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THE HON. PAUL PAPALIA CSC MLA ANNOUNCED AS PATRON OF THE ASSOCIATION

The committee has much pleasure in announcing Hon. Paul Papalia CSC MLA has accepted the position of Patron of the HMAS Armidale Association.

Paul is the Minister for Tourism; Racing and Gaming; Small Business; Defence Issues; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests.

He entered the WA Parliament in 2007 after serving 26 years in the Royal Australian Navy working as a navy diver and reaching the rank of Lieutenant Commander. He served with the United Nations Special Commission on Iraq and in 1994 was awarded the Conspicuous Service Cross.

Paul is the current Member for Warnbro in the Western Australian Parliament.

It is indeed a pleasure and honour our fledging Association has attracted a person of Paul Papalia's standing with a very proud and honourable service record with the Royal Australian Navy.

The committee will be meeting with Paul soon to provide him with a background of the Association, some detail of our current projects and brief him on Armidale Day 2020. The Remembering HMAS Armidale Association welcomes Hon Paul Papalia CSC MLA as our inaugural Patron.

INAUGURAL MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

The Committee are proud to welcome the inaugural Members for Life to the HMAS Armidale Association. We cannot thank you all enough for showing your support through your Membership, and we hope that we can provide you with informative and intriguing content for a long time to come.

HMAS ARMIDALE MEMBERS FOR LIFE	
Honourary Life Member Ray Leonard	Bert Boschetti
Peter Savill*	Julie Boschetti
June Savill	Lisa Garic
Hugh Callander	David Garic
Georgia Callander	Christine Considine
Angus Callander*	Peter Considine
Basia Lamb*	Tom Lewis
David Savill*	Melanie Price
Johanne Savill	Terry Hewitt
Jim Mendolia	Guy Leyland
Lyn Mendolia	Timothy Price
Peter John Caldwell	David Carment
Tim Choules*	Alan Higgins
Cassandra Schmitt	David Griffiths
Carol Reid	Mark Luzi
Maree Bujdegan*	Janine Luzi
James Paratore	

*Committee Member

EDWARD (TEDDY) SHEEAN – VICTORIAN CROSS INVESTITURE

On 12 August 2020, the Australian Governor General, His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley, AC, DSC, (Retd) announced that HM Queen Elizabeth II had approved a posthumous award of the Victoria Cross to Ordinary Seaman Edward (Teddy) Sheean. In doing so, Ordinary Seaman Sheean, became the first member of the Royal Australian Navy to be awarded Australia's highest honour for valour.

The approval followed a rigorous campaign over some 30+ years for Teddy Sheean to be properly recognised for his courage and bravery under fire during the attack on HMAS Armidale by Japanese aircraft in 1942. Although he was previously mentioned in dispatches for his bravery and, in 1999 had HMAS Sheean, a Collins Class submarine, named after him, the campaign for Teddy Sheean to be awarded the highest honour never faltered.

In July this year, Teddy's selfless actions were appropriately recognised, when an expert panel, chaired by Dr Brendan Nelson AO, recommended to the Australian Government that he be considered for the award of a Victoria Cross.

On 1 December 2020, an investiture will take place in Canberra where Garry Ivory, nephew of Teddy Sheean will be presented the Victoria Cross by the Australian Governor General. Garry will then donate the medal to the Australian War Memorial for all Australians to see and remember the sacrifice that one 18-year-old Ordinary Seaman made to help save the lives of his mates.

A FILM ABOUT HMAS ARMIDALE

A script has been written by Craig Monahan for a film about HMAS Armidale and preproduction including securing financial backing is currently underway.

Craig is a new member of this Association who a few of us already know of. His biography highlights his previous successes and the article he wrote below outlines his vision for the film "Armidale".

If you can assist Craig Monahan in any way or have a contact who may be able to, please email him at armidale.film@bigpond.com or alternatively, contact Peter Savill at peterjune@bigpond.com and he can pass your information onto Craig.

CRAIG MONAHAN: BIBLIOGRAPHY

Craig Monahan: Director

Craig Monahan is a director and writer, known for The Interview and Healing.

- **Awards:** AACTA Award for Best Original Screenplay (1998)

- **Nominations:** AACTA Award for Best Direction (1998)

- AACTA Award for Best Original Screenplay (1998)

Director Craig Monahan's next feature is set to explore the story of HMAS Armidale, an Australian ship sunk by the Japanese in WWII in a three- minute hellfire off the coast of East Timor.

The following article outlines his vision of the Film. If you can assist or contribute in any way, or know of a contact who can, please have them contact either Craig direct by email

HONOURING TEDDY SHEEAN AND HMAS ARMIDALE – IN A FEATURE FILM AND ON THE AIRWAVES

By Craig Monahan

The awarding of a Victoria Cross to Ordinary Seaman Edward 'Teddy' Sheean, will be welcomed by many Australians, not least members of the Corvette Association. He is the first member of the Royal Australian Navy to receive the award.

I am particularly pleased his act of heroism has finally been recognised. For more than twenty years, I've been researching and developing a full-length feature film that honours the extraordinary crew of HMAS Armidale. I would like to share my plans with you, their fellow Corvetteers.

The more I uncovered, the more I realised Sheean's actions are but one part of the fascinating and multi-layered Armidale story, seamlessly blending great individual acts of courage and valor with the horror of war. It realises an extraordinary level of emotional depth and humanity, set against a terrible tragedy, all with a sting in the tail.

The film will be an epic production with dramatic re-enactments of the battle, the survival ordeal, and the subsequent Naval inquiry. We believe Armidale will capture a wide audience. It is similar in scope to recent films such as '**Dunkirk**', '**1917**' and '**Greyhound**'. All are worth a look. Financing is under way and there's more to be done but, sooner or later, it will happen.

When writing the script for the film, I realised there's not enough time in a movie to present all the remarkable deeds that occurred, so I have decided to produce a podcast as well (like the old radio plays that were so popular back in the day). It will be produced in six episodes, each running about half an hour.

The podcast will also be a high-quality production, with a narrator telling the story, along with sound effects, re-enactments, and clips of recorded interviews with survivors. The search for grants and donations to fund the project has commenced.

You might like to consider how you may be able to contribute to the podcast, as well as providing your own knowledge of Armidale and her crew. Contact details are at the end of this article.

Who we are and the best we can be

We have an opportunity for Armidale to join the ranks of classic Australian stories. To me, it is in the vein of the Anzacs, Gallipoli, the Burma Railway, the Rats of Tobruk; and individuals such as Albert Jacka, Breaker Morant and Weary Dunlop.

No doubt you know the crux of the story, and it's been covered in recent issues of this magazine, but here's a snapshot. During World War Two, on 29 November 1942, Armidale, under the command of Lieutenant Commander David Richards, sailed out from Darwin on a top-secret mission. Two days later she was sunk by Japanese aircraft in a three-minute hellfire in the Timor Sea. It was less than six months after Armidale had been commissioned to the Navy.

The average age of her crew was just 21; some were as young as 17. Armidale was the only Australian corvette to be sunk by enemy action, and the loss of life was the highest for any corvette in the War. Of the 149 men on board, only 46 survived the ordeal.

The mission remained classified for more than 50 years, so there was little public recognition for Teddy Sheean and the men who went down with the ship, or the great acts of courage, determination and mateship by those who survived.

As Dr Brendan Nelson, former Director of the Australian War Museum and Chair of the Expert Panel that recommended the awarding of the VC, has said: 'Let Teddy Sheean inspire us to be a people that are selfless, caring and brave.' Herein lies the crux of what we are doing. Armidale is a story about who we are and the best we can be.

People are the Heart of the Story

The film and podcast will not only help cement Teddy Sheean's place among Australia's war heroes, but it also provides an opportunity to highlight the actions of his shipmates and others who were central to Armidale's fateful mission.

They include her Captain, Lieutenant Commander David Richards, and Commodore Cuthbert Pope, the Naval Officer in Charge of Darwin and responsible for sea movements and Naval activities.

In 1942, Pope and Richards found themselves in the front line of Australia's wartime defence.

There were the men with Richards on the bridge: First Lieutenant William Whitting; Gunnery Officer Lloyd Palmer; Coxswain Russ Caro on the wheel; Engineer Officer Harry Jenkyn; Signalmen George Devlin and Arthur Lansbury; Anti-Submarine Officer James Buckland; and Ordinary Seaman Johnny Parker at the starboard telegraph.

We can bring to light little-heard-of roles, like those of Ordinary Seaman Ray Leonard, whose job was to operate the PAC, a missile housed on the roof of the bridge. When launched, the rocket released a parachute from which dangled a mass of wires intended to foul the propellors of approaching fighter planes. An interesting idea, but it didn't work.

What I really want to highlight, and the core of the story, is the power of human spirit; the individual acts by so many members of the crew that reflect the proudest traditions of Corvetteers, for example:

– As Armidale was preparing to set sail, Leading Seaman Leigh Bool had the foresight to gather wooden planks and other spare timber from around the wharf, and had them lashed to the railings of the ship's upper deck, a move that would prove vital to the survival of many of his crewmates.

– Ordinary Seaman Bill Read was knocked unconscious by the first torpedo blast and came to as the ship was keeling over. Rather than immediately abandoning ship, he began winding out the davits holding the whaler, which eventually came free from the ship, thus saving many lives.

– Even as the enemy aircraft swooped in, Wireman Bill Lamshed slipped the minesweeping floats free from their mountings so they could be used as rafts. He was then thrown into the water by the torpedo blast, hauled himself onto the motorboat, and began helping survivors aboard.

– Ordinary Seaman Ted Morley was hit by a hail of bullets and found that half his jaw had been blown away, yet he survived for five grueling days and nights in the motorboat, even insisting on helping with the bailing until rescued.

– Following the sinking, the whaler was submerged just below the surface. Though weak from lack of food and treading water for three days, the men were able to re-float and patch up the whaler, using a combination of ingenuity and sheer willpower.

– As the motor on the motorboat was not working, the leaking craft had to be rowed. Motor Mechanic Les Higgins and Engine Room Artificer Dick Maddox stripped the motor down, reassembled it, and got it going, saving precious days.

And through the podcast we can give a voice to these men, with heartfelt recordings by some of

the survivors, like this from Ordinary Seaman Ray Leonard:

> *"The ship was not inanimate, it was a dynamic, living thing. It was almost as if it paused and stopped for a second. It might have been in my imagination … but that's how it seemed to me, almost as if it were reluctant to disappear, and of course it just slid under. And that was probably, apart from the death of my parents, the saddest moment in my life."*

It's anecdotes like these that motivated me to write the film and podcast.

"Australia Needs to Know"

In doing my research, another comment that moved me was by Ordinary Seaman Rex Pullen, recalling his ordeal on the whaler:

> *"What I want people to know is that there is deep down in the Aussie creature a mentality whereby he can get himself out of these peculiar situations very well. No doubt a lot of other nations can too. But what I saw of these twenty-eight other fellows, what they put up with, what they did, their determination, their grit and the mere fact that they weren't going to be beaten. It is just good stuff and I'm terribly proud of the Australian people."*

Through the film and the podcast, the feats of those who survived can finally be acknowledged by the wider Australian public.

The little-known facts

How many know that Armidale was transporting a contingent of 61 Javanese soldiers and 2 Dutch officers to Timor? As you can imagine, it was an overcrowded ship that set off on that fateful day.

We'll go into more detail of what happened to the men on board during the three minutes between the first torpedo hit and Armidale sinking, and the harrowing moments after they abandoned ship.

The film and podcast will also explore why it took so long for the survivors to be found, and how they endured the unimaginable hardship, faced with circling sharks, hunger, thirst, exhaustion, and the blazing tropical sun.

Richards, being the only experienced navigator in the crew, took the most seriously wounded in the motorboat and headed for a known reconnaissance area. Two days later, the whaler was re-floated. The remaining sailors split into two groups, one on the makeshift raft and the other on the whaler.

Five days after the sinking, the motorboat was picked up and Richards was able to direct an air search. It was another three days before the crew on the whaler were also rescued. Despite desperate searches, the men on the raft were never seen again (see picture).

The Navy held a full inquiry into the sinking. Lieutenant Commander Richards was exonerated; however, he was not given another command for the remainder of the war. Within two weeks of the inquiry, Commodore Pope was quietly transferred to the port of Fremantle.

That the story remained classified for five decades is one of the reasons why Armidale and her crew have never received the public recognition they deserve for their incredible bravery. Now that Teddy Sheean has been awarded the Victoria Cross, that injustice can finally be remedied.

If you're able to contribute to the production of the podcast, or would like to provide your own stories or memories of Armidale and her crew, please contact me by email: **armidale.film@bigpond.com** Or listen to our 6 minute podcast 'trailer' on **YouTube**. Type in **Armidale Podcast trailer** and it should come up.

2020 HMAS ARMIDALE DAY KINGS PARK, PERTH

The Association is inviting all who would like to attend the 2020 Armidale Memorial Service in Perth this year.

Last year we held our service at HMAS Stirling – Fleet Base West, Garden Island in Western Australia, a service that was attended by some 40 attendees. It was a wonderful event and so we are having this year's memorial at Kings Park, at the Memorials for Two of the Crew – PO Stoker Robert Quayle and Stoker Arthur [Peter] Knight at Memorial Tree L287 – Lovekin Drive, Kings Park.

Preceding the Service, an afternoon tea will be served at the **Zamia Café**, May Drive Kings Park. Cost $26.50 pp, Red and White Wines included.
This will be 2.30 pm, for a 3.00 pm start going through until 3.45 pm. We then travel to Lovekin Drive for the Service, approx. 1km.

The Service will be conducted by a Chaplain from the **Fleet Base West** together with Bugler, who will sound the Last Post and Reveille, after which a wreath will be laid.
Service will run from 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm approx.

If you would like to attend this year's Memorial, please send your details to Peter Savill peterjune@bigpond.com before 20 November. You will then receive a reply email confirming your attendance.

If you are also attending the Afternoon Tea, we will need payment when you book. Please advise Peter and he will provide the Association's bank account details. Any questions that you may need clarifying, just email Peter or phone him on 0407 387 401 and he will gladly assist.

ASSOCIATION WEBSITE

The Committee is very pleased to announce the launch of the Remembering HMAS Armidale Association Website, which we hope to build upon over the coming years. Please feel free to visit and contribute to the website, as we appreciate any content that you can provide.

To visit, click the link here or visit https://remembering-armidale.org/

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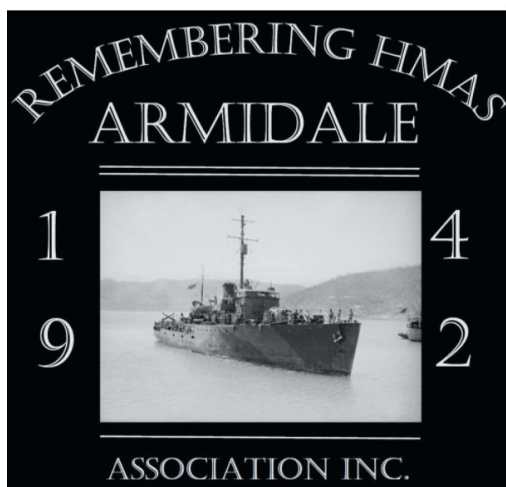
Welcome to the *Remembering HMAS Armidale Association Inc.* forum.

ENSURING THE LEGACY LEFT BY THOSE WHO FELL, IS REMEMBERED BY THOSE WHO ROSE AFTER THEM

Join our Association and be a part of history

It starts by making a commitment to remember and honour those who made the ultimate commitment to Australia.

ADDRESS GIVEN BY REX PULLEN
HMAS ARMIDALE SURVIVOR
TEDDY SHEEAN MEMORIAL UNVEILING IN LATROBE 1992

Rex Pullen (Ordinary Seaman HMAS ARMIDALE) was very active during the 1980's in keeping alive the memory of HMAS Armidale.

Rex would write endless letters to other survivors and was instrumental in the City of Armidale, NSW and the Royal Australian Navy jointly hosting the 50th Anniversary of the loss of HMAS Armidale.

Accordingly, many events were held in Armidale over three days to acknowledge the occasion with the most moving being the Survivors Dinner, held Tuesday 1st December 1992.

During this event Rex gave a very eloquent address on behalf of all those present which numbered 17 of the 18 still alive 50 years after the sinking.

Again, less than two weeks later 12th December 1992 Rex was called upon to give another address at the Teddy Sheean Memorial unveiling in Latrobe, Tasmania.

The following pages include copies of both speeches made by Rex, as well as a photograph of the Survivors, all who attended several events in Armidale in December 1992.

Back Row: Ray Raymond, Bill Lamshed, Jack Callander, Ray Leonard, Col Madigan, John Parker, Arthur Lansbury, Bob Cairns, Bill Read, Bill McKeller, Lionel Clarke and Rex Pullen.
Front Row: Denis Reedman, Russ Caro, Lloyd Palmer and Ken McCoy.
Known Missing: Ted Pellet and Roy Cleland (Roy Cleland attended the 50th Memorial, however, was absent at the Survivors Dinner whilst Ted Pellet was unable to attend Armidale 50th Reunion).

SPEECH FOR SURVIVOR'S DINNER

ARMIDALE - 1.12.92

I think I speak for all the survivors when I say
that this is a bitter-sweet experience for us - bitter because
we still feel that so many good blokes lost their lives quite
needlessly. These fine young men were robbed of another 50
years of life because of shocking errors of judgment back in
Darwin. When we got the order to go back into Betano Bay,
in Timor, with 10 hours of daylight left, I think we realized
this would be the end for "Armidale" and probably the end for
us, too, and for some of us it was. That was bad enough, but
there was more to come that would make us bitter. When we
got back we were treated as if somehow or other it was our
fault that we had lost our ship and that we had made the
heirarchy most embarrassed by surviving. The whole botch-up
was swept under the carpet and those in high places pretended
it had not happened. "Armidale" became the forgotten ship and
we became the forgotten men.

Those are the reasons for our bitterness and I am
sure that you who lost loved ones in "H.M.A.S. Armidale" would
share that bitterness. I have given quite a lot of thought
about whether I should mention this at such a gathering,
because I was afraid it might upset some of you. If it has,
please forgive me, but there is a reason for my raising it
with you. I suggest that the time has now come for all of us
to bury our bitterness in the past, because at last "Armidale"
is no longer the forgotten ship and we are no longer the
forgotten men, and the ceremonies we have shared today are
eloquent testimony to that. The Navy, which virtually shunned
us 50 years ago, has done us proud and its gesture in sending
a ship to cast a wreath over the wreck of "Armidale" is not
only moving but also highly significant. We now feel that we
are part of the Navy family again. The City of Armidale, which
knew very little about the ship that bore its name, now knows
a lot about the ship and and those who sailed in her and the
city is honouring us with a permanent place in its history.

Tonight those of us who were lucky enough to survive
pay tribute to our shipmates who did not. It was luck, pure
luck, the bounce of the ball, the toss of the coin, call it

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what you will, that decided who would survive and who would not. We think of those unlucky ones more often than many of you would believe. We think of them as keen, eager and happy youngsters who loved their ship and who knew from the day they joined her that they might have to sacrifice their lives for their country and that is what they did, without flinching, bravely and resolutely.

To those of you who lost loved ones in "H.M.A.S. Armidale", may I say that we who survived also lost great mates in that ship too. We had been together only six months but in that time we had got to know each other pretty well, as you would expect when 85 men are locked in an iron box 55 metres long and 10 metres wide that swayed, bounced and bumped around the sea like a roller-coaster. Your grief is our grief, too.

There is now, for us all, some comfort in the fact that their heroism and sacrifice is now recognised, not only in the City of Armidale but all around Australia. The most spectacular hero, of course, was Teddy Sheean and many of us owe our lives to his gallantry. It is indeed fitting that one of the new submarines being built for the Royal Australian Navy is to be named "H.M.A.S. Sheean". But Teddy Sheean was not the only hero in "H.M.A.S. Armidale" and when "H.M.A.S. Sheean" is commissioned, we can all feel that she represents all the other brave men who served in our ill-fated little corvette.

I would like to propose a toast to all our old shipmates who are not with us today. We will never forget them.

Rex Pullen
Survivor

Ordinary Seaman Edward (Teddy) Sheean was only 18 years old when he died.

His ship "H.M.A.S. Armidale", an R.A.N. corvette, was sunk on 1st. December, 1942, by Japanese aerial torpedoes. She sank in the Arafura Sea about 150 kilometres off the south-east coast of Timor.

With two torpedoes hitting down the port side and a near miss from a bomb which damaged the starboard side the ship listed to port very quickly and Lieut.-Cdr. Richards (the commanding officer) recognising the critical position gave the order to abandon ship. As the crew took to the water, they were relentlessly straffed by the Japanese aircraft gunners and many of our crew were killed or wounded as a result. Teddy Sheean was one of the wounded. He moved toward the port side as if to abandon ship but instead turned and dragged himself to the after oerlikan gun which had been his action station. No doubt he had seen his mates being straffed and wanted his revenge. He refused to be kicked while he was down! Teddy strapped himself to the gun and immediately opened fire on the aircraft which were continuing the onslaught. At this time the ship was going down by the head and with heroic determination he continued his attack until the "Armidale", having taken a second torpedo, slipped quietly under the water, taking the gallant gunner with her.

As the Arafura Sea closed over the stern, his gun was still firing. Teddy Sheean had given his life for his Country and his mates in true Australian tradition

During the short action, which lasted possibly three minutes plus, Sheean had shot down one bomber and observers credit him with damaging two others. For this incredible and unselfish action, he was posthumously "Mentioned in Despatches"! The action had passed almost unnoticed. In later years an endeavour was made to have this Award replaced by a "Victoria Cross" granted posthumously, but to no avail.

Those of us who survived well remember Teddy's action, for who knows, we too may have perished at the hands of the Japanese gunners except for his bravery.

At the time the "Armidale" was on a mission to take off Australian troops at Betano, Timor. When she sank half of her compliment was lost, as were sixty Javanese soldiers who were to have been put ashore on Timor. Great courage and endurance on the part of those who survived reflected credit on the Royal Australian Navy discipline.

We who survived the "Armidale" are grateful that Teddy's action has been acknowledged here today. Also, one of the six "Collins" class submarines presently being built for the Royal Australian Navy will bear the name "H.M.A.S. Sheean" in recognition of Teddy's action 50 years ago. I believe this is the first ever occasion that an R.A.N. ship has been named after a lower deck rating. May all Australians remember his heroic stand and may the residents of the Latrobe Municipality, in particular, keep the Teddy Sheean Legend in perpetuity.

Thank you.

Rex Pullen

LIST OF HMAS ARMIDALE (I) PERSONNEL

Since our last newsletter, we have been able to establish the birthplaces of the men who served on HMAS Armidale in 1942. As you can see from the list below, they came from all over Australia and beyond.

We are still seeking information on both the Dutch Officers and the Netherlands East India Personnel for whom our research so far has been unsuccessful. If you or any of your contacts are able to provide further information on them or, indeed, any of the men listed below, please contact Peter Savill at peterjune@bigpond.com.

HMAS ARMIDALE (I) ROLL CALL	
When HMAS Armidale sank, there were onboard:	
Ship's Company	83
AIF	3
Dutch Army Officers	2
Dutch Native Troops	61
TOTAL ON BOARD	**149**

KILLED IN ACTION, OR MISSING - BELIEVED KILLED		
Name	**Rank/Title**	**Birthplace**
Officers		
Buckland, James Reginald	Sub-Lieutenant, RANVR	Bellevue Hill NSW
Jenkyn, Harry Ferror Merrychurch	Engineer Lieutenant, RANR(S)	Haberfield NSW
Petty Officers and Men		
Anderson, William Robert	Telegraphist	Wentworthville NSW
Axford, Stanley Don	Ordinary Seaman	Adelaide SA
Baker, Bertram Henry	Assistant Steward	Brunswick VIC
Beard, Leslie Irwin	Able Seaman	Victoria Park WA
Beech, William Ralph	Able Seaman	Marrickville NSW
Burgess, Ernest	Stoker Petty Officer	Adaminaby NSW
Coldwell, Donald	Signalman	Millhouse YORKSHIRE
Currie, Joseph	Engine Room Artificer	Williamstown VIC
Evans, Alfred Grant	Stoker	Humula NSW
Gay, Bernard Alford	Ordinary Seaman	Gosnells WA
Gould, Raymond Arthur	Steward	Roseberry NSW
Harcourt, James Frank	Leading Stoker	Red Hill QLD
Hippisley, David Eric	Ordinary Seaman	Rose Bay NSW

Holden, Denis	Engine Room Artificer	Kingsford NSW
Hopkins, Norman Frank	Ordinary Seaman	Fremantle WA
Jensen, William	Telegraphist	Port Lincoln SA
Kibble, Charles James	Leading Supply Assistant	Wickham NSW
Knight, Arthur Peter	Stoker	Cottesloe WA
Luckman, William	Stoker	Burwood NSW
MacVicar, James	Stoker	Mortdale NSW
Malone, Ernest Anthony	Stoker	Kallangur QLD
Meredith, Wilfred Bickford	Supply Assistant	Windsor VIC
Mitchell, Keighley John	Ordinary Seaman	Albion QLD
McGarrigle, Ronald John	Stoker	Woolgoola NSW
McMennemin, Raynmond Edmund	Cook	Windsor VIC
Paterson, Donald Howie	Ordinary Seaman	South Perth WA
Piesse, Edward Stanfield	Ordinary Seaman	Bridgewater TAS
Quayle, Robert Allanson	Stoker Petty Officer	Leederville WA
Quigley, Maxwell Timothy	Able Seaman	Launceston TAS
Reid, Harry Allan	Leading Stoker	Mildura VIC
Rudland, Harry Eric	Ordinary Seaman	Prospect SA
Sanson, William Edwin	Ordinary Seaman	Mosman Park WA
Schrader, Harold Reginald	Able Seaman	Birkenhead SA
Sheean, Edward	Ordinary Seaman	Lower Barrington TAS
Smith, Frederick Francis	Ordinary Seaman	Brighton-le-Sands NSW
Trenbath, Keith William	Stoker	Newcastle NSW
Turner, Albert Benjamin	Ordinary Seaman	Hobart TAS
Williams, William Brettingham	Leading Cook	Hobart TAS

SURVIVORS		
Name	Rank/Title	Birthplace/Residence
Motorboat – <u>20 Men, 17 of whom were RAN and 3 NEI</u>		
Richards, David Herbert	Lieutenant-Commander, RANR(S)	Williamstown VIC
Whitting, William George	Lieutenant, RANR(S)	Cardiff WALES
Maddox, Richard Donovan	Engine Room Artificer	Sydney NSW
Higgins, Leslie Ingram	Motor Mechanic	Pingelly WA
Davis, Raymond James	Petty Officer	Williamstown VIC
Lansbury, Arthur	Leading Signalman	Brisbane QLD

Nicholas, William Thomas Trew	Leading Stoker	Ely ENGLAND
McKellar, William David	Able Seaman	Liverpool ENGLAND
Duckworth, Jack	Able Seaman	Scone NSW
Cleland, Roy David	Able Seaman	West Footscray VIC
Barnes, Ronald	Able Seaman	Carlton VIC
Williamson, Maxwell Joseph	Sick Berth Attendant	Yass NSW
Puckeridge, Charles Robert	Ordinary Seaman	Balmain NSW
Morley, Edward George	Ordinary Seaman	Adamstown NSW
Lyndon, Louis Roy	Ordinary Seaman	Launceston TAS
Millhouse, Eric Abbott	Able Seaman	Narracorte SA
Cairns, Robert	Stoker	Ashington ENGLAND

Whaler – 29 Men, 26 of whom were RAN and 3 AIF

Palmer, Lloyd George	Lieutenant, RANR	Williamstown VIC
Bool, Leigh Henry	Leading Seaman	Stanley TAS
Pankhurst, Charles Henry	Leading Seaman	Brisbane QLD
Lamb, Douglas Hatton	Engine Room Artificer	Bombay INDIA
McKoy, Kenneth Leo	Leading Stoker	Howlong NSW
Osborn, Phillip George	Stoker	Adelaide NSW
Arndell, Reginald Clarence	Stoker	Armidale NSW
Raymond, Ray Beresford	Stoker	Campbelltown NSW
Davies, David Roger Roland	Stoker	Ravenswood QLD
Sanderson, Geoffrey Clive	Assistant Cook	Morningtown VIC
Robers, John Michael Dennis	Telegraphist	Redfern NSW
Reedman, Denis Victor	Telegraphist	Killarney QLD
Devlin, George Richardson	Signalman	Maida Vale ENGLAND
Lamshed, William Noel	Wireman	Warracknabeal VIC
Pellet, Edward Keith	Able Seaman	Auburn VIC
Prett, James Thomas	Able Seaman	Sunderland ???
Caro, Russel Martin	Ordinary Seaman	Elsternwick VIC
Parker, John Percival	Ordinary Seaman	Brunswick VIC
Leonard, Victor Raymond	Ordinary Seaman	Elsternwick VIC
Lawson, Donald Raymond	Ordinary Seaman	Eastwood NSW
Madigan, Colin Frederick	Ordinary Seaman	Glen Innes NSW
Read, William James	Ordinary Seaman	Pennant Hills NSW
Sim, Leonard Keith	Ordinary Seaman	Newtown NSW

Webster, David Aburn	Ordinary Seaman	St Marys TAS
Pullen, Donald Rex	Ordinary Seaman	Ulverstone TAS
Wilson, Ronald Charles	Ordinary Seaman	Brighton VIC
Callander, Jack Warwick	Lance Corporal, AIF	Nurmurkah VIC
Clarke, Lionel	Corporal, AIF	NSW
Telley, Matthew	Corporal, AIF	VIC

LIST OF NETHERLANDS EAST INDIA PERSONNEL

Nominal Roll (Surnames) of Dutch KNIL servicemen lost in HMAS *Armidale* (I)			
Amatkasmiri	Katas	Roeslan	Soewondo
Amatparodji	Keijser	Rossum, van	Soplanit
Amelaman	Kojongian	Sabar	Stoll
Anschütz	Kroedoek	Sadoen	Tamijs
Atmowirono	Lijtsman Piernbaum	Sajoeti	Teljeur
Bartman	Margés	Salamin	Toekiman
Bodel Bienfait	Mariman	Saleh	Towikromo
Dawoed	Marsidjan	Samoedi	Tulenam
Dimjadi	Marsoekoet	Sardi	Verseput
Diran	Moeralin	Sarkoem	Vries, de
Djalil	Ngadeni	Sengkeij	Wagsakrama
Emping	Ngalimin	Soebardi	Wantania
Frank	Ngatidjo	Soekir	Wiriotijsso
Geurts	Pardjan	Soeratman	Wongsodinomo
Karmin	Peseserun	Soeriaredja	
Kasdi	Ranamedja	Soeroso	

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LIFE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM
FOR THE
REMEMBERING HMAS ARMIDALE ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

Name of Applicant:	
Address of Applicant:	
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Phone:	Fax:	Mobile:

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Describe the nature of your interest in the Association and the historical ties you may hold to the HMAS Armidale.

(Please note that this information is for Association use only and will not be disclosed without your authorisation. This information will enable us to tailor your experience with the Association and provide the Committee with the context of your application.)

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Current Life-time Membership Subscription	$25.00	Payable to: Account Name: Remembering HMAS Armidale Association BSB: 066-162 Account No.: 10796532 **Please use your Full Name as a Reference to ensure that your payment is easily identifiable**

DECLARATION

Upon submission of this form and the Associations receival of payment for Membership of the Remembering HMAS Armidale Association Inc., I hereby authorise Remembering HMAS Armidale Association to enter my name in the Register of Members and promise faithfully to abide by the Rules of the Association.

Signature of applicant:	Date:

A complimentary Membership Badge will be sent on approval of this membership application.

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Additional Information Section

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