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MISSION REPORT

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The first thing to get us on a good start for the day was the weather. Fine & sunny conditions prevailed for the day, with temperatures hovering in the upper teens / low twenties, as forecasted. Bruce even commented that he got his hands sunburnt. Obviously didn't think about using sunscreen.

A good turnout of members was very pleasing, with the following in attendance: Graham Donnell, Jim Warren, Scott Rice, Brenton Tancock, Vince Capruso, Warner van Laatum, Richard Atkinson, Bruce Stevens, David Wescombe - Down.

The pleasing aspect was the viewing of several new ships & some further work to others currently under construction, know doubt done during the winter layoff and of course some of the older vessels coming out of dry-dock after an extended period.

Another pleasing part to the day was the interest from the general public, especially now that we have chosen this location for our monthly outings, as it is on the eastern parklands, next to the city and the lake is also used for family



gatherings to have picnic's etc, because of the playgrounds, BBQ's and row boats for hire on the lake, which some of our skippers have to navigate around due to the fact that those people in charge of the row boats didn't really have a good knowledge of rowing.

I must thank Scott Rice for the photos, as I forgot my own camera. Must be something that happens when you get past 60.

Our next outing is on the 30th & 31st October, which will be held in conjunction with the South Australian Scale Model Expo, then back in the water on the 28th November.

Report: Jim Warren, images Scott Rice





USS Long Beach under power, but still to have her new remodelled bow fitted





HMS Hood - alongside and with considerably more superstructure since her last outing





Graham's HMAS Katoomba, back out on the water after some time in dry-dock





Australian and American Corvettes, Bathurst class Katoomba and Flower class Saucy





Scott's HMAS Darwin & Brenton's HMAS Parramatta III during sea trials





Flower Class USS Saucy and a trio of PT boats





HMA Ships Darwin, Parramatta and Vampire along with USS Long Beach & Saucy, during a NAVEX





HMA ships Parramatta & Vampire, HMS Hood & USS Long Beach at their moorings with a suspected foe surfacing to get a better view.

The sub is a 1:150 Dumas kit of the Russian Akula class.

Her builder, Chris, came to visit and have a look and was impressed with what he saw.

Enough so that it looks like Chris may join Task Force 72.

