



# NVN News

*incorporating NCCV's newsletter Rogues' Yarn*

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## Editorial

**NVN current membership: 1097**

Some of you will be saying “Not before time” and I don’t think many would argue with you. It has been a long time coming – but will be worth it.

There is an article in the current Navy News as well for those who are interested in following the story of how HMAS Cerberus will be changing in the next 5 to 7 years.

### Project Overview

The Royal Australian Navy has operated at HMAS Cerberus since 1920. Located 75 kilometres from Melbourne, the site occupies over 1,500 hectares near Crib Point on Hanns Inlet, Western Port Bay in Victoria, as shown in the Figure below.

HMAS Cerberus is the Royal Australian Navy’s principle training establishment for naval personnel. The base includes training and recreational facilities, office and living-in accommodation, two chapels and a small marina. While HMAS Cerberus is primarily focused on Navy recruits, it also caters for Australian Defence Force personnel.

Approximately 980 uniformed, Defence, civilian and contracted staff work on the Cerberus base. In addition, there are approximately 6,000 training places per year across 300 courses, ranging in duration from one week to one year, and an average of 1,100 trainees at any one time throughout the year.

## Calendar Events

*(see calendar for details of all events)*

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**29 Sep** – AFL Grand Final Warm-Up – Richmond RSL

**07 Oct** – Daylight saving commences

**09 Oct** – Service in HMA ships Sydney, Jeparit and Boonaroo was accepted as 'war service' in the Vietnam War.

**20 Oct** – Defence Seminar

**21 Oct** – Seafarers Memorial Service at St Paul’s Cathedral

**21 Oct** – Navy Week Service at the Shrine

**22 Oct** – Naval Historical Society AGM

**26 Oct** – Navy Week Charity Golf Day

## Latest Videos and News Headlines

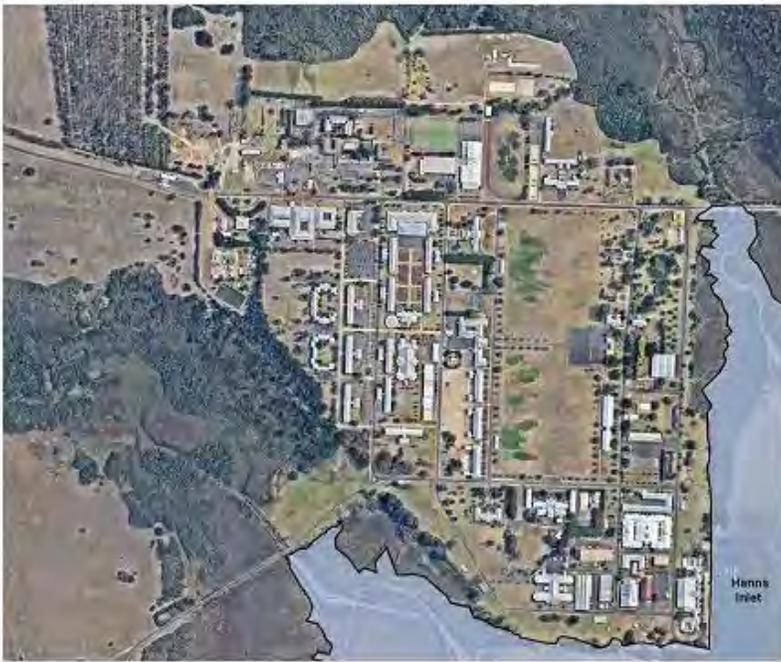
**NOTE: The full articles of the news items listed below can be found on our website:**

<http://navyvic.net/news/news.html>

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### LATEST VIDEOS.....

- *Kakadu 2018 comes to a close*
- *Cultural Evening on Exercise Kakadu*
- *Exercise KAKADU 2018 Preview*
- *Russia’s Pacific Fleet recently held a cruise-missile drill*
- *Navy FSU Technical Mastery Secondment Program - Navy Personnel*



The Department of Defence is planning a \$463.1m upgrade to training, support and accommodation facilities at Cerberus. The proposed redevelopment and upgrades are subject to Parliamentary approval.

**Proposed works include:**

- upgrading essential service infrastructure, including water, electrical, sewerage, stormwater, ICT and gas services
- constructing a new Logistics Precinct
- constructing a new School of Survivability and Ship Safety
- constructing a new Survival at Sea training facility
- refurbishing existing living-in accommodation
- refurbishing the Wardroom galley and replacing the Junior Sailors' galley
- refurbishing Engineering Training Faculty's facilities, construction of a new Electronic Technician / Training and new Marine Technician training buildings
- upgrading Maritime Logistics Schools and the Personnel Support program's facilities
- upgrading the Australian Defence Force Physical Training School, Fitness Facilities and Running Track and the Australian Defence Force Catering building
- demolishing dilapidated and redundant buildings

The redevelopment is proposed to take place in two phases. Phase One is expected to commence later this year and be completed by mid-2020 and Phase Two will run from mid-2022 to mid-2025.

A couple of the projects are:

- *Navy FSU Technical Mastery Secondment Program - Decision Makers*

**NEWS.....**

*A new plaque has been unveiled during a ceremony at HMAS Cerberus in memory of the late Mr David William Manning, a survivor of the sinking of HMAS Perth (I) in 1942 during the battle of Sunda Strait.*

*The Commanding Officer of HMAS Ballarat has praised the proficiency of his ship's company after the frigate was ordered to crash sail to reach two participants in a global sailing event whose yachts had been de-masted in the Indian Ocean south of Perth. Ballarat is now on her way back home.*

*VETERAN pension payments have increased in line with the biannual indexation process.*

*MORE than \$138,000 in funding will be shared amongst national ex-service organisations to assist them in improving their service delivery to veterans.*

*The Chief of Navy, Vice Admiral Mike Noonan, AO, RAN, says confirmation that Australian and US marine archaeologists have found the wreck of Captain Cook's ship HMB (His Majesty's Bark) Endeavour adds a significant page to Australia's maritime history.*

*Chinese influence in the South Pacific is growing. Through 'debt-trap diplomacy', Beijing is extending a spur off its Maritime Silk Road that runs across the South China Sea and into Papua New Guinea and the chain of South Pacific countries.*

*The once proud aircraft carrier Enterprise is now a financial burden on the Navy. Officials announced Monday that the Navy will fork over*

## New Logistics Precinct



Construct a new, purpose-built, logistics depot, with loading and hardstand areas. Existing functions to be accommodated include the Furniture Store, Bedding Store, Clothing Store (including the tailor), the Naval Store and the ICT Store. This will require relocation of the Estate Management and Operational Services (EMOS) Contractor workshop to a new location.

## New RAN School of Survivability and Ship Safety



A new training ground and support facility for Navy's School of Survivability and Ship Safety will be constructed. The proposed training ground facilities will include a simulator control building, one repair base, a mask test training facility and an associated four zone cleansing station, a gas-fired diesel fire-fighting simulator, a dynamic leak stop and repair simulator, a portable extinguisher practical training fire pit, a power tool training shelter and an undercover training shelter. Support facilities will include administration offices for staff, classrooms, amenities for staff and trainees and a workshop.

*an additional \$34 million to the Huntington Ingalls Newport News shipyard to keep mothballing the world's first nuclear carrier and prepare its hull for towing elsewhere.*

*Two hundred ex-Army Land Rovers will be made available to Returned and Services Leagues (RSL) for use on ANZAC Day and at other ceremonies according to Minister for Defence Personnel and Veteran's Affairs, Darren Chester at the Australian War Memorial today.*

*THE Government today acknowledged the release of two reports from the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.*

*Russian shipbuilder Admiralty Shipyards has launched the Russian Navy's second Project 677 (Lada-class) submarine 'Kronshtadt'.*

*A Japanese Oyashio-class submarine joined a number of other JMSDF units for an anti-submarine warfare (ASW) drill in the South China Sea last week.*

*On the 104th anniversary of the loss of Australia's first submarine HMAS AE1, a report released by the Australian National Maritime Museum today reveals new evidence which may finally solve the mystery behind its disappearance.*

*The U.S. surface Navy is moving rapidly toward buying a new large surface ship that will replace the aging cruisers, a ship that Navy leaders and experts say will need to be spacious to accommodate future upgrades and weapon systems.*

*There's a new wireless communication device, but it doesn't go in your ears. Instead, it goes on your teeth. Yes, your teeth.*

*The Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force (JMSDF) guided missile*

## Refurbish the Wardroom Galley and Junior Sailors Galley



New equipment will be installed in the Wardroom Galley as part of proposed refurbishment works to service the Officer's messing requirements. This would include upgrading the grease arrestor system.

Proposed works for the Junior Sailors Galley include constructing a new galley adjoining the existing Junior Sailors cafeteria. The existing galley area will be adaptively reused to accommodate some of the retail functions.

The proposed works will provide a new heavy vehicle loading and service area to separate pedestrian and vehicle traffic in the area.

### Demolish Redundant Facilities

In addition to the buildings proposed for demolition as part of each project element, the proposed works in this project element include demolition of the old redundant Naval Stores to replace it with 40 car parks.

Yours Aye!

NVN Team

## VALE

- † ABCK H.G. Cordy, R62252, 16 September 2018. Aged 72.
- † ME G.M. Clark, R65690, 14 September 2018. Aged 69.
- † POEWE B. Snodgrass, 10 September 2018. Aged 74.
- † LEUT C.F.E. Fargher, 04 September 2018. Aged 93.
- † LCDR G.R. Rohrsheim DSC RAN, 03 September 2018. Aged 86.
- † WOSY B.E. Spender, R59235, 03 September 2018. Aged 75.
- † SAP N.A. Irvine, 30 August 2018. Aged 75.
- † CPOSY K.P. Goodwin, R95557, 27 August 2018. Aged 67.
- † LCDR L. Doak RAN, 21 August 2018. Aged 59.
- † CPOCOX L. Kingston-Kerr, R55226, 21 August 2018. Aged 78.
- † POSTD M. Opassi, 22 July 2018. Aged 72.

**Lest We Forget**

*destroyer JS Atago (DDG-177) has successfully intercepted and destroyed a US ballistic missile in a test conducted off the coast of Kauai in Hawaii.*

*The redcoats are coming, the redcoats are coming — to fight at a bar near you. Watering holes everywhere in the vicinity of Naval Station Mayport experienced a major boon in business this week after British sailors from the Royal Navy's prized new carrier HMS Queen Elizabeth arrived in the northeast Florida port of Jacksonville Beach.*

*Royal Australian Navy's second Hobart-class air warfare destroyer NUSHIP Brisbane has arrived at her home base of Fleet Base East, Garden Island Sydney, for the first time.*

*The Navy's next-generation F-35 fighter jet reached an unwanted milestone last month when a carrier-based Lightning II suffered a major airborne mishap.*

*TODAY we celebrate the launch of the 56th year of the Story Writing and Art Competition, encouraging and highlighting the artistic talents of Victoria's ex-service community.*

*In a landmark decision Wednesday, the military's highest court ruled that the Navy's top lawyer, Vice Adm. James W. Crawford III, illegally meddled in the case of a SEAL accused of rape.*

*The guided-missile destroyer USS Jason Dunham (DDG 109) seized an illicit weapons shipment of 2,521 AK-47 automatic rifles*

**Note: VALE Notices**

If you know of any of our Navy family that has crossed the bar, please don't hesitate to let us know ([webmaster@navyvic.net](mailto:webmaster@navyvic.net)). We would like to list their names in perpetuity on our special 'Vale' wall on the website. If possible list their **Rank, Name, Number, the date of their passing and their age.**

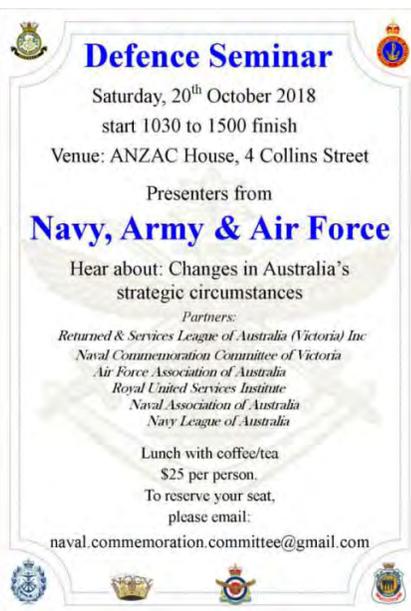


**SEAFARERS' MEMORIAL SERVICE**

The 111<sup>th</sup> Service will be held at **St Paul's Cathedral** **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2018** commencing at **10.30 am**

**Please diarise this important event.**

*Commemorating the end of World War 1*



**Defence Seminar**

Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> October 2018  
start 1030 to 1500 finish  
Venue: ANZAC House, 4 Collins Street

Presenters from  
**Navy, Army & Air Force**

Hear about: Changes in Australia's strategic circumstances

Partners:  
Returned & Services League of Australia (Victoria) Inc  
Naval Commemoration Committee of Victoria  
Air Force Association of Australia  
Royal United Services Institute  
Naval Association of Australia  
Navy League of Australia

Lunch with coffee/tea  
\$25 per person.  
To reserve your seat, please email:  
[naval.commemoration.committee@gmail.com](mailto:naval.commemoration.committee@gmail.com)



**LEGACY** Mornington Peninsula Legacy Club

**HMAS Cerberus Charity Golf Day**

**Friday 26th October 2018**

Mornington Golf Club  
Tallis Drive, Mornington

**Entry \$50.00 per player**  
Includes: Breakfast on arrival  
BBQ Lunch on completion  
and

Multiple raffle spins all-inclusive in entry fee  
Raffle Spins included in entry fee no other tickets for individual sale.

[Download full details and entry form.....](#)

**Remembering HMAS Armidale Association - Invites you to the HMAS Armidale 80th Memorial**

1st December 2022

Armidale NSW

Calling all relatives and/or friends of the HMAS Armidale. We want to gather together in four years time to celebrate the 80th Anniversary of the sinking. [Download the full details.....](#)

**Naval Commemoration Committee of Victoria's newsletter, "Rogues' Yarn" is attached below**



*aboard a stateless skiff in the international waters of the Gulf of Aden.*

*The Federal and State Ministers for Veterans' Affairs Darren Chester and Guy Barnett today unveiled 33 headstones and plaques for World War One Veterans buried at Cornelian Bay cemetery.*

*Japan's Defense Ministry is seeking to more than double spending on missile defense, including purchases of costly American arsenals, to defend against North Korean threats.*

*With the close of the Navy's first Fat Leonard court-martial trial, the defendant is going to the brig but he escaped the most serious charges and potentially jeopardized future federal fraud cases against a string of past and present sailors.*

*The Navy's ability to effectively train its men and women has been given a major boost with an expansion and upgrade of its fleet of simulation trainers.*

**FlyBy** – A periodical of the Fleet Air Arm Association of Australia. [September issue.....](#)

**Naval Historical Society of Australia (Vic) President's September musings** – [download.....](#)

**Navy League of Australia(Vic-Tas Div) September newsletter** [download.....](#)

Visit our [website](#) for more news articles not included in this newsletter.



# Naval Commemoration Committee of Victoria

## ROGUES' YARN

1. *TPI Service, 1030 Wednesday 10OCT18, Visitor Centre, Shrine of Remembrance*
2. *RAN Recruit Emms Division, 1000, Sunday 14OCT18, Sanctuary, Shrine of Remembrance*
3. *HMAS Lismore, 1100, Friday 19OCT18, Sanctuary, Shrine of Remembrance*

## Promoting Navy in Victoria

**Warship in Town.** HMAS *Warramunga* will be alongside Station pier during the first weekend of Navy Week Victoria, arriving Friday, 19OCT18. The ship will be open to the public, look for notices in our website. Make the Ship's company welcome.

**Creswell.** A plaque will be dedicated and fixed to the grave stone of Admiral Creswell at 1100, Friday 19OCT18. **Reception.** A reception aboard HMAS



*Warramunga* on the evening of the day of arrival will assist Navy Victoria connect with the State, Business and ex-Service community.

**Defence Seminar.** A seminar has been arranged in partnership with: Royal United Services Institute of Victoria, Returned & Services League of Australia, Navy League of Australia, Air Force Association and Naval Association of Australia. Lead presenter will be Rear Admiral James Goldrick, AO, CSC RAN Rtd. A naval historian, author, analyst of contemporary naval and maritime affairs. The Admiral holds the position of fellow at the Sea Power Centre. Other senior officers from the Australian Army and Royal Air Force will present. Presenters will touch on the methodology behind compiling the Defence White Paper and decisions to implement the White Paper. The seminar will be on Saturday 20OCT18 commencing at 1030 to 1500. Venue is ANZAC House, 4 Collins Street, cost \$25/person. Reserve a place by emailing NCCV, address below.

**CMDR Geoffrey Evans Trophy.** The Geoffrey Evans Yacht Race will be on Saturday 20OCT18. Sponsored by Navy League of Australia, a number of HMAS *Cerberus* sailors will share in the fun by crewing during the race. The winning yacht will be presented with the Geoffrey Evans perpetual trophy.

**Trafalger Dinner.** The Naval Officers Club has arranged a black tie dinner at the Melbourne Club, Saturday, 20OCT18. Members & guests are encouraged to attend. Many of today's service men and women may not know about Lord Nelson and his exploits, however, many Navy traditions stem from the Royal Navy and the Battle of Trafalgar. The oration will be delivered by CDRE Greg Yorke CSC RANR, Senior Naval Officer (Victoria).



**Seafarers.** The annual Seafarers Church Service at 1030, Sunday 21OCT18 at St Paul's Cathedral. This service has been held every year since 1907 on the Sunday closest to Trafalgar Day. A service that reflects on the sacrifice of all Mariners. This year there will be an emphasis on the centennial of signing the Armistice ending WWI in 1918. A Colour Party provided by HMAS *Cerberus* will present the Australian White Ensign. This is also a major event on the Australian Naval Cadet calendar, a Cadet Flag Party will carry a large number of Shipping company house flags. The Guest of Honour will be CDRE Greg Yorke, he will place a wreath at the Alter, a tribute to the Mariners who have made the supreme sacrifice. CAPT Mike Oborn CSM RAN Commanding Officer HMAS *Cerberus* and CMDR Luke Ryan RAN Commanding Officer HMAS *Warramunga* will also attend. We look forward to you attending as well.

**Golf Tournament.** On Friday, 27OCT18 there will be a golf tournament at the Mornington Golf Course. For \$50 you get breakfast and a day of golf with prizes for your success. Surplus from all proceeds will support the work of Legacy. For more information go to our navyvic.net website.

# Springvale

The Annual Returned and Services League of Australia, Victoria State Branch Remembrance Service is scheduled for 1300 on Sunday, 4NOV18. Location of the service is Springvale War Cemetery, within the grounds of the Springvale Botanical Cemetery, Princes Highway, Springvale. This service is an opportunity for all Ex-service Organisations, particularly Ship and Branch Associations to join together for the purpose of remembering past service and sacrifice. In this centennial year of the Armistice of the First World War, it is particularly important that we reflect on the sacrifice endured by virtually all Victoria people throughout WWI. Whilst this service may take approximately one and a half hours, a small price to pay when thinking of the hardships and grief suffered by the population of Victoria during WWI and for decades after the Armistice. Please distribute this information to your shipmates so that they may give thought to attending and paying their respects on behalf of their own ancestors who would have endured the hardships at the time, no matter what side they were on - it was a very unpleasant experience for all.



## Navy Victoria Network

The NavyVIC website is there for all to see, in particular it is for Ship Associations to provide information on their activities to the wider Navy Community.

This is an opportunity for all ship/branch associations to broaden their horizons, go to [navyvic.net](http://navyvic.net)

## Disclaimer

Articles are the Authors thoughts, although may be edited due to space available. No political comments included.

## Melbourne Naval Committee

MNC provides funds to support welfare. A venue is available at Mission to Seafarers for like-minded groups, *no cost*. Email MtS [daria.wray@missiontoseafarers.com.au](mailto:daria.wray@missiontoseafarers.com.au) or [sue.dight@missiontoseafarers.com.au](mailto:sue.dight@missiontoseafarers.com.au) to make a booking.

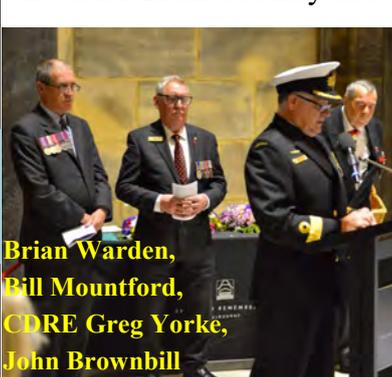
# Merchant

We often forget that a primary role of any militarised Navy is to protect the Merchant Navy, their men and ships. The Merchant Navy men suffered significant losses during WWI and WW2, for instance during the Battle of the Atlantic some 30,000 Merchant Navy men & women were lost at sea. Imagine the constant threat of air raids and being torpedoed by a submarine. A commemoration service was held on 3SEP18 in the Sanctuary to remember losses and reflect on the service of so many Shipmates no longer with us. Some of those at the service, LrR: Ian French Master Mariner (MM), John Mansfield, Ken Shewan, Nigel Porteous MM, Rev. Onofre Punay Port Chaplain, Peter Verani MM, Maggie More - Shrine Governor, Don Hossack and Paul Lacey.



# Bitia Paka

The Battle of Bitia Paka Service was held in the Sanctuary, Shrine of Remembrance on Tuesday, 11SEP18. MC was Bill Mountford with Chaplain John Brownbill officiating. CDRE Greg Yorke CSC RANR, Senior Naval Officer (Victoria) delivered the address and laid a wreath on behalf of the RAN. Ken Coughlan and Ms Primmy Bright, represented descendents of AB Billy Williams and CAPT Brian Pockley laid a wreath. Bob Ross,



**Brian Warden,  
Bill Mountford,  
CDRE Greg Yorke,  
John Brownbill**

President Darebin RSL recited the Ode. A Catafalque Party from HMAS Cerberus provided ceremonial duties. ABMUS Dorian Broomhall sounded the Last Post and Reveille. Part two of the service took

place at the Rabaul (Bitia Paka) dedicated tree. The ACAU Flag Party carrying the Australian White Ensign, Australian National Flag, Royal Australian Air Force Flag and the RSL flag paraded in the Sanctuary and then proceeded to the Rabaul tree. Wreaths were laid at the Rabaul tree by MAG Paul Gillman, MAJ Rob Cherry, Bob Cross & Terry Makings. Over 500 sailors from Victoria participated in Bitia Paka, they need to be encouraged to support this service.



**Ken Coughlan, Primmy Bright and Catafalque Party**

**CDRE Greg Yorke at the Stone of Remembrance**

# Engineer Harry Broomhead

A service at the graveside of Commissioned Engineer Harry Broomhead DSM RAN will be held at 1100, Sunday 4NOV18 at the Burwood Cemetery, Melbourne. Harry Broomhead entered the RN on 12OCT 1898 for a 12 year engagement as Engine Room Artificer 4th Class, a direct entry Artificer. With training courses, he served in several Cruisers before moving to submarines in 1906. The RAN submarine service started in 1913, Harry was posted to *AE2* in Barrow-in-Furness upon request and formally loaned to the RAN in March 1914 on *AE2*'s commissioning. Both *AE1* and 2, escorted & towed by *HMS Eclipse* travelled to Australia. *AE2* lost a propeller on two occasions during the voyage. The first real test of the submarines was the Battle of Bitia Paka, capturing a German radio station at Rabaul. It was during this conflict when *AE1* was lost with her entire crew. After Bitia Paka, *AE2* was despatched to England, only to be diverted to the Dardenelles. The crew of *AE2* was captured by the Turks when the submarine was severely damaged on 30APR15. For the remainder of WWI, the *AE2* crew were kept in work camps. Harry Broomhead was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal (DSM) for his WWI effort. As a POW Harry suffered severely, he and his men who were employed by the Turks on the Berlin to Baghdad railway. At the end of the war he weighed less than 40 kilograms, he

was very lucky to survive. In 1919, this time with his wife Florence, he returned to Australia on transfer to the Royal Australian Navy. Despite his war time experiences, Harry Broomhead forged ahead and was promoted to Warrant Officer Engineer, later to become commissioned Engineer. Harry served with distinction in the RAN until his retirement in 1936. His wife Florence had predeceased him when Harry Broomhead passed away in 1942, his family did not arrange for a headstone on his grave. For unknown reasons, Harry Broomhead's remains have gone unnoticed in an unmarked grave since that day in 1942. The Submarine Association of Australia became aware of this and in early 2018, Veterans' Affairs were requested to erect a headstone on his grave site. With Ministerial approval, work started and recently completed. A service is arranged for the 4NOV18 to dedicate the new headstone. This simple service will remember the courageous effort and life of one of Australia's first Submariners, Engineer Harry Broomhead. Also remembered will be his Shipmates who served in HMAS *AE2*'s crew, as POWs in Turkey until days after signing of the Armistice on 30OCT18.

*May we be worthy of their sacrifice!*

CHAP Grant Ludlow will officiate on the day, several official invitations will be forwarded in the coming days. After the service those attending will relocate back to the St Kilda RSL.



## Submariners

A service, arranged by the Submariners Association to commemorate the service and sacrifice of Submariners was conducted in the Sanctuary, on Sunday 16SEP18. There are milestone events that highlight the extraordinary contribution made by Submariners to Australia's Defence, none more apparent than the disappearance of HMAS *AE1* with all 35 members of the Ship's Company on 14SEP1918 and the scuttling of HMAS *AE2* on 30APR1918. Several days before, *AE2* had successfully made its way through the Dardanelles to the Sea of Marmara. Keith Hatfield SAA President delivered the address and CDRE Greg Yorke CSC RANR SNO(V) laid a wreath at the



Stone of Remembrance on behalf of the RAN. Left- HMAS *Cerberus* Catafalque Party at the Stone of Remembrance with Veterans & family observing proceedings. Submariners need to be alerted to services.



## Shipmates

As each day passes, it becomes more apparent that the likelihood of established Ship/Branch Associations surviving into the future is dubious. Whilst there are a few groups that are quite viable with good leadership and strong membership the general situation is poor. The challenge is two fold, demonstrating relevance to younger Veterans and encouraging descendants to join the ranks for the purpose of commemoration. Relevance applies at different levels, the needs of young Veterans is not readily defined by traditional Service organisations. Many organisations are bound by past practice and/or rules, only to apply these in a manner that resists change. This approach by many hampers any opportunity for progress. This regressive approach is compounded by Office Bearers remaining in positions of influence for far too long. The concept of quarantining membership to a specific event, or theatre of action is also pivotal and has the potential to minimise the viability of the group. The notion of continuing the concept of shipmates is possible by joining the Naval Association of Australia, but again - get involved so that the 'Old Guard' respect your view and make accommodations as necessary

# Special Notes

**Pre-Navy Week Function.** A pre-Navy Week wreath laying service will be held at Dandenong RSL at 1100, Sunday 7OCT18. The guest speaker will be Commodore Greg Yorke CSC RANR, Senior Naval Officer (Victoria). Please wear medals. The service will be followed by a two-course luncheon in the RSL main lounge @ \$30/person. If you wish to book, please notify the RSL office secretary at [reception@nobleparkrsl.com.au](mailto:reception@nobleparkrsl.com.au) or ring Penny on 9548 3750. Tickets must be pre-paid with RSVP by Friday 28th September 2018. For further information ring Norm Hansen, President Dandenong Sub-section on 0407305390 or email Norm at [nha27322@bigpond.net.au](mailto:nha27322@bigpond.net.au)

**Tradies.** A warning that MOBIs, Mechanics and DETs will be gathering at 1130, Wednesday 5DEC18 at Fremantle Sailing Club, 151 Marine Parade, FREMANTLE. Security is slack enough to allow non-Techo's to join them, along with partners! A payment of \$90 per person will secure your place. Advise of your payment and special dietary or other requirements by emailing to [bandi@inet.net.au](mailto:bandi@inet.net.au) All payments to:

Australian Military Bank; BSB: 642170; Account # 100270562; Account Name: *Navy Tradesmen WA*. Your name will appear on the list, you will need to advise incorrect spelling as it will be the name that will appear on your name tag. Hopefully the organising committee can get names etc right before the day. A very well known Committee comprising: Bob Mummery, Mick Brain, Frank Morrah, David House and Geoff O'Callaghan.

**Get Together.** CAPT Mike Oborn, CO HMAS Cerberus, with CDRE Greg Yorke, Senior Naval Officer (Victoria) invited a number of representatives of the ex-Navy fraternity to Cerberus for the purpose of discussing Navy's enthusiasm to broaden their support within Victoria. A very welcomed approach to ceremonial and other support at a time of major change at HMAS Cerberus. Those present appreciated the opportunity and look forward to a bright future. First up is the visit by HMAS Choules over weekend of 28/30 SEP, followed by HMAS Warramunga arriving on 19OCT - 22OCT.

**Navy Week 2018.** Have you diarised the Seminar at ANZAC House and Seafarers at St Paul's?

*Once Navy, always Navy!*



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## President's dit

Navy week is fast approaching Melburnians. A few events to be considered, the list of events noted earlier in this paper. Navy Week is not the big feature it was a couple of decades ago, the only way it will become a feature of the Navy fraternity again is if we support events. Not all events will appeal to everyone, however, we hope you will give at least one event a go. If you think there is an opportunity for your organisation to contribute, then all you need do is make the suggestion. Initially, the basic premise is that we need to take advantage of the Defence Seminar to update ourselves on what is happening today and what we can look forward to. The ship visit is a rare feature and needs our participation to demonstrate Victorians are not asleep at the wheel. If you wish to take advantage of the opportunity to visit HMAS Warramunga, make contact with your ship association, NAA or NCCV to secure your spot. Finally, if you have served in the RAN, why aren't you a member of the Naval Association of Australia? Membership of the NAA gives Navy a voice in the wider community. Remember DVA entitlements did not happen by accident!

*Yours aye, Terry Makings*