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#### **ASWI'S COMMITTEE DECEMBER 97**

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PLYMOUTH REP CPO Bob Burton

SEAMASTER EDITOR Mr Ted Neeson

## CHAIRMAN'S DIT

On behalf of the committee may we wish every member their families the heartlest of seasons greetings and best wishes a prosperous and happy 1998.

Congratulations to all those who have gained promotion year and a heartfelt better luck next time for those who did not.

A fond farewell to all those who have moved into t second careers and a welcome aboard to the new blood that replaced them, it is for these new members to carry the standar of excellence and professionalism forward having been set such example by those who have left.

For those who will be on duty or far away from our shover this festive period you have our thanks. For whatever holds in store, we wish you success, but most of all:

Safe journey's

Yours Aye

Ted Neeson for and behalf of the Chairman and Committee

#### **EDITORS DIT**

Welcome to the fourth issue which although was expected to be available in December, has been delayed owing the late influx of articles to be included. It has not been possible to include all the items that arrived the first week in December but some forthcoming attractions to be found in later issues will include an article from John (Daisy) Adams, ex serving WO, on HMS Vernon and an article about nuclear submarine accidents over the last couple of decades.

A big thank you to all those who have taken the time and trouble to contribute articles over the last year and also to those who have taken the time to drop us a mailie from all those exciting far away places (mainly Plymouth). Please feel free to continue in 1998, the more the merrier.

Finally, on a personal note, I wish you and you families all the best for 1998 and hope that your dreams are fulfilled.

Don't forget to write.

Safe journey's

Yours Aye

Ted Neeson

#### AFACT - UPDATE

At long last, after years of waiting, we now have a brand new addition to the AFACT trainer here in Cook building. Thanks to the unstinting efforts of my predecessors, John Chennel and Tim Capel along with ASWEO (Lt Cdr Geoff Hoyle) we have a fully functional Sonar 2031.

For those of you familiar with the system, we have the two Dual Displays, Tracker display, Enhanced display system, Wideband, DICARPS, Broadband, RES, BITE, in fact everything you have at sea with the obvious exception of a Towed Array and Terminal Unit. However, both of these are fully simulated by the AFACT system. This really is a quantum leap in the training we are able to offer. Before the update, students could only reach 30% TPS on the old emulator, now that figure should be nearer to 100%.

As the system is a fully functional GFE 2031 it will be kept up to date in line with the latest software/hardware changes that you get at sea. So never again will we be in the position that we were with the old emulator, in having an unrepresentative Towed Array Sonar in NEREUS.

Along with the new 2031 system, we have kept the old emulator. This is may be used as a green screen trainer, (we can display surveillance or vernier on all four screens), or can be another ship in a multi ship TA operation.

AFACT has a database of hundreds of vehicles that are kept update law the latest changes in ADAC pub 1, from lowly merchant vessels to the latest generation Russian Submarine. There are various modes of operation for the new system, described as follows:

- Standard Mode This mode will used either the 2031 or the emulator in one exercise. There are 8 Narrowband and 4 Broadband targets available, plus own ship.
- <u>Dual Split Mode</u> In this mode the 2031 and emulator will both run in totally independent scenarios. There are 4 Narrowband and 3 Broadband targets available, plus own ships available to each sonar.

 <u>Dual Shared Mode</u> In this mode the 2031 and emulator act as two separate ships in the same shared environment and scenario. There will be 3 Narrowband, plus two own ships and three Broadband targets available.

With our own CEP, BFP, TREP and SEPADS display and the future capability to link to the T23 and SSCS we can offer full Towed Array Team training for ships teams. Unfortunately, with the heavy loading commitment from UW career courses there will be very few slots available for ships teams for the foreseeable future. However, if you give UW planning a ring (x4320) or myself (x 4669) we will be able to give you an indication if we can accommodate your ship or not. If you don't ask you don't get!

In what other job can you be up the gaps everyday - bliss!!

WO(S)

Steve Nash UE2

## MINUTES OF THE ANTI-SUBMARINE WARFARE INSTRUCTORS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 26 SEPTEMBER 1997 IN HMS DRAKE.

#### MEETING OPENED AT 1137

#### 1. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME ADDRESS

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting, especially those who had travelled from outside the Devonport area. The venue for the forum (Presidents Room) was an excellent setting and thanked WO Tony Gravett for the services of CPO Bob Burton who had worked so hard to arrange the days events.

#### 2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES FROM LAST YEARS AGM

The chairman asked for the acceptance of last years AGM minutes. These were proposed by Mr John Adams and seconded by WO Rod Blanche. The chairman went on to explain that in future, the committee would be investigating an ASWI's fund to enable movement of members between Plymouth and Portsmouth to attend association meetings. Plans for an amalgamation of the three warfare associations had diminished and therefore the idea would not be taken any further.

The reason for Mr Paul Hitchcock being dined out at this years association Dinner/Dance and not Mr Chris Hartley, was that Chris had never been a member of the association.

The Seamaster was faltering due to the lack of supporting material, and therefore the Chairman encouraged all to submit 'Dits' to the committee. The next issue is planned for Christmas and this is edited and sponsored by Ted Neeson at Marconi.

#### 3. RATIFICATION OF THE COMMITTEE.

The Chairman introduced the Committee:

CPO Stirling Moss: The ex treasurer (recently drafted to FOST)
PO Kev Francis: The new Treasurer & Social Secretary (DRYAD)
CPO Andy Gleave: Vice Chairman & Stand in Secretary (DRYAD)
Mr Paul Hitchcock: The possible new Secretary-FLAGSHIP/DRYAD

CPO Bob Burton: West Country Rep (FOST)

The West country representative position presently held by CPO Bob Burton. Due to a forth coming sea draft, he would be unable to maintain his position on the committee. CPO Tim Allport volunteered as the new Representative. This position will be handed over in December. WO Paddy Kennedy proposed that the committee be Ratified This was seconded by CPO Buster Brown.

#### 4. TREASURERS REPORT

As the out-going treasurer, CPO Stirling Moss presented the report. He proposed that PO Kev Francis should apply for a Treasurer's course at HMS Raleigh. This would certainly assist him. The treasurer reported that there were at present 102 members in the association, down 30 members on last year. 85% of the members are on Standing Order payments. Those wishing to transfer to this method of payment should contact the new treasurer soonest. The last audit period was on 31 August. This disclosed that the account had £870 in the Bank and £97 in the cash box. The account holds a £600 floor limitation. (This is where the account is limited to minimum balance of £600). The treasurer also stated that although most members were aware of the spelling mistake on the front cover of the Seamaster, this would not change in the immediate future. This is because the printing service is sponsored by Marconi and a large initial batch of printed covers still remain. This would change at the next print of Covers. He also stated that the association had in the past subsidised the Annual Dinner/Dance. If this continued the fees would have to increase. However, this year the entire Dinner/Dance budget is self supporting and being run as a separate account. The association account would sponsor and pay for the honoured quests at this years Dinner. Finally the ex treasurer assured those present that the accounts are in good order and regularly audited by the Service Fund Accountant (Mr John Storey MBE) HMS NELSON, who keeps continuity of the account and was available if the new treasurer had any concerns. The new treasurer went on to explained that although he was keen to do a treasurers course, he would be unable to, due to them being fully booked and his forth coming draft in April 98 to HMS GRAFTON. The Chairman added his final comments to the report in that the association subsidised last years Dinner/Dance by £600 and that the association money was for the full use of the association members where necessary.

#### SOCIAL SECRETARIES REPORT

PO Key Francis presented the following report. The following social events had recently occurred in Portsmouth: On the 24 June, the monthly meeting took place in Southwick Golf Club and on completion a game of Skittles.

He explained that after the sad death of CPO Rick Burley, he raised £20 towards a Cancer Fund by competing in a Triathlon. This actually was not the correct fund to which Rick had been associated. Therefore Kev completed a second Triathlon, managing to raise a further £100. Kev presented to the Presidents wife, Mrs Lippiett, a cheque for £120 for the Countess Mountbatten Hospice Cancer Fund. Social events pending in October was another Skittles night at the Golf Club at Southwick. Kev went on to explain that he would be unable to attend any more meetings due to taking on evening classes in a BTEC degree course, although he would, where necessary type the minutes on completion of any meeting. CPO Andy Gleave reported on the 3 Monkeys event, held on the 21 September at HMS Excellent.

Due to some confusion of the actual date of the event, there was little support by the association. However PO Kev Francis and his girl friend Nessa plus CPO Andy Gleave and his family did attend. There was no representative from the PRI's association. It was reported to have been a excellent day out where the GI's won the football 6-2. Both ASWI's goals were scored by Andy's elder daughter. The ASWI's team went on to win the Brighter Cricket and the Wellie throwing competition was won by the GI's. Finally CPO Andy Gleave reminded the members that the

PRI's association would host the 3 Monkeys event next year.

The West Country Representative, CPO Bob Burton reported on activities in the South west. There had been a total of 8 meetings where a total of 144 persons had attended. 5 ships had been used as venues 2 meetings in HMS Raleigh and 1 meeting/ skittles night in HMS Drake. The largest gathering for a single meeting was on board HMS Argyll where 28 members attended. The smallest attendance for a single meeting has been 10 members.

Future events would be on the 11 November, where a Skittles night will

take place in HMS Drake.

On the 2 December CPO Archie Gemmill will put his 'Leaving the Navy' barrel on. A ship is yet to be nominated as the venue. CPO Tim Allport will take up the position of West Country Rep from this date. Bob finally announced that on the 4 February, he would use his new draft (HMS Cumberland) as a venue for a meeting and would donate a barrel of beer to those who attended the meeting.

WO Paddy Kennedy proposed a vote of thanks to all the hard work that both social secretaries had achieved during this last year. This was

seconded by CPO Brian Walsh.

#### 6. ASWI'S RULES

The chairman announced that the association rules were unchanged from last year when they were ratified. The chairman reminded the members that the object of the association. The association was not based on charity fund raising but should promote its original motto of 'Esprit de Corps' amongst members. This means helping in all respects where ever possible and within the means of the association. any member of the association. More so it should continue to expand by enjoying the social life and activities of its members. The efforts of charity fund raising would be left to the individual, and if their wish was to donate their efforts through the association then they could.

CPO 'Stirling' Moss voiced concern over rules of 'LOYALTY BONUS' The fact that the majority of members had by now met the criteria for the bonus, it would be very difficult to administer and unaffordable to the association. WO Paddy Kennedy proposed for the rule to be removed from the association. This was seconded by CPO lan-

Laurie

#### 7. AOB

Mr Dave Bekker proposed a vote of thanks to CPO Stirling Moss for his efforts as the out going treasurer. This was seconded by CPO Bungy Edwards.

Mr Dave Bekker also made a proposal for a change of the association HQ to be sited in Devonport. He felt that the association was very evidently expanding in the West Country and that with a large proportion of members attending meetings, the advantage of the proximity of the dockyard and ships members availability, this seemed a ideal time to consider a move of HQ. WO Paddy Kennedy although agreeing there was mileage in the proposal and that at present the association was very predominately in a the West country, history of membership attendance shows 'Peaks and trough' as ships programmes and deployments would dictate the amount of attendees . He therefore wished the association to remain based at HMS DRYAD. CPO Ian Laurie explained that the only members that could possibly cope with the re-siting and running of the association HQ, would be the members at FOST. The team can at times be heavily involved in searlding and therefore would find it difficult to provide its full support. He also added that only a small minority of RA' attended monthly meetings.

CPO Bob Burton added that the association's President would always remain at HMS DRYAD and this was where the 'Young Blood' of the association would come from. He proposed that the association should remain at its present site. On a majority vote, the association will remain within HMS DRYAD.

With there being no further business, the meeting was closed at 1217, all retiring for an RPC in the Monserrat Bar.

> R J HANCE Commodare PRESIDENT

K HARVEY Commander VICE PRESIDENT

D RHODES Warrant Officer CHAIRMAN

A GLEAVE Chief Petty Officer VICE CHAIRMAN

# DATED 26 SEPTEMBER 1997 ASWI'S ASSOCIATION AGM

## HELD IN THE PRESIDENTS ROOM HMS DRAKE 26 SEPTEMBER 1997

#### **ATTENDEES**

WO D RHODES CHAIRMAN
CPO A GLEAVE VICE CHAIRMAN
CPO K MOSS EX TREASURER
PO K FRANCIS TREASURER
CPO R BURTON WEST COUNTRY REP

WO A GRAVETT FOST
WO D HOOD DRYAD
WO R BLANCHE FOST
WO P KENNEDY DRYAD

WO A LOVEDAY JMF ST MAWGAN
CPO P CUNNINGHAM RALEIGH

CPO B PROWSE FOST
CPO A BROWN COVENTRY
CPO K EDWARDS SHEFFIELD
CPO S YATES RALEIGH
CPO T ALLPORT FOST
CPO B WALSH FOSF

CPO I LAURIE FOST
CPO N LINGER GRAFTON
CPO P HILL MARLBOROUGH

PO J KAY DRAKE
PO A AYRES RALEIGH
PO D McCOURT COVENTRY

MR T WILLIAMSON EX SERVING MEMBER
MR D BEKKER EX SERVING MEMBER
MR J ADAMS EX SERVING MEMBER

APOLOGIES:

MR P HITCHCOCK EX SERVING MEMBER

MR S ROGERS NSA G2

MR S SNELLING EX SERVING MEMBER MR A NOBLE EX SERVING MEMBER

#### Captain George Blundell RN

Officer whose decisiveness helped to save the warships Kent and Nelson after crippling torpedo attacks in the Mediterranean.

CAPTAIN GEORGE BLUNDELL, who has died aged 93, had a long and successful career in the torpedo branch of the Navy, but rendered his greatest service to his fellow torpedomen immediately after the Second World War when he was Executive Officer of HMS Vernon, the torpedo and mining school in Portsmouth.

It had been decided that the torpedo branch at Vernon and the antisubmarine branch, at HMS Osprey at Portland, should amalgamate on Oct 10 1946 to form a joint Torpedo and Anti-Submarine (TAS) branch. Both branches regarded this prospect with dismay. The anti-submarine specialists, whose expertise had played such a crucial part in winning the Battle of the Atlantic, were particularly resentful. They considered themselves a "small ship" branch, and looked on the torpedomen as mere "big ship" electricians, mainly interested in volts and amps, and lacking the necessary technical training and knowledge.

The torpedomen, for their part, were just as proud of their wartime achievements and as jealous of their independence. They also faced a difficult personal choice: whether to join the newly-formed electrical branch, which would certainly increase chances of promotion to senior rank, but would rule out sea-going command. The two branches were eventually driven together by the sledge-hammer personality of Vernon's Captain, John Hughes-Hallet, but the process was greatly assisted by the good humour and tact of Blundell, who as wardroom mess president provided the perfect buffer between Hughes-Hallet and everybody else.

Blundell not only had to deal with his Captain (who, for instance, as a confirmed bachelor, strongly disapproved of Wrens in Vernon), but he also had to tackle the problems of Vernon itself. The buildings were drab, neglected and bomb-damaged. The roads were in disrepair, and blocked by heaps of dockyard rubbish. There was wartime food rationing. The mess silver, held in a safe in a warehouse which had been bombed and set on fire, had melted into a single ingot. Accommodation had to be provided for training classes, and for the thousands of officers and ratings returning to Vernon from ships and shore establishments all over the world, and from Vernon out-stations around Britain which were being closed.

But under Blundell's urbane leadership matters improved. He knew he was succeeding when the anti-submarine officers stopped loudly proclaiming that Osprey's wardroom was much better in every way.

The new TAS branch was firmly established by the late 1940s, for which much credit must go to George Blundell. George Collett Blundell was born on May 25 1904 and joined the Navy as a cadet in 1917, going to Osborne and Dartmouth, and then in 1921 to the training ship Thunderer. After service in the destroyer Vidette, the battlecruiser Hood, and the battleship Valiant (a ship he liked so much he named his cocker spaniel after her), he qualified as a torpedo specialist in 1930. He was Torpedo Officer of the cruisers Enterprise in the East Indies, and Sheffield in the Home Fleet. In 1940, he was appointed Torpedo Officer and First Lieutenant of the cruiser Kent in the Mediterranean where she was hard-worked, carrying out shore bombardments, escorting convoys to Malta, and beating off frequent air attacks. "Why is it," Blundell confided to the diary he kept (illegally in wartime), "that I, a naturally lazy, indolent and quiet-loving fellow should be pitchforked into infernos of hard work and bother?"

On Sept 17 1940, after the Italians had launched their offensive in the Western Desert, Kent and two destroyers were detached from the fleet to carry out a midnight bombardment of the port of Solium, near the Egyptian border. Kent was bombed and mac.iine-gunned in bright moonlight by Italian aircraft, one of which dropped a torpedo which hit Kent "a tremendous blow aft" wrote Blundell, "The whole ship reeled, then suddenly felt dead, and we could feel on the bridge as if her tail had dropped, a sort of bending, dragging feeling, and the ship wouldn't steer."

When Blundell went aft, he found there was no power or lighting, a fire raging, many compartments open to the sea, and bodies lying in the passageways. The rudder was jammed 20 degrees to starboard. Under Blundell's direction, power and lighting were restored, bulkheads were shored up, the fire was put out, and a jury rig forced the rudder amidships. Kent was taken in tow and, despite many air raid alarms, reached Alexandria. She had suffered 33 dead, including the Executive Officer. Some bodies were buried at sea, but others, which had dropped through the huge hole in the ship's bottom, were still being washed ashore days later.

The Captain cleared the lower deck and announced that Blundell would now take over as Executive Officer, "and it was quite wonderful and embarrassing," Blundell wrote, "the way they cheered and clapped". He was appointed OBE for his work that night.

In February 1941, Blundell joined the battleship Nelson as Torpedo Officer and First Lieutenant, and returned to the Mediterranean later in the year when Nelson was Admiral Sir James Somerville's flagship in Force H. On Sept 27 1941, escorting the Halberd convoy to Malta, Nelson was hit forward by an aerial torpedo - "there was a horrid underwater thud, the whole bow rose and quivered, and the ship shook itself like a mighty animal."

Once again, Blundell went into action, to restore power and lighting, stop flooding and shore up bulkheads. All the food stores forward, and the cold rooms containing meat, cheese and butter, were flooded. "I felt heartbroken," Blundell said, "about my 10lb Cape Town cheese, husbanded all these months in the cold room, waiting for the day I go on leave." Docking in Gibraltar revealed that Nelson had a 40 ft-long hole in her hull. The compartment where the torpedoes were stored had taken the full force of the explosion and was a shambles. Blundell had almost given up hopes of promotion, but in June 1942 he was, to everybody's delight, promoted to Commander. In an unusual move, he was reappointed to Nelson as Executive Officer. After the Pedestal convoy to Malta in August 1942, he was serving in her for the Torch landings in north Africa in November, the landings in Sicily in July 1943 and at Salerno in September, and the signing of the Italian surrender on board the same month. He was mentioned in despatches for his service in Nelson.

After the war, Blundell was promoted to Captain in 1947, commanded Rifleman and her minesweeping flotilla from 1948 to 1950, and HMS Defiance, the torpedo school in Devonport, from 1950 to 1952. His last appointment before he retired in 1958 was as Director of Naval Recruiting. He was appointed CBE in 1957.

In retirement he was an extremely successful warden of the conference centre at Goldicote House, Stratford-upon-Avon, which he ran as though it were a ship, calling his office "the cuddy" (Captain's cabin) and the dining room "the wardrobe mess".

In 1970, he was furious when the local council did not empty his dustbin for nine weeks, although his rates had quadrupled in six years. So he deducted £14 from his rates "for inefficiency". In court, replying to a council application for a distress warrant to recover the money, he told Stratford magistrates: "I don't understand a distress warrant. Only a distress signal." He thought it disgraceful that the council should summon "a harmless old man like myself", but was ordered to pay the £14.

Extracts from his diaries were used in The Imperial War Museum Book of the War at Sea: the Royal Navy in the Second World War, edited by Julian Thompson, and published last year.

Blundell married, in 1945, Marcelle Avril; they had two sons and a daughter.

Supplied by CPO Bob Burton.

#### WEST COUNTRY REPORT

This will be my last west country report due to my impending draft to HMS CUMBERLAND on 2<sup>nd</sup> February next year. I took over the post from Pete Brierley in February 1996 and in that time we will have had 14 meetings. The first meeting had a turnout of 4 (Pete Brierley, Paz Parry Ken Dodd and myself) The September 97 meeting had 28 and the average turnout has been 14. Membership of the association in Feb 96 was in single figures and thanks to all, the annual membership for 1996 and 1997 has been in excess of 100. I am intending to make the 26<sup>th</sup> meeting of the west country to be the biggest to be held on MONDAY 1<sup>st</sup> Dec hopefully on HMS MONTROSE ( yet to be confirmed).

Tim Allport will be taking over as West Country Rep on completion of the 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. I am sure that you will give him all the support that you have given me.

I wish to thank everyone for their efforts in supporting the association and I hope that the people in the West Country feel they are getting value for their membership fee.

YOURS AYE

**BOB BURTON** 

## MINUTES OF THE 24th ASWI'S WEST COUNTRY MONTHLY MEETING

DATE:

28 JULY 1997

VENUE:

HMS CUMBERLAND S/R's MESS

MEMBERS PRESENT

CPO BOB BURTON FOST
CPO IAN LAURIE FOST
CPO TIM ALLPORT FOST
CPO BERNIE PROWSE FOST
WO PETE BRIERLEY FOST

CUMBERLAND CPO TED LEWIS CUMBERLAND PO JAN DENNIS CUMBERLAND PO STEVIE STEVENS CUMBERLAND BILL HEAVEY SHEFFIELD CPO BUNGY EDWARDS SHEFFIELD DRAKE CPO ARCHII GEMMILL MONTROSE CPO BUNGY WILLIAMS MARLBOROUGH CPO PETE HILL

CPO PETE WHITE ARGYLL
WO LEW LEWIS FOSF
CPO MUZZ COWLEY FOSF

MR DARBY ALLEN EX SERVING MEMBER

**APOLOGIES** 

WO TONY GRAVETT FOST
CPO PAZ PARRY FOST
WO ROD BLANCH FOST
CPO JESS YATES RALEIGH
PO KEN DODD CORNWALL

MEETING OPENED: 1944

#### Welcome Address

The meeting opened with a welcome address by the 1st Lt of HMS CUMBERLAND (Lt Cdr COOK), then Bob welcomed everyone to the twenty forth meeting of the West Country branch of the association and spent a few minutes going over the minutes of the last meeting. Bob also welcomed Mr Darby Allen to the meeting. Darby is an ex serving FASI who has the dubious honour of being the one who

taught Streaky Bacon as a junior seaman in HMS VERNON way back in 63.

#### Apologies

As listed above

#### Minutes of the Last Meeting

Proposed by Ted Lewis and seconded by Archie Gemmill.

#### Membership

Bob has gained a few more "willing members \* to the Association; welcome to Jan Dennis and Stevie Stevens of HMS CUMBERLAND who were both roped in today.

#### AGM and Dinner Dance Update

Bob mentioned the proposed agenda for the AGM and the persons who will (hopefully) be giving the various talks. The Dinner Dance venue has been confirmed, the bar will be open to at least 0100 but we are hoping to extend this as long as the cost is not too great. Guest of honour has now been confirmed as Captain Kerr (pronounced CAR) who is DEPUTY FOST.

#### Sea Master

The latest issue of the Seamaster is now on the streets and should hopefully be received by all in the very near future. If you do not receive your copy give Sterling a bell.

#### Committee

Some of the committee will soon be changing due to drafting etc.; volunteers for the various posts will be required so keep an eye out for news as the posts become vacant.

#### 8. AOB

a. Bob Burton stated that if 25 Serving members turn up for the next meeting then he will put up for a barrel. SO COME ALONG FOR THE NEXT MEETING.  b. Pete Brierley asked when we can expect the first PO Wren Sonar at sea.

Answer: no idea, but probably 2001 ish.

- Archie Gemmill will be leaving the service at the end of the year. He will be putting a barrel on in the December meeting.
- d. Pete White asked how the Pompey Association is fairing. Answer: fairly well as far as we know, although attendance appears to be down on the old numbers.
- e. Lew Lewis (from Tottenham) stated that Sonar 162M is now dead. (Read OSTGEM 138 DTG 160824Z JUL 97 Lew). He also stated that due to monetary constraints the RN is having to consider various options for cutbacks, it seems that the most favourable option is to reduce the number of sonar senior rates on tail fitted ships by at least 1. (Watch this space). He also asks that if you are use the TAOBT to ensure that the sonar is flashed up to the Standby state before operation.
- f. Muzz Cowley asked that if anyone requires any Passive training for their team to give him a bell (Devonport 65763).

Next meeting will be on HMS ARGYLL in the 2nd week of September.

Meeting closed 2022 and all retired to the bar. Many thanks to Ted for a most enjoyable evening.

Bob Burton West Country Rep

#### MINUTES OF THE 25th ASWI'S WEST COUNTRY MONTHLY MEETING

DATE: 10 SEPTEMBER 1997

VENUE: HMS ARGYLL S/R's MESS

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

CPO BOB BURTON FOST CPO IAN LAURIE FOST CPO TIM ALLPORT FOST CPO STERLING MOSS FOST CP BERNIE PROWSE FOST WO PETE BRIERLEY FOST CPO PETE WHITE ARGYLL PO KEV MOWATT ARGYLL PO TAFF MAHONEY ARGYLL

CPO TED LEWIS

CUMBERLAND JAN DENNIS CUMBERLAND PO STEVIE STEVENS CUMBERLAND CPO BUNGY EDWARDS SHEFFIELD PO DANNY KAY SHEFFIELD CPO ARCHIE GEMMILL DRAKE PO KERRY PACKER DRAKE CPO BUNGY WILLIAMS MONTROSE CPO PETE HILL MARLBOROUGH

CPO MUZZ COWLEY

FOSF MR RAB BUTLER EX SERVING MEMBER MR MICK LEGG EX SERVING MEMBER MR TOM WILLIAMSON EX SERVING MEMBER MR DARBY ALLEN EX SERVING MEMBER

#### APOLOGIES

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#### Membership

Membership at present stands at 90+ but we should gain a few more as we come closer to the Dinner/Dance date.

#### ASWI Treasurer

Sterling has now joined FOST and regrettably had to vacate his chair as ASWI Treasurer in Dryad. The accounts were closed at the end of July ready for an audit and the post is now filled by KEV FRANCES. At present the funds stand as follows:-

> £858.00 in the bank. £95 15 in the cash box. £1450.00 in the Dinner /Dance account

#### Social (Portsmouth)

The 3 Monkeys Day was due to take place at the beginning of September but due to the sad demise of Princess Diana the event had to be postponed. It will now be held in HMS Excellent on the 21st September commencing at 1100.

It has been suggested that we try and organise an ASWI / GI day in the Plymouth area. (watch this space).

#### AGM / Dinner

At time of going to print we have 74 paid up members attending the Dinner/Dance but hopefully this number will increase to at least 86 before the date, so it should be a good do. A draw will be held on the night with Captain Kerr drawing the winning number out of a hat. A number will be found on the reverse of your invitation card with one of them corresponding with the winning number. The prize will be £50 in cash.

The seating plan for the dinner has now been proposed and can be viewed in the FOST UWW office if anyone wishes. The plan can still be amended if you are not happy but it will be finalised by the 17th September.

#### AOB

- a. Congratulations to Pete White on his selection to WO. Hope he will enjoy his new job when he relieves Pete Brierley as FOST DOPS next March.
- b. A presentation on Sonar Type 2087 will be held on HMS Argyll sometime within the next 2 weeks. If anyone wishes to attend then give Knocker a bell and he will try to arrange a place for you.
- c. Thanks to everyone that sponsored Ian Laurie on his Half Marathon. Ian and Bob managed to accumulate over £200 between them for charity.
- d. Ted Lewis asked what had happened to the regular newsletters and asked when the next sea master was due. Bob said that he would ask the Portsmouth end for an update on both items

Next meeting will be in the Skittle Alley HMS DRAKE'S S/R Mess on the 11th November commencing at 1930.

Meeting closed 2003 when everyone retired to the bar for a thoroughly enjoyable evening. Many thanks to Knocker and his team for the cordial reception.

Bob Burton

West Country Rep

#### From Captain M.W.G. Kerr, Royal Navy

The Red House 700 Budshead Road Crownhill Plymouth PL6 5DY

Dear Mr. Rhodes

Please forgive this very late acknowledgement of all your kindness and hospitality at the dinner last Friday. My reason, though it is a poor excuse, is that I have spent most of the intervening time with the French Navy off Toulon.

We did enjoy ourselves, Lou and I, at your dinner. Thank you very much for inviting us to join you. It was a real pleasure to dine in company where such a family spirit prevailed, and I put this down to the strength of the Association. Everybody, it seemed, knew, liked and respected everybody else. That's rare in today's Navy outside a happy ship and I congratulate you on it.

And perhaps through you I could say a word to CPO Bob Burton to thank him for all his valiant efforts beforehand.

It was a tremendous evening, and may you have many more like it. We were honoured and delighted to be part of such a great occasion.

With very best wishes.

Mark and Lou Kerr.

WO(S) D R W Hood Lewin Building SMOPS HMS Dryad

Dear Mr Chairman

On behalf of my wife Jean, my guests Mick and Rits Herlihy and me, I would like to thank you and your committee for an excellent ASWI's Dinner and Dance on Friday 26 September. Point of thanks must go to Bob Burton and Tim Allport down in the west country for all their hard work towards a very successful event. Through them I would also like to pass our thanks to the WO and Senior Rates Mess, HMS Drake for the first rate accommodation, the food and for receiving us so well. It has been proved that Devonport is an ideal venue for this type of occasion, more of the same please!

Yours sincerely

Dave Hood

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to CPO(S) Pete White for being selected for promotion to Warrant Officer.

Also. The following Petty Officers for selection to Chief Petty Officer:

Bungy Edwards (A.D.) Dave Goodfellow Sterling Moss (A.R.) Paz Parry (W.V.) Digger Gardiner (G.A.E.) Steve Welsh Bungy Edwards (D.A.) Steve Couch **Bob Riches** Andy Kerr Herbie Hancock Sean Egan Tony Godwin Crash Evans Lenny Faircliff Danny Kay (J.L.)

We wish them all well and all the best in their future endeavours.

The ship that almost died of shame....the strange and sinister revenge of a lowly admiralty clerk.

I NAME THIS SHIP.....Research, even into the most mundane subject, can sometimes bring unexpected rewards. Recently, for reasons too dull to explain, I was attempting to discover the names of Battleships which served with the Royal Navy during the Second World War. The reference librarian hopefully provided me with a huge volume which listed the names of every British warship ever built, and as I leafed through the index, I was impressed by the quality of the names the British have given their warships.

HMS Relentless, HMS Repulse, HMS Resolution; fine names, names to gladden the heart of every true Brit and dismay any foreigners with a grasp of English. Names redolent of courage and firm-jawed determination - HMS Sceptre, HMS Scimitar, HMS Seadog, HMS Spanker -

HMS Spanker? it had to be a misprint, but when I looked at the relative page there it was, HMS Spanker, minesweeper. I turned back to the index and soon discovered that HMS Spanker was not the only ship with a silly name. A quick check unearthed the destroyers HMS Fairy and HMS Frolic, the light cruiser, HMS Sappho and the corvette, HMS Pansy.

My first assumption was that these names had been chosen by some fresh faced innocent unaware of their connotations, but a careful reading of the index

suggested that the choice of such names was deliberate and malicious. I have no proof for my theory, but I strongly suspect that they were the creations of an embittered clerk.

He was a minor bureaucrat who had once dreamed of becoming a naval hero, a second Nelson or Benbow, but had been turned down for active service on the grounds of flat feet or myopia. The Sea Lords, kindly and foolishly, gave him an office job in the Admiralty. There, as he brooded upon the shattering of his ambitions, his envy of the jolly jack tars serving in His Majesty's ships turned to hatred and then into a desire to humiliate those who had lived a life on the ocean wave. His big break came when he got a job in the Ship's Names Department and he set to work with a will.

Having started with HMS Pansy, HMS Fairy and HMS Spanker, he moved into sexually suggestive names - HMS Teaser, HMS Tickler, HMS Torrid, HMS Thruster and HMS Thrasher. Not content with the damage to morale that these names must have caused he followed up with HMS Inconstant, HMS Insolent, HMS Truant, HMS Dwarf and HMS Doris.

The man must have been twisted, but he was no mean amateur psychologist. Would an hard pressed admiral be cheered by the news that HMS Doris and HMS Dwarf (a cruiser and a gunboat combination that sounds like an avant-garde cabaret act) were steaming to his aid? Could he be certain that HMS Truant would turn up? That HMS Inconsistent would not change sides, or that HMS Insolent wouldn't reply to his signals with a stream of abuse?

This evil minded functionary worked hard to destroy fighting spirit, carefully calculating the result of calling a ship HMS Hazard. The cry "Hazard to port!" must have disrupted countless naval exercises and I strongly suspect that he tried to name a destroyer HMS Mutiny, thinking of the chaos that would result from the signal "Mutiny in Portsmouth". Someone spotted this and changed his proposed name from the English Mutiny to the French Mutine, hoping that the ship would stir up trouble on courtesy visits to French ports.

If my theory is correct, that someone was clerk number 2, he worked in the same office as clerk number 1, but his history and beliefs were very different. He had been invalided out of the Navy after a distinguished career and was a ferocious xenophobe who believed that the British had the right to intimidate and bully anyone who stood in their way. His existence is demonstrated by further study of the list of names.

Most people would consider names like HMS Conqueror, HMS Terror and HMS Vengeance adequate for the purpose of frightening Britain's enemies. Not clerk number 2, he thought them namby-pamby and decided to rectify the situation. He wasn't as prolific as clerk number 1, but he did his best christening such vessels as HMS Arrogant, HMS Imperialist, HMS Savage, HMS Spiteful, HMS Surly and HMS Tyrant. His finest hour came when he got the job of thinking up names beginning with V, he came up with HMS Vandal, HMS Venomous, HMS Vindictive and HMS Violent. He too was a good psychologist - nobody who had dared to challenge Britain could fail to be moved by the news that HMS Spiteful,

HMS Violent and HMS Vindictive were turning up to sort them out.

In later years, as he sat writing letters to the Eastbourne Gazette demanding the introduction of public flogging for litter louts, he must have regretted not calling a ship HMS Vicious. However, he probably consoled himself with the thought that clerk number 1 did not get much of a look in on the V's. He would have christened the ships Vacuous, Vile, Verminous and Venereal. As it was he only managed HMS Vanity, which was presumably a sister ship of HMS Narcissus. Though clerk number 2 no doubt deplored the behaviour of his colleagues, he, too, allowed the problem of day-to-day existence to intrude into his work, though only after rows with his wife, hence HMS Termagant, HMS Virago and HMS Tirade.

I don't know for how many years they worked in the same office, but it must have been a fraught relationship. Each probably spent most of his time trying to trump the names of the other. Clerk number 1 christened HMS Pansy, number 2 responded with HMS Manly. Number 1 - HMS Fairy, number 2 - HMS Virile. And so it went on until they retired and the ships they had named were either sunk or scrapped.

Now our ships have boringly correct names, which is a pity, for names could make a difference. A truly chauvinistic government would do well to study the names dreamed up by clerk number 2. If we can no longer terrify opponents with the size of our navy, we could try to frighten them with aggressive nomenclature.

A good start would be to retrieve the name HMS Violent and call sister ships HMS Psychopathic, HMS Blood Crazed and HMS Criminally Insane. The Vandal class could include HMS Ram Raider, HMS Headcase and HMS Terminator.

Of course, a more progressive government might go for names which reflected the concerns of the left - HMS Black Sections, HMS Stop clause 28, HMS Unilateralist and HMS Binding Decision of the Party Conference. Perhaps not, the daily Mail would have a field day if HMS Unilateralist were ever sunk.

In any event, the name of the ship doesn't appear to have affected its ability to fight. HMS Truant sank the Karlsruhe, HMS Wallflower and HMS Inconstant accounted for several U - Boats and I've no doubt that other ships with ridiculous names had excellent war records

But it is hard not to imagine the crew of HMS Narcissus leaning over the side to admire their reflections in the water, or the crew of HMS Spanker being accosted by leather-clad masochists in dockside bars. The crews of such ships must have been relieved when security considerations temporarily ended the practice of having the ship's name emblazoned on the cap -band. Even so, the change didn't come quickly enough for the unfortunate University Naval Reserve Unit, which when the orders for mobilisation came, was sent en masse to join a Battleship. As they walked up the gangway the regulars on deck burst in hysterical laughter. The full name of the unit was the Cambridge University Naval Training Squadron, which of course was indicated by the initials on their caps.......

Then again, it might be apocryphal.

Taken from a magazine article by James Richards

## RN & RM GUNNERY & MISSILE INSTRUCTORS ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT

E.J.W.SEABORNE M.B.E.

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Dear Dusty

May I take this opportunity in thanking both Bev and yourself for a truly wonderful weekend. It started on Thursday and finished late Saturday but what a time we had.

Many thanks to your association members Kev, Bob, Andy, to name just a few who showed us so much warmth and hospitality.

I think Marina summed it up when she quoted to a friend "Good food, good wine but most of all good company".

Look forward to seeing you both on the 12th.

Yours

Eddie and Marina

7 Algier Road Baffins Copnor Portsmouth Hants PO3 6PH

28 September 1997

Dear Peter

Angela and I would like to thank you and the association once again for such a lovely evening on Friday. I cannot find enough words to express how much we enjoyed the whole occasion.

Please pass on our gratitude to Bob and the team for their marvellous organisation. Their hard work was justly rewarded by the way everything flowed and the way everyone enjoyed themselves.

I would also like to reiterate my thanks for the lovely gift and for the wonderful flowers you presented to Angela. It was a lovely surprise and totally unexpected. My gratitude also for the kind words you expressed for me in your speech. It was so nice to be among so many old friends again and I can only say that we cannot wait for next years event

Thank you all once again.

Yours Aye

Paul and Angela

24 Stephens Road Liskeard Cornwall PL14 3SX

Dear Treasurer and all in the Association

Please find enclosed my subscription for the rest of this year and I have instructed a "Standing Order" for next year, starting on the 1st January 1998.

I have been medically discharged from the service as from 5 November 1997, after 26 years 5 months. So, to anyone who knows me, I say "Happy hunting and keep those sea lanes open and may all you targets be real ones".

I hope I will see a lot of you all, at the gatherings in Plymouth or Portsmouth, until then.

Yours Aye

Terry Whitty

(Welcome aboard Terry you are now officially, as an ex serving member, one of the Original Loyal Devoted Finest Acoustic Ratings Trained. ED) 106 Lower Drayton Lane Drayton Portsmouth PO6 2HE

Dear Mr Secretary

On behalf of my wife and myself, I would like to thank all the ASWI's committee, and all those involved, for a very enjoyable evening on the occasion of our annual dinner and dance at HMS Drake on 26 September 1997.

Due to a certain amount of "White Noise" I was unfortunately able to catch the full "gist" of our guest speakers speech which appeared to be most entertaining. If Captain Kerr's remarks could be published in the next copy of the Seamaster, I would be most grateful.

Yours Aye

Dave Bekker

(Ed's note. I would be happy to include them Dave, if someone has made a record of them.)

22 Sidlesham Close Hayling Island Hampshire PO11 9ST

Dear W.O. Rhodes

My wife and I were privileged to have been invited as guests to your association's Annual Dinner and Dance held at HMS Drake on 26 September 1997. It has been our good fortune to have been invited on other occasions over the past ten years to this annual function at other venues, in the Portsmouth area.

The purpose of this letter is to show our appreciation to your association, not just for the recent superb evening, but also for the others in the past.

High standards are very difficult to achieve, and perhaps, even harder to maintain. It has been many years now since I served in the Royal Navy, and it is comforting to know that despite the many changes that have taken place over the years, these high standards have been maintained.

Please allow me to thank the members of your association through you, for allowing my wife and I to share these memorable evenings with you, and I sincerely hope that we can do the same in the future.

Thank you all very much indeed.

Yours faithfully

M.Herlihy

#### THE INTERNET

As a recent convert to the Internet I thought that I would give you a little insight into what and how much the cost is. Steve Nash, Andy Astley and myself will be more than willing to answer any questions that you may have.

#### WHAT EQUIPMENT WILL YOU REQUIRE

The equipment listed below is the minimal that is required. If you can afford more expensive equipment the better it will be in the long run. There equipment below can be picked up for about £400 it is well worth shopping around.

- · You will need a computer 486 or better.
- Hard disc at least 1qb.
- Minimum 8MB of RAM
- A modem (the faster the better (33.6 minimum)) usual cost for a good Modem approx. £90 (prices falling all the time).

#### HOW MUCH DOES IT COST LINE RENTAL?

The price of BT calls is 1.7 p per minute after 6 in the evening, and 1p per minute from midnight Friday until midnight Sunday. Signing up to BT family and friends will save you 10% on your Internet number and premier line can save you a further 15% making a total of 25% saving on your Internet line. I am usually on the net for about 1.5 hours at a time on weekends and for 20 minutes per night during the week. My average Internet bill is about £8.50 per month. The cost of 5 pints.

#### WHICH INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER TO USE:

there are many to chose from and you should think how much you are likely to use the Internet. Some companies will give you a period of time free. The software for the service providers is FREE. Ideas of price are listed below:

- Unlimited access for about £12 per month. (VIRGIN NET).
- Limited number of hours free and charge you £2.40 for each additional hours can work out expensive at £ 2.40 any additional hour.
- Some cable providers provide FREE Internet access.

#### IS IT WORTH GETTING A SECOND TELEPHONE LINE.

Most probably not unless you intend to be on the net for very long periods of time.

## CAN I GET TO PRACTISE USING THE INTERNET FOR FREE OR CHEAPLY?

Yes if you are a member of a college or a university there is a good chance that you will be able to use the Internet for free on a computer within the college library (PLYMOUTH COLLEGE OF FURTHER EDUCATION). Cyber café are springing up in most towns throughout the UK You pay about £4 per hour and you may be able to get some instruction from members of staff in the café.

A list of members and establishments that are on the net are listed below. If any one else is on the net Please EMAIL BOB BURTON on the address below.

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HMS COLLINGWOOD:
HMS DRYAD:
FOST
HMS DRAKE

YOURS AYE

BOB BURTON.

#### ASW PUBLICATIONS

#### CORRECT TO DATE 23 APRIL 1997

TITLE		STATUS
BR 2000(63)	Signature Reduction and Control	ORIG
BR 2785(1)	MATCH System	ORIG - 96
BR 2785(3)	TYPE 42	ORIG - 96
BR 2785(4)	INVINCIBLE Class	ORIG - 96
BR 2785(5)	RFA's	ORIG - 96
BR 2785(11)	ADAWS	5
BR 2803	2013 H/B	7
BR 2805(2)	2008 H/B Operating Instructions	5
BR 2805(12)	2008 Performance and limitations	2
BR 4023(1)	SGUWW (Admin)	11
BR 4023(2)	SGUWW (Sonar and Weapons)	OF STA
BR 4023(3)	SGUWW (ASW assessment)	8
BR 4023(4)	SGUWW (Oceanography)	1
BR 4918(2)	MATCH H/B	ORIG - 96
BR 4985(1)	Range Prediction H/B	1
BR 5075(2)	2016 Operating H/B	8
BR 5075(OP)	2016 Operating Procedures	8
BR 8159(2DI)	ADAWS Injections	5
BR 8245 (1)&(2)	SONAR 1092 Trainer	ORIG
BR 8342(2)	MTLS H/B	
BR 8342(OSD)	MTLS OSD's V10	100
BR 8382(1)	2060 H/B	
BR 8431(2)	SEPADS	3
BR 8452(OP)		3
BR 8556	2050 OP Procedures (1994)	3
	SLUTT OP Procedures	2
BR 8589(2)	STWS 2 OP Procedures	ORIG - 96
BR 8589(OSD)	STWS 2 OSD's	ORIG - 96
BR 8589(2B)(2) BR 8603	Shipborne Torpedo System	3
DL 0003	RS4 Recorder H/B	3

BR 8680(2)(5)	Stingray H/B	5
BR 8713(OP)	Sonar 2031 OP Procedures	ORIG
BR 8713(2)	Sonar 2031	4
BR 8837	RASAT	ORIG
NP 631	Wreck Supplement	4
ADAC PUB 1	Acoustic Data Handbook	3
ADAC PUB 4	Active Sonar Class, guide	181
(Vol 1 and Vol 2)		
ADAC PUB 5	ADAC Reference manual	3 & 5
(Vol 1 & Vol 2)		
AXP 1C	S/M Exercise manual	ORIG
AXP 1C	S/M Exercise manual	2
(BRIT SUPP)		
ATP 10D	S/M Search and Rescue	ORIG
ATP 10D	S/M Search and Rescue	ORIG
(BRIT SUPP)		
ATP 18D	S/M OPS	1111111
ATP 28A	ASW Manual	7
AHP 6 (Vol 1)	S/M Areas (SODAS)	6 (Amd 32)
CB 04023	Ships guide to UWW	8
CB 04895(2)	Range Prediction H/B	2
CB 04895(3)	Range Prediction H/B	4
CB 8452(2)	2050 OP H/B	1
CB 08680(1B)	STINGRAY Command Info	1 10
CB 08713(1,2B)	2031 OP Procedures & OG	7
FL001	FLEET OPERATIONAL ORDERS	5
FLOO2	FLEET OPERATIONAL ORDERS	6

#### SURFACE FLOTILLA TEMPORARY MEMORANDUM

56/96	Maintenance of sonar skills
61/96	Surface Flotilia OBT support cell
69/96	Towed Array On Board Trainer (TAOBT)

Sonar 2050 - Operational software 3.01
Signature Ranging
ESUS MK84 Supply arrangements
CWTA Current analysis capabilities and concerns
SONAR 2050 OBT Software

#### DEFENCE COUNCIL INSTRUCTIONS (DCI's)

87/96	Towed Array On Board Trainer
124/96	Sonobuoys - RN allowances and accounting
	instructions.
113/97	SONOBUOYS - RN allowance and accounting
ins	structions

#### ASW Related OSTGM's in force to date: 14/11/97

OSTGM	DTG	TITLE
No		
051	231515Z OCT 95	ASW Records
079	211000Z MAY 95	Discipline of ASW fighting circuit.
112	261103Z NOV 96	MPA CASEX - Signal address
114	051701Z DEC 96	ROE - WARNINGS
130	141314Z APR 97	FVSS B/CAST of SM's Position
131	231600Z APR 97	Submarines operating in the SCXA
138	160842Z JUL 97	Sonar 162M withdrawal
139	310945Z JUL 97	5 Week BOST
148	100900Z OCT 97	Staff sea check formats
150	101010Z OCT 97	NATO ROE during OST serials
153	051600Z NOV 97	Fully recorded UWW attacks

#### ASW Related SOUTHGEM's in force to date: 24/03/97

SOUTHGEM No	DTG	O NOT SHOULD SHOULD THE
017 030 034	211212Z MAR 96 151507Z NOV 96 180713Z APR 97	Fishing Vessel Safety Ship Fishing Activity in SCXA (W) Interaction with FV's in the SCXA

#### STAFF SEA CHECK REFERENCES STATUS

#### OOW ASW CARDS

TITLE

TCM's FOTI 0112 Ch 28 BR 4023(2) 5K - 3 ORIG CASEX BOARDS BR 4023(2) 5M - 1 ORIG UWW LOOKOUTS ZIG ZAG PLANS ATP 3B ORIG FOST LETTER MINE LOOKOUTS MSS INSTRUCTIONS BR 4023(2) 5C - 1 ORIG

#### **EMERGENCY CARDS**

BR 4023(2) 5D - 1 ORIG RED GRENADE PROCEDURE STINGRAY BATTERY FIRE BR 8589(2) xii-xiv Ch 12 PROCEDURE BR 8342 xvii-xviii Ch 4

#### BRIDGE ASW FILE

BR 8342(2) 2F - 1 Ch 6 CURRENT STWS/MTLS FORM 'F' BR 4023(2) ORIG CASEX CHECK OFF LIST REGS FOR TX ON SONAR AT BR 4023(2) ORIG 5H - 1 SEA AND IN HBR 182 STREAMING/OOW CHECKS 2B-5

STWS/MTLS PRE-FIRING SAFETY CHECKS

STWS/MTLS CLEAR RANGE REQUIREMENTS

LOOKOUT ORGANISATION XBT INSTRUCTIONS FOR OOW SELF PROTECTIVE MCM MEASURES

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BR 8589(2) 2F - 1 Ch 13

BR 4023(2) 2-7/10 2A-1 TO

BR 8342(2) 2H-1, 2L-2 ORIG BR 8589(2) 2H-1, 2l-2 Ch 13

BR 8342(2) 2E-1, PARA C Ch 5 BR 8589(2) 2E-1, PARA C Ch 13 BR 4023(2) 5M -1 ORIG LOCALLY PRODUCED

BR 4023(2) ART 0540 or FOST LETTER 258/2 (23/2/94) BR 4023(2) ART 0174 ORIG BR 4023(2) ART 0175 ORIG

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CB08713(1,2B) Annex A to Ch 8

#### OPS ROOM ASW FILE

CONTENTS LIST SURFACING PROCEDURES A/B/C (A/B only non-tail NATO w/s) SURFACE SITREP OPS ROOM CASEX CHECK OFF LIST

CASEX DESCRIPTION VLCC REPORTING FORMAT NATO & RN SAFETY TRACES DISSUB LOCATOR ACOUSTIC BEACON DITCHED HELO RELOCATION BEACON OIL RIG SONAR BEACON TCM's SONAR SIGNAL CODE ASW SEARCH AND ATTACK PLANS STWS/MTLS PRE-FIRING SAFETY CHECKS

BR 4023(2) ORIG 5A-10

AXP1C ART 2273/4 & 2273-2 AXP1C ART 2273

BR 4023(2) ORIG 5A-6

BR 4023(2) ORIG 5K-1 OSTG 0766 ORIG BR 4023(2) ORIG 5U1-5U15

BR 4023(2) ORIG 5T-1

BR 4023(2) ORIG 5F-1 FLOO 12303 FOTI 0112 Ch 28 AXP1C Table 5-4

ATP1C ART 9261/9262 Ch 5

BR 8342(2) BR 8589 2H-1, 2L-2

#### OPERATIONS ROOM

ACTION PLOT MARGIN INFORMATION CASEX BOARD

BR 4023(2) ORIG 5N - 1 BR 4023(2) ORIG 5K - 3

#### SONAR CONTROL ROOM

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#### SONAR TYPE 162M

INSTRUCTIONS FOR 162 RUN BR 4023(2) 1 - 11 TO 1 - 16 UWT LOG CONTENTS LIST BR 4023(2) ORIG 5A - 11 SONAR SIGNAL CODE AXP1C Table 5 - 4 DITCHED HELO RELOCATION BEACON BR 4023(2) ORIG 5F - 1 DISLAB BEACON BR 4023(2) ORIG 5T - 1 OIL RIG RELOCATION BEACON FLOO 12303 SUS MK 84 CODES AXP1C Table 5 -5 **UJO PROCEDURES** AXP1C ART 5021 UNDERWATER TELEPHONE

3 LETTER GROUPS TO BE DISPLAYED NNN, QAP, SOS, TRT. TXT,UUU,VPO,XXA,XXX,YBA YBB, YYY

AXP1C Table 5 - 4

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#### PASSIVE PUBLICATIONS

TITLE	STATUS
BR 8713(OP)	4
ATP 18(D)	
CB 08713(1)	7
ADAC PUB 1	3
ADAC PUB 2	1
ADAC PUB 3	1
ADAC PUB 4 VOL 1	4
ADAC PUB 4 VOL 2	9
ADAC PUB 5 VOL 1	2
ADAC PUB 5 VOL 2	5
ADAC PUB 7	1
ADAC PUB 9	0
ADAC PUB 10	0
ADAC PUB 19	1
ADAC PUB 20	0
ADAC PUB 21	0
ADAC TRAINING NEWS 1/97	0
ADAC TRAINING NEWS 2/97	0
SMP 58	0
SMP 71	1
SMP 30	2
SMP 3	7
SMP 5	1
SMP 63	1

### USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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CDR U	CDR HARVEY	4622
SOASW	LT CDR EVANS	4548
ASWTO	LT CDR SCHNADHURST	4648
ASWEO	LT CDR HOYLE	4576
NSA(ASW)	STEVE RODGERS	4538
ASWTC	WO OWEN	4524
RTO(UW)	WO HOOD	4546
RTO(UW)1	WO HUTCHISON	4533
UE1	WO RHODES (Jan)	4547
UE2	WO NASH	4669/4629
UE3	WO KILROY	4576
UNC	CPO CORRINGE	4332
UPT1	JOHN CHENNELL	tina in
ADMIN	MRS JANE BURGESS	4537
Section 1	FAX NUMBER	4330
U Planning	CPO PLUMB / CPO PROWSE	4320
CPO INSTRS	INSTRUCTOR MANAGERS UTI 1.2, 2.1 &	4647
PO INSTRS	UTI 1.2 - 1.5 & 2.2 - 2.5	4568
TCM	UTI 1.5 TRAINING CONSTRUCTION MNGR	4695
WPNS SECT	WPNS INSTRUCTORS UTI 5.1 & 5.2	4383
ASUAT 3A		4724
ASUAT 6	CPO MANEELY	4505
ASUAT 8	Of O MARKEELY	4583
REST	ASUATS	4515
ROOM	Office (Black Swan)	4915
REST	LEWIN (SMOKERS)	4710
	A.O.M.C	
SOMETOC	LT CDR STANLEY	4569
OCTO	LT HOWELL	4569
OC1	CPO GLEAVE	4535
MET1	PO PICKERING	4535
	MISCELLANEOUS	
NEREUS	WO NASH & CPO ASTLEY	4669/4629
PASSIVE AIO	UTI 4.2 - 4.4	4633
FDO(UW)		

## WHERE'S YOUR OPPO?

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BACON	DRYAD	
BLANCHE	FOST	
BRIERLEY	FOST (CIV 12/98)	
BROTHERWOOD	FOSF (PROG)	
CAPEL	CINCFLT	
FOSTER	SULTAN AIB	
GRAVETT	FOST (CINCFLT 5/98)	
HOOD	DRYAD (CIV 4/98)	
HUTCHISON	DRYAD	
KENNEDY	GIBRALTAR	
KILROY	DRYAD	
LEWIS P	FOSF (PORTSMOUTH)	
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MANEELY G J	DRYAD
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PAGE B R	JMF ST MAWGAN	
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RICHES	LONDON	
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ROLFE C	DRYAD	
ROWE S M	BRAVE	
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WATTERS N J	RALEIGH	
WELSH	BRNC	
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BOYES D	CORNWALL
BUTLER G	BRAVE
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CHASE N	DRYAD
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DAVIES S R	NORFOLK
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GING	DRYAD (CUMBERLAND 2/98)
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