



## HMNZS NGAPONA ASSOCIATION INC

### LONGCAST

25 April 19 – ANZAC Day

3-5 May 19 - Radar Plotters' Reunion, Taupo. Contact

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10 May 19 - Navy Club Lunch, Remuera Club. (WoN & SoY)

17 May 19 - Ngapona Assn Lunch at Pt Chevalier RSA

25 May 19 - Artificer Apprentices Assn, Ngataringa. Contact

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1-3 June 19 – Queen's Birthday Weekend

1-3 June 19 – RNZN Antarctic Veterans Reunion, Rangiora RSA Contact

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16 June 19 – Ngapona Assn AGM, Pt Chevalier RSA

Hi Folks

#### **NGAPONA ASSN LUNCH**

Had quite a good muster for our lunch last week, more than I expected for a Thursday. Thanks to Graham Milne for the kiwifruit.

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## **ANZAC DAY PARADE - DEVONPORT NAVAL BASE**

A welcome is extended to all members, partners and friends to attend the HMNZS Philomel Memorial Wall Service. You will be required to be on Base by 0715. Be warned that there is heightened security and you will need photo ID to enter the Base.

Please advise by return email your intention to attend and numbers

On completion of the memorial service, morning tea for participants and guests will be held in the Vince McGlone Galley.

Clean your medals and polish your shoes now, ready for Thursday. Hope to see you there.

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## **DID YOU KNOW?**

On 29 April 1989, the first new RNZNVR Unit for 60 years was formed as a Port Headquarters at the Port of Tauranga, under the parentage of HMNZS Ngapona. A location for the headquarters was provided by the Bay of Plenty Harbour Board within the wharf area in No. 2 cargo shed. The office area provided was rebuilt, refurbished and was formally opened by the Chief of Naval Staff, Rear Admiral Douglas Domett CB, CBE and the Minister of Defence Bob Tizard. Five officers had been appointed the previous year and the first class of ratings for the new headquarters entered *Tamaki* for their training in August 1989.

## AN OLDIE FROM THE SHOEBOX



Who, What, Where and When?

Take care

**Jerry Payne**

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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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