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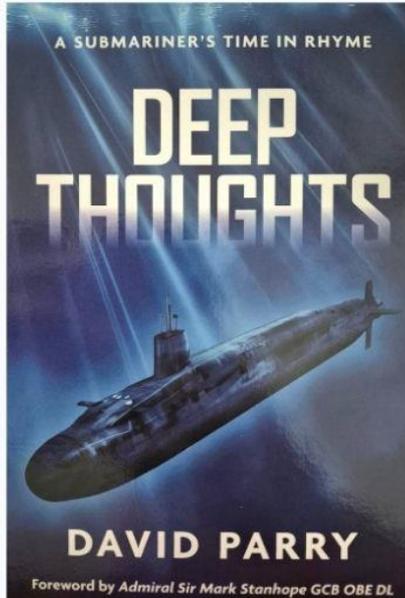
**PUBLICATIONS
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FHSM in conjunction with the Holbrook Submarine Museum provide several publications and books which can be purchased at the museum and online as paperbacks and eBooks in some cases. The proceeds and sales from these publications go to the maintenance and support of the museum. Links to a local Australian print on demand (POD) outlet are provided below each book. They are also available on other POD outlets



New



This hard bound 90 plus page book is a must for all submariners or their relatives. It is beautifully illustrated by Sandy Freeleagus and is the out come of a cooperative project between FHSM and the Friends of the RN submarine Museum. The following is an extract from the Foreword Quote:

” This anthology is also a product of international fellowship. I am delighted to see it championed in collaboration with the Friends of Holbrook Submarine Museum, whose dedication to preserving submarine history, much of it shared with the Royal Navy, mirrors that of our Submarine Museum in Gosport. across continents and generations, the bonds among submariners remain strong. This book stands as testament to that connection” Admiral Sir Mark Stanhope

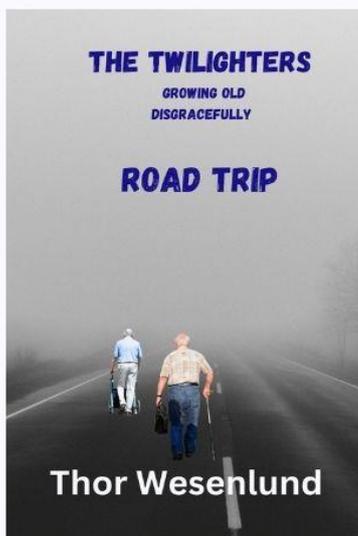
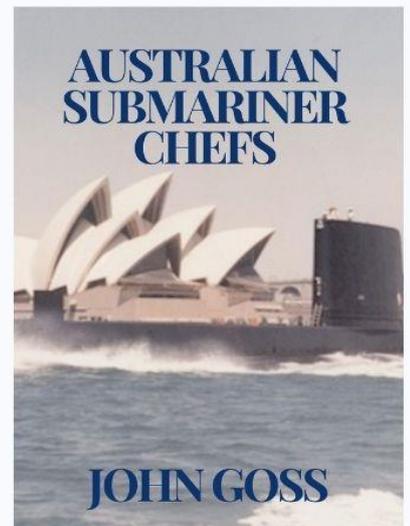
This book is now available here in Australia and part of the proceeds for its sale go to FHSM to continue its work with the Holbrook Submarine Museum. Copy the link below for local purchase

<https://www.booktopia.com.au/deep-thoughts-david-parry/book/9781789635935.html>

Favourites

This is the second in the submariners cookbook series and is dedicated to all Submarine chefs that kept us fed and watered under difficult conditions. This book serves to keep alive the legacy of the many submariner Chefs who have served our country. Whilst this book is focused on the Oberon Class Submariner Chefs, those who follow them in the Collins boats carry on the traditions, pride, and values of the Royal Australian Navy. Submariner Chefs endure the hardship and demands of satisfying a crew of some seventy tired and hungry sailors three times a day, from a space no larger than small garden shed. Included in this book is a register of known submariner chefs at the time of publishing. However, The author (John Goss) is maintaining an ongoing register.

<https://www.booktopia.com.au/australia-s-submariner-chefs-john-goss/book/9781764131568.html>



Looking for a laugh and some lyrical reading?? If your a veteran or the relative of veteran and particularly submariner veterans then you will get a giggle or two out of this book. Lofty and Tezza are typical ex submariners irreverent, non conforming and certainly not woke.. Their trail of chaos across the country and their pranks will certainly entertain many and maybe revise old memories for others. There are 2 more books in the series so keep an eye out for them in 2026. All graphics were done by Sandy Freeleagus. The other 2 in the series coming later in 2026 are: The Christmas Cruise, Mission Improbable

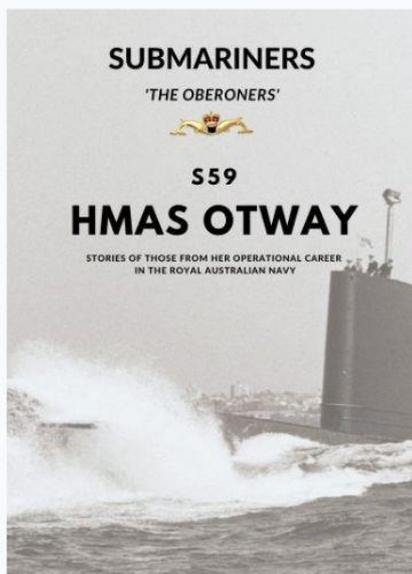
<https://www.booktopia.com.au/the-twilighters-thor-wesenlund/book/9781764131520.html>

Hard Copy Books



The following books are available to purchase at the museum or they can be mailed to you for cost plus a post and handling charge. An order form is included on the website at

<https://holbrooksubmarinemuseum.com.au/>

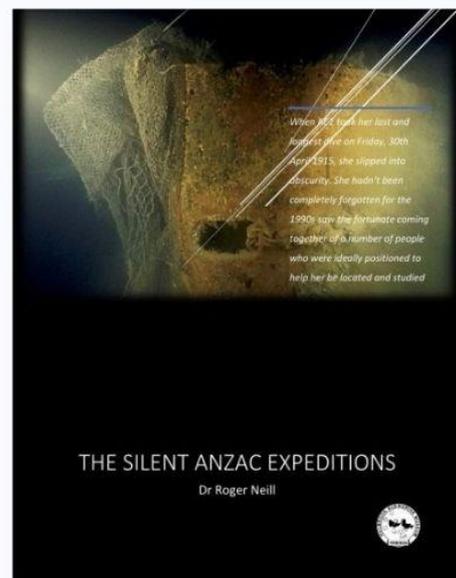


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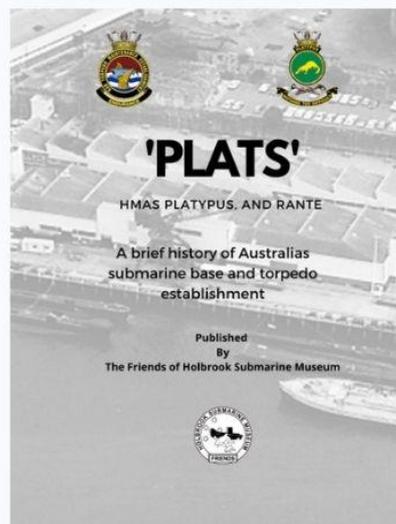
OTWAY ANNIVERSARY BOOK – \$8 PLUS POSTAGE

This book contains a lot of information on the boat's operational life and the recollections of many of her commanding officers. Regardless of whether you served on this boat or not its final resting place in Holbrook NSW makes it an icon for all submariners and a great collectible. Copies can be purchased at the museum or by completing the form at the bottom of this section and forwarding the monies to FHSM. Otway is of course no longer in service but is famous as the submarine in the park in the NSW rural town of Holbrook, Named after the WW1 submariner and VC winner.



AE2 EXPEDITIONS BOOK - \$25.00

Known as the Silent Anzac, the Australian Submarine AE2 commanded by Lt Cdr Dacre Stoker played a significant role in the Gallipoli campaign. The heroism of her crew has been better understood thanks to the expeditions mounted to find, honor, and preserve what is surely one of the major significant artifacts from the Gallipoli Campaign. This 49-page book includes unique insights and photographs from those who were involved in the expeditions to AE2's resting place and preservation in the Sea of Marmara in Turkey. Written and compiled by Dr Roger Neill, the lead scientist on 2 of the expeditions it provides unique insights into the expeditions and the problems along with seldom seen photographs taken inside the hull of AE2.



PLATS BOOK - \$12.00 PLUS POSTAGE

This is 38-page booklet was developed from the Webinar in 2021. It contains a history of the site and many unique photos of RANTE and some of the people who worked there. It also contains humorous recollections by those who served in the now-defunct naval base and Torpedo establishment it's definitely one for your library. Apart from the historic aspects of the now parkland site it is the memories contained in this little book that will catch the readers eye and interest. FHSM was grateful to the assistance and input of the Naval Historical Society and The Submarine Institute of Australia in both the Webinar and the production of this book. :

In Development

The following books are in development or under consideration

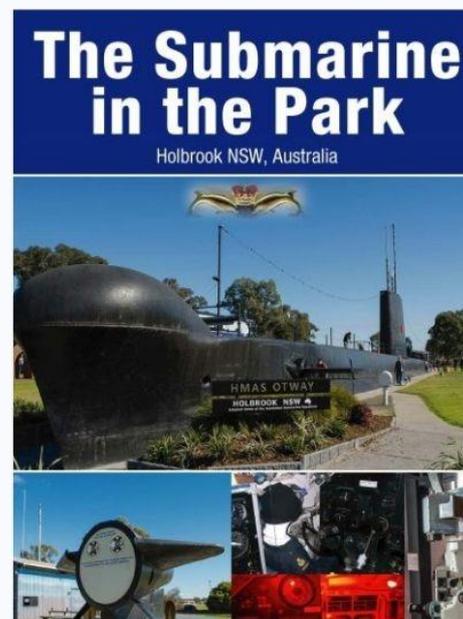
- The Submariners
- Submarine Escape
- Australia's Submarine Heritage

Check out the FHSM website for updates and new publication

<https://holbrooksubmarinemuseum.com.au/>

SUBMARINE IN THE PARK BOOK - \$12.00 PLUS POSTAGE

The Otway book is designed for visitors to the museum and tourists as well as those who want to know how the submarine came to be in the park. The 15-page book contains details of the submarine's past, operational history, and the names of its first and last commissioning crews. There's even room for your personal notes and recollections of your visit or your time on the submarine and the museum. If you've never been to see "the submarine in the park" and the museum,



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STANDARD MEMBERSHIP – Membership is open to anyone with an interest in the museum, submarines, or submariners. Membership is only \$50 for 3 years. or \$75 for 5 years.

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP - includes 2 adults and 2 school-aged children and is \$75 for 3 years.

AUSTRALIAN NAVY CADET'S (ANC) \$15 for 3 years.

SUBMARINERS AND SIA/SAA MEMBERS -Serving Submariners and current members of the Submarine Institute of Australia (SIA) or the Submarine Association of Australia (SAA) .enjoy a 50% discount on the individual membership rate. 3 years = \$25, 5 Years = \$37.5

Want to keep in touch??

To find out whats happening at the Museum and the exciting developments underway at FHSM just email your details to the membership officer at:

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or

go to the FHSM web page and fill in the contact form

<https://holbrooksubmarinemuseum.com.au/index.php/about-us/>

A large, dark-colored submarine hull section is displayed outdoors on a grassy area. The hull is oriented horizontally and shows various details like portholes and structural rivets. The background shows a paved walkway and some greenery.

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