

**THE CREW
HMAS MAITLAND**

Commanding Officer
LCDR David Graham

Executive Officer
LEUT Ben Horner

Boarding Officer
SBLT Aaron Breckell

Senior Sailors
CPOMT David George
POB Jason Ayers
PONPC Andrew Richardson

Junior Sailors
LSBM Peter Smets
LSBM Joel Salmond
LSBM Jacqueline Percy
LSET David Wessell
LSMT Robert Cresswell
ABBM Jamie Hughes
ABBM Frank Knies
ABBM Brad Lennon
ABCIS Nadine Block
ABCIS Ashley Waugh
ABCK Sam Snowball
ABCK Adam Kwaczynski
ABMT Cameron Dean
ABMT Hanna Watkins
SMNET Brad Imberger
SMNMT Daniel Ryan

**FREEDOM OF ENTRY
TO THE CITY CEREMONY**



**GRANTING OF FREEDOM OF ENTRY
TO THE CITY OF MAITLAND
TO
SHIP'S COMPANY HMAS MAITLAND
SATURDAY-30 SEPTEMBER 2006**

THE SCROLL

CITY OF MAITLAND



Greetings

To the Commanding Officer, men and women of

HMAS Maitland

Being desirous of recognising the services to our Sovereign and Country and the relationship with the City of Maitland and its citizens.

We the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of Maitland, NSW, Australia on the Eighth day of August, Two Thousand and Six resolved to confer upon the Commanding Officer, men and women of Her Majesty's Australian Ship Maitland in perpetuity the privilege, honour and distinction of the

FREEDOM OF ENTRY TO THE CITY

With the right of entry on Ceremonial Occasions in full panoply with swords drawn, bayonets fixed, drums beating, bands playing and colours flying.

In witness whereof the Common Seal of the Council of the City of Maitland was hereunto affixed this 27 Day of September, 2006 in pursuance of a resolution dated 26 September 2006.

MAYOR

GENERAL MANAGER

HMAS MAITLAND



Arriving in Newcastle, Wednesday 27 September, 2006

WREATH LAYING MAITLAND PARK, CENOTAPH

Conducted by Maitland RSL Sub-Branch in conjunction with East Maitland RSL Sub-Branch and Maitland City Council

COMMEMORATION SERVICE" HMAS MAITLAND
MAITLAND PARK, SATURDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER 2006.

Master of Ceremonies **Mr. Brian Boughton CSC. OAM.**
SPECIAL GUEST: Rear Admiral D.R. Thomas AM. CSC, RAN
Maritime Commander Australia.

Welcome: Councillor Peter Blackmore,
Mayor of Maitland City & RSL Sub-Branch Patron.

Introduction of Mr. Eric Bell JP. RSL Chaplin.

Prayer of Thanks Giving.
Prayer for the Queen.
Prayer for the Nation.

Address by Lieutenant Commander D. E. L. Graham RAN, Commanding Officer HMAS Maitland.

Wreath Laying.

Rear Admiral D.R. Thomas AM. CSC. RAN.
HMAS Maitland, Commanding Officer, LCDR David Graham
Councillor Peter Blackmore, Mayor of Maitland
Maitland RSL Sub-Branch.
East Maitland RSL Sub-Branch.
Naval Association.
Local Area Commander NSW Police Superintendent Holahan.
Hunter Valley District Council President Darren McManus-Smith.
Invitation to others to lay tributes

Time of Remembrance Mr John Fenwick JP

Trumpeter will sound "Last Post" Navy

The Ode, including the Navy Verse. Mr. John Fenwick JP.
President Maitland RSL Sub-Branch.

One Minutes Silence.

Trumpeter will sound "Rouse" Navy

Benediction Mr. Eric Bell JP. Chaplin.
Australian National Anthem Navy Band.

Close of Service Mr. Brian Boughton CSC. OAM.

BACKGROUND

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MAS Maitland is the sixth Armidale Class Patrol Boat (ACPB) built by Austral Ships in Perth, Western Australia. These are part of a \$553 million contract signed in December 2003 between the Federal Government and Defence Maritime Services.

The ACPB is one of the most advanced platforms of its kind in the world. The design and surveillance technology incorporated in the boat is state of the art and will enable it to operate anywhere around the Australian coast for extended periods.

HMAS Maitland is the first RAN vessel to bear the name Maitland. There was however, a previous HMAS Maitland, being a World War II Naval Establishment in Newcastle. She is named for the City of Maitland in the Hunter Valley, New South Wales.



FREEDOM OF ENTRY

F*n medieval times throughout Europe, there were disputes between land owning nobles and hence armed bodies were rarely admitted to other cities. However, in special cases, they were allowed special privilege of freedom of entry to the city 'with swords drawn, bayonets fixed, drums beating, bands playing, colours flying and in full panoply or regalia'.*

Freedom of Entry to the City signified the true bonds of friendship and often the expectation that the armed body on whom the honour was to bestowed would assist in the defence of the City. It became a mark of the trust and confidence in which the citizens of the city.

Although this historic practice is known to have been common to both Europe and the British Isles it has little significance today except within the City of London. In medieval times, this city based its independence and strength, not only on its financial stability and the 'trained bands' it raised for its own protection, but on the peculiar powers it acquired under charters granted to it by various sovereigns of England and the United Kingdom. These powers culminated with the Restoration. Charles II rewarded the citizens of London for their considerable support by granting to the Corporation, the famous 'Inspeximus' Charter, which established many of the rights and privileges, exercised by this city today. These rights have been zealously pre-

served to the extent that today, the Lord Mayor and the Corporation have almost complete control over the City of London. At most times these are recognized in token rather than in fact but nevertheless, only the Queen and the Lord Mayor are given the password to the Tower of London. Even the Queen has to ask to enter the City. Permission is granted by the token presentation of the City Sword at Temple Bar signifying that the Lord Mayor has surrendered his authority for as long as the Queen is within the city boundaries. The Committee of Privileges of the City decides any claim to Freedom of Entry to the City of London. In 1924, the freedom of entry was granted on a permanent basis to both the Regular and the Territorial components of the First of Grenadier Regiments of Foot Guards, the Buffs (East Kent Regiment), the Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment), the Royal Marines and the Honourable Artillery Company.

The action of a city conferring upon an armed Service or individual Unit, 'Freedom of Entry with Swords Drawn, Bayonets Fixed, Drums Beating, Bands Playing and Colours Flying' is the highest Honour the city can bestow upon the Services or Unit. While the granting of 'Freedom of Entry' gives no real rights or privileges to the Service or Unit, it is nonetheless a recognition of outstanding achievement and an Honour granted not by a person, or even a group of persons, but by a Corporate Body, namely the city itself.

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS (CONT'D)

Presentation	<i>President of Newcastle Sub-Section Naval Association of Australia, Terry Fauchon to HMAS Maitland. To be accepted by Commanding Officer, HMAS Maitland, Lieutenant Commander David Graham</i>
Greetings from Federal Government	<i>Hon Bob Baldwin, MP, Member for Paterson</i>
Greetings from State Government	<i>Hon John Price, MP, Member for Maitland</i>
Presentation	<i>Clr Peter Blackmore will make a presentation to all Crew Members of HMAS Maitland of a commemorative pin and invite them to stand together for the cutting of the cake.</i>
Cutting of Cake	<i>Crew of HMAS Maitland</i>
Response on behalf of HMAS Maitland	<i>Commanding Officer, HMAS Maitland, Lieutenant Commander David Graham</i>
Conclusion	<i>Mr David Evans</i>



234 Army Cadet Unit Maitland is also present to celebrate with HMAS Maitland.

234 ACU is the only other Unit in the area which has been granted Freedom of the Entry to the City of Maitland. That honour was bestowed upon them in 2000.

**ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS
CIVIC RECEPTION**

**In Honour of Granting of Freedom of Entry to the
City of Maitland on HMAS Maitland**

**Saturday, 30 September, 2006
Maitland Town Hall, 12.00 noon**

Master of Ceremonies: *Mr David Evans, General Manager, Maitland
City Council*

Welcome *Mr David Evans*

Address by *Clr Peter Blackmore,
Mayor of Maitland*

Address by *Rear Admiral Davyd Thomas, AM,
CSC, RAN Maritime Commander,
Australia*

Presentation *Clr Peter Blackmore will make a
presentation from the City of Maitland to
the HMAS Maitland. To be accepted by
Commanding Officer, HMAS Maitland,
Lieutenant Commander David Graham*

Presentation *President of Maitland RSL, John Fenwick
& President of East Maitland RSL, Brian
Boughton, CSC, OAM to HMAS Maitland.
To be accepted by Commanding Officer,
HMAS Maitland, Lieutenant Commander
David Graham*

**EXERCISING THE RIGHT OF THE
FREEDOM OF ENTRY**

*As is tradition, the Ship's Company of the HMAS Maitland will now
carry out the Ceremony of "Exercising the Right of Freedom of Entry"*

**10.30am - Granting of Freedom of Entry and
Scroll Presentation, Heritage Mall**

11.00 am — March Commences

*The Ship's Company HMAS Maitland will march from the shade sails in
Heritage Mall , High Street, Maitland.*

The Challenge

*The Ship's Company HMAS Maitland will pass the Post Office and St.
Peters School, before being challenged by Superintendent Mark Holahan,
Local Area Commander acting in the capacity of Town Marshall, outside
the Maitland Mercury building.*

Halt! Who goes there?

*Identify yourselves and state by what right you enter and use the
City of Maitland.*

Response

*The Ship's Company HMAS Maitland exercising it's right and privilege to
pass through the City of Maitland with swords drawn, drums beating, band
playing and colours flying.*

Prove to me this Right and Privilege!

*Your right and privilege so to do is acknowledged. Pass HMAS Maitland
with the authority of the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of
Maitland.*

*Rear Admiral, Davyd Thomas, AM, CSC, RAN, Maritime Commander
Australia and Peter Blackmore, Mayor of Maitland will take the Salute
from the Ship's Company of HMAS Maitland.*



Maitland City Council was formed in 1945 following the amalgamation of the previously existing areas of East Maitland, West Maitland, Bolwarra, Morpeth, Tarro and Kearsley. Currently, the Local Government area of Maitland covers an area of 396 sq kms.

Previous to white settlement, it is understood that the area was settled by the Awabakal and Worimi peoples.

The beginnings of white settlement in the area has always been associated with the economic and commercial development of the colony. The first visitors may have been of cedar gatherers along the river, which was the beginning of the colony's first export industry. Farming may be also considered to have begun from as early as 1813, along the alluvial river flats. However the area was also home to government and administration as well. Evidence suggests that the first official building was a soldiers barrack erected in 1821.

Since white settlement the area of Maitland has been variously known as Molly Morgan's Plains or Wallis Plains, or previous to that 'the Camp'. Molly Morgan was a principal owner of land in what is now known as Central Maitland. Whilst there is some conjecture over the origin of the name Maitland, it is now generally believed to have been derived from that of General Frederick Maitland, a career army officer who served alongside Governor Ralph Darling, during their respective careers. East Maitland, the "government township" was surveyed in 1829. Whilst a road between Maitland and Sydney was completed in the 1830's, the most important development in transport was the establishment of Morpeth as a port able to handle

large scale river cargo traffic. This facilitated the development of Maitland as a commercial centre.

The boundaries between the towns of East Maitland and West Maitland were gazetted in 1835. Although the very first Maitland District Council was proclaimed in 1843, the beginning of local government as we know it took place when East Maitland was first proclaimed a municipality in 1862, and in the following year 1863 the municipality of West Maitland was proclaimed. One of the first members of East Maitland Council, J.N.Brunker was for a period Acting Premier of New South Wales. Morpeth was proclaimed a municipality in 1865.

The opening of the Belmore Bridge in 1869 , spanning the Hunter River, provided ready access to the area now known as Lorn and the farming areas to the North.

The first local newspaper was the Hunter River Gazette, which began publication in 1841. The Maitland Mercury newspaper, which began publication on 7 Jan 1843, is still published today.

Prominent local public buildings completed last century, are still standing today which contribute to the reputation of Maitland as the Heritage Centre of New South Wales. Outstanding examples of this architectural heritage are such buildings as the Maitland Town Hall completed in 1890, The Maitland Court House, and The Lands Office.

Currently the population of Maitland is about 62,000