
MISSION REPORT



ALBERT PARK LAKE

1ST JANUARY 2012

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The Inaugural Victorian Fleet Base Sail Day 1.1.2012 was held at the new permanent Victorian Fleet Base location, at Aquatic Drive, next to the Albert Park Sailing Club.

FBV Rep Martin Borg and Linda secured the best spot near the Lake underneath a lovely large shady tree, near the toilets, car park and BBQ facilities - much to everyone's pleasure, as the Temp was 36 degrees on Sunday.

Present were

Martin and Linda Borg

Merv Atcheson and Shona, plus his extended family

Ted Tamlyn

Chris Thorn without Maid Marion, the over indulged New Years Queen of the party

Adrian and Pamela Demeijer

A superb BBQ lunch was provided by Martin and Linda, with sufficient salads rissoles and sausage to feed the Melbourne CBD population.

The new Task Force 72 banner created a lot of interest with the walking public and resulted in a number of enquiries about the ships on display and joining us in the future.

Captain Merv has been relieved of Duty pending an inquiry after his altercation with the sailing launching ramp and the removal his flag Staff, we expect his penalty will last until the 1st Sunday in February

Adrian returned to the underwater activities as his small corvette / destroyer "Brecon" had difficulties maintaining the above water trim due to the sometime Atlantic waves created by the light breeze. Brecon retired to port before sinking and had to be dried out before returning home, leaving a smaller destroyer force to maintain protective duties for the non existing convoy.

Chris was self appointed swan keeper in a confrontation between himself and P74 “THE BLACK MALE SWAN”. This resulted in Chris being pecked on his pecker, he is recovering, though he may lose the use of his pride and joy for some days to come, further details may come available at a later date

Ted and Martin kept a low profile by staying out of trouble.

Another Mission report will come to you after our next outing on the 5th of February 2012



FBV sailing location



Some of the FBV fleet in a sail past



FBV members Chris Thorn, Ted Tamlyn, Merv Atcheson (and grandson) and Adrian Demeijer at play



Martin Borg (USS Lassen and Brave Borderer) and Pam Demeijer enjoying the shade



Chris Thorn with his HMS Ardent



Some relaxed sailing – But which model are they watching!!



Merv Atcheson's HMS Cornwall



Ted Tamlyn's HMS Vampire



HMS Cornwall being pursued by Adrian Demeijer's HMS Brecon



What an enjoyable way to see in the new year (Adrian and Ted)