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is the principal objective of the Navy League of Australia

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NEW SUBMARINE RESCUE SHIPS

A recent arrival in Western Australia was the submarine escape-gear ship MV BESANT, one of two ships which can be used for submarine search and rescue. Both ships will replace the current MV SEAHORSE STANDARD which will now transfer to the East Coast for alternative duties.

The 83M MV BESANT is named after LCDR Thomas Besant, Commanding Officer of the RAN'S First World War submarine AE1, which was lost whilst on patrol off New Guinea in September of 1914.

The second ship, MV STOKER, is due to arrive in WA in early 2016. The longer rescue-gear ship MV STOKER, at 93M is named after LCDR HENRY HUGH (Dacre) STOKER C O of the second of two submarines AE2. The RAN'S AE2 was also a WW1 loss scuttled by her crew, without loss of life in Turkeys Sea of Marmara during April of 1915 following action with a Turkish gunboat.

Both ships will be operated by "Defence Maritime Services". They will provide a long term and extremely capable role in supporting submarine escape and rescue activities. As they are larger than the current, MV SEAHORSE STANDARD, the ability to embark more personnel such as medical and other rescue system members will ensure sustained operations can be conducted at sea. Enhanced onboard medical facilities and the ability to accommodate a full submarine crew will also ensure the best medical support is provided.

Both MV BESANT and MV STOKER were built in Vietnam and will be operated in support of the RAN by "Defence Maritime Services" (DMS).



MV Besant in Cockburn Sound

NAVAL HISTORY

There are a number of memorable naval events that have transpired over the years and occurred during the month of September.

Listed re a few of those events:-

<u>1914</u>

The year 1914, marked the commencement of WW1 and with it came the involvement of Australia's armed forces. One of Australia's first engagements in the war was in the German Territory of New Guinea Australian Naval & Military Forces were sent to the area to destroy German wireless stations thought to be transmitting messages to German naval vessels operating in the Pacific.

Some of the Australian naval ships ordered to the area included HMA ships –

AUSTRALIA SYDNEY ENCOUNTER YARRA PROTECTOR WARREGO PARRAMATTA

SUBMARINES – AE1 & AE2

HMAS AE1 together with her entire crew of 85, vanished off the coast of New Britian. This was the RAN'S first war casualty.

Amongst the naval personnel participating in the destruction of the enemy's wireless stations was a young Midshipman whose name would be very familiar to the Navy League of Australia. CMDR R.S. (Stan) Veale.

1926

It was in September 1926 that the former Victorian Navy turret ship CERBERUS was scuttled in Port Phillip Bay at Blackrock, to be used as a breakwater. CERBERUS remains there to this day.

1942

On September 23rd 1942 HMAS VOYAGER ran aground at Betano Timor.

HMAS VOYAGER could not be refloated and was subsequently demolished by her own crew together with assistance from Japanese aircraft. The crew of HMAS VOYAGER was taken off Timor in the Bathurst class corvette minesweepers HMAS'S WARRNAMBOOL and KALGOORLIE, and returned to Australia.

NAVAL HISTORY C'TND

1944

A convoy of Japanese transports and escorts which included the Rokuyo Maru with many Australian and British prisoners embarked including survivors from HMAS PERTH, was attacked by allied submarines during a voyage from Singapore to Japan. The subsequent sinking of the transports resulted in a heavy loss of the allied prisoners lives. Out of a total of 2000 prisoners involved only 152 were eventually picked up by the US Submarines QUEENSFISH, SEALION, PAMPINITO, BARB and GROWLER.

1945

On the 2nd September 1945 the official document of surrender was signed on board the American battleship USS MISSOURI in Tokyo Bay, thus formally ending hostilities with Japan.

Australia's naval representatives at the surrender ceremony included Commodore J.A. Collins, together with Rear Admiral G.D. Moore RAN, and HMA ships SHROPSHIRE, HOBART, WARRAMUNGA, BATANN, NAPIER, NIZAM, BALLARAT, IPSWICH, CESSNOCK and PIRIE

<u>1947</u>

Australia suffered her last WW2 casualty when HMAS WARRNAMBOOL was sunk after hitting an Australian laid mine off the Queensland Coast. The Bathurst Class Minesweeper-corvette suffered the loss of 4 of her complement with the remainder of WARRNAMBOOL'S crew taken off by HMAS SWAN.

HMAS WOLLONGONG

In September of 1943, RAF WELLINGTON and SWORDFISH aircraft attaked the German submarine U617 off the coast of Spanish Morocco. Badly damaged by the air attack U617 headed for the beach where her crew managed to escape ashore before U617 was finished-off by gunfire from the Bathurst Class Minesweeper/Corvette HMAS WOLLONGONG J172, in company with the RN'S HMS HAARLEM a requisitioned Dutch trawler, and the Flower Class Corvette HMS HYACINTH. HMAS WOLLONGONG was under the command of LEUT Thomas Hartley Smith RANR(S). The entire crew of 49 abandoned U617 and were interned by Spain, they were later repatriated to Germany.



U617 on fire and lying on her port side after being beached off the Moroccan coast near Melilla . The wreck was eventually destroyed by further air attacks and naval gunfire by British units including HMAS WOLLONGONG. Photo from Imperial War Museum, CNA-4091

HMAS WOLLONGONG J172, the first so named for the RAN, was followed by two more of the same name with the second a Fremantle Class Patrol Boat, FCPB206, serving from 1981-2006. The third and current HMAS WOLLONGONG 92, is an Armidale Class Patrol Boat, one of 15 built for the RAN by Austal Ships of Henderson in Western Australia. The 300 ton displacement 186 feet long Patrol Boat is based at her home port in Far North Queensland at HMAS CAIRNS, she is currently actively engaged in patrolling Australia's Northern waters where she answers to her motto "Heed the Call".

"AS IT WAS"

Once again we invite you to join us as we take a look at more recent naval history at items that involved or caught the eye of Navy League over the years on our "Keep Watch" brief. This time we go back 10 years as we browse through our records and reports to September 2005. We note that it was around this time we reported on the following;-

- 1. New US Navy Chief
- 2. RAN replenishment ship visits Melbourne.

NEW CHIEF OF US NAVY OPERATIONS.

Advice to hand reports that new US Chief of Navy Operations is Admiral Michael G Mullen replacing the outgoing CNO Admiral Vern Clark.

Admiral Mullen takes over the position as CNO when the United States Navy has an active fleet of 288 ships, the lowest number since before WW1.

HMAS SUCCESS VISITS MELBOURNE

A recent visitor to Melbourne was the RAN'S replenishment ship HMAS SUCCESS under the command of CMDR Stephen O'Brien with LCDR. Brian Delamont as Executive Officer. HMAS SUCCESS Pendant No.304 arrived in Melbourne from Sydney on Friday 9th September 2005, and departed from Melbourne's Station Pier on Tuesday 13th September 2005 returning to Sydney.

HMAS SUCCESS, an auxiliary oiler replenishment ship (AOR) is based on the French Durance Class Design. She was built by the Cockatoo Island Dockyard Pty Ltd., in Sydney. The ship is 157.2 metres in length with a beam of 21.2 metres. SUCCESS launched in 1984, has a speed of 20 knots. The ship fully loaded displaces 18,000 tonnes and has a ships company of 210. During the ships stay in Melbourne NLA Executive members accepted the kind hospitality extended by SUCCESS'S Senior Officers to join them at morning tea, lunch and a cocktail party onboard the ship.

The NLA Victoria Division played host also to the ships Senior Officers at a luncheon reception held in their honour at the Naval & Military Club.

HMAS SUCCESS recently participated together with US Navy ships and other RAN ships in exercise "Talisman Sabre" held off the Queensland coast. Also during the ships stay in Melbourne HMAS SUCCESS was open for public inspection which in times of high security could be considered as the exception rather than the rule.

The following NLA Vic-TAS Division Calendar events September 2015 - April 2016 has now been confirmed

NLA Vic-Tas EVENTS Calendar

- 1. Executive Committee meeting days, from October, will normally be 2nd Saturday in the month at 1000 at Box Hill RSL, except for January as shown in 2.
- 2. Executive Committee meeting day, January 2016, will be on Saturday 23rd.January at 1000 at Box Hill RSL.
- Navy Week 2015 Annual "Geoffrey Evans" Navy League trophy yacht race Saturday 24 Oct at 1400 Royal Yacht Club of Victoria, RAN personnel from HMAS Cerberus to sail on yachts and hosted by NLA Vic-Tas for light luncheon and after race BBQ.
- 4. NLA Vic Centenary First Day Covers \$10 each (limited numbered and signed edition of 150) 6 different Post Cards \$15 each (or 6 for \$50 very limited numbered and signed edition of 25 sets of 6). These will have a special limited edition NLA VIC Centenary Label Stamp (Aust Post to print the 320 Navy League designed Label Stamps). At NLA Vic's request Australia Post supplied a specially designed postal Navy League Centenary postal Cancel for Friday 9th October 2015, the centenary date.
- 5. NLA Vic Centenary Dinner Saturday 14 November \$40 per head. Box Hill RSL Upton Room 6.30 for 7pm. *A memento gift of the occasion will be presented to each attendee at this commemorative event.*
- 6. NLA VIc-Tas Xmas Luncheon Saturday 12th. December Box Hill RSL at 1200.
- Creswell Oration 2016 Tuesday 1st March 2016 at Wm Angliss \$45 per head. VADM David Johnston AM RAN Chief of Joint Operations to present the 2016 Creswell Oration.
- 8. Lonsdale Cup Event Royal Victorian Motor Yacht Club Sunday 13 March 2016 The inaugural annual event for a perpetual Lonsdale Cup to celebrate the Australian Navy's Foundation Day 1st March 1901. Details to be supplied in newsletters. It is proposed that RAN Senior Officer present the Lonsdale Cup and the GGGr Dau of CAPT Wm Lonsdale will present a "Wm Lonsdale" book to the winner. The Lonsdale Cup will be supplied by the Navy League of Australia Vic-Tas Division, who will retain ownership, but it will held in the custody of the RVMYC between events.

Events may be pre booked and paid for direct to Navy League Hon Sec.: raydotgill@optusnet.com.au or Hon Treasurer: jmwilkins34@netspace.net.au

HELP TO MAKE THIS A BETTER CHRISTMAS FOR THOSE AT SEA

The Navy League of Australia (Victoria-Tasmania Division) is arranging to send Christmas gifts to those at sea in early November. This will lift the morale of our sailors and make Christmas away from home a little more pleasant.

Parcels will contain lollies, DVDs, magazines and books. Magazines are about \$10 each and DVDs \$40-50 each.

If you are able to contribute in any way, it would be very much appreciated

Please send items or cheques to the Navy League of Australia (Victorian Division) <u>by 30 October</u> to P O Box 2340 Mt Waverley 3149 or direct debit Westpac Bank

BSB 033 389 Account No 107631 Reference XMAS

Many thanks

CADET FLOTILLA COMMANDER – FLINDERS

The Navy Leagues Victoria-Tasmania Division Executive Committee member, LEUT Jeff Paull ANC, has been appointed Commander of the Flinders Flotilla. Jeff's four year appointment as Commanding Officer of Training ship VOYAGER will now be taken over by the Executive Officer at TS VOYAGER, Sub Lieutenant Adam Hearsum ANC.

The Eleven Victorian ANC units are divided into two flotillas, those of Flinders and Bass. Jeff's move from TS VOYAGER to CO of FLINDERS Flotilla will also result in Jeff's elevation from Lieutenant to Lieutenant Commander, well done Jeff, "Bravo Zulu".

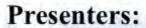
One of the unit's now under the control of LCDR Jeff Paull is Training Ship (TS) MELBOURNE, once located in The Navy Leagues boat shed building beside Albert Park Lake in South Melbourne, and for a time, shared with TS VOYAGER. TS MELBOURNE now parade in the Melbourne suburb of Surrey Hills.

Navy Week Victoria - 2015

Seminar

Wednesday 21 October 2015

Theme: WWI and Now



Strategy - Admiral Chris Barrie AC RAN Rtd,

Navy - Captain Steve Bowater OAM RAN

Army - Major General Paul McLachlan AM CS

Air - Air Commodore Brian Edwards

Submarines - Rear Admiral Peter Briggs AO CSC RAN

Medical - Group Captain Dr Annette Holian

The Naval Commemoration Committee of Victoria has arranged a sem that will delight anyone remotely connected to the military. The semina be a highlight of Navy Week Victoria 2015.

> Venue: Theatrette, Shrine of Remembrance Cost: \$30 - this includes a light lunch arrive at 0945, leave at 1500

Register your interest - email:

naval.commemoration.committee@gmail.com

Seating is limited

early registration of your interest is encouraged.

All relevant Navy Week information is at our website http://navyvic.net/



SEPTEMBER REMEMBRANCE "THE BATTLE FOR AUSTRALIA DAY" AND "THE MERCHANT NAVY DAY"

The first Wednesday in September is when we commemorate the "Battle for Australia". The Battle for Australia Day, this year Wednesday 2nd September, was commemorated at the Shrine of Remembrance service 11; 00am to remember and honour the service, the sacrifice and the courage of Australians and their allies as they fought back the Japanese threat to Australia in the "Battle of the Coral Sea", at Milne Bay, on the Kokoda Track and in the many other hard fought actions during World War Two in the darkest hours of the war in the Pacific.

On Thursday 3rd September, we also remembered the Merchant Navy. This year Merchant Navy Day was again commemorated at a Shrine of Remembrance Service. During this period, we remembered these brave souls who provided vital support at home and in battle zones abroad.



VICTORIA -TASMANIA DIVISION

Tasmania Established 1900, Victoria 15 October 1915

2015-2016 ANNUAL DUES

Please forward annual payment off \$35 to Hon Secretary R Gill JP by 30 June 2015 and that will assist our honorary officers responsible for the administration. Payment can be made direct by internet banking into our account.

Direct payment - by internet banking into our account, but please ensure your name is included

BSB 033 389 A/C No.: 107631 Westpac Bank or POST to

P.O. Box 2340 Mount Waverley 3149

We hope you are enjoying Navy League's Quarterly journal "The Navy"

We hold occasional "Welcome luncheons" for visiting ships and "special events depending on ship arrivals so please let Secretary Ray know you are interested in being notified of these events and we will update our records.

Ring the Secretary 9884 6237 if you and/or a friend would like to attend events or need advice.

PAYMENTS RECEIVED WITHOUT ANY IDENTIFICATION DETAILS SEE FOLLOWING:-

Also

A Bank Cheque drawn on the CBA at 357 Collins Street was sent to Sydney - with **No Name** attached, Cheque reference is 391702 dated 16 July 2015-07-27

Would either of the Bearer's please contact Hon Secretary on 03 98846237 or email details to raydotgill@optusnet.com.au ASAP

******Notice is hereby given that the*******

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

of

THE NAVY LEAGUE OF AUSTRALIA – VICTORIA DIVISION Will be held at the Box Hill RSL, Nelson Road Box Hill Victoria On Thursday 17th September 2015 at 7: 00PM

LITTLE KNOWN TITBIT OF NAVAL HISTORY

The U.S.S. Constitution (Old Ironsides), as a combat vessel, carried
48,600 gallons of fresh water for her crew of 475 officers and men.
This was sufficient to last six months of sustained operations at sea.
She carried no evaporators (i.e. fresh water distillers).
However, let it be noted that according to her ship's log,
"On July 27, 1798, the U.S.S. Constitution sailed from Boston with a full complement of 475 officers and men, 48,600 gallons of fresh water,



The U.S.S. Constitution (Old Ironsides)

The U.S.S. Constitution (Old Ironsides) C'tnd

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7,400 cannon shot,
                          11,600 pounds of black powder and
                                79,400 gallons of rum."
                 Her mission: "To destroy and harass English shipping."
                       Making Jamaica on 6 October, she took on
                    826 pounds of flour and 68,300 gallons of rum.
             Then she headed for the Azores, arriving there 12 November..
    She provisioned with 550 pounds of beef and 64,300 gallons of Portuguese wine.
                      On 18 November, she set sail for England.
             In the ensuing days she defeated five British men-of-war ships,
                 and captured and scuttled 12 English merchant ships,
                          salvaging only the rum aboard each.
                 By 26 January, her powder and shot were exhausted.
Nevertheless, although unarmed she made a night raid up the Firth of Clyde in Scotland ...
             Her landing party captured a whisky distillery and transferred
                 40,000 gallons of single malt Scotch aboard by dawn.
                                Then she headed home.
            The U. S. S. Constitution arrived in Boston on 20 February 1799,
                                 with no cannon shot,
                                       no food,
                                      no powder,
                                       no rum,
                                       no wine,
                                      no whisky,
                             and 38,600 gallons of water.
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Above story The Leagues Executive Committee Member Allan Paul OAM, has contributed some interesting details relating to Old Ironsides.

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HMAS Castlemaine Museum Ship

Castlemaine was docked at the BAE Systems shipyard, Williamstown, over the period 14-28 August 2015. While at BAE Systems the ship was dry docked in the Alfred Graving Dock and the hull was cleaned and painted.

When the opportunity came to assist with the docking, BAE Systems volunteered. The General Manager of BAE Systems Williamstown Operations Peter Leahy said "Even though our current environment is challenging, the team felt it was a great opportunity to give the ship a new lease on life so that she might continue her community service."

A visit to the ship is an interactive hands on experience for all the family.

Content: The Maritime Trust of Australia Inc

Address: Gem Pier, Syme Street, Williamstown, Victoria 3016



CENTENARY NAVY LEAGUE OF AUSTRALIA IN VICTORIA





Celebration of Centenary of NAVY LEAGUE in Victoria and to remember all those who over 100 years gave voluntary service to the Australian Community through the League



VADM Sir John Collins KBE Past President NLA Vic



Mr Justice Madden GCMG
Chief Justice of Victoria
Victorian Navy League Inaugural President 1915-18



VADM Sir William Creswell KCMG KBE Vice President Navy League in Victoria

VENUE: Box Hill RSL "Upton Room"

LOCATION: Nelson Rd. Box Hill 100 meters down from Whitehorse Rd. The "Upton Room" is located on lower level of complex accessible by the stairway in the Bistro area or by Lift in the Foyer to the lowest level of car

park turn right and proceed to north east corner for entrance to "Upton Room".

PARKING: RSL's own undergound car park is off Nelson Rd. Keep driving round and down until vacant car park

found. Car Park has two lifts both access ground floor level. If in doubt ask reception.

ADDRESS: Vice President Frank McCarthy "Highlights of a Century of service"

DATE: Saturday 14 November 2015

TIME: 6.30 for 7pm

DINNER: \$45 per head. Payment by cheque OR direct deposit to Westpac 033 389 Acct. No. 107631 Please add

your name when paying to Westpac...

DRESS: Smart casual

TRANSPORT: Trains, Buses and Trams service Box Hill

INQUIRIES: Box HILL RSL 9898 5992



BOOKING FORM

RSVP 1 November 2015

To

Navy League Victoria-Tasmania Division P.O.Box 2340 Mount Waverley 3149



NAVY LEAGUE VICTORIA CENTENARY celebration Dinner SATURDAY 14 November 2015 6.30 for 7pm

Please book. Seats at \$45 per head for Dinner. Payment attached /Paid by Direct Debit (Select)

Tel: Email: Address:

Navy Week "Geoffrey Evans" Trophy Race

The Navy League of Australia -VIC-TAS Division will, with the support of the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria, be holding its annual Navy Week "Geoffrey Evans" trophy race on Saturday 24 October at 1400. The race is open to yachties in Port Phillip.

- The RYCV "Geoffrey Evans" yacht race application is to be made direct to RYCV. They will advise the details.
- · The RYCV yachts generally offer to take on board one of the fifteen Naval Recruits or Trainees that FND send up for this Race. AN Cadets may also be involved.
 - The Navy League "Geoffrey Evans" Trophy is awarded to the first yacht across the line after handicaps are calculated.
- · In addition The Navy League of Australia Vic-Tas Division offers a prize to the skipper of the first yacht across the line carrying Navy or FND representative.
 - · Prizes are also given to the Navy/FND persons on board that yacht.
- The Navy League with the co-operation of the RYCV caterers provides a light luncheon and an after race BBQ for Naval race entrants who sail.
- The Senior naval Officer HMAS Cerberus will be invited to present the trophy to the winning yacht after the race. RA Navy yacht may join in the race.
 - The race has been held for the last 32 years.
- This race is one of the RYCV calendar events, and they handle the booking of their race entrants and can supply all necessary guidelines.

· RYCV Tel: 9397 1277

Email Address: <u>rycv@rycv.asn.au</u>
Website: http://rycv.com.au

Shrine Report by Executive Member Ken Crook

1. Education program

The Shrine's Education program is very popular. School groups, tourists, community groups and cruise ships took up a lot of the volunteer guides' time. School attendances are estimated to be approximately 80,000 children for the whole of 2015.

Retail centre

The Retail centre, which is now run by the Shrine, made a profit for the first time since it was opened with a new layout and greater range of goods. Profits go back into the education program.

2. Exhibitions and Events

 Humanity under fire – Saturday 24 October Will Dyson, War Artist Exhibition, East Gallery

Will Dyson's incisive political cartoons and his focus on the human face of the First World War can be seen in his lithographs, original cartoons and photographs in which he depicts friendships, hardships at the front and life behind the lines.

• Letters to Evie - Tuesday 24 November 5.30pm arrival for 6.00pm start

Letters to Evie is a theatrical reading of letters written to VAD nurse Evie Percy from the sailing of troopships from Melbourne in 1914 to the end of the war in 1918. This performance was compiled and edited by her granddaughter Penny Gutteridge, and is performed by Graeme Russell and Rachael Tidd.

• Curator Tour Sunday 18 October 12.30pm. Leader, Jean McAuslan

Join the Shrine's Director of Exhibitions and Collections, Jean McAuslan, and her team for a curator's talk and tour of the new Galleries of Remembrance. This talk will introduce visitors to some of the individual perspectives revealed within the galleries and consider our enduring efforts to keep our world stable and retain peace. Limited spaces available.

Watsons Pier Wednesday 9 December 12.30pm

Stan Watson was among the first ashore at Gallipoli on 25 April 1915, and survived the battle, fear and disease to build the pier at Anzac Cove from which so many men later escaped. He faced what seemed like an impossible mission: to get every man out alive. Join Joshua Funder the great grandson of Stan as he talks about his recently published book Watson's Pier which traces not just one man's journey, but the history of a nation.

3. Ceremonies

 HMAS LISMORE 2015 - Wednesday 21 October 10.30am Shrine Governor Cdr Terry Makings AM

The HMAS Lismore Association will be joined by Berwick Primary School for the commemorative service. This is part of the Shrine's ongoing 'Adopt an Ex-Service Organisation' program, interested schools can contact the Shrine for further information.

HMAS Lismore was a Bathurst class minesweeper that saw service during the Second World War. In October 2007 a plaque dedicated to HMAS Lismore was unveiled at the Shrine of Remembrance, since then an annual pilgrimage has been held to remember those who served on her.

- RAN Recruits visit Sunday 8 November 2015 at 10.00am
- Remembrance Day Wednesday 11 November 2015 at 10.30am

 The Service: from 10.30am, attended by the Governor of Victoria. One minute of silence will be observed at 11am. The Air Force Band will perform and there will be a RAAF flyover.
- HMAS Sydney Thursday 19 November 12pm in the Sanctuary
- The Corvette Association/HMAS Armidale Tuesday 1 December 10am
 The Corvette Association/HMAS Armidale will be joined by Star of the Sea School for
 the commemorative service. This is part of the Shrine's ongoing 'Adopt an Ex-Service
 Organisation' program,

Membership

Any person with an interest in maritime affairs, or who wishes to acquire an interest in, or knowledge of, maritime affairs and who wishes to support the objectives of the League, is invited to join.

OBJECTIVES

The principal objective of the Navy League of Australia is" The maintenance of the maritime well-being of the Nation" by:

- Keeping before the Australian people the fact that we are a maritime nation and that a strong Navy supported by maritime elements of the Air Force and Army and other Government Maritime agencies are indispensable elements of our national well-being and vital to the freedom of Australia.
- Promoting defence self-reliance by supporting maritime research, defence industry, Australian shipping, ship-building, port and transport infrastructure and off shore resource exploration and development.
- Promoting and encouraging the interest and training of youth in the sea.

ACTIVITIES

The Navy League of Australia works towards its objectives in a number of ways:

- By including in its membership leading representatives of the many elements which form the maritime community.
- Through soundly- based contributions by members to journals and newspapers, and other media comment.
- By publishing The Navy, a quarterly journal reporting on local and overseas maritime happenings, past, present, and projected.
- By organizing symposia, ship visits and various other functions of maritime interests throughout the years.
- By supporting Australian Navy Cadets, and assisting in the provision of training facilities.

Member participation is encouraged in all these activities.

POLICY

The policy of the League can be found at the back of *The Navy*.

Joining the League

To become a Member of The League, you do not need to have had any previous maritime experience. You merely need an interest in maritime affairs. Simply complete the Application Form below, and post it, together with your first annual subscription of \$35.00 (which includes the four quarterly editions of The Navy), to the Hon Secretary of the Division of the Navy League in the State in which you reside, the address of which are as follows:

Victorian Division: Queensland Division: South Australian Division: PO Box 3008, Unley, SA 5061. West Australian Division:

New South Wales Division: GPO Box 1719, Sydney, NSW 2001. PO Box 2340, Mt Waverley, Vic 3149, GPO Box 1481, Brisbane, QLD 4001. 3 Prosser Way, Myaree, WA 6154.

If you live in Tasmania, please post the form to the Hon Secretary of the Victorian Division. If you live in the Australian Capital Territory or the Northern Territory, please post the form to the Hon Secretary of the New South Wales or South Australian Division respectively,

Subscriptions are due on 1 July in each year, and your membership will be current to 30 June immediately following the date on which you join the League, except that if your first subscription is received during the period 1 April to 30 June in any year, your initial membership will be extended to 30 June in the following year.

THE NAVY LEAGUE OF AUSTRALIA



To: The Hon. Secretary The Navy League of Australia

I wish to join the Navy League of Australia, the objectives of which I support, and I enclose a remittance for \$35.00 (including \$3.18 GST) being my first annual subscription to 30 June next.

Name: [Mr] [Mrs] [Ms] [Rank] PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY Street Suburb State P/code Phone Mobile Email Signature

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