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LESS WE FORGET :

"TO PROMOTE ESPERIT DE CORPS AMONGST ALL  
MEMBERS OF THE ANTI-SUBMARINE WARFARE  
INSTRUCTORS ASSOCIATION WHEREVER THEY  
MAY SERVE"

ANON



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## CHAIRMAN'S LETTER

Dear Members,

As we go to print, it is confirmed that the Annual General Meeting of the Association will take place in the Conference Room HMS VERNON at 0900 on Friday 6 May 1983. It is intended that the meeting will be opened by our President the Captain of HMS VERNON after which there will be a number of 'Topical' presentations on ASW. After the more formal business we will convene for purely Association matters before retiring to the WO&CPOs' Mess to host our guest the Captain of SMOPS - Captain BARNDEN. Liquid refreshment and light snacks will be provided. That is the skeletal plan at the moment. A formal agenda will be published in due course. It will be nice to see as many as possible attending.

As you can see from the Committee Meeting Review later on in this journal it has been decided that a formal dinner will now take place in October of this year. The details of this event will be promulgated in the Summer issue of the Seamaster.

On the question of subscription to the Association, these have been coming in very regularly but there are still some 50% of you who have not formally joined the Association. It is with regret gentlemen that as from 6 May those who are not fully paid up will no longer be considered as members.

It has been very nice recently to hear from so many of our ex-serving members, Alan QUARTERMAIN, Ron LINN and Eric BOWERS to name a few. Their interest in a healthy Association is reassuring. Also thanks to those who have provided material for this journal, it is an indication of our worth as ASWIs if we can use this publication as an open forum, within Service guidelines of course.

There is still not as many purely TAS articles in the journal as I would like yet so would those on the various staffs or sections promise yourself you will write something next time, it will help us greatly. Lastly if you are in the area why not pop in and have a yarn, you will always be welcome to air any thoughts you may have on the Association.

Yours Aye  
Don ANDERSON

## DIGITAL ANTI-SUBMARINE WEAPON CONTROL SECTION (DASWCS) 71-83

The aim of this article is to explain the history behind the section. How the name of 'DASWC' was obtained and to generally give an insight into section manning and responsibilities and types of courses instructed.

Based in HMS VERNON where it was known as the IKARA SECTION. Originally it consisted of one x Lieutenant and one x CPO, the job at that time covered only the RN IKARA/ADAWS package ie documentation and instruction. Discovering the availability of men being drafted from sea with the necessary experience of the systems the workload of the section was increased to include STWS1 and CAAIS AIO.

Having settled for the increased workload, the section plodded on until the hierarchy decided MATCH should also be taught by the section as it was also a Stand Off weapon system. Consequently an unknown CPO was whisked from the Sonar Section to join this thriving department. The overall aim was to have all the Stand Off weapon systems taught by one section.

The section continued along these lines for some time until in 1977 a major move was promulgated. This was to bring the TAS/SONAR branch in line with the rest of the operations branch.

The section began in HMS DRYAD in the same situation that it can be found in today. With the introduction of newer and more complicated systems, the workload and the responsibilities have increased enormously.

The subjects at present taught include ADAWS/CAAIS AIO systems, RN IKARA, MATCH STWS1/2, MORTAR Mk 10, Command and Control, NATO ASW Weapons Torpedoes. Students range from Wrn (R) basic to CO Desig, taking in PWOs PO(S), PO(R) LS(EW), LS(S), PO(EW), WE, Acquaints and Naval Guided Weapons Cse (Civilian) not to mention the occasional visit. The updating and rewriting of Publications on the various weapons and systems are also an added responsibility. The section Tree was compiled with the assistance and "Long Standing" knowledge of Tony WALTON (see over). Any queries reference the above contact HMS DRYAD Ext 383.

Paddy K

DASWC SYSTEMS AND PERSONNEL SINCE 1971-1983

|      | <u>DASWCO</u>  | <u>ADAWS</u>      | <u>STWS1</u>   | <u>STWS2</u>  | <u>IKARA</u>         |
|------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------------|
| 1971 | Lt Cdr LUNN    |                   |                |               | PO MOULSON           |
| 1972 | Lt KNOTT       |                   |                |               | CPO HARTLEY          |
| 1973 |                |                   |                |               | CPO SWANN            |
| 1974 |                |                   | CPO WALTON     |               | CPO HARTLEY          |
| 1975 |                |                   |                |               | CPO WALTON           |
| 1976 |                |                   |                |               |                      |
| 1977 |                | MOVE TO HMS DRYAD |                |               |                      |
| 1977 | Lt Cdr DEVINE  | CPO CHETWOOD      | CPO WALTON     |               | CPO CHETWOOD         |
| 1978 | Lt Cdr GARDNER |                   |                |               |                      |
| 1979 | Lt Cdr McKAY   |                   |                |               |                      |
| 1980 | Lt Cdr BENDALL | CPO CHETWOOD      | CPO WALTON     |               | CPO CHETWOOD         |
| 1981 |                | CPO CHETWOOD      |                |               | CPO CHETWOOD         |
| 1982 | Lt Cdr BENDALL | CPO KENNEDY       | CPO WALTON     |               | CPO WALTON           |
| 1983 | Lt Cdr CODNER  |                   |                |               | CPO KENNEDY          |
|      | <u>CAAIS</u>   | <u>MATCH</u>      | <u>MORTARS</u> | <u>Mk 44</u>  | <u>Mk 46</u>         |
| 1974 |                |                   |                |               |                      |
| 1975 |                | CPO ENNIS         |                |               |                      |
| 1976 |                | CPO LONG          |                |               |                      |
| 1977 | CPO WALTON     | CPO LONG          | CPO CHETWOOD   |               |                      |
| 1978 | CPO LONG       |                   |                |               |                      |
| 1979 |                |                   |                |               |                      |
| 1980 | CPO LONG       | CPO HITCHCOCK     | CPO CHETWOOD   | CPO WALTON    | CPO CHETWOOD         |
|      |                |                   |                | CPO HITCHCOCK |                      |
|      |                |                   |                |               | CPO WALTON/CPO KNOTT |

STINGRAY

DASWC SYSTEMS AND PERSONNEL SINCE 1971-1983 (CONTINUED)

|      | <u>CAAIS</u>   | <u>MATCH</u>   | <u>MORTARS</u> | <u>Mk 44</u> | <u>Mk 46</u> | <u>STINGRAY</u> |
|------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 1981 | CPO HITCHCOCK  | CPO KENNEDY    |                |              |              |                 |
| 1982 | CPO O'SULLIVAN | CPO O'SULLIVAN | CPO BASS       | CPO KENNEDY  | CPO KENNEDY  | CPO WALTON      |

IN ADDITION

All instructors have a general knowledge of all UK and NATO ASW weapons.

## SUGGESTIONS ANSWERED

1. "I would like to suggest a retired member be allowed in an Honorary capacity to be on the Committee. In fact I would like a more active retired membership."
2. "A list of retired members."

P R FAIR (Ex TASI)

## ANSWER

1. I have spoken to one or 2 of the Committee and no-one seems to have any objections to an ex serving member attending meetings, in fact it would be welcomed. However we do at the present time hold meetings mid week during working hours which might make things awkward. If you would like to volunteer yourself why not give me a ring (HMS VERNON 24815). I agree entirely, we should have a more active retired membership. Let us hope this will quickly re-establish itself through the medium of the Seamounter.
2. Done! Will be a regular feature in the future.

Yours Aye  
Don ANDERSON

"Just a quick one, could you please put the annual subscription page, postal suggestion page and any other 'need to pull out page' in the centre of the Seamounter otherwise pulling out pages could spoil a worthwhile keepsake."

Ray NEWELL PO(S)

## ANSWER

Why didn't I think of that! Done.

"Suggest the annual 'Do' be held in the Mess in HMS VERNON."

A QUARTMAINE

## ANSWER

This is what we are planning for Alan.

## ALL OUR YESTERYEARS

An extract from Seamounters over the last 25 years.

## THE TASIS LAMENT

The wonderful love of a tender Maid,  
and the love of a staunch true man.

And the love of a baby unafraid,  
have existed since time began.

But the greatest love, the love of loves,  
even greater than that of a mother.

Is the infinite, passionate, tender love,  
of one DRUNKEN TASI for another.

1975

## EDITOR'S NOTE

In order to make your 'Seamounter' the most successful it has ever been, I do need your contributions. What is happening on your ship, not only TAS-wise, but anything interesting we would like to know about. Any amusing stories, jokes etc all go towards a super magazine. Please make your letters neat and clear so that I do not lose anything in the translation. Also your name and address on all letters for publication.

1972

As was, is still the case.

## THE FIRST SELECTED FLEET CHIEFS

May we first congratulate those of you who have been selected for promotion to the new rank of Fleet Chief Petty Officer, and secondly FCPO J K ASHTON awarded the BEM.

|                   |             |
|-------------------|-------------|
| FCPO J K ASHTON   | Portland    |
| FCPO W T HANNEMAN | Lochinvar   |
| FCPO A R HUNT     | HMS DOLPHIN |
| FCPO A D LOMAS    | HMS RALEIGH |
| FCPO D MANDERS    | HMS VERNON  |
| FCPO W T NEAL     | F2 Portland |
| FCPO D W PEARCE   | HMS VERNON  |

1971

#### EXCERPT FROM NEW DRESS REGULATIONS

In the future Gunnery Instructors caps will have 2 peaks, one at the front and one at the back. This will enable them to salute in 2 directions at the same time: two way mirrors will be issued on request.

1971

#### BITS AND PIECES

1. Congratulations to CPO(OPS)(S) Wally WALTON on being recognised by a HERBERT LOTT award for designing a STWS template. Well done Wally, don't spend it all at once.
2. Watch out for amendment number one to BR 4023, it should be issued in a month or 2. If you haven't received your revised BR 4023 dated July 1982 you will need to chase it. Thanks largely to the Naval Staff Author (ASW) in HMS VERNON Lt Cdr McGEOWN (ex TASI) this publication is now up to date and contains much new information.
3. The revised Task Book One has now arrived from the printers and will be issued to all Seaman Sonar classes before leaving HMS VERNON. The main addition to this TB is sonar type 2031.
4. The rewritten Task Book 2 should be ready soon for issue by early April and the rewritten Task Book 3 by early June. Both these TBs have been extensively rewritten and reflect streaming of sonar ratings between Active and Passive Systems. The scope of content for examiners at PE boards has been widened and new subjects included. Watch out for a FTM in a month or 2 which will give details on the changeover of trainees to the new Task Books. It will be to everyone's advantage to get going on the new books as soon as possible. It is hoped that an initial issue of one per ship will be sent out for your perusal.
5. The Fleet ASW Meeting takes place at the Maritime Tactical School HMS DRYAD at 0900 15 April 1983. Look out for the FTM for those who may attend.
6. Don't forget to pass your Seamaster on to your PWO(U) for him to read.
7. The new ASWI sweaters are selling almost as quickly as the order is passed, get your order in now.
8. Come and have a drink with other instructors in the POs' Mess HMS VERNON at 1200 on 9 March 1983. If you are in Portsmouth please come along.

9. The date of the AGM of the Association will take place in HMS VERNON at 0900 Friday 6 May 1983. Don't forget to put it in your diary now, we have a lot to talk about this year.

10. ASUAT 8 (2016) trainer is now in position in HMS VERNON and is being set to work. It will be commissioned into service by COMCLYDE on 4 May 1983.

#### EARLY DETECTION MAKES SOUND SENSE

It was decided at the Committee Meeting held on 20 September 1982 that the ASWIs Association would 'adopt' the newly formed ELIZABETH FOUNDATION charity. The Foundation was set up to help teach all children born in Portsmouth who lack the sense we as Sonar Operators take for granted, namely the ability to HEAR. It is for the benefit of children from 0 to 5 years who are born deaf or with impaired hearing. All learning for every child begins at birth and it is widely agreed that the first 2 years are the most crucial for the development of speech and language in the hearing impaired child. Every child learns, it is only a question of what he learns; and what he learns in these early days is dependant almost entirely upon his home and his parents. Therefore the earlier the detection and diagnosis of hearing problems takes place the earlier the parents are aware of the huge task ahead of them.

THE ELIZABETH FOUNDATION provides the following services:

Educational play groups for the children, the mother stays with her child and receives help, guidance and instruction in learning the special skills necessary to teach speech and language to her own child.

Assistance, guidance and moral support is available at any time.

A qualified teacher of the deaf to give parent counselling and individual tutoring to each child.

They are purchasing good quality teaching aids, auditory training equipment and play materials.

They are raising funds to purchase special testing equipment that will aid early diagnosis in hearing impaired babies and enable them to be fitted with hearing aids between 6 and 9 months old.

ALL SERVICES ARE OFFERED FREE OF CHARGE TO ALL PARENTS

The work of the ELIZABETH FOUNDATION is financed by voluntary contributions and fund raising activities.

Can you, and will you help the Association to help these children?

If you require further information or posters to help in your efforts, please don't hesitate to contact the Chairman or any member of the Committee.

"Communication with our fellow men is possibly the most important single factor in living. The degree to which we understand others and the extent to which we can express ourselves clearly, interestingly and persuasively, determines almost overwhelmingly our success and our failures."

\*\*\*\*\* EARLY DETECTION MAKES SOUND SENSE \*\*\*\*\*

John WHITEHEAD  
Charity Liaison Rep

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#### NOTE

We have doubled our paid up membership since the last Seamaster. Subscription forms are enclosed within this issue.

### POSTAL SUGGESTION

If you feel you have a worthwhile suggestion on something you would like to see in the Seamaster or on the way in which the Association can achieve its prime objective (see back cover) let us have it below.

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The Secretary  
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From ..... Official No .....

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Please accept the enclosed £2 being my subscription for 1982/83 to the ASWIs Association for FULL membership.

Signed .....

### ED'S NOTE

It has been decided that as from the date of the Annual General Meeting non paid up personnel will no longer be considered members of the Association. Don't delay get your subs in now.

The Association has undertaken to purchase a number of sweaters with the crest embroidered on the chest. Of the initial order, all but a few remain. These are very popular so get your money in now for the next order. The cost is full at present including VAT. Colours and sizes are shown below. Interested? Send CHEQUE AND ORDER FORM below to:

FCPO ANDERSON (TAUI) or CPO KENNEDY  
HMS VERNON DASWC Section  
Phone: 24815 HMS DRYAD  
Ext 383

Tear along dotted line -----

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Please supply ..... sweater(s) with ASW Association Crest embroidered on. I enclose cheque payable to "ASWIs Association" for £ .....

Signed .....

Address .....

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Colours: BLACK/NAVY/BOTTLE GREEN/RED/GREY/MAROON/SKY BLUE  
Sizes: 34/36/40/42/44/46/48

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## PO(S)

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| J AINSCOUGH   | HMS CLEOPATRA   | D ARCHER      | HMS VERNON       |
| G ASHTON      | HMS HERMES      | A ASTLEY      | HMS SIRIUS       |
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| T LE-MAGE    | HMS VERNON      | K LEE        | HMS BIRMINGHAM  |
| P LENTHILL   | HMS EXETER      | T LEWIS      | HMS GALATEA     |
| T LIGHT      | HMS SOUTHAMPTON | N LINGER     | HMS ILLUSTRIOUS |
| P LOMAS      | HMS VERNON      | S MADDISON   | HMS VERNON      |
| R MAKAREWICZ | HMS PENELOPE    | K MARDON     | HMS ARROW       |
| D MARSHALL   | HMS YARMOUTH    | K MARSHALL   | HMS GLASGOW     |
| R McCREADY   | HMS RHYL        | J McLACHLAN  | HMS HERMES      |
| P MIDDLETON  | HMS ANTRIM      | M MILEY      | HMS CLEOPATRA   |
| M MILLS      | HMS CHARYBDIS   | A MOORE      | HMS VERNON      |
| D MORRIS     | HMS RALEIGH     | D MORRISON   | HMS CALEDONIA   |
| D MULGREW    | HMS VERNON      | K NASH       | HMS WARRIOR     |
| S NEEDHAM    | HMS VERNON      | T NEESON     | HMS LOWESTOFT   |
| R NEWELL     | HMS NEWCASTLE   | M NIBLET     | HMS ROTHESAY    |
| R NICHOL     | HMS DRAKE       | P NIXON      | HMS SIRIUS      |
| P O'BYRNE    | HMS EXETER      | B OLDREY     | HMS APOLLO      |
| G PARRY      | HMS VERNON      | S PEARCE     | HMS VERNON      |
| P PEDGEN     | HMS NAIAD       | T PORDAGE    | HMS ANDROMEDA   |
| M PREECE     | HMS BATTLEAXE   | J PRESTWICH  | HMS TARTAR      |
| B PRICE      | HMS GLAMORGAN   | D PRICE      | HMS AJAX        |
| B PROWSE     | HMS TARTAR      | R PYKE       | HMS MANLY       |
| C QUINTRELL  | HMS ARGONAUT    | A RAW        | HMS LOWESTOFT   |
| P READ       | HMS MINERVA     | M REEVE      | HMS DIOMEDE     |
| P REEVES     | HMS ZULU        | P RHODES     | HMS GURKHA      |
| G RICHARDSON | HMS VERNON      | M RICHARDSON | HMS ANTRIM      |
| B RIDDLE     | HMS AURORA      | J RIGBY      | HMS VERNON      |

# PO(S) CONTINUED

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| T ROBERTS  | HMS SIRIUS      | J ROBINSON    | HMS CARDIFF      |
| S RODGERS  | HMS DANAE       | J ROOKE       | HMS ACTIVE       |
| M SEXTON   | HMS VERNON      | D SHAW        | HMS RALEIGH      |
| F SHOTTON  | HMS DIOMEDE     | A SIMPSON     | HMS RALEIGH      |
| D SLOCOMBE | HMS VERNON      | J SMITH       | HMS PHOEBE       |
| R SMITH    | HMS RALEIGH     | N STEADMAN    | HMS AMBUSCADE    |
| C STEVENS  | HMS PHOEBE      | K STONER      | HMS VERNON       |
| B SURTEES  | HMS PHOEBE      | D TAYLOR      | HMS APOLLO       |
| A THOMAS   | HMS RALEIGH     | J THOMAS      | SCU LEYDENE      |
| W TOPHAM   | HMS FALMOUTH    | M TRAVIS      | HMS ROOKE        |
| A TREGALE  | HMS EURYALUS    | P TUCKER      | HMS DIDO         |
| P TUTTY    | HMS VERNON      | J WALKER      | HMS BRISTOL      |
| B WALSH    | HMS HERMIONE    | D WARDLE      | HMS VERNON       |
| C WATSON   | SCU LEYDENE     | D WATSON      | HMS CLEOPATRA    |
| G WHALLEY  | HMS EURYALUS    | J WILDE       | HMS BIRMINGHAM   |
| S WILL     | HMS INVINCIBLE  | D WILLIAMS    | HMS TORQUAY      |
| J WILLIAMS | HMS NEWCASTLE   | P WOOD        | FLT ENG PORTSMTH |
| G WOODHAM  | HMS SOUTHAMPTON | G WORTHINGTON | HMS RALEIGH      |
| C WRIGHT   | HMS HERMES      | B WYLIE       | HMS GURKHA       |
| C WYNN     | HMS VERNON      | R YOUNG       | HMS AMBUSCADE    |

# WHERE'S ME OPPO (CONTINUED)

## CPO(OPS) (S)

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|-------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|
| R A EVANS   | HMS VERNON      | F FOWLER     | HMS VERNON    |
| J WHITEHEAD | HMS VERNON      | T WESTBROOKE | HMS VERNON    |
| P GODFREY   | HMS COLLINGWOOD | R S WILL     | HMS COCHRANE  |
| P EDGE      | HMS VERNON      | B BEAN       | HMS VERNON    |
| G MORALEE   | HMS VERNON      | M NORTH      | HMS EXCELLENT |

## EX SERVICE MEMBERS

|                |               |              |            |
|----------------|---------------|--------------|------------|
| J ADAMS        | Waterlooville | P BEAZLEY    | Worcester  |
| D ALLEN        | Waterlooville | S BATES      | Gosport    |
| J ALLSOPP      | Gosport       | F BROMFIELD  | Fareham    |
| D BEKKER       | Drayton       | R CHERRY     | Newbury    |
| R DENNETT      | Clanfield     | D EASTHAM    | IOW        |
| L FORMOY       | Gosport       | R FEAST      | Dorset     |
| P FAIR         | Gillingham    | P GLADWISH   | Gosport    |
| J HEPBURN      | Havant        | A HEAVER     | Cowplain   |
| J JAMES        | Havant        | C KENNETT    | Portland   |
| R LINN         | Southsea      | B LISSAMER   | Fareham    |
| H MINCHIN      | Southsea      | D MACPHERSON | Gosport    |
| D MANDERS      | Guildford     | J McLEOD     | Clos       |
| S MACKINTOSH   | Surrey        | P O'BRIAN    | Stockport  |
| A QUARTERMAINE | Warwicks      | C RICHARDSON | Paulsgrove |
| T ROWE         | Gosport       | R SOMERTON   | Denmead    |
| R STRINGER     | Copnor        | S SNELLING   | Horndean   |
| C SOLE         | Rowner        | M SARGENT    | Torpoint   |
| S SIZER        | Rosyth        | P SOWDEN     | Dover      |
| R THOMPSON     | Alverstoke    | R TAYLOR     | Rowner     |
| R TOWNLEY      | Cosham        | T TEMPLETON  | Manchester |
| R WARD         | Waterlooville | I WARD       | Cumbria    |
| G WEEDON       | Southsea      | E BOWERS     | Suffolk    |
| P NEAL         | Weymouth      |              |            |

## ED'S NOTE

The above lists have been collected from the records held in HMS VERNON. Apologies to anyone who has been left out but please let us have your new address.

# ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING REVIEW

To keep those of you outside SMOPS informed of the decisions being made on your behalf by the Committee it will be a regular practise in future Seamasters to give a brief synopsis of meetings Minutes. You are reminded that should you want a subject discussed then you should make use of the suggestions page at the end of the journal.

## MEETING HELD 20 SEPTEMBER 1982

1. Association funds stand at £475.
2. Decided to produce the Seamaster again going to print 3 times per year.
3. Challenge from GIs to defend the 3 Monkeys Trophy accepted (we subsequently narrowly lost).
4. It was decided to hold an informal get together once every term during the lunch hour to allow instructors to get together over a pint. (Ed's note next get together Wednesday 9 March in POs' Mess HMS VERNON at 1200 - all members of the Association welcome.)
5. Decision taken to look at the possibilities of adopting the Elizabeth Foundation as a charitable exercise by the Association. (Ed's note see John WHITEHEAD's article in this journal.)
6. Long discussion on encouraging Sonar Senior Ratings to formally join the Association.
7. Paid up membership stands at 24.

## MEETING HELD 18 NOVEMBER 1982

1. The Chairman informed the meeting, the first Seamaster for a number of years would be distributed within 14 days.
2. Decided that PO(S) courses be encouraged to join the Association on completion of course.

3. Decided that the next AGM should be late April/early May.
4. It was decided that on the day of the next AGM and thereafter all non-paid up Sonar personnel would no longer be considered as members of the Association.
5. It was agreed that LS(S) on completion of course be given free membership of the Association until such time as they are rated PO. They would not however be able to attend social functions until rated.
6. Chairman stated he and CPO WHITEHEAD had attended the public launching of the Elizabeth Foundation and that a donation from collections within the Faculty would be made before Xmas.
7. CPO KENNEDY volunteered to price the possible production of ASWI's Association sweaters.
8. Association funds stand at £430.
9. Paid up membership stands at 34.

## MEETING HELD 26 JANUARY 1983

1. Poor response to the choice of Dinner or Social from last Seamaster (only 10% replies). Of those who did reply it was 3 to 1 in favour of a Formal Dinner. It was subsequently decided not to hold a function in the early part of the year, but to plan to hold a Formal Dinner in the WO&CPOs' Mess HMS VERNON in October 1983 (date to be decided).
2. Decided by Committee that it be recommended to the next AGM that all ex serving members on the books be considered Life Members of the Association. Also all fully paid up members who subsequently leave the Service would be automatically considered Life Members. (Note: the cost to the Association would be minimal but would allow copies of the Seamaster to be sent out.)

3. The date of the AGM will have been finalised by the next issue of the Seamaster.
4. Collecting tins for the Elizabeth Foundation would shortly be distributed.
5. It was decided that enough firm orders for Association Sweaters had been received (30) and we should therefore go ahead with the first order. The cost to the Association would be £10.35 but we would charge £11 allowing 50% of profit (12½p) to the Association and 50% of profit to the Elizabeth Foundation. (Ed's note the first order was quickly sold out. See later in this journal for order form for subsequent orders.)
6. Association funds stand at £448.
7. Paid up membership stands at 72.

# LIVE LETTERS

CPO(OPS)(S) A R BARRETT  
PO(S) T R LEWIS  
HMS GALATEA  
At Mombassa

Dear Members,

Now that we have been deployed on ARMILLA Patrol for the last 2 months we decided that it is time we put pen to paper, and tell you all about the events that have kept us busy. Before going any further we would like to thank you for the copy of "THE SEAMASTER" we received, we enjoyed it and it is nice to know where all our fellow mariners are.

When OPERATION CORPORATE came into force it changed our programme in many ways. Ted joined GALATEA in Gibraltar in the middle of May 1982 to bring the ship back to GUZZ. Because of being on course I never joined until the beginning of June 1982. Many thanks to all the DASWC team in SMOPS HMS DRYAD for their help. The first effect was that Gib Refit Group had left GALATEA in a terrible state, to which we are still feeling the effects - secondly none of our lads were able to do any PJTs and with the exception of one trained 199 operator and 2 trained 170 operators we were beginning to have problems. It was at this stage that it was decided that we would have a 7 week work up - thridly we had very few BRs, still awaiting, and no 1077.

Before we went to Portland we became CORPORATE so that meant the ship going completely grey - this gave us all a strange feeling - Stewart BROWN from FOF2 came onboard to do our pre Staff Sea Check, and we thank him for all his help. The next problem was our 184 which after many attempts to fudge, we excepted on the 13th time, however the result was the lads had lost confidence in their 184.

We started work up on 1 August 1982 - and although the lads were cheerful enough it was an uphill climb.

Many thanks are owed to Nobby NOBLE, Ginge FELL, Jim PARKS, Paul HITCHCOCK and a special thanks to Dodger LONG, it was also nice to see Pusser HILL call on us - we finally left Portland 16 September 1982 to return to GUZZ and a fortnight's leave.

On return from leave things began to happen in earnest, store ship, more firefighting equipment, fire curtains, an extra gun and finally ammunition ship. It was not until late October that the decision was made to take us off of CORPORATE and that we would not be going South. Before sailing on deployment Don ANDERSON came onboard to see Ted on feedback, Ted said he had gained a lot from his visit, also Jacko JACKSON paid us a visit, it was nice to see so many were taking an interest in us.

Finally on 1 November 1982 we sailed from GUZZ and joined up on an ASW exercise, but because of troubles and trials we only managed to stay in the exercise for 4 hours before moving on down to Gib. We arrived at Gib on 5 November for 4 hours, long enough to take part in the Squadron Sports before sailing on to the Suez Canal, which we transitted on 11 and 12 November.

The places we have visited so far are Port Sudan, 14-17 November, a flying visit to Diego Garcia 24-26 November, Colombo 29 November-3 December, back to Diego Garcia 7-10 December, and we have been in Mombassa since 17 December and are due to sail 4 January 1983. Our programme changes so quick and so often that we are likely to spend it as Diego Garcia Guardship.

We are now on ARMILLA Patrol with HMNZ CANTERBURY who have been with us since 2 January 1982, good crowd but drink happy, they are staying with us until we go off Station when they return to New Zealand.

Some of the problems we have had working with the Kiwis is when we put the SLUTT in the water they wanted it set to their 177 frequency, which meant we got very little value as we were doing a Stand Off IKARA firing. However we had a very useful UWT exercise with them, which we hope to repeat. Other problems we had but are slowly over coming are:

- a. Painting V Training.

- b. Shortage of ASW stores and BRs.
- c. Standards of XBTs and range prediction to all levels of operators.
- d. No 1077 for further training, although we do carry out Simtacks.
- e. No feedback from Passive Tapes sent in.

Well if you are still awake and with us, all there is left to say is, hope you all have a Happy New Year with best wishes from all the lads of GALATEA.

By the way I am due to leave GALATEA 18 September 1983 if anyone is interested, next step CIVVY STREET.

#### ED'S NOTE

Thanks lads for a very interesting article, the first of many from those at sea we hope.

Dear Andy,

Just a quick note to say thank you to the staff in HMS VERNON for all their assistance to my Sonar Team on the BERWICK before we did our work up. At a moments notice we were able to have full use of the ASUATs. Also the Passive and OG Sections. Please pass on my thanks to all those concerned.

Yours Aye  
Pete SOWDEN

#### ED'S NOTE

Thanks Pete, have passed on your thanks to the various sections.

A belated "Thank You" for the Seamaster, a most interesting and well laid out journal. Looking forward to seeing you.

Harry MINCHIN  
Ex TASI

#### ED'S NOTE

Thank you Harry for your kind words it was very nice to hear from one of our ex-serving members.

CPO(OPS)(S) M HODGINS  
Training Department  
AMTE Teddington  
Middlesex

Dear Ed and Readers,

For the untold millions who have not had the unfortunate experience of knowing me, I am the link man for General Service Training in the Joint Acoustic Analysis Centre in this capacity I am writing this little 'DIT' to let you all know I, in my limited wisdom, am in the throes of producing a new set of training tapes for the Fleet entitled 'The Surface Ship Acoustic Training Series' which will replace the SMOPS Continuation Training Tapes now held in the Fleet. The Series will consist of the following:

Tape 1 - Transmission Intercept and associated instruction book. This tape will teach the breakdown of a transmission ie TX interval, pulse type, number of pulses also tape speed translation.

Tape 2 - An exercise in Transmission Intercept (using NATO sonars).

Tape 3 - Introducing Audio Analysis and associated instruction book. This tape will teach propeller shaft revolution counting (RPM and frequency) determining the number of blades and aural classification clues.

Tape 4 - An exercise in Audio Analysis including answer sheet. (A DEMON gram book associated with this tape has been produced and will be held by Passive Sonar Section HMS VERNON).

Tape 5 - 45 mins of Ship and Submarine Radiated Aural Characteristics likely to be encountered by the Sonar Operator whilst operating in the Passive Mode, associated instructing book included with this tape.

WANTED

1. Recordings of NATO active sonars recorded through UWT.
2. Recordings of any torpedoes recorded through any Surface Ships Sonars.
3. Any recordings of interest which could be included in the JAAC Tape Library (which I run).