

# NOTICE TO MARINERS

Newsletter 32 Small Ship Squadron Association Incorporating RAE Tn

Patron: Colonel K L Duncan (RL)

## President's Message

A few of you may remember 40 years ago a contingent of sappers at Central Railway Station in Sydney under the command of WO1 Taffy Maggs heading for Fremantle as the delivery crew of AS3051 John Monash ( MV MARRA ). On 21 May 1965 the crew sailed the Monash out of Fremantle to Adelaide. I cannot recall the total crew but the Master was then Captain John Hartley, the First Mate was Lt. Bob Boyle, The 2nd Engineer was Bob Bennett followed by Pat Scott, Bluey Affleck, Jeff Beach, TC Cox and yours truly along with L/Cpl Bob Gunn deckside. The Sigs were Billy Mowell and Frankie Toms. Cooks were Johnno Johnson and Stan Maclean. The Q was represented by Tommy Royal and Neil Hawkins. Many of us enjoyed the time we spent on the Monash over many years of sea time. If you have a memory of time on the Monash or a photo please drop us a line for the next newsletter.

I would like to thank Chris Brown of RA Sigs 103 Sig Sqn SVN 66/67 for his email on cyclone Tracy and the tale of Hans Kumpel's misfortune at that time with



the loss of the workboat. He has also asked if anyone knows any news of Wayne Rush ?

Congratulations to Brian Goodes on the award of the Emergency Services Medal (ESM) in this year's Australia Day Honours.

It is with regret I inform you of the passing of Doug Iffla, Vince Mannell and Jack Norman.

Thanks to the Patron for arranging an outstanding guest speaker at this year's Dawn Service at Chowder Bay being Sir Ninian Stephen KG AK GCMG GCVO KBE, former Governor General and formerly VX107617 Corporal of 43 Landing Craft Company.

Many of you will receive this newsletter by email but all of you will receive a copy in the post including ANZAC DAY activities.

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## **MUNICIPALITY OF HUNTERS HILL – 82<sup>nd</sup> ANZAC MEMORIAL SERVICE**

On Friday 22 April 2005 a combined community ANZAC Service, arranged by the Hunters Hill Council, in conjunction with the Hunters Hill RSL Sub-Branch, will be held at the Town Hall. Prior to the service there will be the traditional evening march to the Town Hall. Members are asked to form up at the corner of Alexander and Woolwich Road ready to step off at 1940 hours. Coat, Association tie and medals should be worn. Family and friends can meet at the front steps of the Town Hall. During the Service our Association will lay a book (rather than a wreath) for presentation to a local school. Heavy bar snacks and refreshments will be served after the Service at the Sub-Branch Memorial Hall.

### **DAWN SERVICE – CHOWDER BAY**

The Dawn Service is being organized by Colonel Ken Duncan, Custodian of the Australian Army Maritime Memorial, with support from Mosman RSL, HMAS Penguin and 1 Commando Company. Over the years our Patron has been able to secure the services of many eminent and respected people as Guest Speaker and this year is no different. At the podium will be Sir Ninian Stephen, KG, AK, GCMG, GCVO, KBE, PC, a former Governor-General and a Justice of the High Court of Australia. He joined the AIF in 1941 and saw action in the Pacific with Army Water Transport, rising to the rank of Lieutenant. He left the Army in 1946.

The Service will commence at 0530 hours. The Lions Club of Mosman will provide breakfast and refreshments after the Service at a nominal charge (gold coin). Chowder Bay is now permanently open to the public and is managed by the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust and the area outside the gates is managed by NSW National Parks. Because of the very limited car parking within Chowder Bay it is requested that vehicles be parked at the old 10 Terminal Group parade ground (down the road from HMAS Penguin). A special shuttle bus service will then transport you to the Service.

This year our Association will not be attending the Dawn Service at Martin Place, so why not bring the family to Chowder Bay. It must be one of the best venues in Australia for such an occasion, and after the Service there will be ample time to inspect the refurbished and restored facilities.

### **DAWN SERVICE AND OPENING OF THE RAE VIETNAM MEMORIAL AT THE SCHOOL OF MILITARY ENGINEERING**

The Dawn Service at SME will take place at the RAE Memorial and commence at 0530 hrs. After the Service there will be about an hour to have breakfast in the ORs Mess prior to moving to the new RAE Vietnam Memorial located in the Heritage Precinct Area behind the headquarters buildings.

The opening of the Memorial will commence at 0730 hrs and the Guest Speaker will be a Sapper officer, Major General Ken Gillespie, DSC, AM, CSM, the Land Commander, Australia. General Gillespie has served in many overseas theatres including East Timor and recently in the Middle East. He is a graduate of the Officer Cadet School, Portsea. Not bad for an ex-Army Apprentice bricklayer.

For those of you who can't make it to Chowder Bay for the Dawn Service why not turn up at SME on this very significant occasion where you can see the magnificent results achieved by Bill Jones and Phil Hurren, along with their dedicated assistants, in doing justice to the Memorial. You can also see the pavers that have been laid at the Memorial, commemorating many and various Sapper achievements and operations. Our Association has a number of them. Personal pavers are also laid there, and it's not too late to order them for your self. See insert for details.



## WREATH LAYING – CENOTAPH MARTIN PLACE, SYDNEY

This year we will not be laying a wreath at Martin Place on ANZAC Day. We normally do this at a ceremony after the Dawn Service, but because of commitments to the Dawn Services at Chowder bay and SME, and the opening of the RAE Vietnam Memorial at SME we thought we would be too thin on the ground by attending all three. We will review the situation for next year.

## ANZAC DAY MARCH – SYDNEY

Please assemble on the corner of Phillip and Bent Streets in front of the Legal and General Building by 1000 hrs. Step off time is usually about 1100 hrs. Toddies will be provided by Mrs Grace Norman, widow of the late Jack Norman who always attended the march. Grace has invited members to 'have a drink with Jack' prior to the march.

It is requested that coat, Association tie and medals be worn. Also, please don't consume alcohol after the parade has formed. The Banner Party has been appointed in advance and once it has formed up in Bent Street members are to assemble on parade in columns of ten. When entering Martin Place the Association will divide into columns of five for the salute at the Cenotaph and reform into columns of ten in George Street. There will be an 'eyes right' for the Legacy Widows called by the right marker shortly after entering George Street. On arrival at Elizabeth Street/Hyde Park marshals will direct us to the dismissal area.

## ANZAC DAY RAFFLE

Over the last couple of years we have had a ship's barometer and clock as the main prizes. We have had quite a bit of feedback on these and appears that most members want these continued. So again we will offer these as first and second prizes, and a copy of a very good publication called 'Vietnam Voyages' as third prize. 32 Small Ship Squadron is mentioned in it, along with some photos. Quite a remarkable book. Fourth prize will again be Sid Cheeseman's bottle of port he acquired about 40 years ago in Vietnam. It's been won a few times previously but after looking at the label the winners suddenly can't find their tickets. I think it has something to do with the warning notice under the label which recommends that persons consuming the contents shouldn't be smoking or welding at the same time. However, I actually have tasted a similar bottle of it and it wasn't **that** bad. Hang on – I lied; it **was** that bad. If anyone has tried battery acid you get my drift... Anyway the main prizes will again be mounted on a backing of Tasmanian Oak. Your support in the raffle is again much appreciated.

## ANZAC DAY REUNION LUNCHEON

The Sydney reunion will be held at the Hunters Hill RSL Sub-Branch Memorial Hall at the corner of Alexander and Ady Streets. Roger MacDonald will again be manning the bar from midday, as always. A very good quality buffet luncheon will be served at 1400 hrs so do not get caught up too long in the city with your mates. The menu is included with the return slip so you can see what is available. Too good to be true and again it costs only \$35.00 per head which includes everything! (\$45.00 per head for those who turn up unannounced – still good value for money). There will be beer, wine and limited spirits included.

Guests, male and female, are most welcome, so why not bring some mates and your lady along for an enjoyable afternoon. Help us with the catering by returning the enclosed proforma as soon as possible.

## AUSTRALIAN ARMY WATER TRANSPORT REUNION

This is a biennial event and this year the reunion is being organised by Bob Bailey and will be held at the Brisbane Holiday Village at Eight Mile Plains during the period 14 -16 October. By now everyone should have received correspondence from Bob with the details, but if you haven't, and would like to more about it, phone him on (07) 3341 6133 or email him at [sales@brisbaneholiday.com.au](mailto:sales@brisbaneholiday.com.au)



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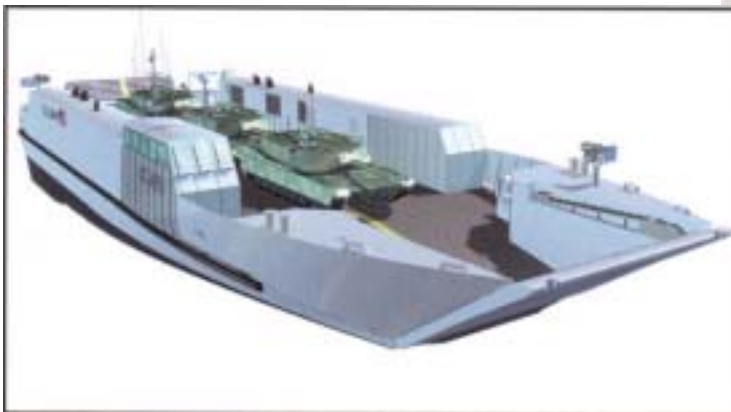
During the deployment of 21 Construction Squadron to Banda Aceh after the tsunami SGT Glen Donaldson and SPR Trevor Skoda clear mud filled drains in a downpour. It's good to see a sergeant doing a bit of work. Who'd be a plumber?



**TSUNAMI AFTERMATH - BOAT MOVING IN BANDA ACEH**

Sappers from the 1st Combat Engineer Regiment used a bulldozer and a bit of ingenuity to move a number of fishing boats from the city which was over two kilometers from the sea. They placed them on a slipway where they could be repaired (probably suffering gravel rash to the keel).

These two photos show the prototype of the Landing Craft Utility of the US Navy. They should come into production in mid 2006.



The LCU(R) is the future landing craft of the US Navy and perhaps the RAN. Able to carry 3 M1A1 at over 30 knots it will provide force and speed.



With the new LHDs an internal dock that landing craft can sail into will replace mating ramps. This technique is quick and easy and can be done in rough seas. Here a US Navy LCU enters the dock of an American amphibious ship.



### RAE Vietnam Memorial Paver Application


Part of the RAE Vietnam Memorial at SME is a paved area in front of Bailey Bridge panels and memorial plaques. Many members, ex-members, unit associations, organizations and individuals have purchased pavers. Our Association has purchased a number of them. You don't have to be a Vietnam veteran to have one in your name. There are still plenty of them to be incorporated in the Memorial so why not buy one.

Please return the application ASAP with your payment of \$50.00 per paver.

The organizers would prefer payment by cheque or money order if at all possible, as credit card processing is difficult at present (however use a credit card if you have to).

<b>The Bloggs Family</b>	<b>In Memory of John Bloggs 2 A.I.F.</b>	<b>Jack Bloggs RAE 1959-1973</b>	<b>SPR S Bloggs 2/O1 - IET</b>
<b>CPL R Smith RAE-SVN 1968-69</b>	<b>WO1 Bill Smith RSM - SME 2006 - 2008</b>	<b>Bloggs Panel Beaters Lidcombe</b>	




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 **Application for Named Paver**  
 ( one application per paver, please photo copy form for additional applications)

Name..... Phone.....  
 Address.....  
 ..... Post Code.....

**Inscription**


Please make cheques or money orders payable to Aust. Army Museum of Military Engineering (Memorial Fund) and post to AAMME (Memorial Fund) PO Box 165 Moorebank 1875

If paying by credit card, tick card type and complete details:      

Card Number

Expiry     Name on Card.....

Signature..... **Post completed form to above address**



**VALE – JACK NORMAN**

WO2 John (Jack) George Norman (Rtd) passed away on 10 February 2005 after a short illness. He was eighty years old.

Jack was born in London in 1925. He always wanted to go to sea but was too young to join the Royal Navy at the start of WWII so he ran away and joined the Dutch Merchant Service. He was a crew member on various merchant ships, and he was on RNS Volderveld when it was torpedoed and sunk enroute to USA in 1941. It was part of a large convoy and he was floating in the Atlantic for hours before being rescued by a destroyer piquet ship. Many of the crew were lost. He was taken to Savannah, Georgia where he was rehabilitated, and then returned to the Merchant Service where he remained until the end of the war.

In 1950, after having worked as a guard on the London underground, he and his wife, Grace migrated to Australia and settled at Tara, Qld where he worked as a jackaroo for about five years. In 1956 they moved to Redcliffe, and Jack joined the Army, did recruit training at Kapooka, Corps training at SME and was then posted to 198 Works Section RAE, then at Moorebank. He was then posted to 17 Construction Squadron and while there did a tour in Papua New Guinea. He subsequently served with both these units in Vietnam during 1967/68. On his return he was posted to 32 Small Ship Squadron as an SQMS and did another tour to Vietnam on AV1353 Harry Chauvel in 1970. He was then posted to the Transportation Centre, Chowder Bay and then later to 35 Water Transport Squadron, RACT, and remained there until his retirement in 1977.

Jack then worked as a security guard at Concord Repatriation Hospital for the next ten years before retiring. However, during this time he kept in touch with his Army mates who persuaded him to join them in the 'Corps of Guides' at Victoria Barracks, Paddington. So from then on, until quite recently, he could be found every Tuesday at the Barracks, assisting with the Army Museum and leading tour groups.

Jack's funeral was held at Leura NSW and attended by many family members and friends, including a large military contingent of the Corps of Guides, Vietnam Veterans and Associated Forces from Springwood, and from 32 Small Ship Squadron RAE Association were: Graham Murray, Ken Shannon, Roger MacDonald, Ian Johnson, Les Dennis, Ray Oliveri and Ross McMurray.

Jack was a popular member of our Association. He was always there for the ANZAC Day March in Sydney, and the reunion lunch at Hunters Hill, and also at Vietnam Day at Springwood every year. He will be sorely missed at this years gatherings.

Our condolences to Jack's wife, Grace; and to their children, Tina, Robert and Christine (and many grandchildren and great grandchildren).

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**VALE – DOUG IFFLA**

Doug Iffla passed away on 7 February 2005. He had been ill for over twelve months and finally succumbed to respiratory problems.

24274 WO1 Doug Iffla (Rtd) served in the RAN during WWII, including a tour on the Armed Merchant Cruiser HMAS Westralia which saw action off Papua New Guinea and Borneo. After the war he enlisted into the Army and was posted to the Transportation Centre, Chowder Bay as a navigation and seaman instructor. It is thought that he came into the Army as a WO2 because of his previous naval service. Surprisingly, he also instructed on Army Movements for a short period.

During the period 1955 to 1961 he served in various water transport postings in Sydney, Brisbane and Papua New Guinea. He was a crew member on nearly all the vessels on the inventory at one stage or another including the 112 foot target towing vessel AV2770 Sandra, the 62 foot command craft AM2834 Fern and the 125 foot cargo vessel AV1379 Tarra. Doug was skipper of the Fern in PNG during 1959/60 and he also skippered the Tarra in 1962 during Exercise Blowdown at Iron Range on the Cape York Peninsula.

He was posted to 32 Small Ship Squadron in the early 1960s and subsequently served on all four LSMs. He was Second Mate on AV1355 Vernon Sturdee on its tour in Borneo in 1964, and did at least two voyages to Vietnam on AV1353 Harry Chauvel, also as Second Mate.

In 1971/72 he assisted in the acceptance trials of the Landing Craft Heavy L126 Balikpapan at Maryborough Qld prior to it being commissioned into the Army. Actually, he was its first skipper (although WO1 Les Dennis was its first operational skipper after it had been accepted). Doug retired from the Army shortly after this, and moved to Wentworth Falls in the Blue Mountains of NSW.

Doug Iffla was a well respected and popular Warrant Officer who worked hard and played hard. He did not suffer fools gladly (which must have been a bit of a challenge) but was generous with his knowledge and experience of seamanship and navigation, and in this regard would always make time to assist seamen who wished to further their education in these areas.

We offer our condolences to his wife Hannah, and their family.

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**VALE - VINCE MANNELL**

Vince Mannell passed away on 30 January 2005 after having suffered a number of strokes over the last 15 months. His latest battle was with pneumonia and he did not recover from it. He was 79 years old.

Vince was born in England in 1926 and joined the Royal Navy in 1943 at age 17. The following year he transferred to the Royal Marines (Commando) and after some intensive and demanding training just managed to miss the D Day landings on 6 June 1944, but did land in France a month later (he once said it was on a BOAC flight to Paris but I suspect he was joking). His unit then deployed through France to Belgium, Holland and Germany and during this period he took part in the liberation of the Belsen Concentration Camp. The terrible memories of this incident remained fresh in his mind for the rest of his life.

After WWII he remained in the Royal Marines and served in Palestine during the Jewish/Arab hostilities in 1948. He was discharged after this posting and planned to travel to Australia to start a new life. He subsequently arrived in Sydney in 1950 and mainly worked as a waterside worker and carpenter until he joined the Army in 1958.

Because of his previous military service he didn't bother with Kapooka but went straight to SME where he once again underwent more physical, intensive and demanding training to become a Field Engineer. However, his joy was short lived because he was posted to the Transportation Center at Chowder Bay where he underwent training as a seaman. In 1959 and 1960 he was a crew member of the LSM Delivery Squadron with the Krait and Taipan Task Forces which delivered the LSMs to Australia from Japan. Like many other crewmen, due to the shortage of seamen, he sailed in the two trips.

During his service with 32 Small Ship Squadron he served on AV 1351 Vasse, AM 2834 Fern and AV 2770 Sandra, a 112 foot Fairmile class target towing vessel. He also served on all four LSMs along the Australian coast, Papua New Guinea, and Vietnam. During this period he was promoted to WO2 as a Watchkeeper Deck.

He served his last two years in the Army in 34 Water Transport Squadron in Brisbane and elected discharge in 1978.

Our sympathy goes to his wife, Rene and daughters Stephanie and Gillian.

Vince's funeral was at the Poonaroo Cemetery at Albany Creek, Brisbane and was attended by family and many friends including ex Army comrades Peter Caskey, Arthur Jackson, Jim McMahan, Bill Irvine, Dave Jupp, Des Gainer, Merv Saunders, Don Haken, Blue Dunning and Jeff Robotham.

Thanks to Jim McMahan, who was a great mate of Vince, for providing these details.

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## 2005 AUSTRALIA DAY HONOURS LIST

Congratulations to Lieutenant Colonel Brian Goodes (Rtd) who was awarded the Emergency Services Medal (ESM) in the Australia day Honours List.

Over the past 16 years, Brian has held positions in which he has provided policy advice across the areas of government involved in the coordination of NSW emergency services. In this capacity he works closely with the NSW Fire Brigades, NSW Rural Fire Service, State Emergency Services, Volunteer Rescue Association, Royal Volunteer Coastal Patrol and the Australian Volunteer Coast Guard. For the past seven years he has been Secretary to the State Rescue Board.

During his time in the emergency services field, he has contributed to the coordination of emergency services to a number of natural disasters including the Newcastle earthquake, the Sydney North Shore storms, flooding at Wollongong and the North Coast, the Thredbo landslide, the Sydney hailstorm, and four severe bushfire seasons in 1994, 1997, 2001/02 and 2002/03.

He was also instrumental in the establishment of the NSW Volunteers Memorial which was dedicated by the Governor of NSW, Her Excellency Professor Marie Bashir AC in 2001 to commemorate the State's volunteers, particularly those who have lost their lives in the course of their duties.

On top of that, he's a good bloke! Well done, Brian, and congratulations from us all.

## ASBESTOS AND BERYLLIUM MONITORING

In the last edition of NTM we advised that anyone who thought they had encountered asbestos during their service career (and who hasn't) should contact the Defence Department Asbestos Monitoring Group on 1800 000 655 (Australia wide). Go on, do it now if you haven't already done so! There's no cost and just a simple procedure and an x-ray is all that's involved for your piece of mind.

The Department of Defence recently advised that there may be a risk of lung disease to some members and ex members of the Defence Force who used Jason pistols to strip paint from ships. The pistols are a pneumatic or hydraulic tool and work by vibrating a set of 'needles,' containing beryllium, against the painted metal, which caused the needles to wear, generating dust. Beryllium is an alloy containing heavy metal. It was used in Jason pistols because it does not cause sparks when used to strip metal. Beryllium dust can cause fatal and untreatable lung disease, similar to asbestosis.

There is anecdotal evidence that Jason pistols were used by Army crews on Army craft and ships, especially at Garden Island, Cockatoo Island and shipyards in Australia and overseas. They were usually borrowed from the dockyards, but may have been on the ships inventories. Again, as with asbestos, it's better to be safe than sorry. The Department of Defence has announced that the Beryllium Information Service is now available and concerned persons should ring 1800 000 644 (Australia wide). The service will record your potential exposure details and will send you an information package. When you phone you will need to advise your name and regimental number, your unit and type of ship, and circumstances surrounding the exposure, eg, operating a needle gun, in close proximity to someone operating one, etc. So, go on- pick up the phone! It only takes you five minutes and doesn't cost anything (unless you use your mobile).

Finally, if anyone does remember using these needle guns could you please write, phone or email details to me so that a data base could be started.



## DAVE CLARKE AND THE TSUNAMI

The recent tsunami on Boxing Day was something that shocked and saddened each of us. To those who have suffered personally, the loss and grief has been overwhelming. The images we saw on TV moved us all and the response to this disaster has been on a scale that we have never seen before. Governments, businesses, charities and individuals have all given generously towards the relief effort. In the aftermath of a terrible tragedy we witnessed many acts of goodness.

Fortunately, Dave Clarke was not amongst the victims, although he could well have been if the following circumstances had not occurred. Dave now lives in Thailand with his wife, Gae. On Boxing Day they were supposed to meet up with a group of friends on Koh Lanta Beach but at the last minute decided not to go. Fortunately, all the group were spared because when they heard that Dave and Gae were not coming they slept in, and were safe in their hotel rooms when the Tsunami hit the beach. A good decision, Dave!

## UPDATE ON JOE LAXTON

Many members have enquired about the health of Joe Laxton. We last saw him at the Freedom of the City of Liverpool Parade in November 2002 as part of the RAE Centenary Muster. He looked pretty dapper at the parade (see photo), but has lives in Adelaide. Mick Ryan reported that..."Joe is going he has his off days but by and robust. He has been getting the other day he had to have He has a remarkable memory me; last year when I took him Keswick Barracks, he pointed their life size model of a Light Did you know that prior to Reserve as a Mounted would have cut a dashing

We continue to go for our he enjoys, and we enjoy his he's around the ladies. On comment is: "I wish I was six that I talk to him on the phone

Joe was in the Permanent 1940, and then joined the AIF Field Companies until 1943. Parachute Troop, RAE (part Battalion) from 1943 to 1946. remember Joe's impressive when he was RSM at SME – the latter. Good to hear that hopefully will continue to do Mick and Ron for your



since gone down hill a bit. He advised that Ron Gibbens pretty well for an 88 year old, large he continues to look treatment for skin cancer and some removed from his head. which never fails to amaze to the Army Museum at out to the staff that they had Horseman wrongly kitted out. WWII he was in the Army Engineer ? I don't doubt he figure on horseback.

fortnightly luncheons which ready wit; especially when such occasions his standard months younger". Other than two or three times a week".

Military Forces from 1938 to and served in 2/3, 2/11 and 23 He was a member of 1 of 1<sup>st</sup> Australian Parachute Many members would stature and booming voice often on the receiving end of he's still going strong and so for years to come. Thanks comments.



## NEW MEDAL ENTITLEMENTS

In the December 2004 edition we mentioned details of entitlement to the Malaysian Service Medal (Pingat Jasa Malaysia) and the Australian Defence Medal. Updates on this information have been received from the Department of Defence and are as follows:

**Malaysian Service Medal.** Approval from the Australian and Malaysian Governments has been given and application forms are available. The applications are five pages long, which includes details on posthumous awards (along with statutory declarations and other administrative information) and for this reason we will not attach them with this newsletter unless you were a crewman on the AV1353 Harry Chauvel or AV 1355 Vernon Sturdee during their deployment to Borneo in 1964. If you need assistance with details of these trips contact Jack Peel if you were on the 'Chauvel' on (02) 4446 1044 or [jackpeel@optusnet.com.au](mailto:jackpeel@optusnet.com.au) or if you were on the 'Sturdee' contact Peter Atkinson on (03) 9558 3737 or [atkinsonp@optusnet.com.au](mailto:atkinsonp@optusnet.com.au). However, if anyone else wants an application form, or if you think you are entitled to a medal, please let me know and I'll forward you an application.

**Australian Defence Medal.** This award is for the recognition of service to enlisted service men and women (both regular and reservists) who have served a minimum of six years since 1946. However, although it has been approved in principle by the Government it has not yet officially been gazetted. This is because there are still some outstanding issues and criteria that need to be finalised, and it appears that this will not be completed until mid 2006. The Department of Defence will issue special application forms for this award, and those who have applied for it on the "General Application Form" may have to re-apply. We will keep you informed of progress on this matter.



**How about this . Its the new USMC amtrack for their diggers , also does 30 knots .**

**Oceanic Viking  
in service**

*The new Southern Ocean patrol vessel 'Oceanic Viking' has replaced RAN major fleet units in protecting Australian environmental and economic interests in our southern waters.*



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