

President's Musings – August 2019

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! Thank you for the many messages of support during my recent health hiccup! Thank you to my friends who visited me in hospital and at home, and thank you to my scribe, our marvellous Marty, who not only visited me, but kept my friends up to date whilst I spent two weeks in three separate hospitals. I feel very humble and not a little blessed to possess such a large network of friends. Complete now with a Pacemaker I look forward to six weeks of twice weekly sessions of cardiac rehab. We enjoy an excellent health system and I am certainly testament to the manifold benefits it provides.

I very much appreciate my colleagues hosting our National President, David Michael in my absence. I am glad you got the opportunity to meet my friend David, and to hear his story. We belong to a marvellous national organisation, supporting our Navy and safe guarding our naval history.

At our August 26 meeting we will have NHS Membership forms to hand out for those who are much happier to renew membership the traditional way rather than navigate the web site. I personally have taken digital membership at \$30.00 per annum. If there is an article in the Review I particularly want to ponder or keep, I just print it off my computer. One such article in the latest Review was Walter's excellent piece on Matthew Flinders. I get the Three Headed Dog digitally as well and down load and print it off in colour to keep for posterity. I certainly understand you preferring to receive hard copy of both the Naval Historical Review and the Buzz. Printing and postage costs have certainly been on the rise and at \$45 per annum you receive a first class magazine and very newsy Buzz which represent good value for money. If you would like a renewal form sent to you, just give our Secretary, Rodney a call on 9702 8528 or 0466 983 313, and he will pop one in the post .

Roger Buxton has prepared an excellent address for August 26th meeting entitled 'Technology and the Battle of the Atlantic.' DON'T MISS IT!

Yours Aye!

Rex Williams

Guess who received a get well letter from our C of N???? (I'm going to frame it!)

Thank you Sir.