

# **HMAS PERTH (I) MEMORIAL**

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## H.M.A.S. PERTH

His Majesty's Australian Ship (HMAS) *Perth* was commissioned into the Royal Australian Navy (RAN) on 29 June 1939 and served with distinction during the early years of the Second World War. The Modified *Leander* Class light cruiser was lost in action at Sunda Strait on 1 March 1942.

At the time of her loss, *Perth* carried a complement of 681 officers, ratings and civilian canteen staff. 353 were killed in action or perished as a result of the ship's sinking, and four died after reaching shore. Of the 324 who became prisoners of war of the Japanese, 106 died. 218 survived to return home.

Prior to her purchase by the Australian Government in 1939, *Perth* served in the Royal Navy (RN) as HMS *Amphion*. Laid down on 26 June 1933, *Amphion* was launched by the Marchioness of Titchfield on 26 July 1934, and commissioned into RN service on 15 June 1936. The ship was 555 feet (169 metres) long, 56 feet 8 inches wide, displaced 6,830 tons, and during trials attained a speed of 32.5 knots.

Main armament consisted of eight 6-inch (152-millimetre) guns arranged in four turrets; two forward ('A' and 'B') and two aft ('X' and 'Y'). *Amphion* was also equipped with eight 21-inch torpedo tubes arranged in two quadruple mountings. Four 4-inch guns and three quadruple mountings of 0.5-inch machine guns were provided for anti-aircraft defence. Two Hawker Osprey spotter/reconnaissance floatplanes were carried, which could be launched from the ship by means of a 46-foot catapult.

During *Amphion*'s 1939 refit the single 4-inch guns were removed and replaced with four twin mountings, doubling the number of 4-inch guns carried. At the RAN's request the catapult and aircraft were removed, as the ship was to be fitted with a larger catapult to handle the Seagull V amphibian aircraft operated by the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF).

The Modified *Leanders* were a sub-group of the *Leander* Class. The latter were fitted with six boilers arranged in three adjoining compartments, allowing the boiler uptakes to be trunked into a single funnel. The Modified *Leander* Class cruisers were fitted with four, individually larger boilers, arranged in two widely spaced compartments. This required two funnels, giving the three ships of the sub-group (*Phaeton*, *Apollo* and *Amphion*) a symmetry that was as attractive as it was functional. The RAN purchased all three, and renamed them *Sydney*, *Hobart* and *Perth* respectively.

*Amphion*, under the command of Captain Harold Farncomb, RAN, was officially re-named *Perth* by the Duchess of Kent on 10 July 1939. At the same time the ship adopted the motto of her namesake city - 'Floreat' - meaning 'may she flourish'. On 26 July *Perth* sailed for Sydney via New York, where she was to represent Australia at the World's Fair.

Due to growing threat of war with Germany *Perth* was subsequently ordered to reinforce the RN's West Indies Squadron based at Kingston, Jamaica. After the outbreak of war on 3 September *Perth* was employed on trade protection and contraband control duties on the America and West Indies Station until relieved in early March 1940.

*Perth* finally reached her home port of Sydney on 31 March 1940. One man did not return with the ship. Stoker Petty Officer Edgar John Sandall had taken ill in the West Indies and was sent to England, where he died on 3 March 1940. After a refit and leave for the ship's company, *Perth* resumed trade protection and troopship escort duties on the Australia Station.

On 6 June 1940 Captain Sir Philip Bowyer-Smyth, RN, assumed command, and the next day *Perth* became the Flagship of the Rear Admiral Commanding the Australian Squadron, Rear Admiral John Crace, RN. A month later *Perth* received her Seagull aircraft and a detachment of RAAF personnel. On 27 November Crace transferred his flag to HMAS *Canberra* at Fremantle, and the following day *Canberra* and *Perth* sailed as escort for Australian troop convoy US7 bound for the Middle East.

*Perth* reached Alexandria on 24 December and joined the British Eastern Mediterranean Fleet under Vice Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham, RN. *Perth* was to take *Sydney*'s place in the 7th Cruiser Squadron so that the latter could return to Australia. *Perth*, previously painted light grey, now received a two-tone grey 'rainbow' pattern camouflage scheme which many likened to the Sydney Harbour Bridge. The primary purpose of the scheme was to visually disrupt the ship's features, making it harder for enemy submarines and warships to estimate *Perth*'s course and speed.

During the first months of 1941 *Perth* participated in convoy covering operations with the fleet, troop runs to Crete, Malta and mainland Greece, and offensive sweeps along the North African coast. On her first trip to Crete the Seagull and RAAF detachment were disembarked to undertake anti-submarine patrols from the island. The removal of the aircraft enabled additional close-range anti-aircraft weapons to be fitted to the ship.

*Perth* was at Malta on 16 January when German aircraft bombed the harbour and set fire to the ammunition ship *Essex*. A catastrophic explosion was averted by the prompt action and gallantry of a fire and repair party from *Perth*. The officer in charge, Lieutenant Claude Guille, was subsequently made an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) for his efforts; three other members of the party, Leading Stokers Peter Allom and

Percy Larmer, and Canteen Manager Alfred Hawkins (an ex-RAN Engine Room Artificer), were awarded the British Empire Medal (BEM).

*Perth* was with the fleet for the Battle of Cape Matapan (28-29 March) when three Italian heavy cruisers, *Zara*, *Fiume* and *Pola*, and two destroyers, *Alfieri* and *Carducci*, were sunk. *Perth*'s machinery was worked to its limits during a critical phase of the battle, and Engineer Commander Robert Gray was subsequently awarded the Distinguished Service Order (DSO) for his management of the boilers and engines.

*Perth* escaped damage at Cape Matapan, but lost Electrical Artificer 3rd Class Peter Murdoch on 31 March when he fell overboard and drowned. On 22 April Shipwright 3rd Class Donald Haddow (on detached duty) died during an air attack while helping repair underwater damage to the British cruiser *York*.

In the last week of April, as German land forces swept through Greece, *Perth* assisted with the evacuation of British and Commonwealth troops to Crete and Alexandria. Following the German airborne invasion of Crete, on 20 May, *Perth* took part in the defence of the island and, ultimately, the evacuation of the garrison.

On 30 May, while steaming back to Alexandria with over a thousand troops onboard, *Perth* came under sustained air attack and was hit by a bomb which exploded in the galley above the forward boiler room. Four members of the ship's company - Leading Cook (Ships) William Fraser, Stoker 2nd Class Harry Smith, Cook (Ships) Noel Smith and Stoker Henry Straker - were killed, as were nine soldiers.

After essential repairs *Perth* participated in the bombardment of Vichy French positions in Syria in early July before preparing for her return to Australia. This involved the removal of the extra anti-aircraft weapons and the embarkation of a Walrus amphibian aircraft and the RAAF detachment - which had been operating out of Alexandria since their evacuation from Crete.

*Perth* departed the Mediterranean on 19 July, reached Fremantle on 6 August then proceeded direct to Sydney for docking and repairs. During the extended refit the number and arrangement of the close-range anti-aircraft weapons was modified to provide better protection. *Perth* returned to service in November with a new camouflage scheme, and now under the command of Captain Hector ('Hec') Waller, DSO.

Working-up exercises, troopship escort and trade protection duties were resumed at the end of November. This work became more important and more urgent after Japan entered the war on 8 December 1941. The destruction of the US Pacific Fleet at Pearl Harbor (7 December, Hawaiian time), and the sinking of the British capital ships *Prince of Wales*

and *Repulse* off Malaya on 10 December, meant that remaining Allied warships would soon be pitted against vastly superior Japanese forces.

In January 1942 American, British, Dutch and Australian (ABDA) warships in South East Asian waters came under the command of US Admiral Thomas Hart, who established his headquarters on the island of Java in the Netherlands East Indies (Indonesia). At the end of January, after convoy and troopship escort missions to New Guinea, New Caledonia and Fiji, *Perth* was assigned to the ABDA naval force.

*Perth* was to join a striking force of cruisers and destroyers based at Tanjong Priok, Batavia (Tanjung Priok, Jakarta) on the northern coast of Java, and reached the port on 24 February. By this time Singapore had fallen, Darwin had been bombed, and Japanese forces had landed on Borneo, Celebes (Sulawesi), Timor, Sumatra and Bali - thereby isolating Java. Dutch Admiral Conrad Helfrich now commanded the ABDA naval force.

Helfrich was tasked with defending Java against an expected sea-borne invasion from the north. On 25 February he ordered *Perth*, the British heavy cruiser *Exeter*, and three destroyers to join another striking force at Surabaya, to the east of Tanjong Priok. This eastern striking force comprised two Dutch light cruisers, *De Ruyter* (Flagship) and *Java*, the American heavy cruiser *Houston*, and six destroyers. *Perth*, *Exeter*, and their destroyers reached Surabaya on 26 February.

Intelligence indicated that the Japanese were preparing to launch a two-pronged assault on Java. An eastern invasion force was expected to land first in the vicinity of Surabaya, whilst a western invasion force was expected to come ashore near Batavia. On the evening of 26 February the combined ABDA striking force sailed to intercept and destroy the Japanese eastern invasion force. It encountered the enemy escort groups the following day.

The Battle of the Java Sea, fought on the afternoon and night of 27 February, went badly for the combined striking force. *De Ruyter*, *Java*, and three destroyers were sunk, whilst *Exeter* was badly damaged and forced to retire to Surabaya. The remaining destroyers, having expended their torpedoes and low on fuel, also withdrew to Surabaya, leaving *Perth* and *Houston* to continue the fight.

Just before midnight on 27 February Captain Waller, the senior surviving officer, ordered *Houston* to disengage and follow *Perth* to Tanjong Priok. Neither ship had sighted the enemy transports, so the objective - the destruction of the invasion force - could not be accomplished. Waller was also mindful of the fact that *Houston*'s single aft 8-inch turret could not fire, having been wrecked by a Japanese bomb on 4 February.

*Perth* and *Houston* reached Tanjong Priok at 1430 on 28 February. After arrival Waller received orders to proceed to Tjilatjap (Cilacap), on the south coast of Java, with *Houston* and the Dutch destroyer *Evertson*. Fuel was to be embarked before departure, but *Perth* could only obtain 300 tons, bringing her to 50% capacity - barely enough to reach Australia should she be ordered home.

The superstitious members of the ship's company were more concerned when *Perth*'s cat, Red Lead, tried to run ashore at Tanjong Priok. It was considered an ill omen that a ship's cat should desert. Red Lead made three unsuccessful attempts to leave the ship. *Houston*'s cat succeeded in running ashore.

*Perth* also had two chaplains onboard - another ill omen. One was with a party of officers and men on draft to HMAS *Hobart*; they had been unable to join their ship so remained onboard *Perth*. An air raid alert then delayed departure by an hour. *Perth* and *Houston* finally sailed (without *Evertson*) at 1900 on 28 February.

At 2000 Waller informed the ship's company that they were sailing for Tjilatjap via Sunda Strait. Dutch reconnaissance aircraft reported the Strait free of enemy warships, but a convoy (ten transports escorted by two cruisers and three destroyers) had been sighted at 1600, fifty miles north-east of Batavia, moving east. Waller had no orders to intercept the enemy convoy, and he did not think the escort would interfere with *Perth* and *Houston* steaming westward at 22 knots.

Unknown to Waller, the Japanese western invasion force was approaching Bantam Bay (Banten Bay) near the entrance to Sunda Strait. Just after 2200 fifty troop transports and auxiliary vessels entered the bay. A light cruiser and eight destroyers were providing close protection while two heavy cruisers and a destroyer stood watch further north. The Japanese destroyer patrolling the eastern approaches to the bay spotted *Perth* and *Houston* at approximately 2245, but did not challenge them.

At 2306, when *Perth* was half-way across the mouth of Bantam Bay, a ship was sighted about five miles ahead, close to St. Nicholas Point and the entrance to the Strait. When the vessel was identified as a Japanese destroyer *Perth* went to action stations, opened fire, and altered course to starboard. When more enemy ships were sighted to the west and the north Waller ordered divided control of the ship's armament to engage them.

As *Perth* and *Houston* swung north they were illuminated by enemy searchlights and came under fire from several destroyers. Waller maintained the turn and commenced steaming *Perth* and *Houston* in a wide circle to engage targets of opportunity. When the two cruisers reached the southern part of their turn *Houston* sighted and fired at the transports in Bantam Bay. More damage was done by the Japanese themselves; a number

of the torpedoes and shells directed at *Perth* and *Houston* missed the cruisers and struck transports. Four were sunk, as was a minesweeper.

*Perth* completed her circle just before midnight. By this time all torpedoes had been expended and very little gun ammunition remained. Miraculously, *Perth* had only sustained minor shell damage and a small number of casualties. With the entrance to Sunda Strait now tantalisingly close, Waller ordered full speed and turned toward it.

*Perth* had barely settled onto her new course when a torpedo struck amidships on the starboard side, flooding the forward boiler and engine rooms. A short time later another torpedo detonated below the forward turrets. At the same time shells struck the Walrus aircraft, the ship's crane, and the 4-inch gun deck. As *Perth* slowed and began to list to starboard Waller gave the order to abandon ship.

*Perth* was still under fire, being hit repeatedly, and moving slowly ahead as men began jumping overboard. Many were killed in the water when a third torpedo struck aft on the starboard side. This was followed by a fourth torpedo which hit forward on the port side. At 0025 on 1 March *Perth* rolled to port and sank by the bows.

In total, 353 members of the ship's company perished as a result of enemy action and *Perth*'s sinking. Captain Waller was recognised for his 'gallantry and resolution whilst commanding HMAS *Perth*' with a posthumous Mention in Despatches (MID).

*Houston* sank at 0040 on 1 March. The American heavy cruiser had entered the war against Japan with a complement of 1,168 officers and men; 782 perished at Sunda Strait or in the battles preceding it. Her commanding officer, Captain Albert Rooks, United States Navy, was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor, his country's highest military decoration.

Most of the 328 officers and men who survived *Perth*'s last battle were recovered by Japanese destroyers in Sunda Strait on the morning of 1 March. A few managed to swim ashore, whilst others reached Java or Sumatra using rafts, boats and other flotsam from sunk or damaged transports. Four men died or were killed by Javanese villagers after reaching shore; the remainder were captured by Japanese land forces.

Those picked up by destroyers or captured on the north coast of Java were held in Serang prison (in Banten province) before being moved to an army barracks in Batavia known as the Bicycle Camp. Five of *Perth*'s officers were sent to a prison camp in Japan. A boat party captured at Tjilatjap was imprisoned at Bandoeng in central Java, while those captured on Sumatra were sent to a prisoner of war camp near Palembang.

The majority of *Perth*'s survivors were destined to work on the Burma-Thailand Railway. Most left the Bicycle Camp in October 1942 with Williams Force, and were sent to Thanbyuzayat in Burma. The work, performed with basic tools, and conducted under slave labour conditions, involved clearing jungle, digging cuttings, constructing embankments and bridges, and laying track. A second party of *Perth* men left Java in January 1943 with Dunlop Force, and was sent to a camp near the River Kwai (Khwae Noi River) in Thailand; these men toiled at the infamous Hellfire Pass.

The Burma-Thailand Railway was completed in October 1943. Fifty-eight *Perth* men died building it. Nearly all deaths were attributable to malnutrition, tropical ulcers, malaria and dysentery - and the Japanese policy of forcing sick men to work.

In 1944 the fittest survivors were shipped to Japan, principally to work in coal mines. American submarines attacked the convoys, unaware that some transports carried prisoners of war. Over 1,300 Allied prisoners were onboard *Rakuyō Maru* when it was sunk with heavy loss of life on 12 September. Forty-five *Perth* men had been on the transport - 34 of them perished. Stoker 2nd Class Charles Pethebridge rescued several men - ultimately at the cost of his own life - and was posthumously awarded the Albert Medal in Bronze.

Four *Perth* men, Arthur Bancroft, Robert Collins, John Houghton and Lloyd Munro, were among the 159 survivors picked up by the submarines *Pampanito*, *Sealion*, *Barb* and *Queenfish*. They provided authorities with the first reliable information as to the fates of *Perth* and *Houston*, many of the missing, and Japanese maltreatment of prisoners of war. Able Seaman Bancroft's story of captivity and survival was published in 1945 under the title *The Mikado's Guests*.

Fifteen more *Perth* men died before Japan surrendered unconditionally on 15 August 1945. Two of them - Henry Kelly and George Morriss - perished at the Sandakan prisoner of war camp in Borneo. Of the 324 officers and men who became prisoners of the Japanese, 106 did not live to see their enemy defeated and the war criminals brought to justice. The 218 who returned home were, understandably, physically and mentally scarred by their ordeal.



## **H.M.A.S. PERTH Ship's Company**

The following members of the RAN, RN, RAAF, and civilian canteen staff were serving in *Perth* at the time of her loss on Sunday, 1 March 1942. Those listed as 'Lost 1/3/42' were killed in action, died of wounds, or perished as a result of the sinking of *Perth*. A number of men were acting in a higher rate or due for promotion when *Perth* was sunk. The RAN subsequently confirmed the higher rate or rank where appropriate. Rates and ranks shown below are correct for, or backdated to, 1 March 1942. Honours and awards shown were awarded to the individual for gallantry or distinguished service prior to, or on 1 March 1942, or while a prisoner of war.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Rank or Position</b>	<b>Fate</b>
ABBOTT, Dallas Sydney Niel	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
ABBOTT, Horace Hilton DSM	Petty Officer	POW Survived
ABSALOM, Henry Stuart	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
ALDERMAN, Noel Arthur	Cook (Ships)	Lost 1/3/42
ALFORD, Charles Gordon	Stoker Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
ALLOM, Peter George BEM	Leading Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
ANDERSON, Christopher Ryder	Stoker	POW Died 29/10/43
ANGRAVE, Jack Cromarty	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
ANTON, Leonard James	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
ASHLIN, Charles Byron	Acting Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
ASPLIN, Douglas Sackfield	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
ATKINS, Ernest John	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
ATKINSON, William John	Acting Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
AXTON, Alan James	Stoker 2nd Class	POW Survived
BAILEY, James Thomas	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
BALL, Albert Leonard	Sub-Lieutenant	Lost 1/3/42
BALSHAW, Geoffrey Arnold (RN)	Petty Officer	POW Died 27/8/43
BANCROFT, Arthur	Ordinary Seaman	POW Survived
BANKS, Rodger Sydney George	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
BARKER, Ray McCredie	Paymaster Sub-Lieutenant	POW Survived
BARNES, Wilfred George	Engine Room Artificer 3rd Class	POW Survived
BARWICK, Athol Charles	Able Seaman	POW Survived
BATEUP, Harley George Mayrs	Cook (Ships)	Lost 1/3/42
BAWN, Thomas James	Acting Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
BEE, William Arthur	Ordinary Signalman	POW Survived
BELL, Charles Lawrence	Acting Leading Seaman	POW Died 12/9/44
BENHAM, Richard Raymond	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
BENNETT, Charles Thomas	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
BENSON, Leslie	Acting Leading Seaman	POW Survived
BENTLEY, Roy William	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
BESSELL, Lloyd Dudley	Stoker	POW Died 12/9/44
BEVAN, William John	Able Seaman	POW Died 8/10/43
BEVINGTON, Ronald Sutton	Chaplain	Lost 1/3/42
BIDDEL, Neil James MID	Yeoman of Signals	POW Survived
BIRBECK, William Ross	Able Seaman	POW Survived
BLACK, Gordon Douglas MacKnight	Paymaster Lieutenant	POW Survived
BLACK, Kenneth Robert	Able Seaman	POW Survived
BLACK, Malcolm Donald	Stoker	POW Died 2/1/45
BLACKWELL, Verdun Reginald	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
BLAKEY, Albert William Joseph	Acting Stoker Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42

BLANCH, Spencer James	Mechanician 1st Class	Lost 1/3/42
BLAND, Robert Havelock BEM MID	Chief Petty Officer Cook (Ships)	POW Survived
BLINCO, Geoffrey Frederick	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
BOLAND, Hilston William	Able Seaman	POW Survived
BOND, Eric	Able Seaman	POW Died 22/1/45
BOREHAM, William Sydney	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
BOROUGH, Karl Bradford	Canteen Assistant	Lost 1/3/42
BORWICK, Robert Malcolm	Leading Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
BOWERS, John William	Stoker Petty Officer	POW Died 13/11/43
BOWMAN, Urwin Howard	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
BOYD, Arthur Ronald	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
BRACHER, William Arthur	Signalman	Lost 1/3/42
BRADSHAW, Ronald Adolphus (RAAF)	Corporal	POW Survived
BRANFORD, Leonard Cyril	Acting Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
BRETHERTON, George Henry	Leading Seaman	Died ashore on or after 1/3/42
BRINER, Francis John Suvla	Cook (Officers)	Lost 1/3/42
BRISCOE, William Arthur	Able Seaman	POW Survived
BROOMFIELD, Leonard George	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
BROWN, Alfred	Bandsman	POW Died 5/12/43
BROWN, Donald George	Mechanician 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
BROWN, Ernest Isaac	Able Seaman	POW Survived
BROWN, James Raymond Kingsley	Able Seaman	POW Survived
BROWN, Laurence Albert Henry	Stoker Petty Officer	POW Survived
BROWNE, Colin Alfred	Able Seaman	POW Survived
BRUSE, Leslie George	Able Seaman	POW Survived
BUCKLEY, Laurance John	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
BULLIVANT, Percival George	Able Seaman	POW Survived
BULLOW, Charles Wesley	Leading Steward	Lost 1/3/42
BURCHALL, Robert	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
BURDEN, John Harry	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
BURGESS, Donald Cleve	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
BURGESS, Leopold John	Leading Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
BURGESS, Lloyd Thomas MID	Lieutenant	POW Survived
BURK, Maxwell Athol	Stoker 2nd Class	POW Survived
BURKE, Edmund Joseph	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
BURLEY, Edward Richard George Brisbane	Able Seaman	POW Died 1/10/43
BURTON, Eric Samuel MID	Supply Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
BUTTERS, George Pride	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
CADGE, Frank William George	Petty Officer Cook (Officers)	POW Died 31/3/42
CAMPBELL, Francis Clifford	Able Seaman	POW Died 12/9/44
CAMPBELL, Gavin Roy	Paymaster Sub-Lieutenant	POW Survived
CAMPBELL, Hugh Maxwell	Ordinary Seaman	POW Died 20/2/45
CAMPBELL, Ian Oswald	Wireman	Lost 1/3/42
CAMPBELL, John Ingram	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
CARGILL, Peter James McKay	Stoker	POW Survived
CARMODY, John Francis	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
CARTER, Roy Tasman	Leading Seaman	POW Survived
CARY, Adolphus Eric	Writer	Lost 1/3/42
CASSERLY, Ernest Edward	Stoker	POW Died 12/9/44
CATMULL, George Frederick	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
CHAFFEY, Harold Ashton	Leading Seaman	POW Survived
CHAMBERLAIN, Clifford John	Cook (Officers)	Lost 1/3/42
CHATTAWAY, Francis Charles	Ordinary Seaman	POW Survived
CHEADLE, Colin Mervyn	Leading Wireman	Lost 1/3/42
CHILDS, Ernest Richard	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
CLARK, Edmund Clarence	Able Seaman	POW Survived
CLARK, Edward Geoffrey	Ordinary Seaman	POW Survived
CLARK, Frederick Donald	Petty Officer Cook (Ships)	POW Died 23/4/45
CLARKE, Guy Douglas (RN)	Lieutenant-Commander	Lost 1/3/42

CLEVELAND, Joseph Sharpe	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
CLIFFORD, William	Able Seaman	POW Survived
CLOHESY, Ronald Thomas	Supply Assistant	Lost 1/3/42
CLOSE, Arthur Joseph	Acting Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
COATES, Lloyd David	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
COCHRANE, John Stephen	Able Seaman	Died ashore 2/3/42
COCHRANE, Stanley	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
COLES, David George	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
COLLINS, Lionel Percy	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
COLLINS, Robert Alfred Charles	Able Seaman	POW Survived
COOPER, Robert Edward	Leading Seaman	POW Survived
COOTE, Leslie John Showler	Cook (Ships)	Lost 1/3/42
COPELAND, Charles Lewis	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
COPPING, Eric	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
CORCORAN, Francis Roy	Steward	POW Survived
CORLEY, John Donald	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
COSTIN, Robert	Able Seaman	POW Died 19/7/43
COVERDALE, John Albert	Steward	Lost 1/3/42
COWDROY, William Ross	Leading Seaman	POW Died 1/2/44
COX, John Joseph	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
COXHEAD, John Hammond	Band Corporal	POW Survived
COYNE, Alfred James Edward	Petty Officer	POW Died 8/10/43
CREBER, Hubert Rowland	Master-at-Arms	Lost 1/3/42
CRICK, David John	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
CRICK, Ronald Frederick	Able Seaman	POW Survived
CROISDALE, Charles Eric	Ordnance Artificer 4th Class	Lost 1/3/42
CUMMING, Norman Anthony	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
CUNNINGHAM, Ivan John	Stoker Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
CUNNINGHAM, James DSM	Sick Berth Petty Officer	POW Survived
CUNNINGHAM, Reginald Hubert	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
CUTHBERT, Laurie Keith	Leading Steward	Lost 1/3/42
DALY, Edmund	Able Seaman	POW Died 24/11/43
DAVIES, Alfred Angus	Signalman	POW Died 5/8/43
DAVIES, William Richard Ebenezer	Petty Officer	POW Survived
DAVIS, William Edward	Petty Officer Steward	POW Survived
DAY, John Douglas	Telegraphist	Lost 1/3/42
DEARDEN, Rutland Tom	Acting Shipwright 4th Class	Lost 1/3/42
DE COURCY-BROWNE, Graham	Engine Room Artificer 2nd Class	POW Survived
DEEGAN, John	Able Seaman	POW Survived
DEGNER, Alfred Keith	Ordinary Telegraphist	Lost 1/3/42
DELBRIDGE, Charles William	Able Seaman	POW Survived
DELBRIDGE, Frederick John	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
DENIC, Allen Francis	Acting Able Seaman	POW Survived
DEVERIL, Ronald	Leading Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
DIXON, Norman Frederick Haige	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
DOBSON, Samuel Thompson	Able Seaman	POW Survived
DODWELL, Robert Charles Hammont	Signalman	Lost 1/3/42
DOGGETT, Cecil Roy	Acting Leading Stoker	POW Survived
DONELEY, Paul Sebastian	Ordinary Seaman	POW Died 3/10/43
DOUGLAS, Vincent John	Able Seaman	POW Died 27/12/43
DOUGLASS, Walter Ernest	Bandmaster	Lost 1/3/42
DRIVER, Henry Allan	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
DUNCAN, Victor Ross BEM	Electrical Artificer 3rd Class	POW Survived
DUNDON, Roy	Stoker 2nd Class	POW Died 25/10/43
DVORAK, Gordon Linsdale	Stoker	POW Died 12/9/44
EAST, Desmond Walter	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
ECKERMANN, Eric Ronald	Acting Leading Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
EDWARDS, Thomas Terence	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
EDWARDS, Vincent James	Chief Engine Room Artificer	Lost 1/3/42
ELLEN, Gerald Edward	Ordinary Seaman	POW Survived
ELLIOT, Allan Walter Coles	Able Seaman	POW Survived

ELLIOTT, Kenneth Raymond	Signalman	POW Survived
ELWOOD, Joseph Patrick	Acting Leading Stoker	POW Survived
ENDACOTT, Arthur John	Petty Officer Cook (Ships)	Lost 1/3/42
ESSEX, Charles Edward	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
EVANS, Gerwyn Llewellyn	Chief Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
EWING, James Duncan	Leading Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
FARLEY, Allan Richard George	Leading Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
FARRINGTON, Reginald Walter MID	Able Seaman	POW Survived
FAY, Ronald Ernest	Leading Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
FERGUSON, Bernard David Bowie	Stoker	POW Died 24/6/44
FILDES, Walter Eric	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
FINDLAY, Douglas James	Able Seaman	POW Survived
FINNEY, Alfred John	Leading Cook	Lost 1/3/42
FIRMIN, Edward Alexander	Steward	POW Survived
FIRMINGER, Raymond Harold	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
FITZGIBBON, William George	Telegraphist	Lost 1/3/42
FOOTE, Stanley Courtney	Signalman	POW Survived
FORD, Alfred Vernon	Ordnance Artificer 4th Class	Lost 1/3/42
FORSYTH, George Raymond	Engine Room Artificer 4th Class	POW Survived
FOSTER, Horace Daniel	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
FOWLER, Donald Horsley	Petty Officer Telegraphist	POW Survived
FRANCIS, Edgar Ernest	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
FREESTONE, Harry William	Bandsman	Lost 1/3/42
FROST, Reginald Crombie	Stoker Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
FULLER, Norman Frederick	Able Seaman	POW Survived
FUREY, Albert Victor	Regulating Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
FURNESS, William Carnegie	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
GALE, James William	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
GARDINER, Robert Henry	Cook (Ships)	POW Survived
GARRETT, Jesse Leonard	Able Seaman	POW Died 19/8/43
GAVEN, Francis Herbert	Supply Assistant	Lost 1/3/42
GAY, William Lindsay	Lieutenant	POW Survived
GEBHARDT, Reginald Albert	Leading Seaman	POW Died 12/9/44
GEE, Allan Howard	Able Seaman	POW Survived
GEIER, Alan Keith	Wireman	POW Died 30/1/44
GIBBONS, Eric Clark	Acting Telegraphist	POW Survived
GIBBS, Athol Fleming	Able Seaman	POW Died 6/12/43
GIDNEY, William Henry	Engineer Lieutenant	Lost 1/3/42
GILBY, William Harvey Leonard	Able Seaman	POW Died 20/9/43
GILES, George Joseph	Chief Stoker	POW Died 27/7/43
GILLAN, Francis Davidson	Engineer Lieutenant	POW Survived
GIRVAN, William John	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
GLAUM, George Albert	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
GLOSSOP, Clarence George	Able Seaman	POW Survived
GLOSSOP, Sydney Clarence	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
GODDARD, Russell Norman	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
GOLDING, Leslie John	Able Seaman	POW Survived
GOLDSMITH, Thomas Henry	Signalman	POW Survived
GOODCHAP, Charles Arthur	Ordinary Seaman	POW Survived
GOODMAN, Thomas Henry	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
GOODWIN, Marcus Louis DSM	Ordnance Artificer 2nd Class	POW Survived
GOSDEN, Herbert Keith	Acting Leading Seaman	POW Survived
GRAHAM, Gordon Addison	Leading Supply Assistant	Lost 1/3/42
GRAHAM, Peter Woodrow	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
GRANT, John Robert	Bandsman	POW Survived
GRAY, David Peter	Able Seaman	POW Survived
GRAY, Robert DSO MID	Engineer Commander	Lost 1/3/42
GREEN, William Neville	Acting Telegraphist	Lost 1/3/42
GRIEVE, Ronald Mervyn	Acting Leading Stoker	POW Died 8/12/44
GRIFFITHS, David John	Electrical Artificer 4th Class	POW Survived
GRIFFITHS, Norman Joseph	Acting Able Seaman	POW Survived

GROVES, Robert	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
GUBBINS, John James	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
GUMMOW, William Charles Richard	Engine Room Artificer 4th Class	Lost 1/3/42
GWATKIN, Cecil William Delafield	Acting Telegraphist	Lost 1/3/42
HADLEY, Arthur James Walter	Leading Supply Assistant	POW Survived
HALLETT, Edwin	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
HAMILTON, Willoughby Stebbins	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
HANCOX, Peter Samuel Fullerton	Lieutenant	Lost 1/3/42
HANNAFORD, John	Able Seaman	POW Died 8/7/43
HANSEN, Alfred James	Stoker	POW Survived
HARPER, John Alexander (RN)	Lieutenant	POW Survived
HARPER, Sydney James	Stoker 2nd Class	POW Survived
HARRIS, George Phillip Henry	Petty Officer	POW Died 15/10/43
HARRIS, John Cyril (RN)	Able Seaman	POW Survived
HARTLEY, Joseph	Leading Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
HARVEY, John Frederick	Petty Officer	Died ashore on or after 1/3/42
HARWARD, Leopold Albert	Acting Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
HASKINS, David Seymour	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
HATFIELD, George Exum	Acting Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
HATWELL, Herbert Edmond MID	Chief Yeoman of Signals	Lost 1/3/42
HAWKE, Allan Ross Lloyd	Acting Leading Seaman	POW Died 18/1/45
HAWKINS, Alfred Arthur	Canteen Assistant	POW Survived
HAWKINS, Alfred Thomas Roy BEM	Canteen Manager	Lost 1/3/42
HAWKINS, Frank Edward (RN)	Commissioned Gunner	POW Survived
HAWSE, Clarence Alexander	Acting Stoker Petty Officer	POW Survived
HAYHOW, Ernest	Acting Shipwright 4th Class	Lost 1/3/42
HAYLOCK, Harold Thomas	Commissioned Shipwright	Lost 1/3/42
HEADFORD, David Frederick	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
HEDRICK, George Kirtley	Petty Officer	POW Survived
HENRY, Clive Ernest William	Stoker	POW Survived
HERMAN, Isaac	Able Seaman	POW Died 24/8/43
HERRING, Thomas Harold	Ordinary Seaman	POW Survived
HEWETT, Harry William	Acting Ordnance Artificer 4th Class	Lost 1/3/42
HEWITT, Alfred William	Able Seaman	POW Survived
HICKEY, John Joseph	Acting Chief Shipwright	POW Died 9/12/43
HIGHTON, Michael Howard (RN)	Lieutenant	Lost 1/3/42
HILL, Clarence Neal Stuart	Stoker Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
HILL, Harold Joseph	Able Seaman	POW Survived
HILL, Henry Charles DSC	Acting Warrant Mechanician	Lost 1/3/42
HILL, John Noel	Leading Cook (Ships)	Lost 1/3/42
HILL, Ronald Edward	Cook (Officers)	POW Survived
HILL, Ronald James	Signalman	POW Survived
HISKENS, James Stuart	Signalman	Lost 1/3/42
HOBBINS, Albert Lawrence	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
HODGE, John Cameron	Ordinary Seaman	POW Died 2/9/43
HOFFMANN, Robert Innes	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
HOGMAN, William Frederick	Stoker Petty Officer	POW Died 12/9/44
HOPE, Gordon John	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
HOPTON, Walter Gordon	Signalman	Lost 1/3/42
HORTON, Reginald Charles	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
HOSKING, Trevis Mayne	Able Seaman	POW Died 12/9/44
HOUGHTON, John Charles	Able Seaman	POW Survived
HUBBARD, Roland Robertson	Chief Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
HUDSON, Andrew Matthew	Chief Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
HUGGAN, John	Acting Chief Electrical Artificer	Lost 1/3/42
HUGHES, Carlos Bridger Emerson	Telegraphist	POW Survived
HUGHES, Joseph DSM	Engine Room Artificer	POW Survived
HURST, Eric Walter	Able Seaman	POW Survived
HUTCHINS, William	Leading Steward	Lost 1/3/42
HUTTON, Frederick Charles	Acting Engine Room Artificer 4th Class	Lost 1/3/42

IKIN, Kenneth William	Able Seaman	POW Died 13/12/44
ILICH, Matt	Steward	Lost 1/3/42
INNES, John Edward	Leading Wireman	Lost 1/3/42
JACKSON, Charles Thompson	Wireman	Lost 1/3/42
JACKSON, Jack	Acting Leading Signalman	POW Died 11/6/45
JACKSON, Noel Francis Leslie	Acting Leading Signalman	POW Died 12/9/44
JACKSON, Walter John Detmer	Able Seaman	POW Survived
JAGGER, Maxwell Keith	Ordinary Seaman 2nd Class	POW Survived
JAGO, William Joseph	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
JAMES, Sidney	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
JAMES, Stanley Edward	Able Seaman	POW Survived
JARRETT, John Henry Charles	Able Seaman	POW Survived
JARVIS, Harold Keith	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
JEFFERY, Neale Edwin	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
JETSON, Rhonsley Ernest	Stoker	POW Survived
JEWELL, Albert James	Leading Cook (Officers)	POW Survived
JOHNSON, Frank Dandridge	Acting Leading Signalman	POW Died 12/9/44
JOHNSON, John Kavill (RN)	Lieutenant-Commander	Lost 1/3/42
JOHNSON, Thomas Charles	Acting Petty Officer	POW Died 13/7/45
JOHNSTON, Robert Leonard	Acting Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
JOHNSTON, Walter James	Able Seaman	POW Died 12/9/44
JONES, Alfred Thomas	Leading Stoker	POW Died 12/9/44
JONES, Frederick Boyce	Acting Leading Seaman	POW Survived
JUSTELIUS, Eric Maxwell	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
KEITH, Hugh Alexander	Leading Telegraphist	POW Died 12/9/44
KELL, Francis James	Shipwright 3rd Class	Lost 1/3/42
KELLIE, Reginald Victor Donald Dunn	Stoker Petty Officer	POW Survived
KELLY, Henry Alfred	Bandsman	POW Died 20/1/45
KELLY, Patrick John	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
KERSTING, Malcolm George	Able Seaman	POW Survived
KIESEY (KIESEWETTER), Arthur Henry DSM	Electrical Artificer 3rd Class	POW Survived
KILBY, Donald Richard Glenn	Stoker 3rd Class	Lost 1/3/42
KING, Ernest Frederick	Shipwright 3rd Class	POW Died 29/6/43
KINGSTON, Dennis Howard	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
KIRBY, Arnold Hillyear	Acting Leading Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
KIRKHAM, Fredrick	Stoker Petty Officer	POW Survived
KIRKMOE, Donald	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
KITCHER, David Cameron	Ordinary Seaman	POW Died 23/6/43
KITE, Kenneth	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
KNIGHT, Harry Francis DSM	Chief Petty Officer Telegraphist	POW Survived
KUBE, Anthony August	Ordinary Seaman	POW Survived
KYNVIN, Ernest John	Plumber 1st Class	POW Survived
LAMBDEN, Harry Mervyn Victor	Leading Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
LAMONT, William Keith	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
LANAGAN, Joseph Ernest	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
LANE, Maxwell Derwent	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
LANE, Spencer Francis	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
LANGDON, Herbert	Leading Cook (Ships)	Lost 1/3/42
LANGFORD, Clifford Roy	Able Seaman	POW Survived
LANIGAN, Edward Francis	Leading Signalman	Lost 1/3/42
LARKIN, Thomas Stephen DSM	Cook (Ships)	POW Survived
LARMER, Percy Philip BEM	Acting Leading Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
LASSLETT, Frederick William	Wireman	POW Survived
LATCH, Jeffrey Alexander	Stoker	POW Survived
LAUGHER, Noel Moreton	Able Seaman	POW Survived
LAWLER, Dolph James	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
LAWSON, George	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
LEAL, Lance William Smiley	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
LEARY, Athol Victor	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
LEARY, Donald Leslie	Ordinary Seaman	POW Survived

LEITCH, Donald John	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
LENNON, Wallace Robert Alexander	Engine Room Artificer 4th Class	Lost 1/3/42
LESTER, Jack Steel	Sub-Lieutenant	Lost 1/3/42
LEWIS, Arthur	Engine Room Artificer 3rd Class	Lost 1/3/42
LIKIARD, Socrates	Leading Supply Assistant	POW Died 12/9/44
LOHRISCH, Leon	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
LOMAS, Oswald Sidney	Able Seaman	POW Survived
LOWE, Ralph Frank Marston DSC	Paymaster Lieutenant-Commander	POW Survived
LOWIS, William Joseph	Ordinary Seaman	POW Died 1/8/43
LUCK, William Trevor	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
LUFF, Leslie Victor Charles	Able Seaman	POW Survived
LUND, Arthur Ernest	Able Seaman	POW Died 24/7/43
LYNAM, James Charles	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
LYONS, Neville Emmett	Schoolmaster	POW Survived
MacDONALD, George Neil Alexander	Telegraphist	POW Died 9/12/43
MacMILLAN, John Allison	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
MacPHERSON, Lindsay Gordon	Able Seaman	POW Died 12/9/44
MACQUARIE, Lachlan Rae	Chief Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
MADGE, John James	Chief Engine Room Artificer	Lost 1/3/42
MAHER, Richard Dennis	Able Seaman	POW Died 12/9/44
MAJOR, Patrick Walker	Ordinary Seaman	POW Died 13/7/45
MALLEY, Hugh	Leading Cook (Ships)	POW Survived
MANNING, Darrel	Acting Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
MANNING, David William	Ordinary Seaman	POW Survived
MANTTAN, Jack Robinson	Able Seaman	POW Survived
MARSHALL, Jack Sidney	Stoker 2nd Class	POW Died 11/3/44
MARSHALL, Lyall Elvin	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
MARTIN, Charles Geoffrey	Supply Chief Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
MARTIN, John Braidwood	Lieutenant	POW Survived
MARTIN, Vernon	Stoker 2nd Class	POW Died 12/9/44
MARTIN, William Harold	Commander	Lost 1/3/42
MASLEM, Claud Leslie	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
MASON, Frederick John	Stoker 2nd Class	POW Survived
MATHEW, John	Acting Engine Room Artificer 4th Class	POW Died 2/10/43
MATHIESON, James Keith Wilson	Chaplain	POW Survived
MATSEN, Sydney Charles	Ordinary Seaman	POW Survived
MATTHEWS, William Reginald	Supply Assistant	Lost 1/3/42
MAY, Gerald Hugh	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
McAULEY, Robert	Engine Room Artificer 3rd Class	Lost 1/3/42
McCALL, William Thomas Pulditch	Able Seaman	POW Died 12/9/44
McCARREY, Robert Francis	Able Seaman	POW Survived
McCLURE, Kenneth Harold Douglas	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
McCONNELL, Richard Nicholas	Petty Officer	POW Died 30/3/45
McCORMACK, Kevin	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
McCOSKER, Charles Alexander	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
McCREDIE, George Houston	Stoker 2nd Class	POW Died 15/1/43
McCULLA, John Henry	Canteen Assistant	Lost 1/3/42
McDERMOTT, Ralph Bernard	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
McDONNELL, Walter Constantine	Stoker	POW Died 12/9/44
McDONOUGH, Allen Vernon (RAAF)	Flying Officer	POW Survived
McFARLANE, Ronald Rattray	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
McGOVERN, Francis Joseph	Able Seaman	POW Survived
McGOVERN, Vincent Bernard	Engine Room Artificer 4th Class	Lost 1/3/42
McHUGH, Bryan Hugh Vincent	Wireman	POW Survived
McKENZIE, Thomas Leslie Alick	Leading Steward	Lost 1/3/42
McKINNON, Albert Edward	Acting Leading Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
McLEAN, Donald David	Steward	POW Survived
McMAHON, John Joseph	Supply Chief Petty Officer	POW Survived
McMILLAN, Leslie Francis	Sick Berth Attendant	Lost 1/3/42
McMURDO, Leslie Roy	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
McNAB, Donald William	Writer	POW Survived

McQUADE, Jack DSM	Acting Stoker Petty Officer	POW Survived
McWHIRTER, Edward	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
McWILLIAM, Neville David	Lieutenant	Lost 1/3/42
MEARS, Arthur Harold John	Engineer Lieutenant	Lost 1/3/42
MEE, Harry Oakley	Able Seaman	POW Survived
MEEHAN, Ambrose	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
MELLISH, Cedric Erryl Bell	Acting Chief Engine Room Artificer	POW Died 24/6/44
MIDOLO, Ernest John	Acting Engine Room Artificer 4th Class	Lost 1/3/42
MILLER, Frederick Gerald	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
MILLERICK, James Leslie	Stoker	POW Survived
MILLS, Keith Wallace Everardt	Able Seaman	POW Died 13/7/45
MILNE, William	Petty Officer	POW Died 12/9/44
MINEAR, Wilfred Harry	Cook	Lost 1/3/42
MINIKEN, John Lloyd	Able Seaman	POW Survived
MITCHELL, Andrew MID	Sick Berth Attendant	POW Survived
MOONEY, Thomas Edward MID	Able Seaman	POW Survived
MOORE, Louis Henry	Chief Petty Officer Cook (Ships)	POW Survived
MOORE, Selwyn Francis	Able Seaman	POW Survived
MORRIS, Alan Edward	Able Seaman	POW Survived
MORRIS, Walter John	Petty Officer Steward	Lost 1/3/42
MORRIS, Warwick Clement	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
MORRISS, George Bradshaw	Able Seaman	POW Died 9/5/45
MOUNT, Marmaduke Randall Bateson	Able Seaman	POW Survived
MUIRHEAD, Robert Edmund James	Able Seaman	POW Survived
MUNNS, Francis Henry	Acting Leading Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
MUNRO, Lloyd William	Stoker 2nd Class	POW Survived
MURPHY, Alec Charles	Able Seaman	POW Survived
MUTTOCK, William	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
MYERS, Stanley	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
MYNARD, Herbert William	Stoker 2nd Class	POW Survived
NAGLE, Harry Lionel	Able Seaman	POW Died 12/9/44
NAISMITH, Robert	Mechanician	Lost 1/3/42
NASH, Frank	Acting Leading Seaman	POW Died 19/9/43
NEAL, Lionel	Able Seaman	POW Died 10/9/43
NELSON, Peter Edward	Telegraphist	POW Died 19/7/43
NESBITT, John Christopher	Acting Signalman	Lost 1/3/42
NEWMAN, William Charles	Ordinary Telegraphist	Lost 1/3/42
NEWSON, Frank Owen Carlisle	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
NEWTON, Robert Charles	Acting Telegraphist	Lost 1/3/42
NICHOLLS, Ronald Arthur	Able Seaman	POW Died 17/10/43
NOBLE, Ernest James MID	Sick Berth Attendant	POW Survived
NOLAN, William Michael	Acting Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
NORLEY, Lionel	Electrical Artificer 4th Class	POW Survived
NOTT, Colin Archibald (RAAF)	Corporal	Lost 1/3/42
NOYCE, William George	Acting Leading Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
NUNN, Robert William	Leading Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
O'BRIEN, Ronald William	Able Seaman	POW Died 18/8/43
O'BRIEN, William John	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
O'DONOGHUE, Mervil Francis	Able Seaman	POW Died 1/1/44
OGILVIE, Gillespie Leonard	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
O'HARA, Wrexford John	Sailmaker's Mate	Lost 1/3/42
O'LEARY, Patrick John	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
O'LOUGHLIN, Morton Alan	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
OLSEN, Frederick George	Acting Leading Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
O'NEALE, Christopher Charles	Able Seaman	POW Died 21/2/44
OSGOOD, George Frederick Earle	Ordinary Seaman	POW Survived
OWEN, Ernest Charles	Able Seaman	POW Died 14/4/42
OWEN, Philipp Oliver Laelius	Paymaster Lieutenant-Commander	POW Survived
OWENS, Reginald Charles	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
PADFIELD, Daniel William	Sick Berth Attendant	Lost 1/3/42
PALAIRET, Cyril Hamilton (RN)	Lieutenant	Lost 1/3/42



PARKE, Frederick Ernest MID	Stoker	POW Survived
PARKER, Albert Frederick James	Leading Wireman	POW Survived
PARKES, Albert Edward	Able Seaman	POW Survived
PARKIN, Raymond Edward	Petty Officer	POW Survived
PARKIN, William Irwin	Bandsman	POW Survived
PARKS, John Barr	Able Seaman	POW Died 12/9/44
PARRY, Walter Richard	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
PARTINGTON, Percival Kenneth	Bandsman	POW Survived
PARTRIDGE, Henry Charles	Able Seaman	POW Died 29/8/43
PASCOE, Dallas Braidwood	Stoker	POW Survived
PATON, Noel Alexander	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
PATTEN, Norman Thomas	Wireman	Lost 1/3/42
PAYNE, Edward William	Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
PAYNTER, Jack Edward	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
PEARCE, Charles Michael	Leading Cook (Officers)	POW Survived
PEGLER, Vincent George Valentine	Ordnance Artificer 3rd Class	POW Survived
PENGILLY, Keith William	Able Seaman	POW Survived
PERRY, George Charles	Acting Leading Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
PERRY, Russel John	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
PETHEBRIDGE, Charles Alexander AM	Stoker 2nd Class	POW Died 12/9/44
PETTY, Leslie Joseph Kitchener	Supply Assistant	Lost 1/3/42
PIPER, Eric Lucius Meacher	Yeoman of Signals	Lost 1/3/42
POHL, Hugh George	Ordinary Seaman	POW Died 15/1/44
POLLARD, Thomas	Mechanician 1st Class	POW Survived
PORTER, Henry Charles Bryce	Electrical Artificer 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
PORTER, Sydney Joseph	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
POUND, John	Steward	Lost 1/3/42
PRICE, William Bruce	Telegraphist	POW Survived
PROCTOR, Norman Walter	Able Seaman	POW Died 12/3/44
PURKIS, Arthur Ernest	Shipwright 1st Class	Lost 1/3/42
RALSTON, Jack Edward	Leading Seaman	POW Survived
RATLIFF, Urban Ernest	Petty Officer Telegraphist	POW Survived
RAWSON, Frederick Bead MID	Able Seaman	POW Survived
REECE, William Joseph Hodson DSM	Stoker Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
REES, Ronald Frederick	Engine Room Artificer 4th Class	POW Survived
REID, Gordon Maxwell	Able Seaman	POW Survived
REVIE, George Andrew	Stoker Petty Officer	POW Survived
REYNOLDS, Ronald Charles Alec	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
RIGHETTI, Leonard Lloyd	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
RISLEY, Tom Stephenson	Acting Signalman	Lost 1/3/42
RITCHIE, Frank Edward	Able Seaman	POW Died 12/9/44
RIX, Desmond Godfrey	Telegraphist	POW Died 12/9/44
ROBBINS, Albert Graham	Chief Ordnance Artificer	Lost 1/3/42
ROBBINS, Thomas Fellows	Engineer Sub-Lieutenant	POW Survived
ROBERTON, William James	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
ROBERTS, Edgar Leslie	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
ROBERTS, Griffith Roy Evan	Ordinary Seaman	POW Survived
ROBERTS, John Whit	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
ROBERTS, Maxwell	Telegraphist	Lost 1/3/42
ROBERTS, Stanley Wills	Leading Seaman	POW Died 16/8/45
ROBERTS, William Henry DSC	Engineer Lieutenant	POW Survived
ROBINSON, Ernest Benjamin	Stoker Petty Officer	POW Survived
ROBSON, Andrew Fullerton	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
ROBSON, John Edward	Stoker Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
ROCKEY, John Thomas George	Chief Petty Officer Writer	POW Survived
ROHAN, Joseph Aloysius	Acting Leading Telegraphist	POW Survived
ROSEVEAR, Alexander James	Stoker	POW Died 12/9/44
ROSS, George Lauchlan (RN)	Commissioned Gunner	POW Survived
ROVETA, Phillip	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
ROWE, Robert Cunliffe	Able Seaman	POW Survived
ROWLING, George Austin Thomas	Leading Seaman	Lost 1/3/42

RYAN, Charles Gaston	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
RYAN, Richard William	Able Seaman	POW Died 7/10/43
SALMON, Walter James Thomas	Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
SALTER, John Arnold	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
SANDS, Patrick George Thomas	Acting Stoker Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
SANDS, Wilfred John	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
SARGEANT, Morton James	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
SAUNDERS, Alfred Albert	Blacksmith 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
SAVAGE, Valentine MID	Stoker	POW Survived
SCALLY, Desmond Ernest	Engine Room Artificer 4th Class	Lost 1/3/42
SCOTT, Mervyn John	Cook (Ships)	POW Died 16/7/43
SCULLION, Charles Sanderson	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
SEPPELT, Peter Stokes	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
SHALE, Richard Frederick	Acting Signalman	Lost 1/3/42
SHARMAN, William Erol	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
SHARP, Walter Melville	Leading Stoker	POW Survived
SIEVEY, John William	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
SIMONS, Herbert Louis	Stoker	POW Survived
SIMS, Robert John	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
SKEELS, Frederick Gordon	Able Seaman	POW Survived
SLATTERY, Frederick James	Stoker 2nd Class	POW Died 12/9/44
SLOGGETT, Kenneth Spencer	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
SMITH, Arthur Ernest	Steward	Lost 1/3/42
SMITH, Donald Ian	Engine Room Artificer 4th Class	Died ashore on or after 1/3/42
SMITH, Frederick Edward	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
SMITH, Henry Howard William	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
SMITH, Leonard Chris	Gunner (Torpedo)	POW Survived
SMITH, Leslie Clifford Mervyn	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
SMITH, Louis Lawrence	Leading Steward	Lost 1/3/42
SMITH, Raymond John	Able Seaman	POW Died 12/9/44
SMITH, Robert William	Steward	POW Died 15/1/43
SNELL, Joseph Ian	Engine Room Artificer 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
SNEYD, Howard William	Signalman	Lost 1/3/42
SPARKS, Harold (RAAF)	Sergeant	Lost 1/3/42
SPARKS, Ronald David	Bandsman	POW Survived
SPEERS, William Peter	Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
SPICER, Frederick Elvery	Acting Leading Telegraphist	POW Survived
SPRIGGINS, Arthur Edwin	Petty Officer Telegraphist	Lost 1/3/42
STACEY, Thomas Henry	Telegraphist	Lost 1/3/42
STAPLETON, Richard John	Painter 4th Class	Lost 1/3/42
STAYT, Lester Leonard	Able Seaman	POW Survived
STEALEY, Percy Jones	Steward	Lost 1/3/42
STEED, Clifford Charles	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
STEELE, Francis Edward	Acting Stoker Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
STENING, Samuel Edward Lees DSC	Surgeon Lieutenant	POW Survived
STEVENS, Leo	Leading Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
STILL, William George Joseph	Leading Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
STIRK, Arthur Lindsay	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
STOKAN, Percy	Yeoman of Signals	Lost 1/3/42
STOKES, Cecil Albert Harold	Stoker 2nd Class	POW Died 1/3/43
STRANGE, Bruce Langley	Ordinary Seaman	POW Survived
STREET, Allan Robert	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
STUART, Athol Pelham	Acting Able Seaman	POW Survived
SUMMERS, Arthur George	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
SUTTON, David John	Lieutenant	Lost 1/3/42
SWEENEY, Francis John	Engine Room Artificer 3rd Class	Lost 1/3/42
SYMES, Leonard	Acting Engine Room Artificer 4th Class	POW Survived
TALBOT, Cyril Benjamin	Leading Seaman	POW Died 20/12/43
TANNER, John Nelson	Able Seaman	POW Survived
TAYLOR, Frederick James	Able Seaman	POW Survived

TAYLOR, Raphael William	Able Seaman	POW Survived
TCHAN, William James Stevens	Able Seaman	POW Survived
THODE, John Albert	Lieutenant	POW Survived
THOMAS, Alfred John Rees	Petty Officer Butcher	POW Survived
THOMAS, Edward Arthur	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
THOMAS, Harry Wynne MID	Chief Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
THOMAS, Ronald Robert	Acting Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
THOMAS, Stanley Frederick	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
THOMPSON, Alfred Leonard	Ordinary Seaman	POW Survived
THOMPSON, Allan George	Acting Leading Stoker	POW Survived
THOMPSON, Eric William	Able Seaman	POW Died 8/6/43
THOMPSON, Thomas Winser	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
THOMPSON, Charles Bosisto	Acting Engine Room Artificer 4th Class	POW Survived
TIBBITS, George Francis	Able Seaman	POW Survived
TIMMENS, Peter Christopherson	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
TOE, Ernest George (RAAF)	Leading Aircraftman	POW Died 14/9/44
TOMS, Ronald James	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
TOOVEY, Ernest Alfred	Able Seaman	POW Survived
TOULMIN, Norman Lindsay	Stoker 2nd Class	POW Survived
TRANBY-WHITE, Frank Murray	Paymaster Midshipman	Lost 1/3/42
TREGEAR, Alleyne Charles	Surgeon Lieutenant-Commander	Lost 1/3/42
TREVOR, Francis James	Engine Room Artificer 4th Class	Lost 1/3/42
TRIMBLE, Robert Henry	Able Seaman	POW Died 9/12/43
TUERSLEY, James Ernest Harry (RN)	Warrant Engineer	Lost 1/3/42
TURNBULL, Clifton Victor	Acting Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
TURNBULL, John James Samuel	Acting Stoker Petty Officer	POW Died 12/9/44
TURNER, Jack	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
TURNER, Roy Stuart	Sick Berth Attendant	POW Survived
TURNER, Thomas Henry	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
TYMMS, Eric Mortimer DSC	Surgeon Lieutenant-Commander	Lost 1/3/42
TYRRELL, Edward Francis James	Petty Officer	POW Survived
VANSELOW, George Davies	Bandsman	POW Survived
VERDON, Clarence William	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
VICCARS, Keith	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
VINEY, Donald Mathieson	Chief Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
VINNICOMBE, Edmund Samuel Spray	Engine Room Artificer 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
VIVIAN, Henry Robert Dunne	Able Seaman	POW Died 3/3/42
VOWLES, Cecil Victor	Warrant Electrician	POW Survived
WALHOUSE, Ronald Henry	Stoker 2nd Class	POW Survived
WALLACE, Kenneth Sydney	Acting Leading Telegraphist	POW Survived
WALLER, Hector McDonald Laws DSO & Bar MID	Captain	Lost 1/3/42
WALMSLEY, Leslie Cornelliuss	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
WALSH, Leonard Percival	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
WARD, Edward Douglas	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
WARD, Geoffrey Davies	Ordinary Coder	Lost 1/3/42
WARD, George Richard	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
WARD, James Christopher	Able Seaman	POW Survived
WARREN, Sydney William	Engine Room Artificer 4th Class	Lost 1/3/42
WATKINS, Charles Sumner	Acting Telegraphist	Lost 1/3/42
WATKINS, Llewellyn Leigh	Lieutenant-Commander	Lost 1/3/42
WATSON, Frank Rowland	Petty Officer Writer	Lost 1/3/42
WATSON, Peter Storey	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
WATTS, Thomas Gordon	Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
WEBSTER, Gordon Cave	Able Seaman	POW Survived
WEBSTER, Thomas Charles	Steward	Lost 1/3/42
WEETMAN, Ernest George	Signalman	POW Survived
WEGER, Robert	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
WELLS, Rowland Frederick	Steward	Lost 1/3/42
WEST, Kevin Ernest	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
WESTBROOK, Edward James	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42

WHATSON, Kenneth William	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
WHERRETT, Arthur Charles Malcolm	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
WHITE, Arthur Robert Glen	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
WHITE, John Henry (RN)	Able Seaman	POW Survived
WHITE, Norman Harold Stephen	Sub-Lieutenant	POW Survived
WHITING, Reginald Paul	Chief Electrical Artificer	Lost 1/3/42
WILKINSON, Harold	Able Seaman	POW Died 1/1/44
WILKINSON, Thomas	Leading Stoker	Lost 1/3/42
WILL, Phillip Ernest (RAAF)	Corporal	Lost 1/3/42
WILLIAMS, Colin Raoul	Stoker 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
WILLIAMS, Edwin Plunkett	Able Seaman	POW Survived
WILLIAMS, Frank Kingscote	Stoker	POW Survived
WILLIAMS, Leon Charles	Able Seaman	POW Survived
WILLIAMS, Rex Sidney Wood	Able Seaman	POW Died 12/9/44
WILLIAMS, Robert Alexander	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
WILLIAMS, Ronald Keith	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
WILLIS, Geoffrey George	Able Seaman	POW Died 15/9/43
WILLIS, Jack Reginald Edward	Acting Yeoman of Signals	POW Survived
WILSON, Alick Leonard	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
WILSON, Leslie Alfred Thomas	Able Seaman	POW Died 12/9/44
WILSON, Maxwell Roland	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
WILSON, Roy Allen	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
WINNETT, Cliff Isaac	Able Seaman	POW Died 12/9/44
WISDOM, John Geoffrey Hunt	Able Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
WITT, John Henry	Ordinary Seaman	Lost 1/3/42
WOLLEY, Thomas Beech	Acting Sub-Lieutenant	Lost 1/3/42
WOODGATE, George Ireland	Petty Officer	Lost 1/3/42
WOODHEAD, Brian Stanley	Able Seaman	POW Survived
WOODHEAD, John Arthur McDonald	Stoker 2nd Class	POW Died 31/7/43
WOODLEY, Claude James	Warrant Supply Officer	POW Survived
WOODMAN, Cyril Douglas	Able Seaman	POW Survived
WOODS, John William	Able Seaman	POW Survived
WRAY, Charles William	Wireman	POW Survived
WRIGHT, Frederick Baird	Sick Berth Attendant	POW Died 12/9/44
WRIGHT, Terence	Joiner 3rd Class	Lost 1/3/42
WRIGHT, Thomas King	Mechanician 2nd Class	Lost 1/3/42
WYTHES, James Herbert	Acting Chief Engine Room Artificer	Lost 1/3/42

AM – Albert Medal

DSC – Distinguished Service Cross

DSM – Distinguished Service Medal

BEM – British Empire Medal

MID – Mentioned in Despatches

The following members of the ship's company were also recognised by the Queen of the Netherlands for services rendered in the cause of the Allies in HMAS *Perth*:

BURGESS, Lloyd Thomas – Order of Oranje-Nassau - Chevalier

VOWLES, Cecil Victor – Order of Oranje-Nassau - Chevalier

BIDDEL, Neil James – Bronze Medal in the Order of Oranje-Nassau

FARRINGTON, Reginald Walter – Bronze Medal in the Order of Oranje-Nassau

MITCHELL, Andrew – Bronze Medal in the Order of Oranje-Nassau

RAWSON, Frederick Bead – Bronze Medal in the Order of Oranje-Nassau

SAVAGE, Valentine – Bronze Medal in the Order of Oranje-Nassau

## Remembering H.M.A.S. PERTH

Those who served in HMAS *Perth* were justifiably proud of their ship. The light cruiser fought Italian, German, Vichy French and Japanese forces, making her one of the few ships in the Royal Australian Navy to have fought all the King's enemies during the Second World War. *Perth* was awarded eight battle honours:

ATLANTIC 1939-40  
MALTA CONVOYS 1941  
MATAPAN 1941  
GREECE 1941  
CRETE 1941  
MEDITERRANEAN 1941  
PACIFIC 1941-42  
SUNDA STRAIT 1942

These battle honours were inherited by HMAS *Perth* (II), a *Charles F. Adams* Class guided missile destroyer which entered service with the RAN on 17 July 1965 and was decommissioned on 15 October 1999. *Perth* (II) was awarded the battle honour VIETNAM 1967-72. All nine battle honours are perpetuated by HMAS *Perth* (III), an *Anzac* Class helicopter frigate which entered service on 26 August 2006.

The need to commemorate *Perth* (I) and her gallant ship's company was first recognised by the City of Perth during the Second World War. On 12 August 1943 a plaque, 'Dedicated in grateful remembrance to the officers and men of HMAS PERTH', was unveiled at the Perth Town Hall.

On 26 February 1950 the City of Fremantle Sub Section of the Naval Association of Australia instituted an annual memorial service for *Perth* (I). It is held at St. John's Church, Fremantle, on the last Sunday in February.

In 1964, a desire to further commemorate *Perth* (I), coupled with the need to establish a permanent headquarters for the Navy League of Australia, Western Australian Division, led to a proposal to erect a memorial hall on the southern bank of the Swan River at East Fremantle.

The HMAS *Perth* Memorial Hall was officially opened on 26 February 1967 - in time for the 25th anniversary of the Battle of Sunda Strait. The ship's Coat of Arms, which had been presented to the Perth City Council for safekeeping during the war, featured on a wall dedicated to the memory of *Perth* and the ship's company. As was intended, the hall accommodated the Navy League of Australia, WA Division, an Australian Sea Cadet Corps headquarters, and the Sea Cadet unit TS (Training Ship) *Perth*.

In June 1967, with the blessing of the HMAS *Perth* Survivors Association, South Australian diver Dave Burchell located *Perth's* wreck and recovered a number of artefacts from the ship for posterity. A scuttle (porthole) frame was presented to the Navy League of Australia, Western Australian Division, for display in the HMAS *Perth* Memorial Hall - thus creating another physical link between the ship and the hall.

In February 1992, to mark the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Sunda Strait, a reunion of survivors was held in Perth. Sixty *Perth* men from around Australia and New Zealand, and ten *Houston* men from the United States attended. By 1 March 2017 - the 75th anniversary of the battle - the number of *Perth* survivors had dwindled to two - Frank McGovern and David Manning. The latter crossed the bar on 21 February 2018.

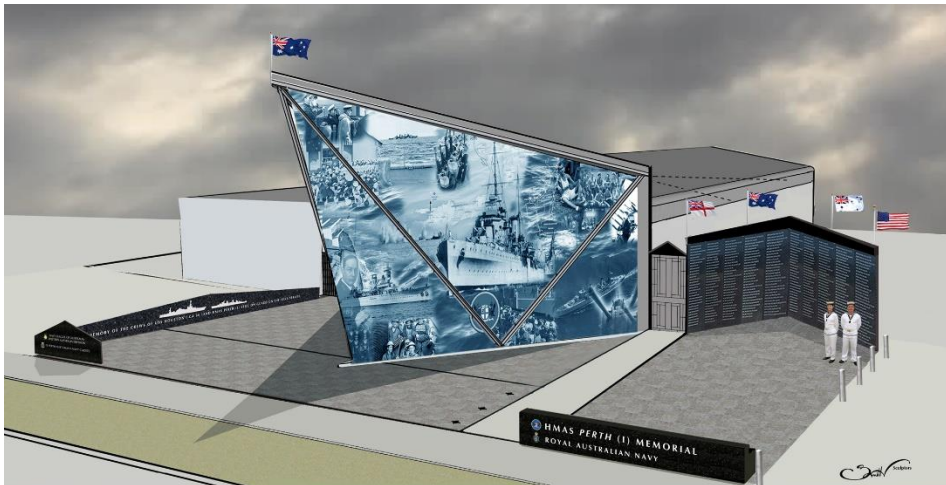
The 75th anniversary of *Perth's* loss also brought news that very little of the ship remained. Illegal salvage operations had stripped thousands of tons of ferrous and non-ferrous metal from the cruiser, and destroyed the final resting place of hundreds of men. This, and the lack of a national memorial to *Perth*, prompted the Navy League of Australia, WA Division, to push for a new memorial to *Perth* and the ship's company. The HMAS PERTH (I) Memorial Foundation Incorporated was formed in 2018 to establish a permanent memorial to commemorate the life and loss of HMAS *Perth* (I). The memorial will be dedicated to the members of the ship's company who:

- 1) Perished in the Battle of Sunda Strait
- 2) Survived the battle and attempted to avoid capture
- 3) Were captured, imprisoned and enslaved
- 4) Died as prisoners of war
- 5) Finally returned to Australia or the United Kingdom

The memorial will also acknowledge the families whose lives were forever changed by the loss of HMAS *Perth* (I) on 1 March 1942.

The HMAS PERTH (I) Memorial Foundation Incorporated proposes to create a memorial that will complement and enhance the existing HMAS *Perth* Memorial Hall and the TS *Perth* training establishment (collectively known as the HMAS *Perth* Memorial Facility) located on Riverside Road, East Fremantle, in Western Australia.

A key requirement is that the memorial be suitable for ceremonial occasions, commemorative events, flag-raising, and wreath-laying, in order to facilitate both public and private remembrance. To this end, an Avenue of Honour will bear the names of the entire ship's company, with each name engraved into highly polished black granite to emphasize the solemn purpose of this place of remembrance. Of equal importance is the creation of a special space for contemplation and reflection within a memorial setting.



These requirements have been met by the concept design produced by acclaimed sculptors Charles Smith and Joan Walsh-Smith (Smith Sculptors), whose works include the HMAS *Sydney* II Memorial at Geraldton, the National Memorial to the Australian Army in Canberra, and the John Curtin statue in Fremantle.

The memorial will be in the form of a glass-walled ‘ship’s prow’ shaped space which is the central symbolic focus and monumental manifestation of HMAS *Perth* (I). Two steel-framed 10-metre long ceramic glass walls, featuring images of *Perth* and members of the ship’s company, will project forward from the front of the 12-metre wide hall, coming together to give the effect of a ship’s bows. A flood-lit flagpole will be provided at the peak and two steps will be placed at the foot of the stem for ceremonial and wreath-laying occasions.

Each wall will consist of two layers of 12-millimetre thick glass, into which the images will be fused with ceramic inks. The resulting 25-millimetre thick glass panels will be grey-blue in colour, virtually bullet-proof, and strikingly effective. Lighting at night will give the panels an ethereal blue hue.

The roofed 12-metre by 10-metre by 10-metre internal space created will form the special place for contemplation and reflection. It is envisioned that two life-size statues of a naval rating and a prisoner of war, proudly standing back-to-back in the centre of the space, will represent the two phases of a *Perth* sailor’s war.

The hall’s ongoing role as training facility for the Australian Navy Cadets will be recognised by a sculptured relief wall dedicated to Training Ship *Perth*.



**Proposed Memorial to HMAS *Perth* (1) -  
Navy League of Australia - Western Australia Division Riverside Road East Fremantle WA  
Glass Memorial Artwork - Left Side**

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