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Editorial



Invictus Games The Hague 2022

Postponement due to COVID and the cancellation of the final two training camps due to the QLD and NSW floods didn't dampen the spirits of the 32 current serving and former serving military personnel and over 100 of their family and friends which made up 'Team Australia'. The Games took place in The Hague, Netherlands from the 16 – 22 April 2022.

The team met in Sydney on the 12 April and attended a farewell reception which was hosted by the Governor General of Australia, His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd) and Mrs. Hurley at Admiralty House. His Excellency announced the Australian Flag Bearer, Peter Walter Brown, who resides in Hellyer, Tasmania. After leaving the Australian Army in 2002, Peter has forged a successful career in education. His Excellency inspired the team with a motivational speech and Mrs. Hurley entertained the guests singing the song 'Invictus'. It was a great way to start the Invictus pilgrimage and for the team to reconnect prior to their departure. The team was led by team captains Sergeant Shane Bramley and Corporal Sarah Petchell.

Chief of Defence Force General Angus Campbell, AO, DSC said, "the 32 competitors have served, or are serving, our nation as Australian Defence Force personnel. They have overcome significant challenges, demonstrated resilience and strength in the face of adversity. Competing in the games is a significant achievement and while we will witness the intensity as competitors challenge themselves, the biggest challenge for many is a personal one that requires discipline, fortitude, and commitment. I commend all of our competitors and wish them well for the Games."

The Invictus Games was born during the 2013 Warrior Games in the

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Events Calendar

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31 May – Victorian Aboriginal
Remembrance service

10 Jun – Recruit School graduation

19 Jun – N Class Destroyer service

30 Jun – HMAS Waterhen
Commemorative service

01 Jul – Recruit School Graduation

04 Jul – NAIDOC week Divisions

06 Jul – FESR Commemorative service

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USA, where HRH Prince Harry, The Duke of Sussex saw first-hand how the power of sport can help physically, psychologically, and socially those suffering from injuries and illness. He was inspired by his visit and the Invictus Games was born. The word 'invictus' means 'unconquered'. It embodies the fighting spirit of wounded, injured and sick service personnel and personifies what these tenacious men and women can achieve post injury. The Games harness the power of sport to inspire recovery, support rehabilitation and generate a wider understanding and respect for those who served their country.

Invictus Games, The Hague 2020, brought together more than 500 competitors from 20 nations including Australia to compete in a series of adaptive sports. Belgium and the Republic of Korea competed for the first time in this year's Invictus Games. Other countries included Canada, Denmark, Estonia, France, Georgia, Germany, Iraq, Italy, Jordan, the Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Ukraine, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Competitors participated in 10 adaptive sports including archery, athletics, indoor rowing, powerlifting, road cycling, sitting volleyball, swimming, wheelchair basketball and wheelchair rugby.

After two refuelling stops in Perth and the UAE, and just over 27 hours flying time, the RAAF KC30A aircraft landed in the Netherlands. The team travelled from Schiphol International Airport to The Hague where the team settled into their accommodation which was situated on the coast at the Marina.

Due to the length of time from the original date, the first two days were set aside for some of the competitors to have their disability re-categorised. This time was also used for the competitors to visit the venues in which they would compete. The games were held in the Zuiderpark which is a large open public park with walking tracks and picturesque lakes. The park was the home of Sportcampus Zuiderpark which had an outstanding athletics track and large indoor venue which was utilised for the seated volleyball, power rowing and powerlifting. The remainder of the venues were built for the games and included a huge portable stadium which was used for the opening and closing ceremonies as well as the wheelchair rugby and basketball. Also scattered throughout the park was the Competitors Home, which was an area that competitors and family and friends had their meals and were able to relax and mix with other nation competitors. There were also many displays and entertainment scattered throughout, so there was plenty of activities to keep everyone entertained and busy.

- Navy Indigenous youth graduate at HMAS Cairns
- New generation Remotely Operated Vehicles are being demonstrated at exercise Autonomous Warrior 22
- HMAS Parramatta departs Sydney for a Regional Presence Deployment
- Navy Celebrates International Day of Women in Maritime 2022
- Indo Pacific 2022 Highlights
- Indo Pacific 2022 - Day 1: AUKUS, Submarines and ASW
- Battle of the Coral Sea -- 80th anniversary
- Indo Pacific 2022 Walkthrough
- For Australia, if it matters, it's maritime
- The new Maritime Multi-Patterned Uniform
- Adult volunteers needed to bring out the best in ADF Cadets
- Indo Pacific 2022 - Q&A with CO HMAS Sydney, CMDR Andrew Hough
- Navy Indigenous youth graduate at HMAS Cairns
- Fond farewell for HMAS Maitland
- Supply critical to keeping ships at sea
- Discovery Channel Australia onboard HMAS Canberra - pulling a massive ship out into Sydney Harbour

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NEWS.....

The crew of HMAS Stalwart recently achieved a major milestone in the ship's short time in service when they successfully conducted the ship's first replenishment at sea. HMAS Parramatta was the receiving ship.

Papua New Guinea has received a new landing craft from Australia, just days after it commissioned its third Guardian class patrol boat, highlighting the ongoing modernisation of the Papua New Guinea Defence Force (PNGDF).

The games were officially opened on Saturday 16 April with a spectacular opening ceremony which was televised live throughout Europe. The night was an opportunity for nations to come together, to celebrate determination, honour and resilience. These games had been twice delayed, and the competitors weren't sure they would get here and yet there was Team Australia, entering the stadium to a rousing reception. Prince Harry, Patron of the Invictus Games and his wife Meghan both gave rousing speeches to an enthusiastic audience. The highlight of the evening would have to be the entrance of the Ukraine team. The stadium rose as one, as the team left the battlefield to participate in the games. It was the first time that many of the competitors had seen their families since Russia invaded their country. It was sad to know that one of their competitors had been killed and another captured and was a POW in Russia prior to the start of the games. The music, presentations and lighting were breathtaking as the games were officially opened.



Prince Harry, the Duke of Sussex, addresses the Invictus Games competitors at the Opening Ceremony.



Flag Bearer Peter Walter Brown in action Wheelchair Rugby.

As Monday came around, you could feel the excitement of Team Australia as they boarded the bus for the first day of competition. Day one saw the commencement of athletics, seated volleyball and archery. By the end of day one the team had performed admirably, and the first medals were won. Day two saw the continuation of

It appears China has put at least one other semi-submersible transport ship into service with the People's Liberation Army Navy, according to photos published by state media showing the ship transporting an amphibious hovercraft.

More than two years of lax oversight from leadership on one of the U.S. Navy's most powerful submarines ultimately led to the grounding of the attack boat on an uncharted, underwater seamount in the South China Sea.

About 40 new, innovative autonomous technologies are being tested and evaluated in the waters of Jervis Bay on Exercise Autonomous Warrior (AW22), which began last week.

The crew of HMAS Ararat rescued a Royal Solomon Islands Police Force (RSIPF) crew last Saturday after the police vessel was reported missing.

'Their faces light up: are you going to sea, mum?' When Warrant Officer Natasha McRoe first went to sea in the early 2000s, options to connect with her family from the ship were limited.

First Artwork of Hypersonic Missiles on Zumwalt-class Destroyers

A Chinese surveillance ship and a Russian surveillance ship made separate transits through Japan this week.

U.S. Navy, Royal Navy and Australian Defence Force military members are embarked aboard Military Sealift Command hospital ship USNS Mercy (T-AH 19) as part of the of Pacific Partnership 2022

athletics and the first round of wheelchair rugby as well as the first day of swimming. Day three our rowers took to the stadium and our wheelchair basketballers were able to get on the court for a solid training session and our wheelchair rugby team came away with a bronze medal beating France. Wheelchair basketball and powerlifting took centre stage on Thursday and the week finished off with a spectacular day of cycling on the Friday.



Competition is fierce in the Wheelchair Basketball.

It was hard to believe that Saturday had come around so quickly, and it was time for the closing ceremony. The closing ceremony was as spectacular as the opening with wonderful music, lighting, inspirational speeches, and plenty of stories were told. Throughout the week, a yellow bench was placed around the park for people to sit down and tell their stories. After viewing a presentation on the main screen which showed competitors telling their stories on the yellow bench, there wasn't a dry eye in the stadium. A week had come and gone, friendships were formed, and competitors, friends and family had the opportunity to tell their stories and meet so many wonderful people. If the Invictus Games is about healing, there were 500 competitors in a better space than a week earlier.

The Invictus Games isn't about medal tallies however, I can say that a lot of competitors beat their personal bests and the gold medal tally was considerably higher than Sydney in 2018. Due to the delay in The Hague games, the next Invictus Games will be held in Dusseldorf, Germany in September 2023. Well done Team Australia, you should all be so proud of yourselves and your achievements. You represented Australia well.

(PP22) mission team.

Swedish officials are requesting a larger U.S. naval presence in the Baltic Sea as part of the ongoing diplomatic push for Sweden and Finland to join NATO.

Leading Seaman Suamili Nanai has been selected in the Australian weightlifting team to compete at the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham, to be held from July 28-August 8.

All aboard! The Melbourne community was lucky enough to experience what life's like in the Australian Navy's newest Supply Class, Auxiliary Oiler Replenishment Ship as HMAS Stalwart III visited from her home port in Western Australia.

The crew of Armidale-class patrol boat HMAS Ararat conducted the final freedom of entry parade in the western Victorian town of Ararat on May 7, with the ship to be decommissioned in June.

The recent signing of a memorandum of cooperation between Australia and the US will lead to the establishment of an Indo-Pacific Health Security Alliance (IPHSA), providing a forum to facilitate civil-military cooperation in health in the Indo-Pacific.

Birdon has been awarded the contract to design and build the replacement for the brigantine Sail Training Ship (STS) Young Endeavour, which has been operated by the Royal Australian Navy for more than three decades providing youth development and sail training to Australian youth under The Young Endeavour Youth Scheme.



Gabriel Ramon in action in the shot put.



Lenny Redrose gold IHB1 class road race.



Matt Model celebrates gold in the rowing.

Commencing today, HMAS Creswell and the waters of Jervis Bay will be the scene of a simulated, next generation naval battlespace – Exercise Autonomous Warrior 2022 (AW22).

The Australian National Maritime Museum, in conjunction with long-term partner Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation (CSC) has launched an expansion of the museum's existing volunteer program, designed to engage Defence Force veterans.

A People's Liberation Army Navy (PLAN) intelligence ship is currently operating off the north-west shelf of Australia, the Australian Department of Defence said Friday.

The Australian government has revealed its plans to purchase 12 additional MH-60R Romeo maritime helicopters for the Royal Australian Navy (RAN).

During INDO PACIFIC 2022 several contenders emerged for the Royal Australian Navy's requirement for new Joint Support Ships (JSS). Under project SEA2200, Australia will domestically build two multipurpose auxiliary vessels, able to perform both sealift and replenishment operations, to replace HMAS Choules.

Australian sensor solutions provider Sentient Vision Systems has unveiled its AI-powered ViDAR surface solution at the Indo Pacific 2022 exhibition in Sydney, Australia, which aims to enable autonomous surface monitoring during day and night.



Prince Harry embraces Kerrie Tessier after her swim.



Sarah Petchell, Taryn Barber and Emilea Mysko celebrate medals in the weightlifting.



Stephen French shoots for Team Australia.

Raytheon Anschütz, a business of Raytheon Technologies, has signed a contract with BAE Systems Australia's maritime division for initial design work of an integrated navigation and bridge system for the Royal Australian Navy's Hunter class frigate program.

Tasmanian manufacturer, PFG, has launched its newest vessel in The Sentinel Range; an ultra-durable High-Density Polyethylene (HDPE) 11-metre tactical watercraft at Indo Pacific International Maritime Exposition 2022 in Sydney.

The future of maritime and naval technology was on display at the Indo Pacific Conference 2022 in Sydney this week.

Navy candidates from across Sydney and Wollongong were on the hunt for careers as maritime warfare officers this week as they took a cruise around Sydney Harbour on board Navy's Huon-class minehunter, HMAS Gascoyne.

Defence's new approach to sustaining the Navy's growing fleet was officially launched at the Sea Power 2022 conference this week.

Today is International Nurses Day and Defence is celebrating the extraordinary efforts of its nursing workforce, both serving and civilian.

This year's Exercise Kakadu is expected to be the largest international maritime engagement activity hosted by the Royal Australian Navy in its history.

Fifteen Australians interested in careers in the Navy learned more about the fleet's newest air warfare



Taryn Barbara 50m freestyle.

The Invictus Poem

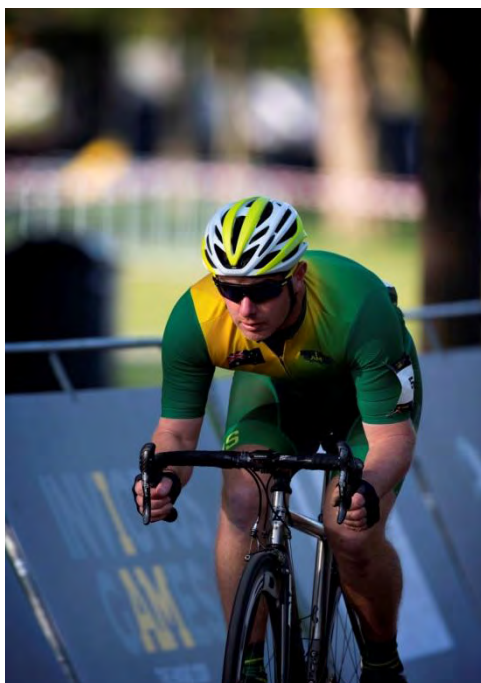
Out of the night that covers me,
Black as the Pit from pole to pole,
I thank whatever gods may be,
For my unconquerable soul.

In the fell clutch of circumstance,
I have not winced nor cried aloud,
Under the bludgeoning's of chance,
My head is bloody, but unbowed.

Beyond this place of wrath and tears,
Looms but the Horror of the shade,
And yet the menace of the years
Finds, and shall find, me unafraid.

It matters not how strait the gate,
How charged with punishments the scroll,
I am the master of my fate:
I am the captain of my soul.

Yours Aye!
NVN Team



Trent Forbes in action at the cycling.

destroyer, HMAS Sydney, as part of the Sea Power 2022 conference program this week.

Under the Patrol Boat Autonomy Trial (PBAT), announced at Indo Pacific 2022, HMAS Maitland will be overhauled to enable remote and autonomous operations. The Armidale-class ship was just decommissioned last week.

There will be much celebration of the Royal Australian Navy's achievements at this week's Indo-Pacific Sea Power Conference and maritime exposition. They are significant. But there are very dark clouds on the capability horizon.

Sea Power: Nations share common vision on Indo-Pacific security.

Australia's Defence leaders opened the Sea Power 2022 conference in Sydney on May 10, by outlining the importance of working with like-minded partners for a free, open and prosperous Indo-Pacific.

Tongan volcano: Navy officer recalls bravery in immediate aftermath of eruption.

Seaman Skye Kinchin is in her element at sea aboard HMAS Supply, with its mantra of One ship, many stories, and is creating her own Navy story.

A desire to broaden her skills in helping young people with acute mental health conditions has resulted in mid-north coast NSW school psychologist, Julie Storok, winning a prestigious Defence award.

Defence firm BAE Systems Australia has revealed that twelve firms from



If you know of any of our Navy family that has crossed the bar, please don't hesitate to [contact us](#). We will list their names in perpetuity on our special [Memorial Wall](#) on the website. If possible list their Rank, Name, Number, the date of their passing and their age.

- † RADM G.J.A. Bayliss, 24 May 2022. Aged 84.
- † CPOSV W.J. Thomas, R94331, 22 May 2022. Aged 74.
- † POEP R.W.G. Sell, R55137, 19 May 2022. Aged 80.
- † POQMG D.A. Kane, R53625, 16 May 2022. Aged 85.
- † CMDR B.G. Hill, A29102, 14 May 2022. Aged 94.
- † STOKER C.D. King, H2868, 08 May 2022. Aged 95.
- † SAP H.W. Woelke, R42811, 07 May 2022. Aged 74.
- † CPOWTR J.A. Murrells, R37170, 06 May 2022. Aged 90.
- † CPOCK R.H. Bacon, R36406, 06 May 2022. Aged 94.
- † LEUT K.D. Chilvers, R42164, 03 May 2022. Aged 80.
- † EA(Air)4 C.J. MacKenzie, R48166, 03 May 2022. Aged 89.
- † CPOETS D.J. Rosenberg, R/51658, 02 May 2022. Aged 84.
- † AB N.J. Briggs, PM4526, 23 April 2022. Aged 98.
- † LAMAE R.K. McDermott, R59144, 19 April 2022. Aged 86.
- † LME G.W. Harris, R52198, 03 April 2022. Aged 83.

Lest We Forget

OUR MAY NAVY HERO is:



Lieutenant Commander Kenneth Robert Hudspeth DSC and 2 Bars, RANVR

Lieutenant Commander Kenneth Robert Hudspeth, RANVR was one of many Royal Australian Naval personnel whose service in Royal Navy units during the darkest days of World War 2 has gone largely unnoticed in Australia. This story of the self-reliant and courageous LCDR Hudspeth who completed several hazardous missions in the then SECRET, X-Craft (midget submarine) earned him the Distinguished Service Cross

and two Bars.

Kenneth Hudspeth was born in Echuca, Victoria on the Murray River on 31 March 1918.

Following the outbreak of WWII, Kenneth offered his service to the Navy and was selected as a Sub Lieutenant RANVR. His first posting being to HMAS Cerberus for induction followed by HMAS Rushcutter to undertake Anti-Submarine warfare training in the newly established school commanded by CMDR Harvey Newcomb RN.

Hudspeth was promoted LEUT RANVR on 15th January 1943 and assigned for commanding officer duties in Midget Submarine "X-Craft". His first command was X-Craft X10.

Read his full biography on our website:
<https://navyvic.net/heroes/hudspeth.html>

Australia will be subcontracted to manufacture, assemble and supply thousands of valves for the first batch of three Royal Australian Navy's Hunter-class frigates.

Australia is involved in complex negotiations to ensure that its plan to acquire eight nuclear-powered submarines doesn't weaken the international non-proliferation regime.

Royal Australian Navy safely evacuated an unwell merchant mariner from the bulk carrier Sea Angel on May 4, about 200 nautical miles off the south-east coast of Victoria.

A record number of Defence industry businesses and international naval delegations will participate in the Indo Pacific 2022 International Maritime Exposition in Sydney this week.

The closure of the Suez Canal and disruption to the global supply chain following the beaching of the Ever Given in 2021 highlighted the importance of having a stable Indo-Pacific region, according to Chief of Navy Vice Admiral Michael Noonan.

Leading Seaman Jacob Marsden is putting his skills to the test with the Tickford Racing Supercars team, and was in the pits during the races held in Melbourne as part of this year's Formula 1 Australian Grand Prix program.

Anduril bets it can build 3 large autonomous subs for Aussies in 3 years,

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Voyage Dates

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V10/22	Brisbane to Gladstone	19 - 28 August	Apply Now
V11/22	Gladstone to Brisbane	6 - 15 September	Apply Now
V12/22	Brisbane to Sydney	24 September - 3 October	Apply Now
V13/22	Sydney to Melbourne	15 - 25 November	Apply Now
V14/22	Melbourne to Sydney	3 - 13 December	Apply Now
Future Voyages	2023 Voyage Wait List	2023	Join the Wait List

Nulka, an Australian-designed rocket that pretends to be a ship.

As a sailor with a desire to help his shipmates, Seaman Harrison "Harry" Cox was well-suited to life as a maritime personnel operator (MPO) during his first trip to sea aboard replenishment ship HMAS Supply.

Last week HMAS Hobart III sailed to the City of Melbourne for a port visit. The visit to Melbourne allowed the crew an opportunity to march in the city for Anzac Day and provided a respite period for the crew.

During a visit to HMAS Cerberus, Chief of Navy Australia and Warrant Officer of the Royal Australian Navy joined Mr Gary Ivory, nephew of Ordinary Seaman Edward (Teddy) Sheean, VC, in unveiling the main entrance to the base as 'Sheean Avenue'.

The commanding officer of the USS George Washington told his crew Thursday that the Navy will begin to move sailors off of the aircraft carrier following a string of suicides and complaints from service members about conditions aboard the ship, whose projected departure from the shipyards has been pushed back once again.

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