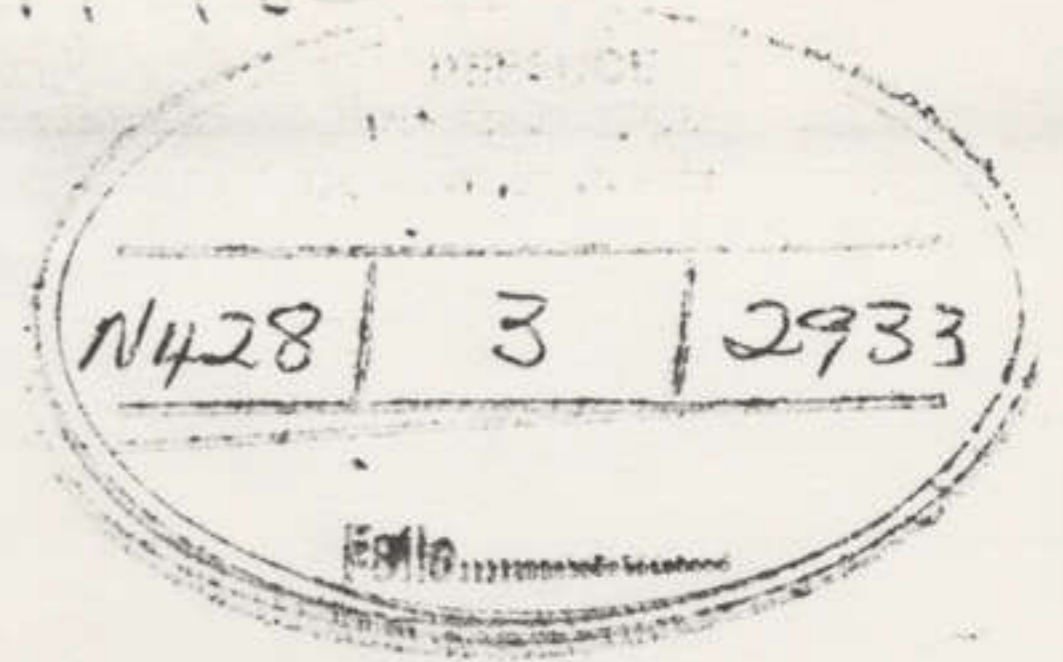
4. Description and Trends of Fishing/Other Activities Observed.
No FFV's or any unusual activity was observed.



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(E. MENTZ)
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HMAS BAYONET
at Cairns

01st April 1980

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HMAS BAYONET REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
MARCH 1980

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS BAYONET under my command for the month of March 1980. All times are KILO (-10).

2. At the beginning of the month BAYONET was on passage from Brisbane to Mackay. The passage was uneventful and the ship berthed at the Breast Wharf, Mackay at 1312 Sunday 2nd. At 0959 the following morning BAYONET proceeded to sea to return to Cairns berthing at number one wharf at 1153 Tuesday 4th. Engine trials were conducted from 0812 to 0845 the following morning with BAYONET proceeding to the vicinity of number eight pile returning to alongside number one wharf where HMAS BARBETTE berthed alongside at 0905.

3. Biannual squadron exercises commenced at 0855 Thursday 06th when HMAS BARBETTE cast off, followed by BAYONET at 0857 and, in company with HMAS BARRICADE, proceeded to sea. Exercises in accordance with NOIC CAIRNS operation order 1/80 were conducted over the next two days culminating in a formation entry to Cairns on Friday 7th. BAYONET berthed at 1315 that day on BARBETTE at the fuel wharf, shifting berth to number one wharf at 1420; BARBETTE berthed on BAYONET at 1422.

4. BAYONET entered an assisted maintenance period from 08th to 16th March, sailing again at 1101 Monday 17th for an area B patrol. An overnight anchorage was made at Dunk Island from 1731 Monday 17th to 1230 Tuesday 18th when course was set for Mackay. However, three hours out of Dunk Island the weather worsened and course was altered to seek shelter at Orpheus Island where the ship anchored from 1643 Tuesday 18th to 0926 Wednesday 19th. The weather had improved and course was set for Townsville where the ship berthed at number two berth at 1318 that afternoon. At 0905 Thursday 20th BAYONET departed Townsville and returned to Cairns, berthing at number one wharf at 1330 Friday 21st.

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5. Having spent the weekend alongside at Cairns, BAYONET sailed on an area A patrol at 1002 Monday 24th. This patrol took the ship to the Flinders Group, anchoring off Stanley Island from 1338 Tuesday 25th to 2154 Wednesday 26th. The opportunity was taken whilst at anchor to prove the watchbill and conduct a major damage control exercise.

6. A visit to Cooktown was programmed on the return passage to Cairns. However, this was abandoned when, on entry, numerous trawlers occupying the only available wharf space could not be moved off in time. Further, the weather changed with the wind backing to the north east and increasing in strength exposing the berth directly to the weather. Instead, an overnight anchorage was made from 1331 Thursday 27th to 0757 Friday 28th at Low Islets. BAYONET returned to Cairns on Friday 28th berthing at number one wharf at 1055. At the end of the month BAYONET commenced an assisted maintenance period during which time the 40/60 Bofors is to be replaced by a modification AN2/1.

Engineering and Electrical

7. INDEF 31/82 - Replacement PVC covers, outstanding at the end of last month, was completed during the month. URDEF 27/82 - Port gearbox control valve, was raised and rectified during the month. INDEF 33/82 - wire strap and INDEF 34/82 - Bofors 40/60 mod AN 2/1 were raised during the month and remain outstanding.

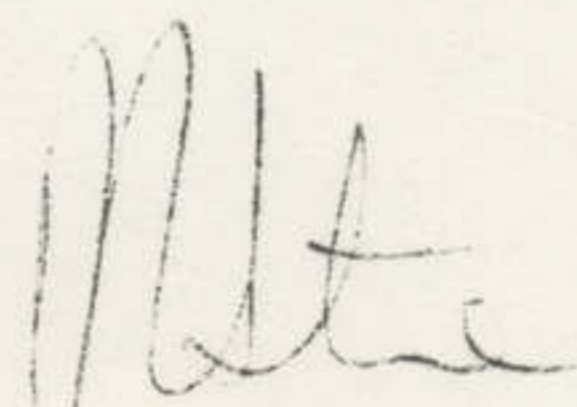
Health, Welfare, Conduct and Morale

8. The health, welfare, conduct and morale of the ship's company remains good.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,



(D.R. STONE)
Lieutenant RAN
Commanding Officer

ANNEXES: A. Steaming Report
B. Exercises

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ANNEX A to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1/16/7C dated

01st April 1980

STEAMING REPORT

1. Miles steamed during the month 1,596
2. Total miles steamed since commissioning 249,263
3. Hours underway during the month 140
4. Total hours underway since commissioning 19,066
5. Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speed</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
06-07th	Various	Various	Biannual Squadron Exercises

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ANNEX B to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1/16/70 dated

01st April 1980

EXERCISES

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>
<u>Seamanship and General Evolutions</u>		
Emergency Party Exercise	26th	1/2 hr
SAREX	7th	2 hrs
Leaving ship and Emergency stations	26th	1/2 hr
OOW Manoeuvres	6th	1 hr
	7th	1 hr
RAS Approaches - Day	6th	2 hrs
Heaving line transfer - Day	6th	2 hrs
TOWEX - Providing	6th	1/2 hr
<u>Gunnery</u>		
AATX/CRF	7th	1 1/2 hrs
SUTF	6th	2 hrs
AAROF	7th	1 1/2 hrs
Small Arms Firing	26th	1 hr
<u>Navigation and AIO</u>		
Blind Pilotage	6th	1 hr
XO Con ship leaving harbour - Cairns	17th	-
Radar Calibration	6th	1/2 hr
SCREENPLAY	6th	2 1/2 hrs
<u>NBCD</u>		
Major NBCDX	26th	1 hr
In harbour drills	Daily	-

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The Chief of Naval Staff
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For Information:

The Naval Officer-in-Charge CAIRNS

HMAS BAYONET - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - APRIL 1980

Reference: A. HMAS BAYONET letter 1/16/7C dated 1 May, 1980

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2. The Commanding Officer has been informed that the inordinate delay in forwarding this Report of Proceedings is unacceptable.

(E. MENTZ)
Commander RAN
for Fleet Commander

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HMAS BAYONET
at Sea

01st May 1980

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HMAS BAYONET - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
APRIL 1980

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS BAYONET under my command for the month of APRIL 1980. All times are KILO (-10) unless otherwise stated.

2. At the beginning of the month BAYONET was undergoing an assisted maintenance period (AMP) alongside number one wharf, Cairns. At 0930 Wednesday 02nd berth was shifted to the fitting out wharf, NQEA where the 40/60 Bofors was removed and the modified 40/60 Bofors AN2/1 fitted. The mounting was inspected by INO Thursday 10th and sea acceptance trials were carried out Friday 11th when BAYONET proceeded to sea from 0903 to 1542 reberthing at number one wharf.

3. At 0858 Monday 14th BAYONET proceeded to sea with Captain Trials, CAPT J.E. McDERMOTT RAN embarked and set course for the firing area R791A/B. At 1155 the aircraft joined and an AA firing commenced. However a fault developed in the gun and the firing was stopped. Repairs were completed by 1345 when the serial was recommenced, completing successfully at 1356 when course was set to return to Cairns. The ship berthed alongside HMAS BARRICADE at number one wharf at 1608 and Captain Trials disembarked. The following day was spent alongside on maintenance to the gun prior to sailing on an area S,T,A,B patrol.

4. BAYONET sailed at 0932 Wednesday 16th and proceeded to the firing area R791A/B, where another AA firing was conducted against the sleeve target from 1203 to 1330. On completion course was set for Thursday Island where the ship berthed at the fuel wharf at 0932 Friday 18th. Berth was later shifted to the main wharf from 1036 to 1044.

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5. At 0902 Saturday 19th BAYONET departed Thursday Island and proceeded west into the Gulf. Clocks were retarded 30 minutes at 1630K to 1600IK Saturday 19th. Times from hereon are zone IK (-9½). After an uneventful passage, the ship berthed at the Mission Wharf, Gove at 1423 Sunday 20th. Berth was shifted to the General Cargo Wharf from 0858 to 0908 to fuel. On completion of fuelling at 1340, the ship cast off and proceeded south into the Gulf.
6. The ship anchored at North East Island in the Sir Edward Pellow Group from 1200 Tuesday 22nd to 0928 Wednesday 23rd. That evening, whilst transitting the Gulf, an out-of-area firing was conducted from 1939 to 1945 against a 2 inch rocket flare. The night firing was a requirement of the 40/60 AN2/1 trial and was very successful. Clocks were advanced 30 minutes to Zone KILO (-10) at midnight Wednesday 23rd. All times are KILO (-10) from hereon.
7. At 1157 Thursday 24th BAYONET berthed at Evans Landing, Weipa. The following day was Anzac Day and at 0530 seven members of the ship's company attended the Dawn Service. At 0800 colours were half masted and at 1030 I and fourteen members of the ship's company attended the main service. Colours were re-hoisted at 1200. The ship sailed from Weipa at 1000 Saturday 26th to continue the patrol and set course for the Mornington Island Group where the ship anchored at Bountiful Island from 0705 to 2200 Sunday 27th. For the period 25th to 29th April Mr D.J. Daniel from the Department of Primary Industry was embarked.
8. Having sailed from Bountiful Island, course was set to return to Thursday Island, where the ship anchored at 0844 Tuesday 29th until the fuel wharf was clear. The anchor was weighed at 1024 and BAYONET moved alongside the fuel wharf, securing at 1027. On completion of fuelling at 1146, the ship shifted to an anchorage off the Engineers Wharf until the main wharf was clear. Anchor was raised at 1507 and BAYONET moved alongside the Main Wharf securing at 1510.
9. BAYONET sailed from Thursday Island at 0858 Wednesday 30th to proceed to Port Moresby and at the end of the month the ship was at Coconut Island having anchored there at 1425.

Engineering and Electrical

10. INDEF 33/82 manufacture of wire strop and INDEF 34/82 - Bofors 40/60 mod AN 2/1, outstanding at the end of last month, were completed during the month. No URDEFs or INDEFs were raised during the month.

Health, Welfare, Conduct and Morale.

11. The health, welfare, conduct and morale of the ship's company remains good.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

D.R. Stone
(D.R. STONE)
Lieutenant RAN
Commanding Officer

- ANNEXES: A. Steaming Report
B. Exercises

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ANNEX A to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1.16.7C dated

01st May 1980

STEAMING REPORT

1.	Miles steamed during the month	2,538
2.	Total miles steamed since commissioning	251,801
3.	Hours underway during the month	187
4.	Total hours underway since commissioning	19,253
5.	Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed:	Nil

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ANNEX B to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1/16/7C dated

01st May 1980

EXERCISES

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>
<u>Seamanship and General Evolutions</u>		
Boardex - mustered party only	23	½ hr
OO ^W /Eng Breakdown Drills	24	1 hr
<u>Gunnery</u>		
AATX/CRF	14	1 hr
	16	1 hr
	23	½ hr
AAWDX	14	1 hr
	16	1 hr
	23	½ hr
SUTF	11	1 hr
AAROF	14	1 hr
	16 ¹	1 hr
	23	½ hr
<u>Navigation and AIO</u>		
Blind Pilotage	14	½ hr
<u>NBCD</u>		
Major NBCDX	28	1 hr
In harbour drills	Daily	-

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HMAS BAYONET
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MAY 1980

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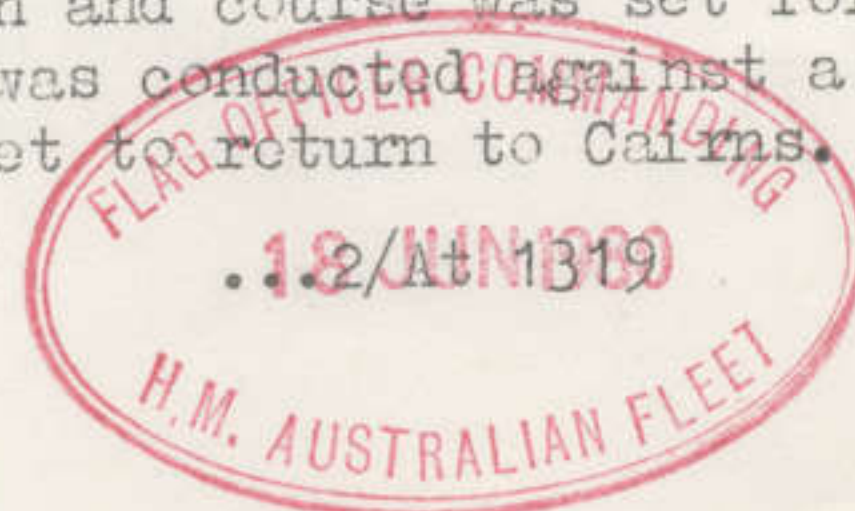
I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS BAYONET under my command for the month of May 1980. All times are KILO (-10).

2. At the commencement of the month BAYONET was at anchor at Coconut Island. The ship departed this anchorage at 1305 Thursday 01st, to proceed to Port Moresby. At 1800 that day operational control was changed to you, Sir and at 1010 Friday 02nd BAYONET berthed at the Lancron wharf, Port Moresby. From 1500 to 1700 that day accompanied by the Commanding Officer HMAS BASILISK, Commander P.A.G. GILMOUR-WALSH I called on the Commander PNGDF, Brigadier General E.R. DIRO OBE; PNGDF Chief of Staff, Colonel D.D.M. FRANCIS; and the Australian Defence Advisor, Group Captain S.K. MITCHELL.

3. Colours were half masted at 0800 Tuesday 06th on the occasion of the death of the President of Yugoslavia, Marshall Josep Braz TITO. At 1000 that day BAYONET sailed to return to Cairns and at 1800 operational control was changed back to the Naval Officer-in-Charge, CAIRNS. At 1440 Wednesday 07th HMAS ARDENT passed on her way north and at 0725 Friday 09th BAYONET berthed alongside HMAS BARRICADE at number one wharf, Cairns.

4. Having fuelled, BAYONET sailed at 1005 Friday 09th to conduct AA firings against a sleeve target in the firing area R791 A/B from 1245 to 1345. On completion of the firing the ship anchored at Fitzroy Island at 1616. Anchor was weighed at 0728 Saturday 10th and course was set for the firing area R791 A/B where another AA firing was conducted against a sleeve target from 0850 to 1000 when course was set to return to Cairns.

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At 1319 BAYONET berthed at the NQEA fitting out wharf at which time the ship entered a maintenance period. Customs officers boarded the ship on arrival and cleared the ship's company following the visit to Port Moresby.

5. I had the honour to attend a reception for the Chief of Naval Staff, VADM G.J. WILLIS A.O. RAN on the evening of Wednesday 21st.

6. The maintenance period concluded at 1004 Monday 26th when BAYONET sailed to commence an area A,B,C Patrol. From 1256 to 1312 that day a gun functioning trial was carried out in area R791 A/B. At 1520 BAYONET berthed on HMAS BARRICADE at number one wharf, Cairns to disembark personnel, sailing again at 1656 to continue the patrol.

7. A stop was made on passage at Hayman Island from 1454 Tuesday 27th to 0836 Wednesday 28th. On leaving Hayman Island an annual full power trial was conducted successfully while transiting the Whitsunday Passage. HMAS ATTACK passed on her way north to Cairns at 0914 Wednesday 28th.

8. A pilot was embarked at 0809 Thursday 29th in the swinging basin of the Burnett River for the passage up that river to the tourist jetty at Bundaberg where BAYONET berthed at 0857 that day. From 1400 to 1700 Friday 30th the ship was opened for public inspection and 290 persons visited the ship.

9. BAYONET sailed from Bundaberg at 0905 Saturday 31st having embarked the pilot and a group of seven Naval Reserve Cadets and two instructors from T.S. BUNDABERG. The pilot and six Naval Reserve Cadets and one instructor disembarked at the river entrance at 0955 and BAYONET continued on her patrol.

Engineering and Electrical

10. The following URDEFs/INDEFs were raised and subsequently rectified during the month:

INDEF 36/82 - Starboard gearbox oil seal

37/82 - Tiller flat excessive corrosion

URDEF 28/82 - Pyrepress, Starboard Main Engine.

The following INDEFs raised during the month remain outstanding:

INDEF 35/82 - Flying Bridge Windows

38/82 - Ships Boat

39/82 - Port Main Engine heads

40/82 - SHINWA Portable Transceivers and battery charger.

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Health, Welfare, Conduct and Morale

11. The health, welfare, conduct and morale of the ship's company have been very good.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

D.R. Stone

(D.R. STONE)
Lieutenant RAN
Commanding Officer

ANNEXES: A. Steaming Report
B. Exercises

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ANNEX A to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1.16.7C dated
01st June 1980

STEAMING REPORT

1. Miles steamed during the month 2,158
2. Total miles steamed since commissioning 253,959
3. Hours underway during the month 158
4. Total hours underway since commissioning 19,411
5. Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speed</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
28th	21.5 kts	2 hrs	Annual Full Power Trial

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ANNEX B to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1.16.7C dated
01st June 1980

EXERCISES

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>
<u>Seamanship and General Evolutions</u>		
COO/Eng Breakdown Drills	09th	1 hr
<u>Gunnery</u>		
AAIX/CRF	09th	1 hr
	10th	1 hr
AAWDX	09th	1 hr
	10th	1 hr
SUTT	26th	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
AAROF	09th	1 hr
	10th	1 hr
<u>Navigation and AIO</u>		
XO Con ship leaving harbour	28th	-
<u>NBCD</u>		
In harbour exercises	Daily	-

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HMAS BAYONET
at Cairns

01st July 1980

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HMAS BAYONET - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
JUNE 1980

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS BAYONET under my command for the month of June 1980. All times are KILO (-10).

2. At the commencement of the month BAYONET was at sea conducting an area A, B, C, patrol. A stop was made at Brampton Island from 0919 Sunday 01st to 1258 Monday 02nd prior to returning to Cairns where the ship berthed at number ten wharf at 1338 Tuesday 03rd. Berth was later shifted to alongside HMAS BARBETTE at number one wharf from 1421 to 1431 the same day. An engine trial was conducted from 0920 to 1102 Wednesday 4th and at 1301 Thursday 05th BAYONET sailed from Cairns to continue the patrol.

3. At 2322 Thursday 05th BAYONET anchored at Lizard Island to provide additional security and an SAR capability during the visit of the Prime Minister and Mrs Fraser in accordance with NOIC CAIRNS operation order 3/80. Anchor was weighed at 1305 Saturday 07th to proceed to the vicinity of Hartley's Creek where four army reserve personnel were embarked at 2336 that evening as part of exercise SEIKO SIX. The army personnel were disembarked at 0113 Sunday 08th in the vicinity of False Cape and BAYONET returned to Lizard Island, anchoring at 0939.

4. Anchor was weighed at 2304 Sunday 08th and course was set for the firing area, R791 A/B, where BAYONET joined BARBETTE at 1200 Monday 09th and both ships carried out an AA firing against a sleeve target. Following the firing BAYONET returned to Cairns berthing at number ten wharf at 1743. Having fuelled, berth was shifted to alongside HMAS ATTACK at number one wharf from 1912 to 1921. At 1959 BAYONET sailed

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with representatives from DFI (Fisheries) and Department of Health embarked to investigate a Taiwanese fishing boat aground on Tijou Reef. The ship anchored at Night Island from 1637 Tuesday 10th to 0900 Wednesday 11th when course was set for the outer reef. Having located the wreck, BAYONET anchored off Tijou Reef from 1050 to 1350 when course was set out of the reef area to return to Lizard Island.

5. BAYONET anchored at Lizard Island from 0915 Thursday 12th to 0630 Saturday 14th when the ship proceeded to Cooktown, berthing at the town wharf at 1009. At 1300 that day the ship's company took part in a march to commemorate the 210th anniversary of Cooks landing. The ship sailed from Cooktown at 1130 Monday 16th and proceeded to Cairns berthing at number one wharf at 1740 that day. Having embarked an extra life raft, BAYONET sailed at 1909 and proceeded to a rendezvous with BARBETTE off Mission Beach, where the ship anchored at midnight to take part in exercise SANDFIPER. Whilst at anchor twenty SAS personnel from the 3rd SAS SQD were embarked. At 0158 Tuesday 17th anchor was weighed and BAYONET proceeded to Mourilyan, berthing at the sugar wharf at 0307 and disembarking the army personnel. BARBETTE berthed alongside at 0414.

6. At 0757 Tuesday 17th BARBETTE cast off followed by BAYONET at 0800 and both ships proceeded to conduct exercises in company until 1245 when BAYONET detached and proceeded to Townsville. The ship berthed at number two berth at 1932 that evening. The following day, Wednesday, 18th, the ship's company undertook an annual range course. BAYONET sailed from Townsville at 0900 Thursday 19th and at 1900 joined BARBETTE to continue exercising in company. Both ships returned to Cairns on Friday 20th, with BAYONET berthing on BARBETTE at number one wharf at 1440.

7. Continuing with BARBETTE's workup, BAYONET sailed in company with BARBETTE at 0843 Monday 23rd returning to Cairns Tuesday 24th when BAYONET berthed on BARBETTE at number one wharf at 1237. You, sir, walked round the ship from 1415 to 1435 that afternoon. Part of the ship's company attended a communications security lecture from 0900-1000 Wednesday 25th.

8. At 0700 Thursday 26th, BAYONET sailed in company with BARBETTE to take part in the latter's operational readiness evaluation. Both ships returned to Cairns with BAYONET berthing on BARBETTE at number one wharf at 1640 the same day. BAYONET sailed at 0804 the following morning to conduct a compass swing, returning alongside number one wharf at 0945. BARBETTE reberthed on BAYONET at 0950 until 1800 when she sailed for Townsville. At the end of the month BAYONET was alongside number one wharf at the start of an assisted maintenance period.

Engineering and Electrical

9. The following URDEF's were raised and subsequently rectified during the month:

URDEF 30/82 - Steering Gear

31/81 - Engine Room Supply Fan.

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The following URDEF's raised during the month remain outstanding:

URDEF 29/82 - KL-7 unserviceable

32/82 - Port side weather deck crumpled.

The following INDEF's outstanding at the end of last month, remain outstanding:

INDEF 38/82 - Ship's boat

39/82 - Port main engine heads leaking

40/82 - SHINWA portable transceivers and battery charger.

Health, Welfare, Conduct and Morale

10. The health, welfare, conduct and morale of the ship's company remains very good.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,



(D.R. STONE)
Lieutenant RAN
Commanding Officer

ANNEXES: A. Steaming Report

B. Exercises

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ANNEX A to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1.16.7C dated

01st July 1980

STEAMING REPORT

1.	Miles steamed during the month	2,614		
2.	Total miles steamed since commissioning	256,573		
3.	Hours underway during the month	192		
4.	Total hours underway since commissioning	19,603		
5.	Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed			
	<u>Date</u>	<u>Speed</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
	04th	20.5kts	42 mins	Main Engine Trial

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letter 1.16.7C dated ' 78

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EXERCISES

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>
<u>Seamanship and General Evolutions</u>		
BCARDEX	26th	1 hr
Emergency Party Exercise	17th	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
OO ^W /ENG Breakdown Drills	20th	1 hr
	23rd	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
OO ⁷ Manoeuvres	17th	1 hr
	19th	1 hr
	23rd	1 hr
	24th	1 hr
	26th	1 hr
RAS Approaches - Day	17th	$1\frac{1}{2}$ hrs
	24th	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
- Night	19th	1 hr
Heaving Line Transfer - Day	17th	$1\frac{1}{2}$ hrs
	24th	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
- Night	19th	1 hr
TO ^W EX - Receiving	20th	1 hr
	26th	1 hr
<u>Gunnery</u>		
AATFX	09th	1 hr
AA ^W DX	09th	1 hr
SUTF	17th	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
AA ^W OF	09th	1 hr
	20th	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
	26th	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
Small Arms Firing (A.R.C.)	18th	2 hrs
<u>Navigation and AIC</u>		
Blind Pilotage	16th	
Formation Anchorage	19th	
	23rd	
XO Con Ship Leaving Harbour	19th	
Plotting Exercise	23rd	2 hrs
	23rd	2 hrs
<u>NBCD</u>		
Major NBCDX	26th	1 hr
In harbour exercises	Daily	
<u>Communications</u>		
Manoeuvring by flags	23rd	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
	26th	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
	26th	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
NAVCOMEX 401	17th	
NAVCOMEX 604	23rd	
Comsec Lecture	25th	1 hr

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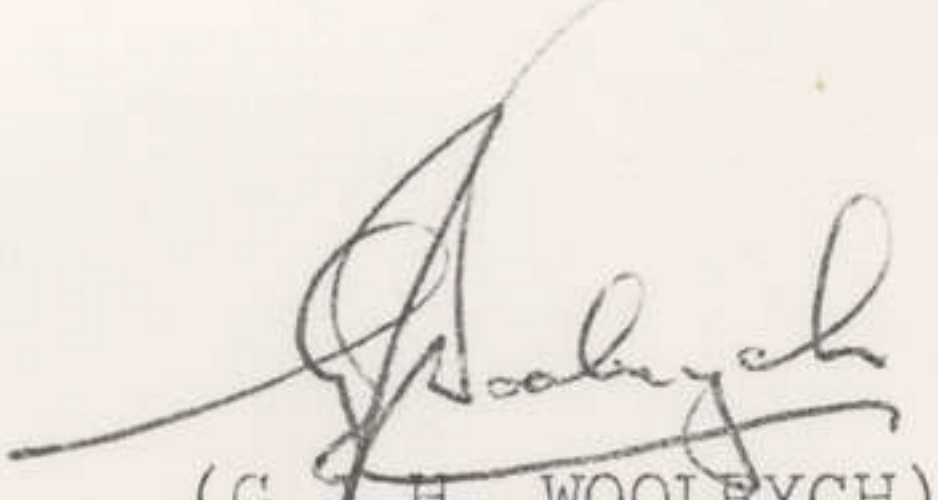
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HMAS BAYONET - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
JULY 1980

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS BAYONET under my command for the month of July 1980. All times are KILO (-10) unless otherwise stated.

2. At the beginning of the month BAYONET was alongside number one wharf, Cairns, undergoing an assisted maintenance period. This maintenance period concluded at 1053 Monday 14th when the ship sailed on an area S, T, A, B patrol. Following an uneventful passage BAYONET berthed at the Caltex fuel wharf Thursday Island at 1030 Wednesday 16th. Berth was shifted to the main wharf from 1147 to 1157 where the ship remained overnight.

3. Mr W.E. Rampal (Commonwealth Department of Health) joined the ship in Thursday Island. At 0805 Thursday 17th BAYONET sailed from Thursday Island to investigate a report of a landing by a vessel from Papua New Guinea at Tudu Island. The ship anchored at Tudu Island from 1435 to 1545 Thursday 17th investigate. The results of this investigation have been reported separately (HMAS BAYONET FSI/EMJ 170600Z JUL 80 refers).

4. On sailing from Tudu Island, course was set for Alyangula, Groote Eylandt, via the Great North Eastern and Prince of Wales Channels. Landfall was made on Truant Island at 1600 Friday 18th and at 1900K clocks were retarded one half hour to 1830IK. Times from hereon are INDIA KILO (-9½) until otherwise stated. BAYONET berthed at Alyangula at 0905 Saturday 19th.

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5. The following day, Sunday 20th, BAYONET sailed from Alyangula at 0912 and, after an uneventful passage, anchored in Paradise Bay, North Island, at 0848 Monday 21st. After investigating a camp on the island in accordance with COSURCEN CANBERRA FSI/EMJ 150508Z JUL 80, the ship sailed at 1054 and proceeded to an anchorage in Addison Channel where the ship anchored off Observation Island at 1236. Having inspected the obelisk erected by HMAS GERANIUM in 1923 in memory of Commander Matthew Flinders RN (and subsequently re-erected by HMAS BANKS in 1962), anchor was weighed at 1657 and BAYONET continued on patrol. At 2359IK Monday 21st clocks were advanced one half hour to 0030K Tuesday 22nd. All times from hereon are KILO (-10).

6. At 0849 Tuesday 22nd the ship anchored at Bountiful Island and over the next three days the Commonwealth Department of Health representative boarded and interviewed the many trawlers which anchored at the island. My two watchkeeping senior sailors took the opportunity one evening to go to sea in a prawn trawler to see how they operate. BAYONET weighed anchor at 1155 Friday 25th and set course for Weipa where the ship berthed astern of the EUGENE McDERMOTT at Evans Landing at 0903 Saturday 26th. My Executive Officer and I were invited to see over the EUGENE McDERMOTT and were impressed by the quantity of precision navigation equipment on board.

7. The ship sailed from Weipa at 0856 Sunday 27th and enjoyed a calm, uneventful passage back to Cairns. At 0901 Wednesday 30th BAYONET berthed at number six wharf, Cairns, fuelled, and from 1010 to 1018 moved to alongside HMAS BOOMBARD at number one wharf. BAYONET sailed from Cairns at 0705 Thursday 31st to continue the patrol and at the close of the month was on passage to Mackay.

Engineering and Electrical

8. URDEF 29/82 - KL7 unserviceable, outstanding at the end of last month was rectified during the month. URDEF 35/82 - Battery Exhaust Fan was raised and rectified during the month and INDEF 40/82 - SHINWA portable transceivers and battery charger was cancelled, raised as URDEF 34/82 and subsequently temporarily rectified by borrowing serviceable equipment from the Base.

9. The following URDEF raised during the month remains outstanding:-
URDEF 33/82 - 40/60 series inspection. URDEF 32/82 - Port side weather deck crumpled was downgraded to INDEF 41/82 and remains outstanding.
The following INDEF's outstanding at the end of last month, remain outstanding:

INDEF 35/82 - Flying bridge windows

38/82 - Ship's boat

39/82 - Port main engine heads leaking.

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10. The health, welfare, conduct and morale of the ship's company remains good.

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Sir,

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ANNEXES: A. Steaming Report
B. Exercises

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ANNEX A to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1.16.7C dated

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STEAMING REPORT

1.	Miles steamed during the month	2,711
2.	Total miles steamed since commissioning	259,284
3.	Hours underway during the month	195
4.	Total hours underway since commissioning	19,798
5.	Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed	Nil

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ANNEX B to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1.16.70 dated

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EXERCISES

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>
Seam		
<u>Seamanship and General Evolutions</u>		
BOARDEX - mustered boarding party	28th	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
Emergency Party - mustered party	28th	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
Helo Transfer - mustered party	28th	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
Leaving Ship and Emergency Stations	28th	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr
OOW and Engineering Breakdown Drills	19th 31st	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr $\frac{1}{2}$ hr
<u>Gunnery</u>		
SUTF	14th	1 hr
<u>Navigation and AIO</u>		
Blind Pilotage	17th 21st	
<u>NBCD</u>		
In harbour exercises	Daily	

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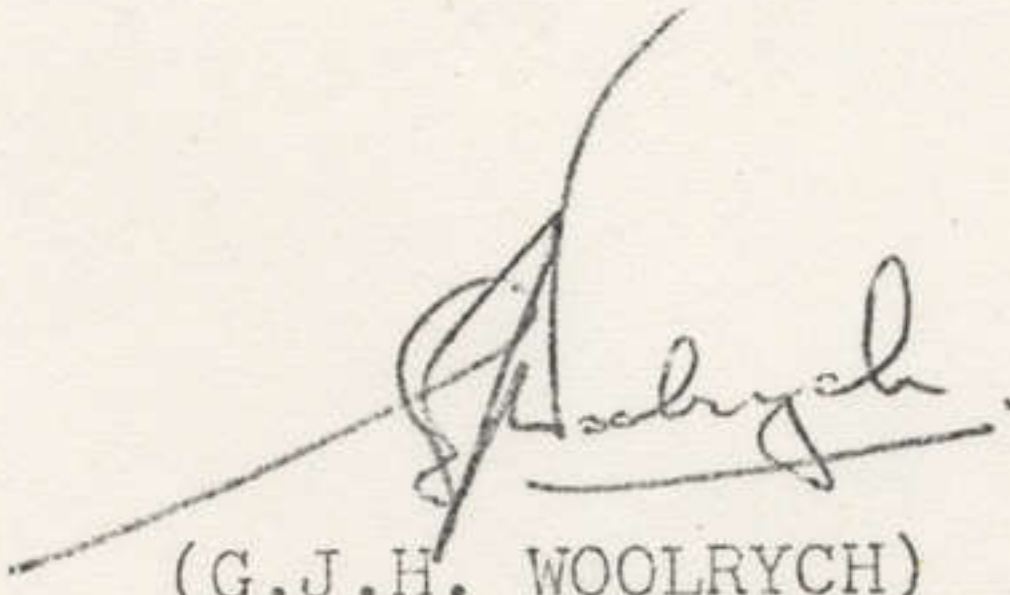
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HMAS BAYONET - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
AUGUST 1980

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS BAYONET under my command for the month of August 1980. All times are KILO(-10).

2. BAYONET was on passage to Mackay at the beginning of the month, berthing at the tourist jetty at 1301 Sunday 03rd. Berth was shifted to the south pier from 1245 to 1250 to fuel and at 1501 BAYONET cast off and proceeded. The return passage to Cairns was uneventful and the ship berthed at number one wharf at 1601 Thursday 07th having carried out a firing against a sleeve target from 1300 to 1400 that day.

3. From 1000 to 1034 Wednesday 13th, thirteen children and four adults from the Family Day Care Clinic visited the ship. At 0836 Thursday 14th BAYONET moved off the wharf to allow HMA Ships ADROIT and BARRICADE to berth. The ship reberthed on BARRICADE at 0903. BAYONET sailed at 1308 and proceeded to sea joining HMAS ASSAIL at 1517 to take part in their shakedown and workup in accordance with NOIC CAIRNS Exercise Operation Order 3/80. The following day BAYONET returned to Cairns and berthed at number ten wharf at 0749. Berth was shifted to NQEA fitting out wharf from 0933 to 0941 to fuel. At 1400 Friday 15th BAYONET cast off and proceeded to sea to continue the patrol.

4. BAYONET anchored in Pioneer Bay off Airlie Beach at 1135 Saturday 16th and from 1312 to 1317 shifted anchorage on to the starting line for the Whitsunday Village Cruising Yacht and Lugger Races scheduled for the following day. These races were in four divisions and BAYONET fired the preparatory and starting gun for each division starting with the first division at 1100 and finishing with the fourth division at 1140 Sunday 17th. Having seen the last

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yacht across the finishing line BAYONET weighed anchor at 1758 and set course to return to Cairns where the ship berthed alongside HMAS BARRICADE at number one wharf. The remainder of the month was spent alongside at Cairns undergoing an assisted maintenance period.

Engineering and Electrical

5. URDEF 33/82 - 40/60 Series Inspection and INDEF 38/82 - Ship's Boat, outstanding at the end of last month were completed during the month.

6. The following URDEFs were raised and subsequently rectified during the month:

URDEF 36/82 - Guardrail Stanchion Spigots
37/82 - Anchor Windlass
38/82 - 40/60 Loader.

Of these, URDEF 37/82 was only a temporary repair pending the fitting of a new windlass.

7. The following INDEFs raised during the month remain outstanding:

INDEF 42/82 - 40/60 Bofor removal at end of trial
43/82 - Boat Gripes
44/82 - PVC Covers
45/82 - Davit running and standing rigging
46/82 - Port side and mid ships -dents
47/82 - Ship's Boat.

8. The following INDEFs raised during previous months remain outstanding:

INDEF 35/82 - Flying Bridge windows
39/82 - Port main engine heads leaking.

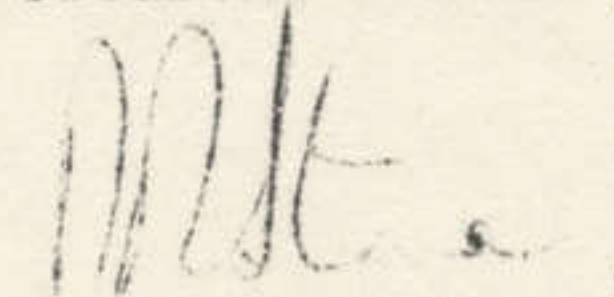
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9. On Monday 25th I lectured the ship's company on safety, security and the dangers of drugs and alcohol. The health, welfare, conduct and morale of the ship's company remains good.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,



(D.R. STONE)
Lieutenant RAN
Commanding Officer

ANNEXES: A. Steaming Report
B. Exercises

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ANNEX A to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1.16.7C dated

01st September 1980

STEAMING REPORT

1.	Miles steamed during the month	1,422
2.	Total miles steamed since commissioning	260,706
3.	Hours underway during the month	103
4.	Total hours underway since commissioning	19,901
5.	Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed	Nil

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ANNEX B to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1.16.7C dated

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EXERCISES

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>
<u>Seamanship and General Evolutions</u>		
BOARDX	14th	½ hr
<u>Gunnery</u>		
AATX/CRF	07th	1 hr
AAWDX	07th	1 hr
AAROF	07th	1 hr
<u>Navigation and AIO</u>		
Formation Anchorage	14th	-
Plotting Exercise	14th	2 hrs
<u>Communications</u>		
NAVCOMEX 501 (DELTEXT)	14th	-
<u>NBCD</u>		
In harbour exercises	Daily	-

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1-24 SEPTEMBER, 1980

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HMAS BAYONET
at Cairns

24th September 1980

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HMAS BAYONET - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
01ST TO 24TH SEPTEMBER 1980

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS BAYONET under my command for the period 01ST to 24TH SEPTEMBER 1980. All times are KILO (-10).

2. At the beginning of the month BAYONET was alongside number one wharf, Cairns. At 0929 the ship sailed to rendezvous with HMAS BARRICADE. The latter joined at 1330 and both ships remained in company exercising until BARRICADE was detached at 1601. BAYONET berthed at Brampton Island at 1126 Tuesday 02ND remaining alongside until 0958 Thursday 04TH when the ship sailed to return to Cairns. At 0714 Friday 05TH BARRICADE joined and entered harbour in company with BAYONET, both ships berthing at number one wharf with BAYONET on HMAS BARBETTE at 0753 and BARRICADE on BAYONET at 0802.

3. BAYONETS' annual inspection commenced at 0900 Monday 08TH with departmental inspections through until secure Tuesday 09TH. At 0800 Wednesday 10TH the ships company fell in on the wharf for divisions. The Naval Officer-in-Charge, CAIRNS, CMDR I.W. HALL RAN inspected the ships company and, at 1000, walked round the ship.

4. At 0757 Thursday 11TH, BAYONET sailed in company with BARBETTE and BARRICADE to take part in the biannual squadron exercise in accordance with COMAUSMINPAB EXOPORD 15/80. The ship conducted exercises as detailed at Annex B before returning to Cairns, berthing at number ten wharf from 1431 to 1439 Friday 12TH. Berth was shifted to number one wharf and BAYONET berthed on BARRICADE at 1449.

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5. A families day was held on Sunday 14TH with the ship sailing at 0931 and anchoring off Fitzroy Island from 1041 to 1528. A barbecue was held on the beach and a very enjoyable day was had by all. BAYONET reberthed on BARRICADE from 1638 to 1648 to disembark guests prior to shifting to NQEA fitting out wharf berthing at 1701. From 0815 to 0857 Monday 22ND BAYONET moved back to number one wharf, berthing on BARRICADE. On Thursday 25TH Lieutenant R.S. DAVISON RAN assumed command of HMAS BAYONET.

Engineering and Electrical

6. Only one major defect - INDEF 48/82: Number 3 A/C Compressor occurred during the month. This was subsequently rectified.

7. The following URDEF's/INDEF's outstanding at the end of last month were rectified during the period:

URDEF 37/82 - Anchor windlass
INDEF 43/82 - Boat Gripes
45/82 - Davit running and standing rigging
46/82 - Survey of dents - port side and mid ships
47/82 - Ship's boat

8. The following INDEF's raised during previous months remain outstanding:

INDEF 35/82 - Flying bridge windscreens (MAY 80)
39/82 - Port main engine heads leaking (MAY 80)
42/82 - 40/60 Bofor removal at end of trial
44/82 - PVC levers

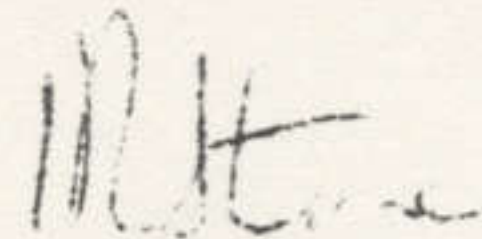
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9. The health, welfare, conduct and morale of the ship's company remains very good.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,



(D.R. STONE)
Lieutenant RAN
Commanding Officer

ANNEXES: A. Steaming Report

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Annex A to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1.16.7C dated
24TH September 1980

STEAMING REPORT

1. Miles steamed during the period 958
2. Total miles steamed since commissioning 261,664
3. Hours underway during the month 71
4. Total hours underway since commissioning 19,972
5. Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speed</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
11TH	18KTS	Various	Annual Squadron Exercise
12TH	18KTS	Various	Annual Squadron Exercise

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Annex B to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1.16.7C dated
24TH September 1980

EXERCISES

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>
<u>Seamanship and General Evolutions</u>		
BOARDEX	11TH	$\frac{1}{2}$ HR
OOW/ENG Breakdown Drills	11TH	1 HR
	12TH	$\frac{1}{2}$ HR
OOW Manoeuvres	01ST	1 HR
	11TH	$1\frac{1}{2}$ HRS
	12TH	1 HR
RAS Approaches - Day	01ST	$\frac{1}{2}$ HR
Heaving Line Transfer - Day	01ST	$\frac{1}{2}$ HR
TOWEX - providing	12TH	1 HR
Streamed Para Anchor	02ND	$1\frac{1}{2}$ HRS
<u>Gunnery</u>		
AATX/CRF	11TH	1 HR
	12TH	1 HR
A/WDX	11TH	1 HR
	12TH	1 HR
SUTF	01ST	$\frac{1}{2}$ HR
	11TH	$\frac{1}{2}$ HR
	12TH	1 HR
AAROFX	01ST	$\frac{1}{2}$ HR
<u>Navigation and AIO</u>		
Formation Anchorage	11TH	-
Formation Entry/Departure	11TH	-
	12TH	-
Night Encounter Exercise	11TH	3 HRS
<u>NBCD</u>		
NBCD Exercise	11TH	1 HR
In harbour exercises	Daily	-

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HMAS BAYONET - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
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HMAS BAYONET
At sea

1st October 1980

| The Flag Officer Commanding
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HMAS BAYONET REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
25th to 30th September 1980

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS BAYONET under my command for the period 25th to 30th September 1980. All times are KILO (-10).

2. At the beginning of the period BAYONET was alongside HMAS BARRICADE at number one wharf, Cairns where I took command from Lieutenant D.R. STONE RAN.
3. BAYONET remained alongside until 1031 Monday 29th when the ship cast off and proceeded for Darwin to conduct Surveillance Patrols in areas A,S,T and R. Officer of the watch and Commanding Officer man overboard drills were conducted en route to Low Islets where BAYONET anchored at 1351 Monday 29th.
5. At 0700 Tuesday 30th BAYONET weighed anchor and proceeded to Lizard Island where the ship anchored at 1446 30th September. BAYONET remained at anchor until the end of the period.

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6. No major defects occurred during the period.
7. The following INDEF's raised during previous months remain outstanding:

INDEF	35/82	- Flying bridge windscreens (MAY 80)
	39/82	- Port main engine heads leaking (MAY 80)
	42/82	- 40/60 Bofor removal at end of trip
	44/82	- PVC covers

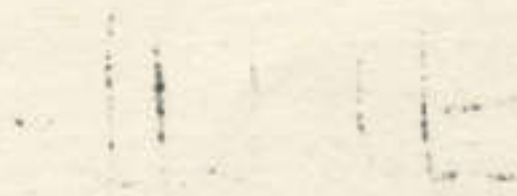
Health, Welfare, Conduct and Morale

8. The health, welfare, conduct and morale of the ship's company remain very good.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant


(R.S. DAVISON)
Lieutenant RAN
Commanding Officer

Annexes:
A. Steaming report
B. Exercises

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Annex A to HMAS BAYONET
letter 11/16/7c dated

1st October 1980

STEAMING REPORT

1.	Miles steamed during the period	154
2.	Total miles steamed since commissioning	261,818
3.	Hours underway during the period	11
4.	Total hours underway since commissioning	19,983
5.	Occasions for exceeding fast routing speed	NIL

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Annex B to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1/16/7c dated

1st October 1980

EXERCISES

<u>Seamanship and General Evolutions</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>
Man overboard	29th	$\frac{1}{2}$ HR
<u>NBCD</u>		
In harbour exercises	Daily	-

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HMAS BAYONET
at Cairns

1st November 1980

The Flag Officer Commanding
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HMAS BAYONET - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
01st TO 31st OCTOBER 1980

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS BAYONET under my command for the period 1st to 31st October 1980. All times are as indicated.

2. On Wednesday 1st BAYONET was at anchor off Lizard Island. At 0753(K) the ship weighed anchor and proceeded for Thursday Island. Weather conditions during the passage were bad with a constant south easterly breeze of force 4/5 blowing. However, due to the northerly track of BAYONET shipboard conditions were quite comfortable. Until arrival in Thursday Island the patrol of area A remained free from incident and no foreign fishing vessel activity was noted.

3. BAYONET anchored in Normanby Sound near Goods Island from 1055(K) until 1244(K) Thursday 2nd whilst HMAS BARBETTE fuelled. On completion of BARBETTE's fuelling BAYONET moved alongside the Caltex Wharf at 1310(K) for fuel and on completion moved alongside BARBETTE at the Town Wharf.

4. At 0859(K) Friday 3rd BAYONET cast off and proceeded for Gove. The passage remained uneventful and was conducted in extremely good weather until arrival in the Truant Island area on Saturday 4th when contact was made with a Taiwanese gill net fishing boat (BAYONET EOJ 032310Z OCT 80 refers). The vessel was boarded and the master warned of the penalties for fishing illegally. He was well aware of

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his responsibilities and had been issued with a map by licencing authorities in Darwin which clearly defined his authorised fishing area limits.

5. BAYONET berthed alongside port side to the General Cargo Wharf in Gove at 1124(IK) and remained alongside overnight. At 0830(IK) Sunday 5th the ship cast off and on clearing the harbour chopped to NOCNA OPCON.

6. BAYONET passed through Hole in the Wall passage at 1450(IK) and anchored in the vicinity of the western approach at 1513(IK). A number of the ship's company were able to proceed inshore and entertain themselves in a game of beach volley ball.

7. The ship remained at anchor until 0335(IK) Monday 6th before proceeding to Elcho Island where I went ashore and attempted to visit the local coastwatcher. Unfortunately, he was on leave and I returned on board with the Chairman of the local council (Mr George Daynguntu) and four of his people for a brief inspection of BAYONET.

8. On completion of the inspection BAYONET sailed at 1100(IK) and continued patrol of area S. At 1906(IK) and in the vicinity of Halls Point two Taiwanese stern trawlers were identified. Shortly after another Taiwanese gill netter was identified close by (BAYONET KGB 061140Z OCT 80 refers). BAYONET then proceeded to anchor near South Goulbourn Island at 2343(IK). The following day Tuesday 7th BAYONET weighed anchor and proceeded for Darwin at 0800(IK) where the ship berthed at 1030(IK) Wednesday 8th on HMAS ASSAIL. HMAS ATARE berthed alongside immediately after.

9. On arrival in Darwin BAYONET assumed the role of duty PTF and reverted to one hours notice for sea. Due to the non-availability of ASSAIL for patrol duties as a result of a main engine defect BAYONET was programmed to assume ASSAIL's duties. Consequently, BAYONET cast off and proceeded at 1200(IK) Thursday 9th for Ashmore Reef. A West Australian Fisheries and Wildlife Service inspector, Mr R. Sutton was embarked for FFV search and liaison duties.

10. After arrival at Ashmore Reef at 1016(H) Saturday 11th the ship boarding party accompanied by Mr Sutton boarded and searched twelve type two Indonesian fishing vessels (BAYONET EOJ 111340Z OCT 80 refers). I proceeded ashore to inspect the abandoned automatic weather station and noted that a stainless steel sign has been erected and, written in Indonesian, presumably explains the prohibited fishing areas along the Australian coast.

11. The ship proceeded to Scott Reef at 2300(H) and arrived there at 1052(H) on Sunday 12th. Two Indonesian type two vessels were boarded and inspected (BAYONET EOJ 120502Z OCT 80 refers).

12. After remaining overnight BAYONET sailed at 1353(H) Monday 13th for an uneventful passage to Broome. The ship secured to the Cargo Wharf at 0900(H) Tuesday 14th and fuelled prior to shifting berth alongside the oil rig tender LADY CYNTHIA at 1200(H). Mr Sutton disembarked whilst alongside in Broome.

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13. The patrol of areas P, Q and R continued on Wednesday 15th when BAYONET proceeded to sea at 0915(H) and steamed for Darwin. No fishing vessels were sighted during the passage. At 1100(1K) Friday 17th BAYONET was overflown by an S2G tracker of VS816 detachment Darwin whilst approximately 35 miles southwest of Charles Point.
14. At 1435(1K) the ship secured alongside HMAS ARDENT at the patrol boat landing in Darwin and remained alongside until 0800(1K) Wednesday 22nd. During the period alongside two defects were rectified (pyropress port main engine and steering gear). Members of the ship's company also took the opportunity to survey the local sights and to sample the luck of the local Casino.
15. The passage from Darwin to Thursday Island was conducted in near perfect conditions. Identities were exchanged with HMAS JERVIS BAY (HMAS VAMPIRE in company) near Cape Don at 1905(1K) Wednesday 22nd before BAYONET proceeded east for Cape Wessel and Thursday Island.
16. Two Taiwanese gill netters were detected in the vicinity of Cape Wessel on Thursday 23rd (BAYONET EOJ 230325Z OCT 80 and 231042Z OCT 80 refer). Both vessels were underway on a westerly course and presumed to be making for Darwin. BAYONET chopped to NOIC CAIRNS OPCON at 1730(1K).
17. On Friday 24th at 1640(K) BAYONET berthed on the Caltex Wharf at Thursday Island for fuel before shifting berth at 1821(K) to alongside HMAS BARBETTE on the Town Wharf. The ship remained alongside overnight before continuing patrol of area A at 0900(K) Saturday 25th.
18. During the passage from Thursday Island to Coconut Island I addressed the ship's company on matters of security in accordance with ABR 337. After anchoring at Coconut Island at 1417(K) I proceeded ashore and introduced myself to Mr Martin Louie, Chairman of the island council. He appeared a pleasant man who had no reports of any recent unusual activities in the area.
19. On completion of the visit BAYONET weighed anchor and proceeded south at 1930(K) for the passage to Cairns via Bird Island and Lizard Island before arrival in Cairns at 1000(K) 28th when the ship secured to number one wharf and commenced an assisted maintenance period.
20. BAYONET remained alongside undergoing routine maintenance until the end of the period.

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21. The following URDEF's were raised and subsequently rectified during the month:

URDEF 39/82 Port main engine lub oil line
40/82 Port main engine pyro press
41/82 Steering motor

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22. No INDEF's were raised during the period. However, the following INDEF's raised during previous months remain outstanding:

INDEF 35/82 Flying bridge windows (MAY 80)
39/82 Port main engine heads leaking (MAY 80)
41/82 Port side dents (JUL 80)
42/82 40/60 Bofor removal and replacement (in process
of rectification as at 31 October)
44/82 PVC covers (AUG 80)

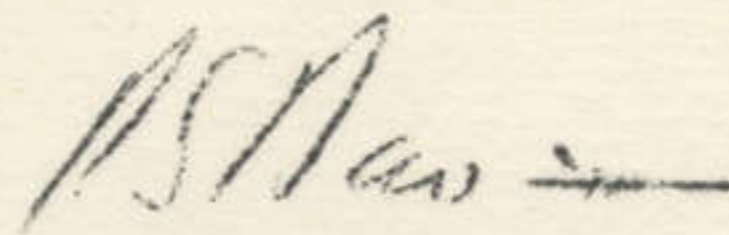
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23. The health, welfare, conduct and morale of the ship's company remain very good.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,



(R.S. DAVISON)
Lieutenant RAN
Commanding Officer

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ANNEX A to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1/16/7C dated

1st November 1980

STEAMING REPORT

1.	Miles steamed during the period	4,453
2.	Total miles steamed since commissioning	266,271
3.	Hours underway during the period	339
4.	Total hours underway since commissioning	20,322
5.	Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed	Nil

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ANNEX B to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1/16/7C dated

1st November 1980

EXERCISES

<u>Seamanship and General Evolution</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>
BOARDEX (Actual - DAI CHIAN No 2)	03rd	1 hr
OO ^w /ENG Breakdown Drills	10th	1 hr
Defence Watch, Action Stations, Emergency Stations, Leaving Ship Stations	27th	$\frac{3}{4}$ hr
<u>NBCD</u>		
NBCD Exercise	10th	1 hr
In harbour exercises	Daily	

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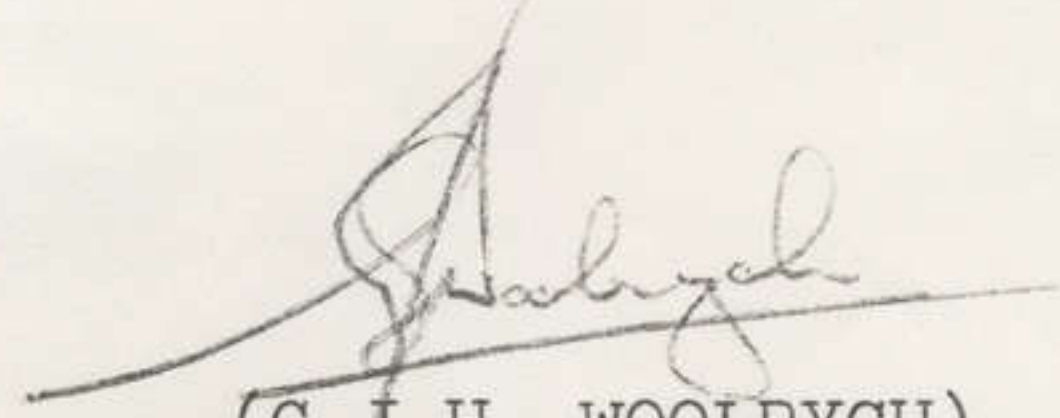
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HMAS BAYONET
at Sea

1st December 1980

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HMAS BAYONET - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
1st TO 30th NOVEMBER 1980

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS BAYONET under my command for the period 1st to 30th November 1980. All times are as indicated.

2. At the beginning of the period BAYONET was alongside number one wharf Cairns undergoing an assisted maintenance period. HMAS ADROIT was berthed outboard but sailed at 1000(K) Saturday 1st for a family day and reberthed on BAYONET at 1555(K).

3. BAYONET cast off and proceeded to sea in company with ADROIT and BARBETTE for engine trials at 1010(K) Monday 10th. On clearing the main channel BAYONET detached to complete the trials. The trial was unsuccessful as replacement injectors on the port main engine were found to be defective. BAYONET returned to harbour and secured starboard side to number one wharf Cairns at 1212(K).

4. At 1030(K) Tuesday 11th, Remembrance Day, colours were half-masted for 33 minutes.

5. BAYONET's assisted maintenance period finished at 1658(K) Friday 14th when the ship cast off and proceeded to sea. A delay of 31 hours had been experienced due to a defect with the fuel pump on the port main engine. A replacement component was required to be delivered from Sydney.

6. The ship experienced an uneventful but very rough passage to Gladstone where she refuelled between 0750(K) and 1005(K) Sunday 16th. On completion of fuelling BAYONET proceeded to sea for passage to Sydney. Seas remained moderate to rough during the passage.

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7. Adjacent to Cape Moreton on Monday 17th the general service pump failed and forced BAYONET to divert to HMAS MORETON for repairs where the ship berthed at 1055(K). A second URDEF (anchor windlass) delayed sailing until Tuesday 18th at 1600(K). After clearing the Brisbane River and on trying to clear the 1800(K) PIM signal it was found that the AN URC58 was defective. I was forced once again to return to MORETON for repairs at 2019(K).
8. A replacement set was acquired from MORETON and once again I endeavoured to depart Brisbane only to find that the radar had developed a fault and was unserviceable. Repairs were effected by MORETON and ship personnel and BAYONET sailed at 0041(K) Wednesday 19th.
9. Unfortunately the radar failed again at 0123(K) and I was once again forced to return to MORETON. The ship remained alongside until 1130(K) when repairs and fuelling were completed. It was with a deep sigh of relief from all on board when BAYONET finally rounded Cape Moreton and proceeded for Sydney.
10. Apart from very rough weather the ship experienced an uneventful passage to Sydney. BAYONET secured starboard side to HMAS BOMBARD at HMAS WATERHEN at 1852(L) Thursday 20th.
11. During the following forenoon BAYONET was restored and a makeshift radio aerial for the Thompson portable HF radio was rigged. The engineering department was well occupied changing the injectors on the starboard engine as a result of extended slow speed running during pilotage in the Brisbane River. I was briefed by the Staff Officer Operations to COMAUSMINPAB on the forthcoming deployment to the Bass Strait area where BAYONET was to carry out oil rig surveillance.
12. At 1540(L) BAYONET cast off and proceeded for area R487 where a gun functioning trial of the 40/60 Bcfor gun was to take place. However, the shoot had to be abandoned when firing clearance could not be gained from Department of Transport Sydney.
13. On completion of the ~~the~~ firing serial BAYONET proceeded to Jarvis Bay to disembark trials personnel and then continued south to Eden where the ship secured port side to MV MARIA LUISA at 1215(L) Saturday 22nd. HMAS BUCCANEER berthed outboard immediately after.
14. After concluding discussions regarding Bass Strait Oil Rig Surveillance (BSORS) between myself and the Commanding Officer, BUCCANEER, BUCCANEER cast off and proceeded for Sydney at 1610(L).
15. Although due on task at 2359(L) Sunday 23rd BAYONET was unable to sail due to adverse weather conditions in the Bass Strait area which also forced HMAS ATTACK to seek shelter. BAYONET finally sailed at 0804(L) Tuesday 25th when seas were moderate but suitable for surveillance operations.
16. At 1600 BAYONET arrived in Area Bass and commenced surveillance duties. The ship remained in the area until Thursday 27th at approximately 1000(L) when forced to leave the area due to worsening weather conditions. Whilst on task no breaches of the restricted area were observed.

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17. BAYONET secured starboard side to Barry Beach Marine Terminal at 1540(L) Thursday 27th and remained overnight. At 0932(L) Friday 28th BAYONET shifted berth to the main pier Port Welshpool where she secured starboard side to at 1020(L). Short leave was granted to the ship's company and a number of personnel took the opportunity to visit friends and relations in the Melbourne area.

18. At 1400(L) on Sunday 30th BAYONET cast off and proceeded to relieve BOMBARD on task in Area Bass. Due to moderate seas it was not wise to secure to a buoy on arrival in the area and so BAYONET steamed a patrol line back and forth through the area until the end of the period.

19. To the end of the period BAYONET had been on task in Area Bass for a total of 46 hours from a planned total of 98 hours. Loss of time on task resulted from inclement weather in Area Bass. Whilst on task no incursions into the Restricted Area by vessels were noted by BAYONET or reported by the oil rig platforms.

Engineering and Electrical

20. The following URDEF's were raised and subsequently rectified during the month:

URDEF 42/82 Port main engine fuel pump drive
43/82 General service pump switch and motor
44/82 Anchor windlass
45/82 AN URC 58 radio
46.82 RM 916A radar.

21. The following INDEF's were raised and subsequently rectified during the month:

INDEF 49/82 No 1 airconditioning compressor

22. The following INDEF's were raised during the period or remain outstanding from preceding periods:

INDEF 35/82 Flying bridge windows (MAY 80)
39/82 Port main engine heads leaking (MAY 80)
41/82 Port side dents (JUL 80)
50/80 Flying bridge awning staunchions (NOV 80)

Health, Welfare, Conduct and Morale

23. The health, welfare, conduct and morale of the ship's company remains very good.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

R.S. Davison
for (R.S. DAVISON)
Lieutenant RAN
Commanding Officer

ANNEXES: A. Steaming Report
B. Exercises

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ANNEX A to HMAS BANQUET
letter 1/16/70 dated

1st December 1980

STEAMING REPORT

1.	Miles steamed during the period	2,376
2.	Total miles steamed since commissioning	268,647
3.	Hours underway during the period	167
4.	Total hours underway since commissioning	20,489
5.	Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed	Nil

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ANNEX B to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1/16/70 dated

1st December 1980

EXERCISES

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>
<u>NBCD</u>		
In harbour exercises	Daily	
<u>SEAMANSHIP</u>		
Coming to buoy	26th	15 mins
: : :	26th	15 mins
<u>AIO</u>		
Flotex (as required for Bass Strait Oil Rig Surveillance)	25th 26th 27th 30th	

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HMAS BAYONET - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
DECEMBER, 1980

Forwarded.

(G.J.H. WOOLRYCH)
Commodore, RAN
for Fleet Commander

Enclosure: HMAS BAYONET Report of Proceedings for
December, 1980 dated 1 January, 1981

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HMAS BAYONET
at Cairns

1st January, 1981

The Flag Officer Commanding
HM AUSTRALIAN FLEET

For Information:

The Naval Officer-in-Charge
CAIRNS

The Naval Officer Commanding
QUEENSLAND

The Commander
AUSTRALIAN MINE WARFARE AND PATROL BOAT FORCES

HMAS BAYONET - REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS
1ST - 31ST DECEMBER 1980

Sir,

I have the honour to report the proceedings of HMAS BAYONET under my command for the period 1st to 31st December 1980. All times are as indicated.

2. At the beginning of the period BAYONET was steaming a patrol line in the Bass Strait oil rig restricted area and conducting Bass Strait Oil Rig Surveillance (BSORS). A strong wind warning was received at approximately 0700(L) and shelter was sought in Corner Inlet.

3. BAYONET secured starboard side to Barry Beach Marine Terminal at 1321(L) and refuelled before remaining alongside overnight. The weather remained unsuitable for BSORS on Tuesday 2nd and BAYONET shifted berth to alongside HMAS BOMBARD at Port Welshpool at 0924(L).

4. Throughout the day a gale warning remained current and as a result BAYONET remained alongside overnight until 0905(L) Wednesday 3rd when the ship cast off and proceeded for Westernport where she anchored near Flinders wharf at 1755(L).

5. At 0914(L) Thursday 4th BAYONET weighed anchor and proceeded to the West Head gunnery range where the 40/60 Bofor gun was functioned and found to be within all tolerances. On completion of the trial the ship proceeded to HMAS CERBERUS where she secured port side to the main wharf at 1238(L). Short leave and natives leave were granted and the ships company were able to travel to Melbourne and nearby areas for a well deserved liberty.

6. BAYONET remained alongside until 0900(L) Saturday 6th when the ship sailed in ideal conditions to resume patrol in Bass Strait. At 2200(L) BAYONET came on task and secured to Kingfish A rig buoy at 2305(L). Surveillance duties were carried out whilst at the buoy.

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7. At 0455(L) Sunday 7th Mackerel rig platform reported a large radar contact entering the restricted area from the northeast. BAYONET slipped from the buoy and proceeded to intercept the vessel at 0506(L). The vessel was subsequently identified as PANTAZIS L and escorted from the area (BAYONET IAJ 061950ZDEC80 refers). BAYONET resecured to Kingfish A rig buoy on completion at 0915(L).
8. Whilst at the buoy the opportunity was taken by some of the ships company to visit the oil rig platform and sample the hospitality of the staff. All visitors were extremely impressed with the comfortable living and working conditions on the rig.
9. Weather conditions deteriorated in the late P.M. and I was forced to slip from the buoy at 0040(L) Monday 8th. BAYONET steamed a patrol line through the area until 1430(L) when adverse weather reports and a defect on the port main engine made it advisable to proceed to Eden.
10. BAYONET anchored in Calle Calle Bay at 0320(L) Tuesday 9th prior to berthing alongside the Breakwater Pier at 0908(L). HMAS BUCCANEER secured alongside immediately after. BUCCANEER cast off and proceeded to sea at 1340(L) on completion of fuelling and transfer of stores from BAYONET.
11. On completion of defect rectification at 1952(L) the ship sailed for Sydney but returned to Eden at 2140(L) in order to land a sailor who was suffering chest pains. He was subsequently found to be suffering from a strain of flu and rejoined the ship in Sydney on the following day.
12. After departure from Eden at 2213(L) BAYONET experienced an uneventful passage to Sydney where she arrived at 1340(L) and berthed starboard side to the patrol boat wharf at HMAS WATERHEN. HMAS ADVANCE berthed outboard immediately after.
13. BAYONET remained alongside WATERHEN undergoing maintenance and storing until 0800(L) Sunday 14th. The ship sailed at that time with two very unusual passengers - a Greenback turtle and a Hawksbill turtle. Both animals were to be transported to North Queensland and set free after a request was received from Taronga Zoo in Sydney.
14. The passage north was uneventful until the ship was abreast Cape Moreton when a fierce electrical storm and very rough seas were experienced. As a result of the storm and poor H.F. radio communications it was necessary to clear the PIM for Monday 15th through the Caloundra pilot station using VHF.
15. BAYONET berthed in Gladstone at 1934(K) Tuesday 16th for fuel and remained alongside overnight before casting off and proceeding at 0935(K) Wednesday 17th.
16. On Friday 19th at 0350(K) the two turtles were released in the vicinity of Scott Reef. BAYONET then proceeded to Cairns where the ship secured to number ten wharf for fuel before shifting berth to number one wharf at 0901(K) where she remained until the end of the period undergoing an assisted maintenance period.

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ENGINEERING AND ELECTRICAL

17. The following URDEF's were raised and subsequently rectified during the month.

URDEF 47/82 Port main engine pyrometer
48/82 Port main engine pyrofress

18. The following INDEF's remain outstanding from previous months:

INDEF 35/82 Flying bridge windows (MAY 80)
39/82 Port main engine heads leaking (MAY 80)
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50/82 Flying bridge awning staunchions (NOV 80)

HEALTH, WELFARE, CONDUCT AND MORALE

19 The health, welfare, conduct and morale of the ships company remain very good.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant



(R.S. DAVISON)
Lieutenant RAN
Commanding Officer

Annexes: A. Steaming Report
B. Exercises

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Annex A to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1/16/7C dated
1st January 1981

STEAMING REPORT

1.	Miles steamed during the period	2,484
2.	Total miles steamed since commissioning	271,131
3.	Hours underway during the period	193
4.	Total hours underway since commissioning	20,682
5.	Occasions for exceeding fast routeing speed	Nil

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Annex B to HMAS BAYONET
letter 1/16/7C dated
1st January 1981

EXERCISES

SEAMANSHIP

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>
Coming to buoy	6th	15mins
" "	7th	15mins
Stream para anchor	18th	45mins
Steering gear breakdown	18th	30mins
Man Overboard drills	18th	30mins
Engine Breakdown drills	18th	15mins

NBCD

Fire Exercises (fwd and aft)	6th	1hr
In harbour exercises	Daily	-

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Small arms firing	18th	2hrs
40/60 G.F.T.	4th	1hr

AIO

Plotex (as required for Bass	1st	
Strait Rig Surveillance)	6th	
	7th	
	8th	