

HMNZS NGAPONA ASSOCIATION INC

LONGCAST

18 October 19 - Ngapona Assn Lunch at Glen Eden RSA
18 October 19 – Trafalgar Day Luncheon at Te Atatu RSA
8 November 19 - Navy Club, Remuera Club at 1200
15 November 19 - Ngapona Assn Lunch at Grey Lynn RSA
15 – 17 November 19 – Terra Australis Conference at DNB
13 December 19 - Navy Club, Remuera Club at 1200
13 December 19 – Maritime Societies' Annual Dinner, Northern Club at
1830
20 December 19 - Ngapona Assn Xmas Lunch at Orakei RSA

Hi Folks

NGAPONA ASSN MONTHLY LUNCH

Our lunch this month is at the Glen Eden RSA this Friday. We will meet at 1200hrs. Some of our members will be attending the Trafalgar Lunch at the Te Atatu RSA.

EX JOINT WARRIOR

NAVAL ships from 14 countries around the world are expected to gather at Faslane over the next few days ahead of the latest Joint Warrior training exercise. More than 3,700 military personnel, 52 aircraft, 15 warships and three submarines from 14 countries will take part in the exercise between October 6 and 17.

TYPE 26 FRIGATE



BAE Systems Australia model of first Australian Navy Type 26 frigate **HMAS HUNTER (F101)** on display at the Naval Conference **PACIFIC 2019** that was held in Sydney. The conference is Australia's global maritime business event, attracting senior merchant marine, shore services, maritime and defence industry, military and government decision makers from around the world. The conference ran between October 8 and 10, 2019.

ONE FROM THE SHOEBOX

Can you name the people in the photo and the date?



(Thanks Peter for your contribution.)

HOBSON GRAVE CEREMONY

From last week

"I think the year was 1967. We had just been issued with the L1A1 rifles. Dick Linton is the PO of the Guard. At least another two platoons would be present for the march up Karangahape Rd from the car park behind George Courts."

(Thanks Charles - Ed)



SHIP OF THE WEEK - HMNZS CANTERBURY F421

HMNZS *Canterbury* (F421) was one of two broad beam Leander-class frigates operated by the Royal New Zealand Navy (RNZN) from 1971 to 2005. She was built in Scotland and launched in 1970. Commissioned in 1971, *Canterbury* saw operational service in much of Australasia and other regions like the Persian Gulf. She undertook operations such as supporting UN sanctions against Iraq and peace-keeping in East Timor. With her sister ship HMNZS *Waikato* she relieved the Royal Navy frigate HMS *Amazon* in the Indian Ocean during the Falklands War. Early in HMNZS *Canterbury's* career she relieved the frigate HMNZS *Otago* at Moruroa during anti-nuclear protests, in 1973, F421 being the most effectively insulated frigate, from nuclear fallout, with the Improved Broad Beam Leander steam plant, for e.g., being remote controlled and capable of unmanned operation and therefore the ship had a more effective sealed citadel for operations in areas of nuclear explosions.

Canterbury was decommissioned in 2005. In 2007 she was scuttled in the Bay of Islands to provide a dive wreck. She lies in 38 metres (125 ft) of water.

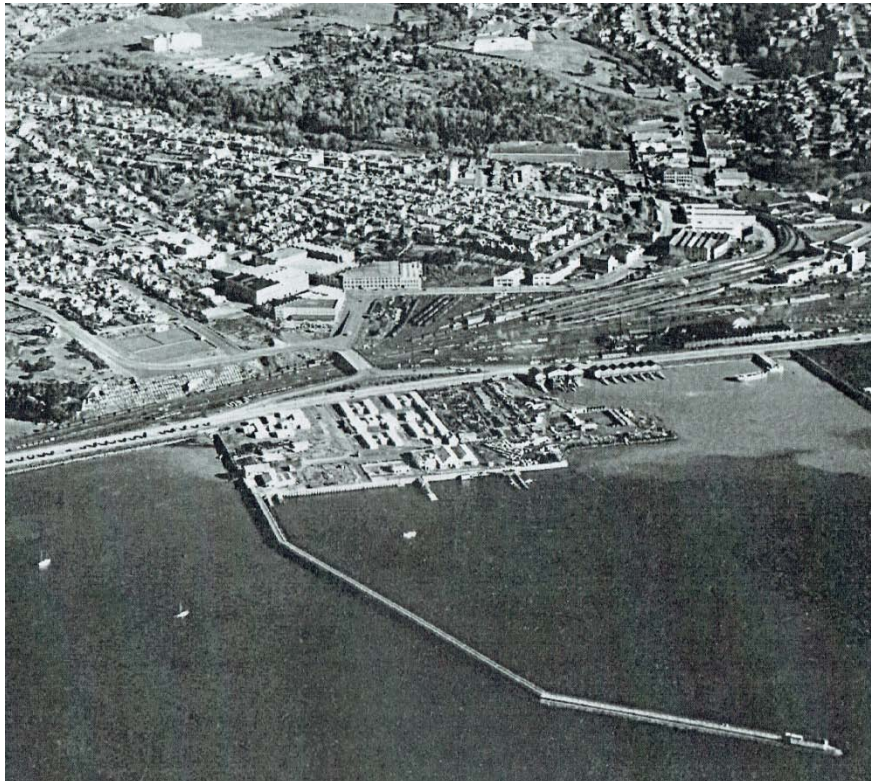
During her time in service, she travelled about 960,000 nautical miles (44 circumnavigations of the Earth), and was temporary home for 559 officers and 3,269 ratings.





DID YOU KNOW?

On 13th October 1943, Captain Stanley Jupp USN, Commanding Officer of the USN Naval Operation Base (NOB), Auckland, under the Commander of the South Pacific Area (COMSOPAC), was promoted to Commodore. The NOB was based in the Government Building in Jean Batten Place and the officers were quartered in the Grand Hotel in Princes Street. The 500 sailors on the staff were in a hastily constructed camp at Mechanics Bay. The NOB closed on 22 October 1944.



Mechanics Bay - 1943. The area inside the Eastern Tide Deflector is now the Container Terminal.

QUESTION OF THE DAY

What is the meaning of 'Pharology'?

Take care

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"There are good ships, and there are wood ships, the ships that sail the sea."

"But the best ships are friendships, and may they always be."

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