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NGAPONA EX MEMBERS ASSN – LONGCAST

18 August 17 - Old Salts Lunch at Hobsonville RSA
27 August 17 – HMNZS Ngapona Ex Members Assn AGM at 1500 at Pt Chevalier RSA
15 September 17 - Old Salts Lunch at Birkenhead RSA
17 September 17 - Northland Lunch, Bay of Islands Yacht Club, Waitangi
24 September 17 – NZ National Armed Forces Day
6 October 17 – RNZN Communicators 50th Anniversary, Navy Museum
20 October 17 – Trafalgar Day Lunch at Te Atatu RSA
20 October 17 - Old Salts Lunch at New Lynn RSA
17 November 17 - Old Salts Lunch at Titirangi RSA
15 December 17 - Old Salts Lunch at Orakei RSA

Hi Folks

OLD SALTS LUNCH

A reminder that we meet at the Hobsonville RSA for lunch this Friday. Had a good turnout last time we were there.

HMNZS NGAPONA EX MEMBERS ASSN - AGM

The Ngapona Assn is holding its AGM on 27 August at the Pt Chevalier RSA - see attached flyer. Jill Thompson is stepping down this year due to ill health so we are looking for someone to take the minutes at our meetings. We plan to have only four meetings a year, so it is not an onerous task. Don't be shy, come and join us and help your Association.

NORTHLAND LUNCH - BAY OF ISLANDS

The Northland lunch is being held on 17 September at the Bay of Islands Yacht Club, Waitangi. See attached flyer.

COMMUNICATORS ANNIVERSARY

The Comms Assn is holding their 50th anniversary celebrations at the Navy Museum on 6th October. Have you registered yet?

TRAFALGAR DAY LUNCH

Don't forget to register for the Trafalgar Day lunch at the Te Atatu RSA on 20th October. Registration form attached.

CNS #8

Vice Admiral Sir John Michael Villiers, KCB, OBE, RN – CNS February 1958 – March 1960

Royal New Zealand Navy - Chief of Naval Staff & First Naval Member

Born the third son of Rear Admiral Edward Villiers (a paternal grandchild of Thomas Hyde Villiers), and educated at Oundle School and the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, Villiers joined the Royal Navy in 1935, and then went onto the staff of the Experimental Signal School at Portsmouth in 1936.

He served in the Second World War as Squadron Signal Officer and Flag Lieutenant to the Admiral commanding the Battle Cruiser Squadron and then transferred to the battleship HMS Warspite in which he took part in the Norwegian campaign. He joined the staff of Admiral Sir Bertram Ramsay for the planning of the invasion of Sicily in 1943 and then commanded the destroyer HMS Ursa in 1945.

After the war he commanded HMS Snipe on the West Indies Station from 1946 and then joined the Directing Staff at the Joint Services Staff College from 1948. He was appointed Assistant Director of Plans at the Admiralty in 1950 and Queen's Harbourmaster at Malta in 1952. He commanded the aircraft carrier HMS Bulwark from 1954 and then became Chief of the Naval Staff for the Royal New Zealand Navy in 1958. His last appointment was as Fourth Sea Lord and Vice Controller of the Navy in 1960 before he retired in 1964.

In retirement he became Lieutenant Governor of Jersey.

Served on:

HMS Hood 01.06.1939 - 11.03.1940

HMS Renown 11.03.1940 - 13.04.1940

HMS Warspite 13.04.1940 - ???.04.1940

HMS Renown ???.04.1940 - 10.08.1940

HMS Hood 10.08.1940 - 12.05.1941 (2nd Battle of Narvik)

23.05.1941 - (08.)1942 Flag Commander to Admiral (S) [HMS Dolphin (submarine depot, Gosport)]

26.10.1942 - 1.10.1943 HMS President (for special and miscellaneous services) (Fleet Signal Officer at Operation Husky)

29.11.1943 - 1.10.1944 Staff Signal Officer on staff of Commander-in-Chief, Nore [HMS Pembroke (RN base, Chatham)]

10.1945 - 1.04.1946 Commanding Officer, HMS Ursa (destroyer)

Take care

Jerry Payne

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President

HMNZS Ngapona Ex Members Assn Inc

"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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