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INCORPORATING THE MARINE LOGISTICS PERSONNEL BRANCH

Our Web Site

All the latest news, pictures, biographies, ships service can be found on our web site:

www.ranwriters.com



The Vietnam Veterans Motorcycle Club, South Australia Chapter

has now changed to Veterans MC. We have re patched over to Veterans. If there is any ex Writers, who ride a bike greater than 500cc, and a Veteran of other than Vietnam, and would like to be considered for membership please ring Grahame Stewart (Ex POWTR) on 0415713405.

Keeping Watch



Keeping watch is designed to enhance our ability to care for and support navy members and their dependants who are in financial need.

This website is now live and provides information to the general public on the purpose of the program and the means for them to make a donation.

The website also contains details of how the charity will operate and provides some examples of the help that will be available under keeping watch which includes financial assistance for:

- Essential living expenses after a family crisis such as a house
- Fire, or unexpected death or serious illness of a loved one;
- Child care costs when the usual at-home carer is not able to look
- After their young family during an unexpected family crisis;
- Education or retraining for navy members, as well as scholarships
- For their dependants; and
- Medical treatment or other health support for situations not fully covered by Medicare or private health insurance.

All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

The Charity's website is :

<http://www.keepingwatch.org.au>



Australian Partners of Defence launched a nationwide discount website to all serving and retired military personnel (including reservists and APS employees), and their families.

These discounts are available through a membership program called APOD – Defence Discounts Online available at www.apod.com.au

Products discounted include attractions, dining, accommodation, fashion, jewellery, alcohol and more come on each week.

Check out their browse page for latest offers online, national, local and in the UK through an affiliate program called Rewards For Forces.

To become a member for 2013, membership is free, simply go to <http://www.apod.com.au/membership> and sign up to have immediate access.

For any further information or should you have any queries about the program please contact hello@apod.com.au

We heard from **Peter Lenartas** R62774 who joined 6th January 1964. Served in establishments *Cerberus, Rushcutter, Penguin, Watson, Tarangau* and *Lonsdale*.

HMA Ships he served in were *Sydney* 1/4/1964-21/8/1964 and *Anzac* 18/12/1966 to 21/12/1967. He completed 9 years service.



LWTR Brian Wall, WTR Bruce Pollock and WTR Sid Cross get on with the unglamorous but very necessary task of looking after Melbourne's Pay Records. 1967.

Navy News April 28 1967

“Man Rescued From Harbour by Sailors’

The man fell from the pleasure cruiser ‘Radar’ north east of Garden Island at approx. 2030 hours.

Disregarding their safety the two Writers plunged into the water to rescue the distressed man. He was held up until picked up by a Naval Dockyard Police boat and taken to Garden Island Sick Bay for treatment.



Navy News October 13 1967

“Royal Shipwreck Relief and Humane Society of NSW Award”



Navy Writers R B Whitbread and R F Hardy received awards by his excellency the Governor of NSW Sir Roden Cutler, VC.

Writer hardy centre received the Bronze medal, and Writer Whitbread the certificate of Merit. The citation read “ On April 14th, 1967 about 8.20 pm, Hardy dived

into Sydney harbour from the Boat Pound of Garden Island to rescue a man who had fallen overboard from a ferry cruise. He swam freestyle and breaststroke alternatively to enable him to hear the mans cries for help. The man disappeared under water as Hardy reached him so he brought him to the surface and supported him with the help of Whitbread until a naval launch picked them up. He was very ably assisted in the rescue by Whitbread.”



Ross Hardy recently.

Navy News Pictures



Ray See and wife Shirley at Leeuwin ships ball 1967. Anybody know where he is today ? Last known whereabouts WA.

LWTR Joe McGrade and wife Diane at the Leeuwin ships ball 1967



LSWTR Jim McLean saying farewell to his children before departing on HMAS *Queenborough* for the frigates duty run to the Far East. 1962

ABML-P Elise Fisher at the Pay office on *Choules* - 2013





The Advanced Maritime Logistics Personnel Operations Course Session 010 at HMAS Cerberus, Vic. 13-29 AUG 13

Left to right - PO Brett Ellis (Instructor), LS Matthew O'Brien, PO Scott Hoare, LS James Carter, LS Mark Honey, CPO Mark Lansdell (Senior Instructor)

We wish the following senior members of the Branch a Happy Birthday for November (Left to right): Barry Benfield (83), Bruce Campbell (85), Athol Rose (99), Bruce Anthon (84), Ray Walters (81).



You can view all November Birthdays on our web site.

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