

H.M.S. BRISTOL ASSOCIATION



in a class of our own



WELCOME

*A very warm welcome to the first official newsletter for the association. In order to make this newsletter successful **your input will be required?***

Whether it `s ditz, sea stories, or an event going on in your area that you wish to advertise, please let me know and I will include it in the next issue. So, the first bit of news is that after lots of e-mails winding their way through telephone lines, permission to use the ships crest for association purposes was finally granted on 8 NOV 02. This will allow us to use the crest for t-shirts, ties and any other merchandise we may require, suggestions please.

I have spoken to the 1st LT of Bristol, LT Turnbull and he said that the ship will welcome ex crew members for a look around, so if you want to visit the ship let me know and I will give you his telephone number.



COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The call for volunteers to form an official committee has been poor; to date we are only 7 strong.

Chairman	Vice Chairman	Secretary	Ordinary Members	
<i>Eric Morris</i>	<i>Peter Featherstone-Williams</i>	<i>Jim Bellow</i>	<i>David Cowie</i>	<i>Martin Shurmmmer</i>
			<i>Clive Morgan</i>	<i>Craig Quilliam</i>

Many thanks for volunteering your time. So, if you would like to be

part of the decision-making, please let me know. We need at least 2 more ordinary members, and maybe a treasurer. I know we all have other priorities and family commitments, but in these modern times most of the decision making can be done via e-mail without the need for meetings every few months (still, not a bad idea, good excuse for a few bebies), so, come on lads lets have some more members, you never know you might enjoy it!

Finally, if you know any ex crew member's who are not on line please inform them of the reunion and pass on this newsletter to them.



1st REUNION

This will take place on the evening of SATURDAY 24th MAY 03. The venue is the VICTORY pub, which is on the HARD in PORTSMOUTH. Time is from 1900 – 2300, dress, smart casual.

This being the first proper reunion will be an informal affair and a foundation for future reunions. There will be no food or music at this reunion, this way it will give us all a chance to catch up on times past and also meet and make new friends. To cover the cost of hiring the room a small charge will be payable at the door. Numbers are limited to only 100 and there is already a great interest being shown for this reunion. If you wish to attend please inform me as soon as possible with the number of guests you intend bringing with you.



NOTICE

Please note that H.M.S.BRISTOL will be under going a mini refit between the dates of 25th April – 6th June 2003 and will not be accepting visitors during this period.

May I take this opportunity on behalf of all the committee members and their families to wish you and all your families a very Merry Christmas and a happy and Prosperous New Year.

***Yours Aye
Jim Bellew***