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Followed by:-

June Puzzle no 9



Chairmans Dit June 2009

I posted a site under construction notice for last months Dits and am pretty much close to doing the same thing again for this month. With the best will in the world, I keep running out of time. My problem is rather like the character that Catherine Tate the comedian portrays in one of her sketches whose punch line is "I Can Do That". I, like many of us, can do many things, the problem is the time factor, and that is what gets us all in the end. One of the grand plans for Jones household during May was to get knocked off some of those outstanding DIY tasks that have been hanging around for years. Top of the list was to completely gut my garden shed space and get rid of all those seemingly useless come in handy things that I have hung on too for more years than I can remember.

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Unfortunately nature took a hand and a thrush decided to move in and raise her brood. Hence access was limited, until they left. There now remains the evidence that young thrushes are not house-trained. Therefore copious gallons of Detol are now the order of the Day. Even though today according to the weather reports is destined to be an Aussie Barbie and Tinny evening. Guess what, we have an active nesting pair right along side where our gas Bar-Be-Que cooker is stored.



Even as I write the parents are squawking like mad trying to encourage their young leave the nest. So we may be having full blown Barbie if not Rosie Wine and sundowners on the patio. If you examine the Social Calendar you will see that there is penciled in a Cheese and Wine Evening organised by my good self for the 19th of June.

Unfortunately this date has had to be cancelled but more details will be found in my Chaplains Dit. Having had to give back word for our last Committee Meeting, it appears that several other members were unable to attend also, there being not enough for a quorum, no business was conducted, and ale and tales flowed instead. If you did not already know it here is some submarine news announced May the 9th.

The Maritime Change (MCP) reveals that HM Naval Base Clyde will become the main operating base for all classes of submarines, including the future classes of submarines, such as the replacement for the Vanguard Class, and eight Sandown Class Mine Counter-measures Vessels. Fleet Time Engineering (FTE) support for these vessels will also be undertaken at Clyde. As part of the announcement, an update has also been provided on the ISO-LUS (Interim Storage of Laid-

Up Submarines) Project, which is the work underway to develop the solution for the dismantling and recycling of our nuclear submarines. That may give an opening to have some artifacts to come to the Submarine Heritage Centre

Regards
Jonsey

Social Scene June 2009



My apologies for not being at this Months meeting but I am away on Holiday and wont be back until the 4th of June. It's a bit quiet on the Social scene at the moment however the next main event in the Branch Calendar will be the Annual Barbeque.

The double booking problem has now gone away and the Barbeque will be at the Vickerstown Institute as usual as the major changes previously expected have not materialised. The date is a little later than usual and it will be held on Saturday 1st August at 1930. All the usual events dancing to Shindig, the 'LOUD SHIRT' competition, 'TOT Time', a Raffle don't forget to bring a prize along (you might win your win one back!) and, of course the Barbeque which will be prepared, cooked and served up by our own Brigham Young and his team of experts. It only £7.50 per head this year and a list will be circulated at the Branch Meeting on 2nd June so get your names down!

I still expect to organise a Quiz Night in the near future and, possibly another Brewery run if the support is forthcoming!

Although it is not a Branch function don't forget the Submariners Association Annual Draw which is to be held in Portsmouth this year. You will be welcomed by the Portsmouth Branch if you decide to go. Raffle Tickets for the Annual Draw are still available from the Secretary and, if you already have yours

and haven't sold them please do so as soon as possible and get the Stubs and the Cash back to the Secretary as soon as possible we have to have the Stubs back with Colin Way (the Bear) at the Submarine Museum well before the end of June. Also if you haven't booked for the Reunion yet it's almost too late.

Your choice of package should have been with the Secretary before the end of May – with your deposits (£25.00 per person!).

That's it for now

Colin

APPEAL

I am an author and am currently engaged in research towards a book on British submariners in the Second World War.

The idea is to produce a study that focuses chiefly on the people their background, their training, how they came to be in submarines, their experience on patrol and off patrol and what life was like for their wives and children. I would be keen to include some account of the Canadian, Australian, Polish, Dutch, Greek, French and other submariners who fought with British flotillas.

I would be very pleased to make contact with anybody who felt that they might like to contribute, especially with veterans, wives and children of veterans or with relatives of those who were lost, whose recollections, letters, photographs or knowledge could greatly enrich a project that I hope will provide some sort of tribute to the bravery and technical skill of members of the submarine service.

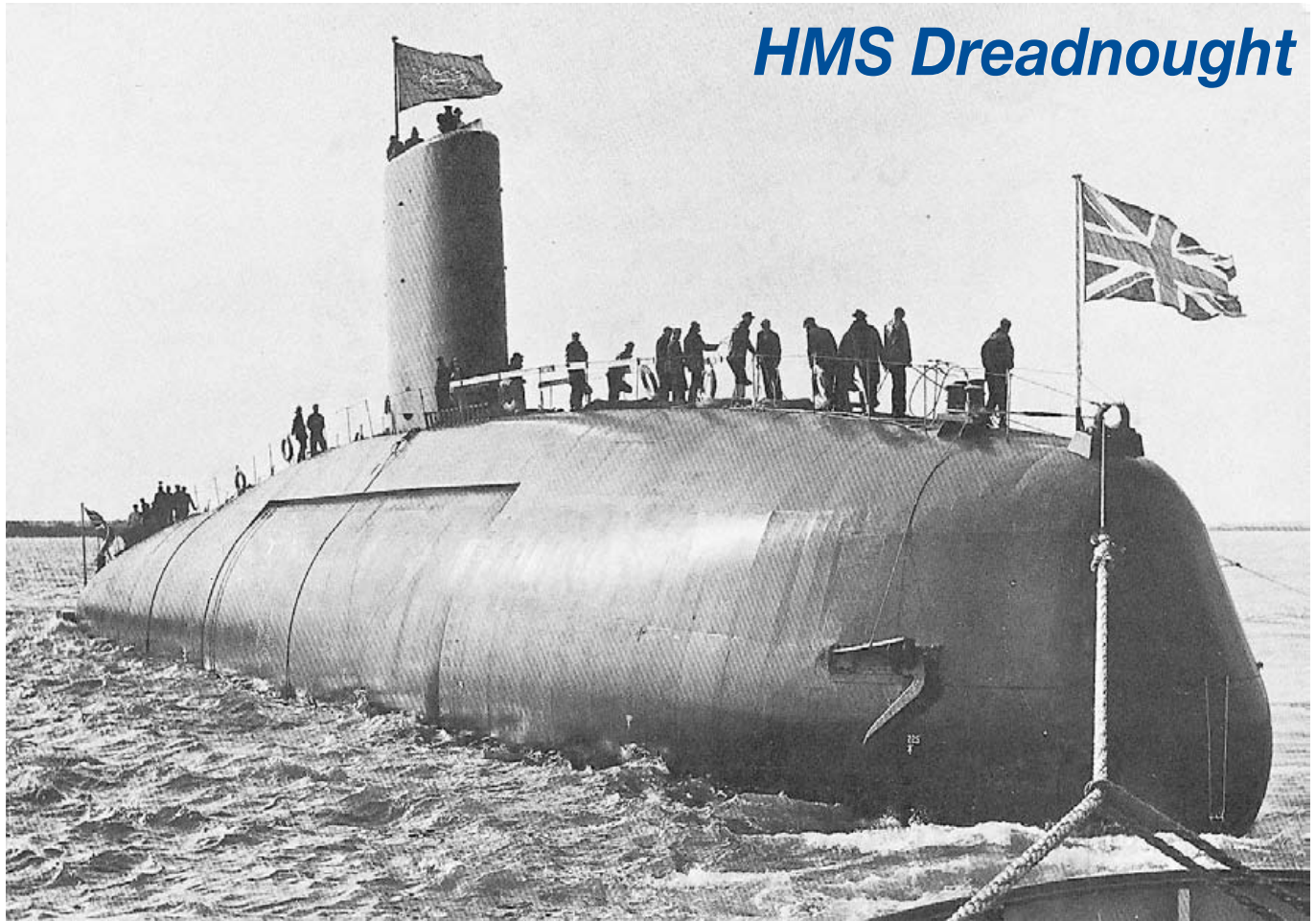
My previous work includes *Finest Hour* (1999), *Trafalgar: the men, the battle, the storm* (2004) and *Tars* (2007) which won last year's Mountbatten Maritime Award. My email is tim@timclayton.co.uk, phone is 01379 586628 and my address is The Firs, New Street, Fressingfield, Suffolk, IP21 5PG.

Tim Clayton



Barrow Submarine Series: issue number 2

HMS Dreadnought



NEW ERA: HMS *Dreadnought* was the Royal Navy's first nuclear-powered submarine

JUNE 12 marks the 50th anniversary of a new era in Royal Navy submarine development when *Dreadnought* was laid down as Britain's first nuclear-powered submarine.

The UK had been researching designs for nuclear propulsion plants since 1946 but by 1955 the United States Navy had completed *USS Nautilus* and it made sense to make use of this proven power plant.

Dreadnought was launched at Barrow by the Queen on Trafalgar Day, 21 October, 1960.

With the American reactor fitted, *Dreadnought* made her first dive, in Ramsden Dock, on 10 January 10 in 1963 and was commissioned on April 17 that year.

Career

In the mid-1960s, *Dreadnought's* visits included trips to Norfolk, Virginia, Bermuda, Rotterdam, and Kiel.

She was at Gibraltar in 1965, 1966, and 1967, and on 19 September 1967, she left Rosyth, Scotland for Singapore on a sustained high-speed run. The round trip finished as 4,640 miles surfaced and 26,545 miles submerged.

On June 24 in 1967, she was ordered



ROYAL DATE: The Queen at the launch of *Dreadnought* in 1960

to sink the wrecked and drifting German ship *Essberger Chemist*.

Three torpedoes hit along the length of the target, but the gunners of *HMS Salisbury* finished the job by piercing

the tanks, which were keeping *Essberger Chemist* just afloat.

Apart from minor hull-cracking problems, *Dreadnought* proved to be a reliable vessel, popular with her crews. On 10 September 1970, she completed a major refit at Rosyth, Scotland, in the course of which her nuclear core was refuelled and her ballast tank valves were changed to reduce noise.

On March 3 in 1971, *Dreadnought* became the first British submarine to surface at the North Pole.

In 1973 she took part in the Royal Navy's first annual Group Deployment, when a group of warships and auxiliaries would undertake a long deployment to maintain fighting efficiency and 'show the flag' around the world.

Together with the frigates *Alacrity* and *Phoebe*, *Dreadnought* took part in Operation Journeyman, a deployment to the South Atlantic in 1977 (prior to the Falklands War) to deter possible Argentine aggression against the Falkland Islands.

Due to machinery damage and the limited refit facilities then available for boat of its type, *Dreadnought* was withdrawn from service in 1980 and is laid up at Rosyth Naval Dockyard.



Barrie Downer Secretary



Well what has been happening since the last news letter was issued?

Our regular commitment at the finish of the Keswick to Barrow Walk was completed on 9th May. Nearly 2,000 completed the course this year despite some pretty severe weather conditions (strong winds, rain and hail) for part of the day!

This year we were at the finish as the walkers came out of the tent with their medals and times. We managed to provide cover for the whole day thanks to the watch bill organised by John Hart the Beer Tickets were appreciated as well! Many walkers seemed to be surprisingly fresh after their 40 miles but a lot then seemed to fall foul of the Beer Tent and, after a brief visit there, came back to the First Aid Tent for various treatments the First Aid Tent seemed to be one of the more popular and busy venues. Thanks to all Members who assisted with the stewarding, congratulations to all the walkers (including some Branch Members and their family members) and well done to those who didn't make it all the way as they say 'it's the taking part which counts'.

We even had a Branch Member presenting the Medals for part of the day well done to Tim Chittenden!

Apart from that it has been a bit of a quiet month just the Branch Meeting and the Committee Meeting although the latter was a bit of a busted flush as we didn't have enough for a quorum with a number of the Committee being away on holidays and work commitments. Still it was a good excuse for a few dits and a few pints!

Alan Jones represented the Branch at the funeral in Leeds of our late Member John Dixon our condolences were presented

to the family who appreciated the Branch interest.

I expect you have all heard that the Barrow Festival of the Sea in July has been cancelled which has affected the plans for a Veterans Day Parade and ceremonies at the same time. Apparently there were no Tall Ships or Naval Ships available at that time. I understand the original plan was for the event to be in June.

The next Festival of the Sea for which planning is getting underway will be in 2010 which, coincidentally, is the 50th Anniversary of the launch of HMS DREADNOUGHT in 1960 now there is something to celebrate!

Various other events are now taking the place this year to cover the Armed Forces Day and Veterans Parade.

There is to be a ceremony at the Town Hall Square on 22nd June associated with the presentation to the town of a new Flag and we have just been invited to take part in further events during the Barrow Carnival on Saturday 27th June no further details at present but we will let you know what is planned as soon as the Committee have had time to consider some plans.

There may also be further events in July when the Festival of the sea should have taken place. So what are the next Submariners Association events to watch out for? Next up is the National Draw in Portsmouth on Saturday 4th July. You should all have received your £10.00 worth of National Annual Draw tickets. So far I have got about £420 worth of stubs and cash back which means that there is still about £1,300 worth out there please sell your allocation as soon as possible and get the cash and stubs back to me or any member of the Committee as soon as possible in case of doubt Committee addresses/phone numbers are on the front sheet of this Newsletter. Remember that one third of all sales by the Branch stay with the Branch.

Then there is the Barrow Branch Barbeque on Saturday 1st August. After some discussion the Barbeque will be at the Vickerstown Institute as usual all the usual arrangements Shindig for the entertainment, Brigham Young and his team to prepare and serve the barbeque, Tot Time, Branch Raffle and the now famous 'Loud Shirt Competition'. Don't forget to bring a prize for the Raffle! I will be circulating a list at the Branch Meeting on 2nd June. The cost this year is £7.50 per head only 50p more than last year!

Have you all seen the details of the Annual Reunion and have made up your minds to join us all at Nottingham in October! Send your Application Form for the option of your choice or call any Member of the Committee to get your name put down and send your £25.00 per person deposit to me or any member of the Committee as soon as possible and, just in case you haven't made your mind up yet I will still have a list available at the Branch Meeting on Tuesday 2nd June.

As ever the usual reminders it is now June and we still have several members outstanding their Subs for this year (and even some for last year). You can pay any member of the Committee and then you will be sent your Membership Card you know the nice Mauve ones (or is it Lilac?). Mick Mailey will be pleased to take your money and John Houlding is trying to get rid of those cards!

Also, if you have moved, changed your phone number or your e mail provider please let us know as soon as possible so that we can keep in touch and make sure you get all your Branch information.

Also if you can't make it to a Branch Meeting remember to send in your apologies partly so we still know you are well.





If you are not keeping too well yourself let us know and we will see if there is anything the Welfare team can help with. Remember to let us know if there are any Branch Members that you know (or their wives, girlfriends or partners) who are not too well sometimes they may be too busy or pre-occupied with events to let us know themselves. If we don't know we can't help! That's about it for now see you all at the Branch Meeting Tuesday 2nd June usual time usual place!

Regards

Barrie

IS THIS THE FIRST ROYAL NAVY SUBMARINER CASUALTY?

Researched by Barrie Downer,
Peter Schofield assisted by Ben
Britten

There is an unmarked grave in the Barrow-in-Furness' Thorncliffe Cemetery, Section 4 (Grave No. 1525). According to the Non Conformist Burial Book at Thorncliffe the Grave belongs to the Admiralty HMS HAZARD. So who is in the grave and why is he there?

A clue lies in a letter written by Lieutenant Forster Delafield Arnold-Forster, Royal Navy from HMS HAZARD at Barrow-in-Furness to his father on Wednesday 14th May 1902 Lieutenant Arnold-Forster writes:

"I have had my hands very full this last 10 days and had no time to write before." He continues: "During breakfast I was told a Leading Stoker was missing and his cap found floating near the torpedo boat. It looks as though he must have fallen overboard so started dragging at once and found his body at 1100 and sent it to the mortuary.

The next three days were perfectly awful what with arranging the inquest and the funeral and running trials with No. 2* between trials. We buried him eventually on Wednesday with Naval Honours after a lot of telegraphing to his relations

who wanted him sent to Plymouth....

We got a gun carriage from Vickers and the Volunteer Band and a number of Volunteers attended."

A report in 'The News' of Saturday, May 10th 1902 covers the story as follows:

"On Monday morning (5th May) the Police authorities received information of the discovery in Devonshire Dock of the body of a Naval Stoker named John Henry Curtis.

The deceased who was a Leading Stoker Second Class belonged to HMS Gunboat HAZARD and was temporarily serving on No. 42 Torpedo Boat went ashore on leave at 6.00 p.m. on Sunday (4th May). He was seen by E Talind (Stoker) at 10.15 p.m. near Duke Street and was reported missing at 6.60 a.m. the following morning. His cap was found in the water near the Torpedo Boat and on dragging the dock the body was found about 11.00 a.m. There was a slight cut above the left eye."

So why was HMS HAZARD (and No. 42 Torpedo Boat) in Devonshire Dock? HMS HAZARD was commissioned for 'Special Service' on 20th August 1901 under the command of Captain Reginald Spooner Bacon, Royal Navy who had been appointed as the first 'Inspecting Captain of Submarines'. He was responsible for overseeing the build, launch, outfitting and trials of the first five Submarines – the Holland Class and for the training of the Submarine Crews. HMS HAZARD was, effectively, the first Submarine Depot Ship and the HAZARD with No. 42 Torpedo Boat were to support the sea trials and then escort the Submarines to Portsmouth.

The article in 'The News' continues: "At the inquest into the death of Leading Stoker Curtis held in the Police Court on Tuesday (6th May) afternoon Lieutenant Arnold-Forster of HM Gunboat HAZARD was present.

Walter Hindes of HM Gunboat HAZARD identified the body of the deceased who was 32 years of age, who was a Leading Stoker of the Second Class.

He obtained leave to go ashore on Sunday evening and should have returned at 6.30 a.m. on Monday. He did not appear at that time and witnesses reported him missing. A short time afterwards witness was informed that deceased cap had been found in one of the bays abreast the boat in Devonshire Dock and a search was then initiated, the body being found at 11.00 a.m. The Boat was protected by a gangway protected on either side and was quite safe for a person who was sober. Edwin Talind, Stoker deposed that at 10.30 p.m. on Sunday evening he saw deceased in the street and he was under the influence of drink.

PC Duckworth also gave evidence and Lieutenant Arnold-Forster of the HAZARD explained that the ordinary gangway was reasonably safe but from the position in which the deceased's cap was found it was evident that he had tried to reach the vessel by means of the wrong gangway. A verdict of accidental drowning was returned.

The internment took place at the borough cemetery in the presence of a large gathering of townspeople, friends of the crew of HAZARD and amid many sincere manifestations of deepest sympathy. The funeral procession which was formed at the mortuary was headed by the local volunteer band followed by a firing party from the HAZARD, Lieutenant Arnold-Forster being in command. There were also a large number of volunteers under Sergeant Tyrell.

As the cortege moved off the band played the Dead March and on completion of the burial service three volleys were fired over the deceased sailor's grave."

So who was John Henry Curtis?



Leading Stoker 2nd Class John Henry Curtis, O/N 153074 was born in St. Colomb in Cornwall on 5th Nov 1869. Prior to joining the Royal Navy he had worked as an Engine Driver. He joined the Royal Navy as a Stoker 2nd Class on 10th Jan 1890 at HMS INDUS (the Engineering Training Establishment) at Devonport.

A draft to HMS AURORA followed on 16th Dec 1890 and he was advanced to Stoker 1st Class on 1st Nov 1901. He was then drafted to HMS NARCIS-SUS on 4th May 1892 and he served in this ship for two years before he was drafted to the 7,350 ton Twin Screw Protected Cruiser HMS ENDYMION on 26th May 1894 for three days before joining HMS VIVID II at Devonport on 29th May 1894. He moved on to the 7,700 ton Twin Screw Protected Cruiser HMS CRESCENT on 11th Sep 1894 and then to HMS LIZARD on 1st Jan 1895.

John Curtis served in HMS LIZARD for over three years and returned to HMS VIVID II on 15th May 1898. Five months later on 28th Oct 1898 he was drafted to the 9,420 ton Twin Screw Battle Ship HMS COLOSSUS where he served for just less than a year before returning to HMS VIVID II on 6th Oct 1899. On 20th Aug 1901 HMS HAZARD was commissioned for 'Special Service' as a support ship for the new Submarine Service. John Curtis was drafted to HMS HAZARD on the same date and, on 11th Nov 1901 he was advanced to Leading Stoker 2nd Class. On 5th May 1902 HMS HAZARD was alongside in the Devonshire Dock at Barrow in Furness when John Curtis was found drowned in the Dock.

Whilst his service Certificate provides no definite confirmation that John Curtis was a volunteer for Submarine Service it is possible that he was and he might be considered as the first of many Submariner casualties.

What is remarkable is the speed

with which events unfolded. John Curtis was reported missing at 07.00 on Monday 5th May, was found at 11.00 on the same day, the Inquest took place on the afternoon of Tuesday 6th May and the funeral took place on Wednesday 7th May.

The funeral took place before his family could get to Barrow and no effort appears to have been made to return his body to his family although in Lieutenant Arnold-Forster's letter to his family it states:

".....after a lot of telegraphing with his relations who first wanted him sent to Plymouth, not realising that it would cost them £23!"

It is difficult to believe that events would proceed so quickly these days or that no effort would be made to agree to the family's wishes.



The Silent Ranks

I wear no uniforms, no Blues or
army greens
But I am in the military in the
ranks rarely seen.
I have no rank on my
shoulders.
Salutes I do not give.
But the Military world is where
I live

I'm not in the chain of
command, orders I do not get.
But my husband is the one who
does, this I cannot forget.

I'm not the ones that fires the
weapons, who puts my life on
the line.

But my job is tough.
I'm the one left behind.

My Husband is a patriot, a
brave and prideful man and
the call to server his country,
not all can understand.
Behind the lines I see the things
needed to keep this country
free.

My husband makes the
sacrifice, but so do our kids
and me.

I love the man I married.
Submarines are his life.
But I stand among the silent
ranks known as the
Submariners Wife.

Supplied by Joan Cole



Is this the best quote of the
decade, or what?



Judge Judy to prostitute:

'When did you realize you were
raped?'

Prostitute, wiping away tears:
'When the cheque bounced.'





Beer is Best

For years I have been trying to find the full lyrics for "Beer is Best" (and 1 other song) as taught to me by my Father (Reg "Shiner" White ERA) who served in submarines in Malta in the early '50s. He was best man at the wedding of Peter "Winkle" Weeks who was local to you, living in Barrow.

The lyrics for "Beer is Best" as I remember them were:

The shades of night were falling
Were falling thick and fast
When through an alpine village
A gay young hiker passed
"Excelsior" he shouted
And in his strong right hand
He carried midst the snow and ice
A banner with this strange device

Beer is best, beer is best
Makes you fit, makes you strong
Puts more muscle on the old pom, pom
Beer makes bonny Britons
Beer has stood the test
What did poor old Adam say to Eve
Beer is best

And what did gallant Nelson
Who in Trafalgar Bay
When on the good ship Victory
To all the Frenchmen say
For when he saw those matelots
A swiggin' tots of rum
He signaled then along the line
To every true born Englishman

Beer is best....etc

I seem to remember that there were more verses.

And just to be boring the second song I remember was:

For seven long years I've sailed the sea
I am a jolly sailor
For seven long years I've had to be
On a dirty stinking Whaler

The sea was wet and I was dry
The night was a very, very black one
A mermaid shouted "Play the game"
We've still got time for a quick one

Yo ho me lads yo ho
With a bottle of rum and a yo ho ho
I've had a couple and I do feel good
I do feel good, do you feel good
We might get another in the neighbourhood
I rather think we will

If you ask me to have another drink I would
I'm sure I will, I know I will
We might get another now we do feel good
And we might feel better still

The Captain was teetotal mad
And very soon we knew it
He called for all the rum we had
And overboard he threw it

Then from the sea there came a whale
He rolled and he wobbled and he spouted
He winked his eye and he wagged his tail
And he gave one hiccup and he shouted

Yo ho me lads yo ho....etc

Are these words known to you or were they just something my Father made up to amuse his son.

Any information would be appreciated

Regards

Jonathan

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SERENITY

Just before the funeral services, the undertaker came up to the very elderly widow and asked, 'How old was your husband?' '98,' she replied, 'Two years older than me' 'So you're 96,' the undertaker commented. She responded, 'Hardly worth going home, is it?'

Reporter interviewing a 104 year-old woman: 'And what do you think is the best thing about being 104?' the reporter asked. She simply replied, 'No peer pressure.'

The nice thing about being senile is You can hide your own Easter eggs.

I've sure gotten old! I've had two bypass surgeries, a hip replacement, New knees, fought prostate cancer and diabetes I'm half blind, Can't hear anything quieter than a jet engine, Take 40 different medications that Make me dizzy, winded, and subject to blackouts. Have bouts with dementia ... Have poor circulation; Hardly feel my hands and feet anymore. Can't remember if I'm 89 or 98.

Have lost all my friends. But, thank God, I still have my driver's license



The Editor

Modern technology seems to have failed us, after a few attempts of Alan e-mailing the Chaplains dit to me, sadly it has not made it for this edition.

Thanks to Joan Cole we have managed to get the news letter to a few more deceased members partners / Wives

Any ladies out there wishing to contribute to the news letter please get intouch.

If you have any suitable dits or pictures for the next edition please get them to my by the 15th July.





Lord These Departed shipmates with Dolphins on their chest are part of an outfit known as the best. Make them welcome and take them by the hand you'll find without doubt they are the best in the land. So heavenly father add their names to the roll of our departed shipmates still on patrol let them know that we who survive will always keep there memories alive

The names of those members reported in May to have 'Crossed the Bar'



Blyth & Wansbeck Branch
 1st May 2009
 D (Dave) Webster
 Leading Seaman (UC2)
 P/JX 921908
 Aged 71
 Submarine Service 1961-1964
 Narwhal & Onslaught



Sheffield Branch (Lapsed)
 May 2009
 D (Dennis) Philips
 Able Seaman
 D/JX 710742
 Aged 82
 Submarine Service 1944-1945
 Tactician



New Zealand Branch
 14th May 2009
 Patrick Harmsworth
 Telegraphist (TO)
 PJX 715593
 Aged 81
 Submarine Service 1945-1948
 Storm, Taciturn, Tactician and Telemachus



Non Member
 17th May 2009
 Trevor Hyde
 CPOWEA & LT CDR
 Aged 59
 Submarine Service in Valiant (1980 - 1982) Olympus (1985 - 1987)



Non Member
 18th May 2009
 Robert Gowan Balkwill
 DSC
 Lieutenant RNVR
 Aged 93
 Submarine Service during WW11 in Splendid (POW from 21st April 1943)



Non Member
 28th Jan 2009
 John Leonard Robson
 Petty Officer (ME)
 Aged 68
 Submarine Service 1960-1966
 Taciturn Trump



Northampton Branch
 May 2009
 G A 'George' Underwood
 MiD
 Leading Stoker
 P/KX 119926
 Aged 92
 Submarine Service 1940-1952
 Otway, Sahib, (POW from 24th April 1943)
 Tuna & Scythian



Bromely Branch
 22nd May 2009
 D 'Don' Ritchie
 Able Seaman (UW2)
 P/JX 899670
 Aged 73
 Submarine Service 1954-1962
 Tiptoe, Trenchant, SeaDevil Talent, Artemis & Tireless



Blackpool Branch
 May 2009
 B F 'Bernard' Warwick
 Able Seaman (ST)
 D/JX 349755
 Aged 83
 Submarine Service 1943-1946
 Telemachus





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UK Submarine Fires & Collisions

April 7, 2009: The Royal Navy revealed, during a recent parliamentary investigation, that, during the last 21 years, it's nuclear submarines suffered about one fire a month. Moreover, the subs suffered two collisions every three years. None of the fires or collisions caused serious damage. Less than ten percent of the fires required more, than the sailors in the vicinity, to deal with. Three of the fires occurred while the ships were in port. Most of the fires, and all the collisions, occurred while the subs were underway, and submerged. That is when the boats are most vulnerable to something going wrong, as this is when the most equipment is in use, and often under stress. Subs are built to deal with these equipment failures, and in the case of the Royal Navy boats, that worked.

The 237 fires and 14 collisions took place on 21 subs (13 SSNs and 8 SSBN) that were in service during that period.

Nearly half those boats have since been retired.

June 2009

Members Birthdays

G. Plater	03/06
T. Kimber	03/06
B. Riley	03/06
A. Haythornwaite	09/06
A. Nolan	12/06
C. Brown	17/06
R. Palmer	17/06
R. Brailsford	21/06
K. Walker	21/06
A. Waterston	22/06
B. Downer	23/06
A. Pillifent	25/06
A. Griffiths	29/06
R. McEwan	29/06
D. Pallister	29/06
D. Johns	30/06

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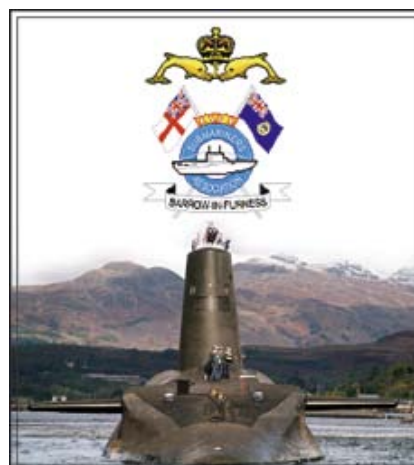
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Constructive suggestions about the news letter are very welcome. The news letter will be published in the last week of each month IE last week of June for the July 2009 issue please try and have any information with me by the **15th of each month.** Thank you to everyone who contributed to this edition.



SOCIAL CALENDAR 2009 - LOOK AHEAD

June	July	August
2nd Monthly Meeting	3/5th SA Annual Draw	1st Branch Barbeque
16th Branch	7th Monthly Meeting	4th Monthly meeting
Committee Meeting	21st Branch	18th Branch
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Reunions

6 June - HMS/m Dreadnought

A reunion of all those who sailed on HMS/m Dreadnought will be held at the Allesley Hotel in the Village of Allesley Near Coventry on the 6 June 2009. Further information can be obtained from our website or Bruce Allen

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Solve the submarine crossword

We hope you enjoyed last month's submarine wordsearch.

If any of it proved tricky, the solution is at the foot of the page.

This month we return to a crossword with 13 Royal Navy or submarine clues to solve.

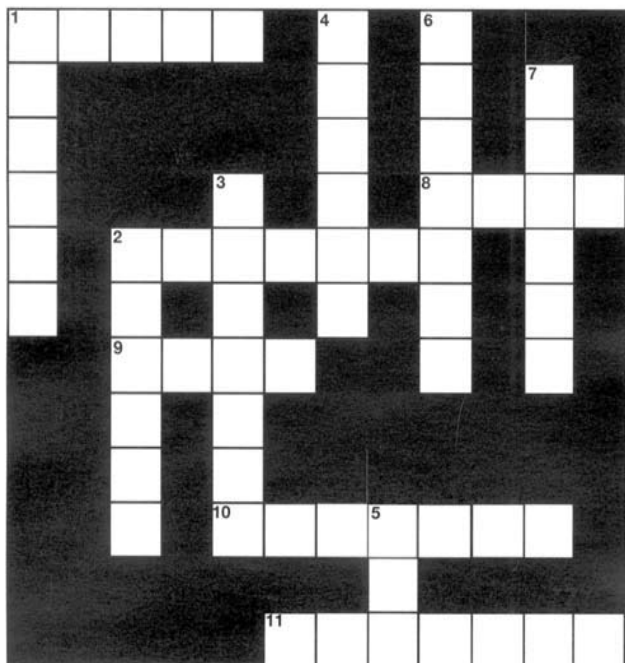
If you have any comments or suggestions on how our puzzles can be improved or developed, drop an email to Bill Myers at bill.myers@nwemail.co.uk

Down

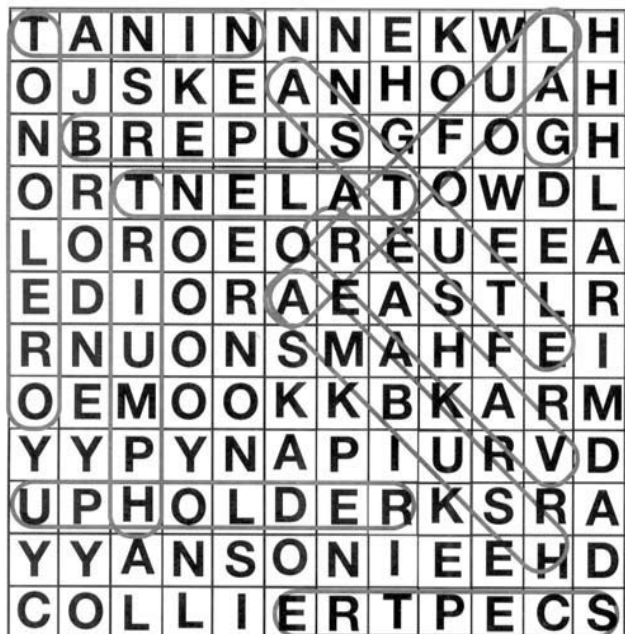
1. Sub named after a sea
2. Sub name sounds like famous missing racehorse
3. A key instrument for good navigation
4. Getting your message across
5. Make mine a double
- 6 Sub shares name with early sea god
7. Boat with English Riviera links

Across

1. Sub named after Far East crime lords
2. A place to put everything on board
8. Submarine like a giant pond
9. Low-tech means to secure a boat
10. Sub shares name with ancient Greek warrior
11. Bloodsucking submarine



Last month's wordsearch solution



BIG TASK: The naming by Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall and the rollout of Barrow nuclear submarine Astute in June 2007