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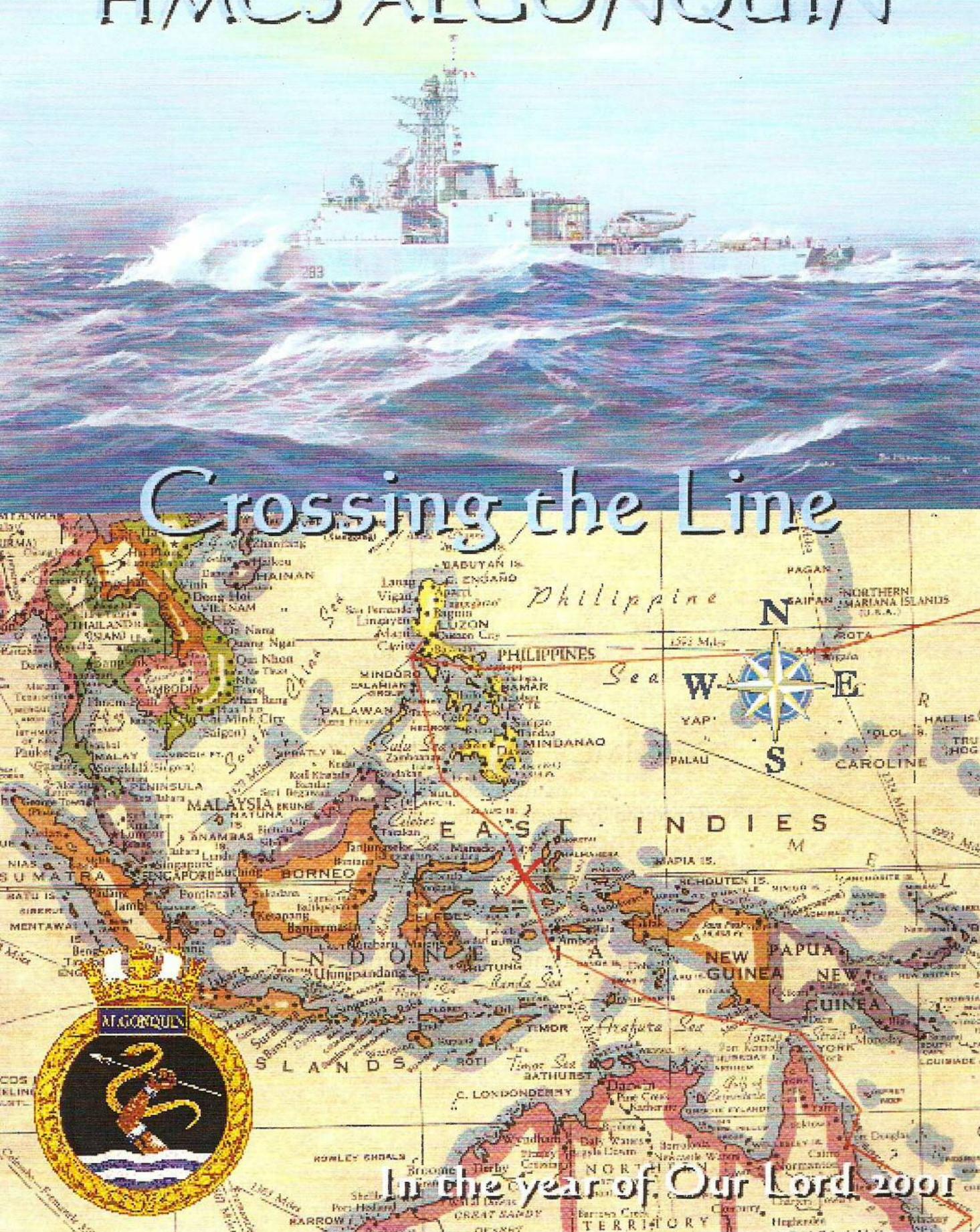
HMCS ALGONQUIN 283

Crossing the Line (Equator) Booklet

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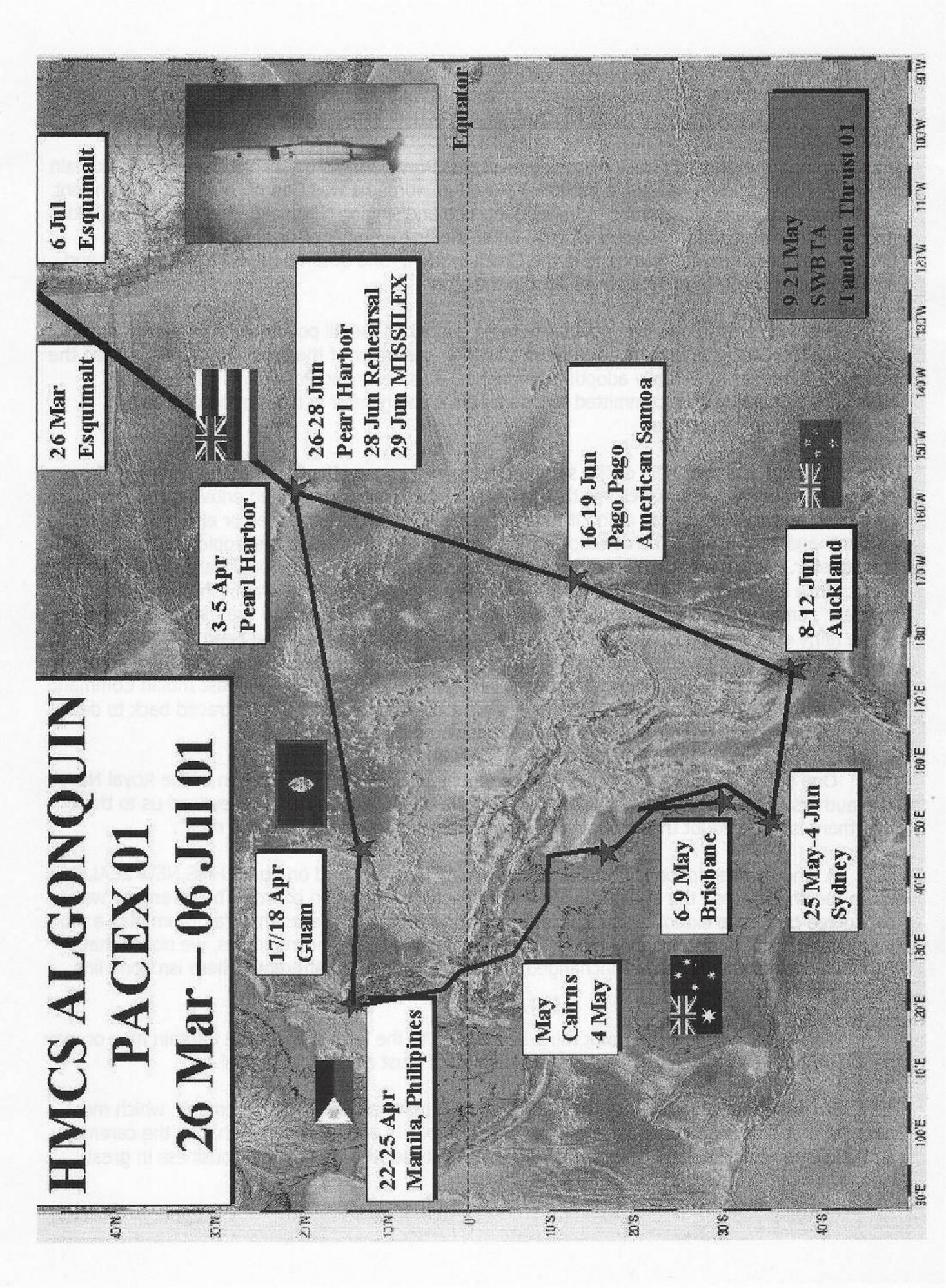
Rear PO2 Micheal Sanderson, CD To all who ply the salty deep.

Let it be known that Her Majesties Canadian Ship

ALGONQUIN

Did cross the equator on the 28th day of April 2001at 02:41:31 GMT in position 00 deg 00 min 00sec North

126 deg 20 min 12 sec East.



HMCS ALGONQUIN

THE HISTORY BEHIND THE "CROSSING THE LINE" CEREMONY

Among the Gods of Greek mythology was one Poseidon. As the books have it, "His domain was of Hercules and he had some authority", in other words he was God of the Seas. The ancient Greek matelots were accustomed to burning incense and singing "Eternal Father" and other odds and ends to intercede for his good offices. Enter the first member of or our cast, Amphitite, daughter of Oceanus who was large in the Greek system. She became the wife of Poseidon and was to cause him great mental stress later in the story.

Poseidon's reign over the seas came to an end when the all powerful Roman element took over from the Greeks and installed Neptunus as their own ruler of the seas. Neptunus twisted the knife a little harder by actually adopting Amphitrite, thus becoming Poseidon's father in law. Poseidon, on hearing this, committed suicide by drowning himself in his own ocean, leaving Neptunus in power supreme.

Although the members of the story are quite well known, the origin of the ceremony is difficult to trace. One source claims that in the seventeenth century, when entering the Straits of Girbraltar, all those who were doing it for the first time had to pay their fee or else pass under the yardarm and be dunked. The ceremony apparently was transferred to the tropics and still later to the Equator. Why the Equator was the final choice and not the International Date Line or the Arctic Circle is anyone's guess. Present day scholars say, "It's origin is wrapt (shrouded) in mystery", and, "We can only guess at the actual date of it's inception into the maritime services". Some fairly educated guesses have been made though and the dates have been narrowed down to the half-century between 1768 and 1818. One Professor Callender, whose opinion could be biased, reckons that the custom was brought into being in the Royal Navy's East Indian Command during Nelson's day. Since most of the navy's most peculiar customs can be traced back to dear old Nelson, one way or another, this may be considered mat a bad guess.

One of the few texts to mention the ceremony is 'Sports and Recreation in the Royal Navy'. The authors of this handbook admit the fact that the origin is obscure, but they lead us to think that there is "little doubt that it originated from some form of pagan religious rites".

A lengthy description is given of the ceremony that was held on board HMS NEW ZEALAND, when the ship crossed the equator in 1919 with Viscount Jellicoe on board. The ceremony was conducted to a large extent by the ship's company, while the RCN sees the Wardroom play a more integral part and no distinction is made. When comparing the two ceremonies, we notice that although the general pattern is unchanged, the text is altogether different. There isn't one line that reads the same.

This illustrates how the script must be adapted to the local scene. The Captain may or may not be a Shellback; the charges against the defaulters must always be original.

It cannot be forgotten that the NEW ZEALAND made a rival of the ceremony, which must have, at that time, been abandoned. The handbook points out; "it is hoped that it (the ceremony and text) may prove helpful to future generations of those who occupy their business in great waters".

Shall we one day have an official text that will be used in all ships? The question is difficult to answer. Through tradition, some of the verses will become part of the ceremony, but the remainder will always remain flexible and adapt itself to the circumstances.

There always seems to be, on the part of the Tadpoles, a certain objection to being initiated. The reasons for these fears are well founded, but it should realized that this ceremony should always be taken in fun, otherwise the whole spirit will die.

The following pages give the ceremony as it happened on board HMCS ALGONQUIN in April 2001 during PACEX/Tandum Thrust 01 enroute from Manila, Philippines to Cairns, Australia, crossed the Equator.

The enlightened ceremony takes three phases; First, the Herald of His Oceanic Majesty comes on board the night previous crossing in order to inspect the ship and decide upon it's worthiness to receive on board, Neptunus Rex in all His glory. His opinion favorable, Neptune himself comes on board the following day with all His court, and presents Orders and Awards to those Shellbacks¹ who have proven themselves worthy thereof on the flight deck. The third and final phase takes place when King Neptune supervises the initiation of the Tadpoles.

TERMS:

Shellback - one who has been initiated into the Ancient Order of the Mysteries of the Deep. ie: One who has crossed the equator before.

Tadpole - one who has not yet crossed the equator and is considered to be "unclean" by the Shellbacks.

Other Lines:

Golden Shellback - one who has crossed the equator at the International Date Line.

Emerald Shellback - one who has crossed the equator at the Greenwich Mean Meridian.

Blue Nose - one who has crossed the Arctic Circle.

Penguin - one who has crossed the Antarctic Circle.

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O 270030Z APR 01
FM THE ROYAL COURT OF THE RAGING MAIN
TO HMCS ALGONQUIN
UNCLASS KN283
SIC CLC
EXER/TANDUM THURST 01//
SUBJ/GREETINGS AND BEWARE!/

- 1. WEREAS, THE GOOD SHIP ALGONQUIN, BOUND FOR CAIRNS, AUSTRALIA, IS
 ABOUT TO ENTER OUR DOMAIN, AND THE AFORESAID SHIP CARRIES A LARGE AND SLIMY CARGO OF
 LAND-LUBBERS, BEACHCOMBERS; CARGO-RATS, SEA-LAWYERS, LOUNGE-LIZARDS, PARLORDUNNIGANS,
 PLOW-DESERTERS, PARK-BENCH WARMERS, CORN STARCH COMMANDOES, CHICKEN CHASERS, CHERRYPLUCKERS, HAY-TOSSERS, SAND-CRABS, FOUR-FLUSHERS, GRANNY-GRABERS, WART-HOGS, CROSS-WORD
 PUZZLE BUGS, AND ALL OTHER CREATURES OF THE LAND, AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST, HE-VAMPS,
 LIBERTY-HOUNDS, FLAG OFFICERS, CADETS, CIVILIAN PROFESSORS, PONGO'S, ZOOMIES AND DRUGSTORE COWBOYS FALSELY MASQUERADING AS SEAMEN AND MAN O' WARSMEN MANY OF WHICH HAVE
 NEVER APPEARED BEFORE US.
- 2. THE ROYAL COURT OF THE RAGING MAIN WILL CONVENE ON THE FLIGHT DECK
 ON BOARD THE GOOD SHIP ALGONQUIN AT 1330 HRS ON THE 28 TH DAY OF APRIL 2001 AT LATITUDE
 00 DEGREES NORTH, LONGITUDE 126 DEGREES 20 MINUTES EAST TO JUDGE AND INITIATE THIS
 MOTLEY COLLECTION WITHOUT EXCEPTION.
- 3. BY ORDER OF THE ROYAL COURT OF THE RAGING MAIN.

DRAFTER:

MERCURY ROYAL HERALD

RELEASING OFFICER:

NEPTUNUS REX RULER OF THE RAGING MAIN

KING NEPTUNE'S COURT CROSSING THE LINE 2001

NEPTUNE

- PO2 EDWARDS

AMPHRTITE

- PO2 OUELLET

ROYAL BABY

- MWO ULLOCK

DAVEY JONES

- LT(N) FOXALL

HERALD

- OS KOVACS

BUGLER

- PO2 BOUDREAU

JUDGE

- OS CASSISTA

SCRIBE

- MS REID

DOCTOR

- PO1 GRAYSTON

NURSE

- PO2 TURCHYN

BARBERS

- LS STEEDEN

- LT(N) RICHE

MERMAIDS

- PO2 POISSON

- PO2 SALTER

- PO2 FRANCIS

- LS WOODROW

SHERIFFS

- CPO2 NEWCOMBE

- CPO2 GILLCASH

POLICE

- PO2 HILLEBRANDT

- LS COMINSKY

- LS ASSELIN

- MS HUNT

- LS BRAMBURGER

HEAD BEAR

- PO2 FITZGERALD

BEARS

- MS MUTTITT

MS BRYAN

- PO2 WALSH

- LS WOG

- PO1 BRIGGS
- MS SCHULTZ
- PO2 VERVILLE

PHOTOGRAPHER

- MS BEAUMONT

DIRECTOR

2030

- PO1 GRAYSTON

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Foc'sle, Gun

	27 TH April 20	01				
			nanding Officer, Honour Guard and all Tadpoles muster on the Fo and Bridge top.			
1930 Dave			y Jones arrives in company with the Royal Herald and the Bears.			
	28 th April 200	01				
	0700 - 0730		Man O' Warmen to breakfast			
	0800 - 0900		Tadpole breakfast			
	1030 - 1215		light lunch			
	1300 - 1530		Crossing the Line ceremony			
	1530 - 1630		clean-up/set-up for banquet			
	1630 - 2030		King Neptune's Banquet			

clean-up

OCTOPUS TONGUES - VELLOW MINI PANCAKES NGS - CANNED BROWN BEANS CKS - COOKED HALF WEINERS LOBSTER GUTS - GREEN SCRAMBLED EGGS - RED SPAGHETTI NOODLES LOBSTER BALLS - STEWED TOMATOES BRAINS - BOILED KIDNEYS GLASS OF TOMATO JUICE CRAP DROPPI EEL GRASS DOLPHIN DI HALF A OCTOPUS

The Honoured Shellbacks

LS LS LS LS MS MS PO2 PO2 LT(N) MS PO1 LS MS CPO2 CPO2 SLT MS LT(N) MAJ CPO2 CAPT(N) PO1 LS	ABTHORPE ASSELIN BATES BLACK BRAMBURGER BRYAN CHAMBERLIN DION FITZGERALD FUGGER GIRARD GRIFFITHS HERLINGER HUNT KING LEARNING LOCKHART MACSWAIN MCMULLEN MUSSERALL NEWCOMBE PAULSON PICARD PRINCEVILLE DE	CDR LT(N) MS LS MS LS(N) LT(N) LS(N) PO1 MS PO2 CPO1 OS MS MS PO2 CPO2 LS MS	ADAMSON BARNARD BEAUMONT BONNEAU BRIGGS CANTWELL CHIASSON DUNCAN FOXALL GENDRON GRAYSTON HEBERT HILLEBRANDT HUTCHINGS KOVACS LEVESQUE MACDONALD MANN MORIN MORIN MYER OUELLET PAYMENT POGUE REID	CPO2 MS CPL PO2 PO1 OS LS PO2 CPO2 CPO2 CPO2 CPL PO2 OS PO1 MS CPO2 MS LT(N) PO2 LS	AMOS BATES BERTRAND BOUDREAU BRIGGS CASSISTA CREO-GAGNE EDWARDS FRANCIS GILLCASH GREELEY HENDRY HINTZ KEARNEY LAWSON LLEWELLEN MACDONALD MANTEL MUTTITT NIESH PARISE PAYNE POISSON REINHART
LT(N) PO2 LCDR MS LT(N) MWO PO2 MS PO2 LS	BEAUJOUR RICHE SANDERSON STOVEL TEULING TRUDEAU ULLOCK WALKER WEBB WILSON WOODWARD	PO2 MS CPL MS PO2 LS PO2 LS	ROBINS SCHULTZ SZABON TOUPIN TRUCHYN VERONNEAU WALSH WHITNEY WOG	PO2 LS CPO2 MS LT(N) PO2 PO1 PO2 LS	SALTER STEEDEN TAYLOR TREVERTON TURNBULL VERVILLE WEAVER WILKINSON WOODROW

Second Crossing - 22 June 2001 - 0000 North 16629.8 West

LS	BARLOW	LS	BOLGER	PO1	DARRAGH
CDR	HAYES	LCDR	HOLBORN	LCDR	LAHNSTIENER
PO2	MCI FAN				

The "UNCLEAN" Tadpoles

LS	AHLSTROM	SLT	ALLEY	LS	ARSENAULT
LS	AUBIN	LS	BALLANTYNE	MCPL	BALLMAN
MS	BARBADAKIS	LS	BECHAMP	os	BECHT
CIV	BINDERNAGEL	LS	BIRD	OS	BISSON
LCDR	BISSON	MS	BLANCHETTE	LS	BOZ
LS	BRADT	LS	BROWN	WO	BROWN
LT(N)	BROWN	LS	BURKE	CPL	CAOUETTE
LS	CARLOS	AB	CARR	LS	CENNON
SLT	CHU	MS	COTE	MS	CRAWFORD
LT(N)	CROWE	LS	DAVIS	PO2	DERRY
A/SLT	DOLAN	LS	DOUTHWRIGHT	PTE	DOYLE
LS	DOYLE	LS	DUBE	LS	DUFOUR
LS	DUGGAN	SLT	ERICKSON	OS OS	FIELDING FLANNIGAN
AB	FILIATREAULT	CPL	FILLION	OS MC	FORGIARINI
MS	FLEMING	LS	FOREMAN	MS	GARIEPY
OS	FRASER	AB	GAGNON	OS	GILLARD
PO2	GARUK	OS	GIBSON-SMITH	LS	[10] [10] [10] [10] [10] [10] [10] [10]
LS	GODDU	LS	GOULD	MS	GRAHAM GROUNDS
MS	GRAY	SGT	GROLEAU	OS	HARTLEN
MS	HAMPSON	CPL	HARRISON	OS	
PO1	HAYES	LS	HEARN	OS	HEBB
LS	HERTEL	LT(N)	HILL	CPL	HOOGE
LS	HORNE	OS	HOUSE	LS	HUBAR
CPO2	HUGHES	os	HURDIS	SLT	JARDINE
CADET	JOHNSON	OS	JONES	LT(N)	KAPPEL
MCPL	KENDELL	LT(N)	KINCAID	AB	KING
WO	KINNEY	LS	KOWALYK	AB	KROETSCH
LS	LAFORGE	CPL	LAFRENIERE	MS	LAMBERT
LS	LARADE	CADET	LAVALLEE	AB	LAFORT
CMDRE	LERHE	LS	LIDSTONE	OS	LINFOOT
LS	LOOGMAN	AB	LOSHAW	CAPT	MACKINNON
OS	MADGIN	LS	MALLET	CPL	MARRS MASSCHELEIN
os	MARRS	PO2	MARTIN	SLT	MCKELVEY
LS	MATHESON	OS	MCDONALD	LT(N) AB	MENARD
PO1	MCKELVIE	LS	MCKINNON MIDDLEVEEN	SBLT	MILBURN
LS	MICHAUD	CPL	MIDDLEVEEN	WO	MOFATT
OS	MILLER	PO2	MISNER MOORE	OS	MOREAU
SLT	MONTEIRO	OS		SGT	HELMES
LS	MORRIS	LS	NOBLE	LS	PACCHIANO
LS	NICOLAS	AB LS	PASSERELL	CPL	PATERSDORFER
LS	PARENT		PEORI	LCDR	PESCHKE
LS DO1	PELLETIER	AB LS	PEORI	MCPL	POIRIER
PO1	PHILLIPS		PRICE	WO	RIVET
CADET	POITRAS	LT MS	ROBINSON	OS	ROSE
LS	ROBILLARD	MS	: 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	LS	SANTONI
LCDR	SALCHERT	SLT	SALVAGE	LS	SANTONI

CPL	SAUNDERS	MS	SAYEAU	MS	SIMONEAU
PO2	SLEEMAN	LS	SMITH	OS	SMITH
MS	STACYSZYN	LT(N)	STEFANSON	OS	STOWELL
OS	TARDIF	AB	THIESSEN	LS	THORNTON
SLT	TKACHUK	OS	TREMBLAY	PO2	TYACKE
AB	URIOL	OS	VALERA	OS	VANCLEEF
LS	VEILLETTE	PO2	VIOLINI	LS	WAGNER
CAPT	WALSH	AB	WHITE	LS	WIGGINS
OS	ZARATE				

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LT(N)	BONNAR		LS	COOPER	ASLT	GREER
LS	JOHNSTON		LS	KREZEK	LS	LEBLOND
LS	MAGEE	(*)	LS	NAULT	AB	PEORI
LS	PERRON		LS	SIMPSON	LS	SPEARS
LCDR	YOUNG					

The Play

Act One:

Scene One: The Bridge. As if by mistake the whole scene is enacted over the main

broadcast.

Time:

Around 2015 the night before crossing the line.

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(Over the main broadcast) Captain, Sir. New contact bearing dead ahead. It looks like some kind of fish - (short pause). It appears to be surfacing, Sir.

Captain

Very good. That will be King Neptune's Herald. We are approaching the Equator rapidly. Officer of the Watch, pipe "Clear lower decks to the foc'sle and the Honour Guard to muster on the foc'sle". Officer of the Watch, stand by to... (Captain interrupted by the Lookout).

Lookout

Green One Zero, Sir! A light near!

Captain

Very good. Officer of the Watch alter course toward it.

(The ship will close the alleged light for about five minutes with no further

patter to allow the ship's company to assemble on the foc'sle)

Scene Two:

(The Captain near the breakwater and the Herald on the foc'sle)

Davey Jones

(From behind the fog Spray) AHOY SHIP!

Captain

ALGONQUIN!

Davey Jones

I've heard your ships around, now tell me Captain wither bound?

Captain

We're bound for Cairns, Australia. Downunder, Mate! And in our cruise logged many a mile. Now I've got a lot to do, so tell me stranger, just who are you?

Davey Jones

I am Davey Jones of Neptune's court, my duties I am not to thwart. King Neptune ordered me aboard, in preparation for the Ocean's Lord.

Captain

For only you I'll stop my ship, now get on board and no more lip!

(Davey Jones accompanied by the Royal Scribe, a Mermaid, six Bears and the Bugler advance through the spray whilst the Bugler sounds the Alert)

Captain

Look sharp then sir, if you please, by what right have you to challenge us on the seas?

Davey Jones

By the custom of the powers invested right in King Neptune and Queen Amphritite who sent us to your mighty ship to check and see if you are fit.

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(Davey Jones draws his sword, the Bears growl and the Mermaid titters....)

Captain

It is of course without disdain that I accept your word, we're crossing into your domain so sheath that mighty sword.

(The sword of course is a ridiculous looking affair)

Davey Jones

King Neptune will be glad I'm sure to have you cross his border, if you're a Shellback let us hope your papers are in order.

Captain

I am a Shellback, but I'll pay the price for those of my crew who aren't it won't be nice. For if you think that some are not hard then go ahead inspect the Guard.

Davey Jones

Very well; Captain I'll do your will, Bugler... Pipe the still... blow it hard! (The Bugler complies and as he does so the Guard Officer presents himself to Davey Jones, who inspects the Guard with a great deal of slapstick and the Bears use a smelly paste of unknown fishy goo as soap to clean up the Guard)

Davey Jones

So this is the Guard you've mustered for me, a more horrible sight I never did see. I've inspected many and I can tell they're all unclean and they smell like hell!

(Mermaids and Bears shriek "Unclean, Unclean" at the top of their lungs)

Davey Jones

Keep the silence Bears! (Then addressing the crew)

Before this mighty ship of war had slipped from her home port a spy of mine did go aboard, her compliment to sort. He has scanned the names of everyone... come forward now your work is done.

Herald

I was the spy who scanned the papers to learn what I could of numerous capers, that have been pulled by this ship's crew now listen closely while I tell you. From this unclean and motley mess One Hundred Sixty, more or less will learn tomorrow of this horrible fate from the Court of King Neptune the great and further more I must report I'll plead no mercy from his court.

(The bears shriek "Unclean Unclean")

Davey Jones

By thirteen thirty from the ship's time check the Court will be held on the Quarterdeck. King Neptune will in state appear by the Ancient Laws well stooped in beer and here he shall with an iron hand initiate the tadpoles of your band

Herald

All Hail King Neptune!!

********END ACT 1 SCENE 2******

The day the ship crosses the Equator a pool suitable size is rigged. Above one side of the bath a dunking stool and the royal thrones are rigged. To commence the ceremony the Bugler pipes "Clear the Lower decks to the Flight Deck - dress pirate rig". When all are assembled the Royal Court makes their stately procession from the "Royal Robing Room" to the Bath. The members of the Court shall go to the excessive extremes in designing their costumes. While great latitude in costumes is customary Neptunis Rex must have a bushy beard, crown and trident. Upon the arrival of the Royal family attention is sounded by the Bugler.

Act Two:

Scene 1: (Lower decks will be cleared to the Flight Deck and King Neptune's

Court will assemble in the Hangar. The Bears and Police will clear a

path in a traditional fashion when the Court itself arrives.)

Davey Jones (on entrance) Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Make way for his most glorious

Oceanic Majesty Neptunis Rex Ruler of all who sail upon the sea. Hear Ye! Hear Ye! (Upon arrival of King Neptune and Queen Amphritite, all

hail King Neptune).

Bear and Police All Hail King Neptune!!

Captain In humblest duty, Sire I bring to you our Oceanic King that all here

onboard my submit to what in Ancient Laws is writ.

King Neptune Good Morning Algonquin! You've come a long way I've waited for

months for you to come this way you know full well what I've come to

do for I hear there are tadpoles among your crew.

Davey Jones My barbers are good, and widely renowned

(the barbers step forward gesticulating sadistically)

Their razors are sharper than has ever been found. My doctors are butchers and as for their pills they're better that Exlax for curing your

ills.

Captain Ere you punish our crimes with that terrible fork, I present for you

favour, my crew to you court.

Neptune From my courtly Herald I've heard it told that there are some in your

crew so brave and so bold as to warrant my favour... there may

be some missed so worthy Herald... my Honour List.

(At this point those Shellbacks that have distinguished themselves

receive awards from King Neptune.)

Herald (Addressing His Majesty)

If you Majesty finds it convenient the time has come to stop being

lenient, it's just about time for that big tank of brine, to make them all

Shellbacks for crossing The Line. If you will see the defaulters first, we'll save for the last the best of the worst.

Neptune

So be it!

Herald

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

The Circuit Shellback Court of His Oceanic Majesty, Neptunis Rex, is

now in session Judge Samuel Seaweed presiding.

Neptune

I, King Neptune Lord of the Sea, welcome you all who e're you be. I'm the Lord of the oceans wide, Lord of the rivers and Lord of the tide. My laws are strict, but do not fear, if only you will persevere. To keep the freedom of the seas as recognized by our decrees, here are the Bears

and the Suds and the Bath.

They are the only certain paths for all who wish to cross the line and be enrolled as sons and daughters of mine. In order then as we command before us let each Tadpole stand who has his freedom yet to win.

Enough! My trusty men begin!

Herald

Bears, into the pool!!!

Judge

(Rapping his gavel)

First case!

Scribe

Captain Paulson

(The CO is accused of a trumped up charge and is sentenced to the last

man in line.)

Several more charges are read to a select group of people. Each charge is different and of course they are all trumped up. Charges range from being sent to the back of the line to extra pills to any extra close shave. After the selected group of Tadpoles have gone through the remainder, nearly two hundred, are called forth to receive their medicine and to be cleansed. When all or nearly all of the Tadpoles have been initiated, the Herald calls attention for King Neptune's farewell special:

Neptune

I, King Neptune, the Lord of the Brine welcome you all, new subjects of mine. I'm the Lord of the oceans wide, Lord of the rivers and Lord of the tide. My laws are strict, but do not fear, if only you will persevere. To keep the freedom of the seas as recognized by our decrees. I command you, go now, you many. Take what you have learned to future days, I go now below my vigils to keep. Farewell ALGONQUIN's!

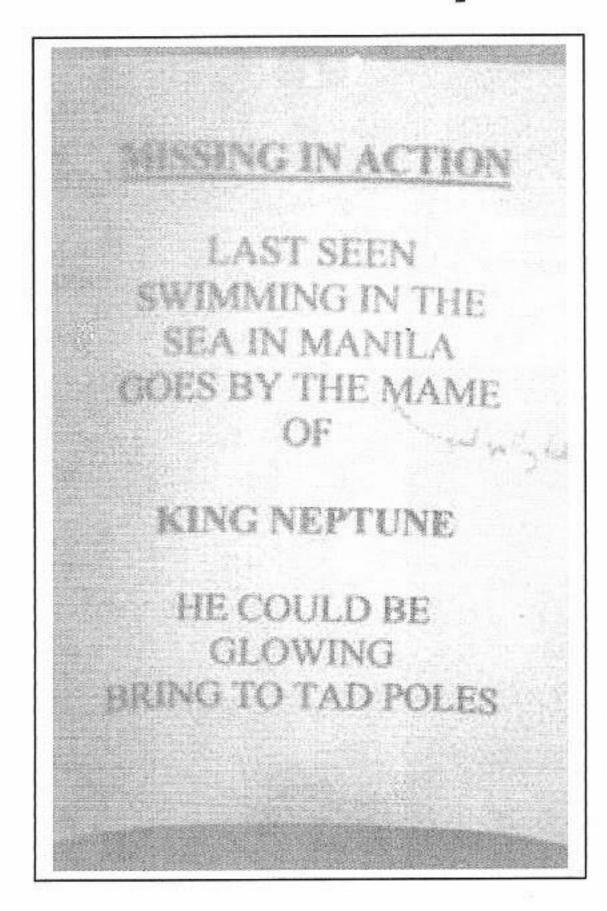
King Neptune now exits the stage.

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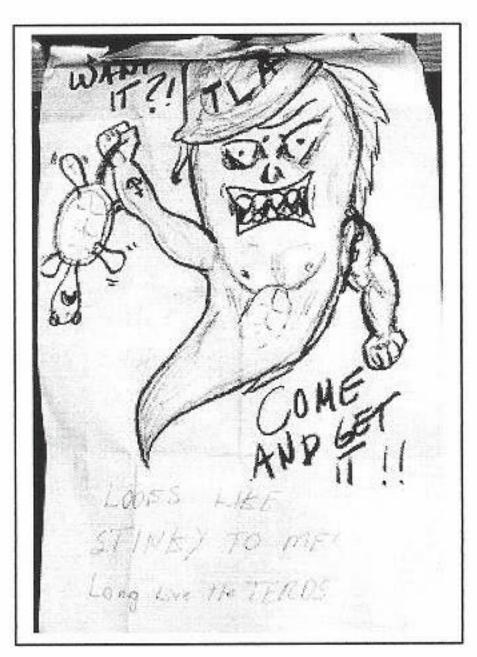


The Pictures

Let the Games begin... or Psychological Warfare



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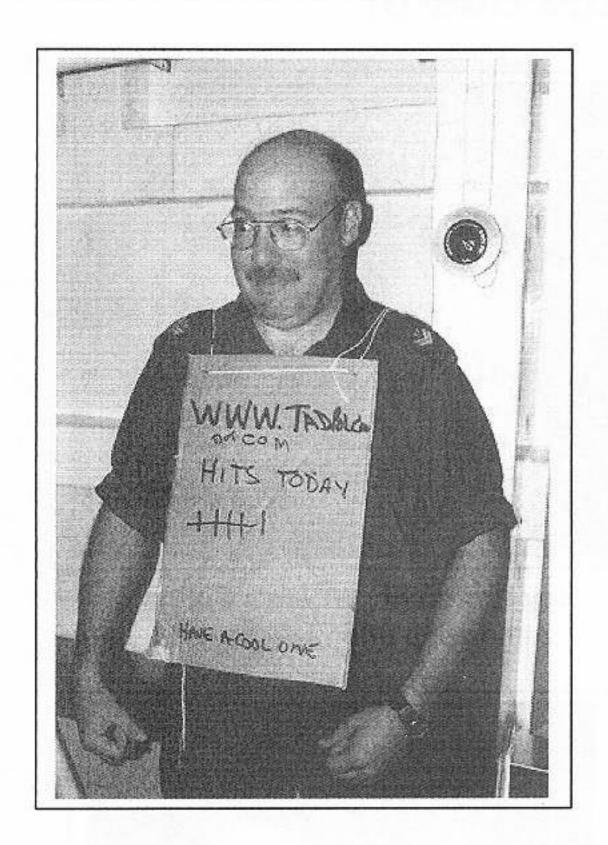


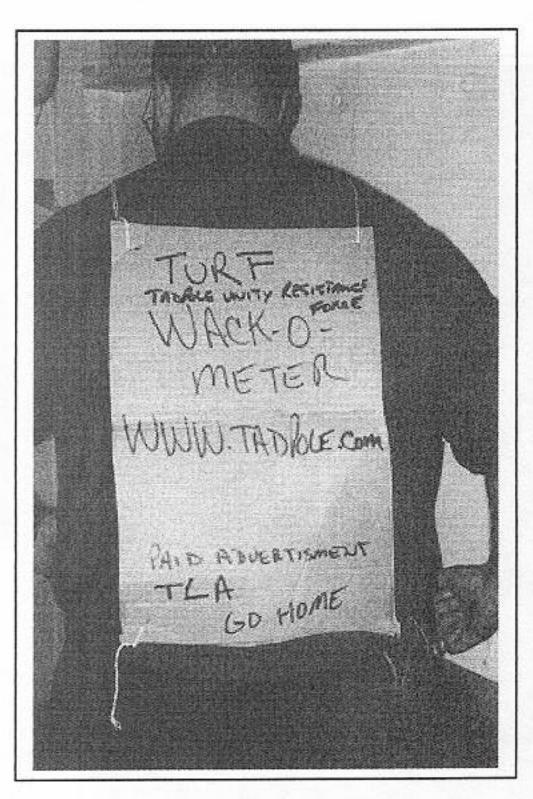
We're shaking in our boots... NOT!!



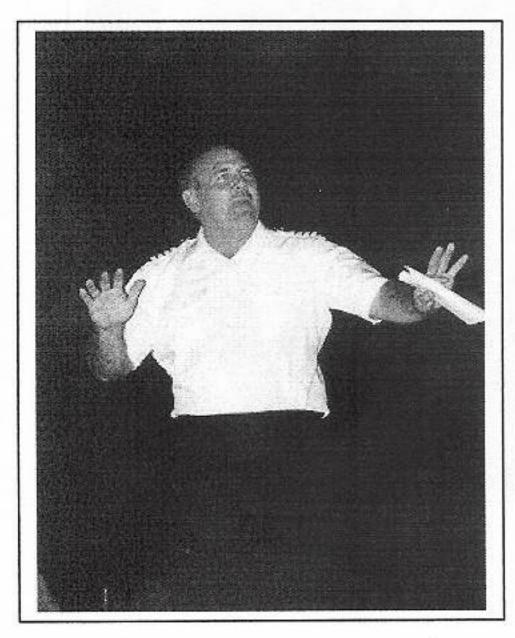
...and this was supposed to be scary.

The Tadpole Welcome Wagon goes online...





Inspect the Guard!

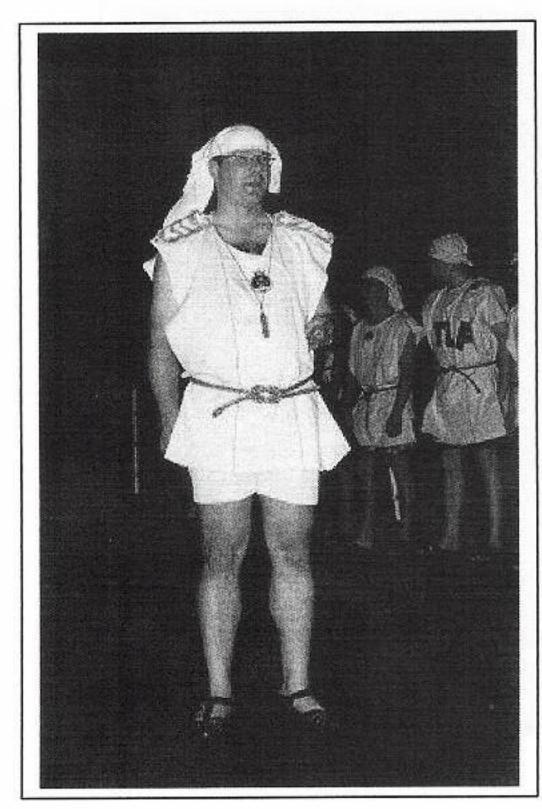


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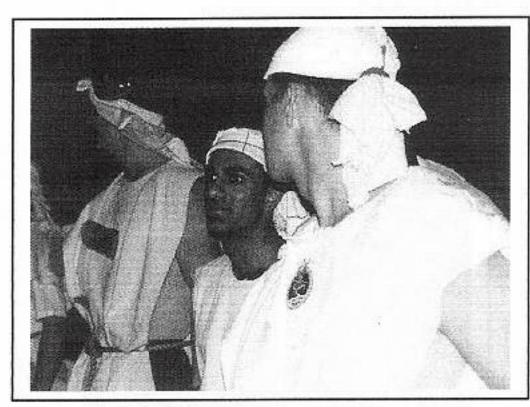


...for trying to look BIG and scary...

...Fall-in the Guard!



I forgot my lines

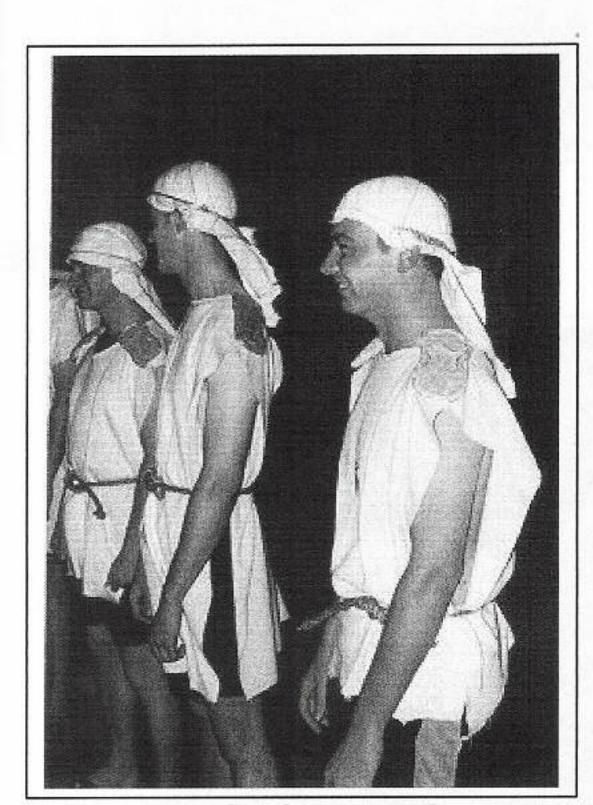


No talking in ranks!

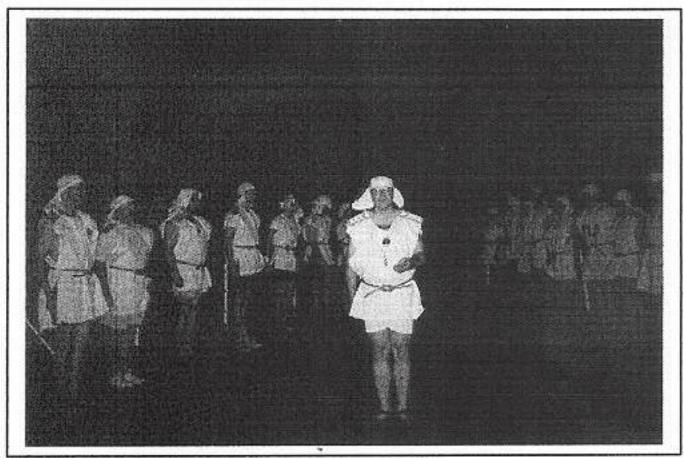
"What a dark and dreary night, all these TADPOLES in my sight, as you scan these pics you'll see, a dark and dreary bunch indeed!"



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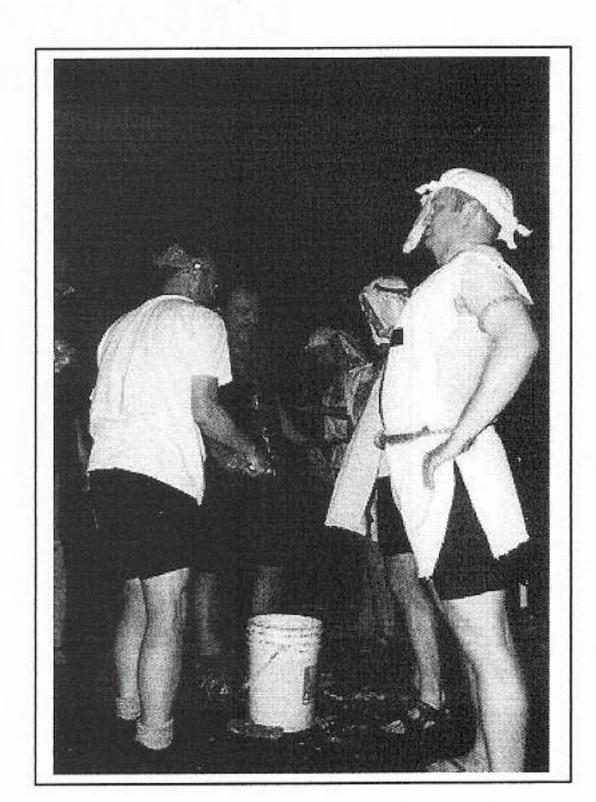


When's my turn?





What a motley looking crew!



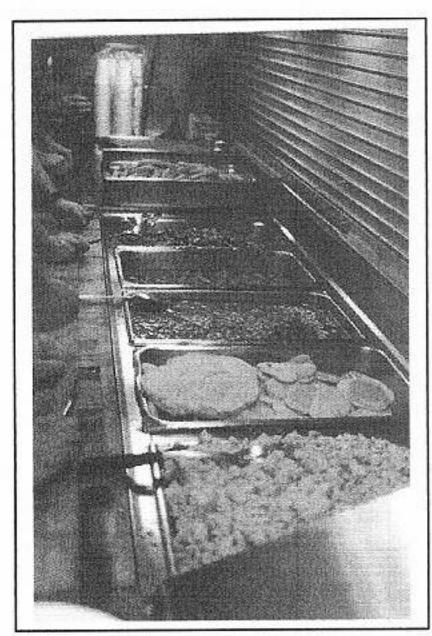
If I look tough maybe they'll go away.

Oh Ya! Give it to me baby!

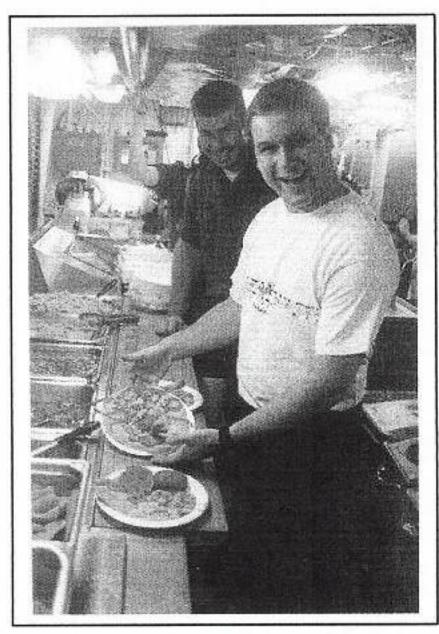


SWORD! That's barely a knife!

DING-A! DING-A-LING! Come and get it!



Scrumpdillyisious!



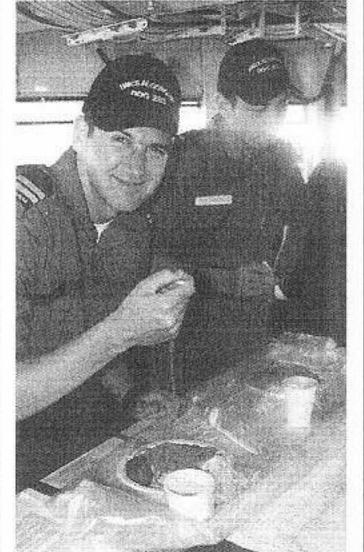
Breakfast is served



Hey! There's my liver!

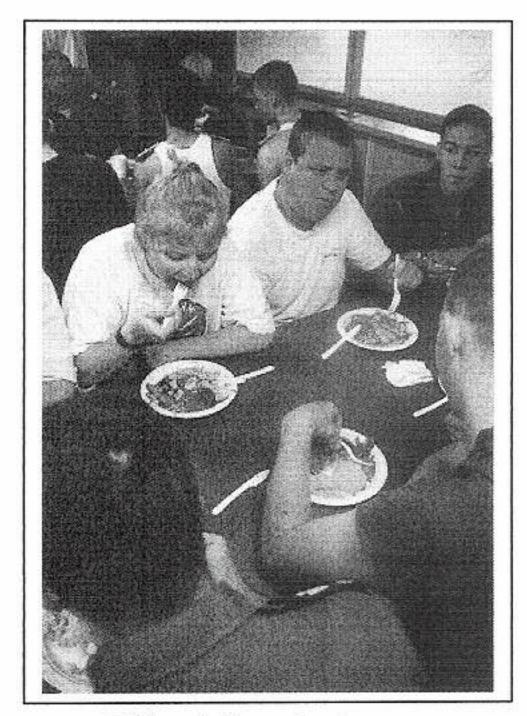


Smile

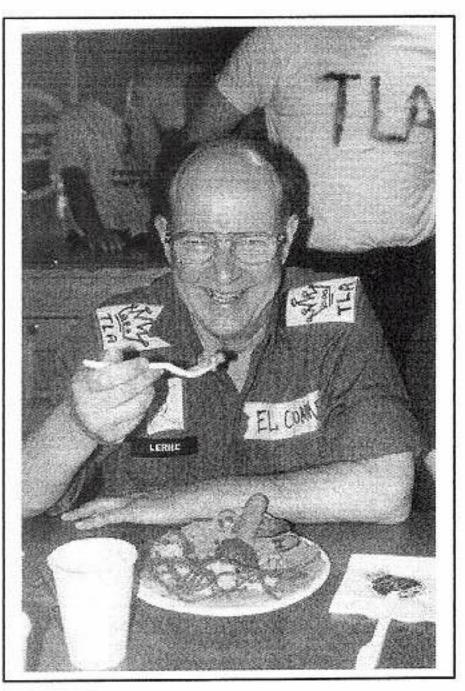


Smile for the camera

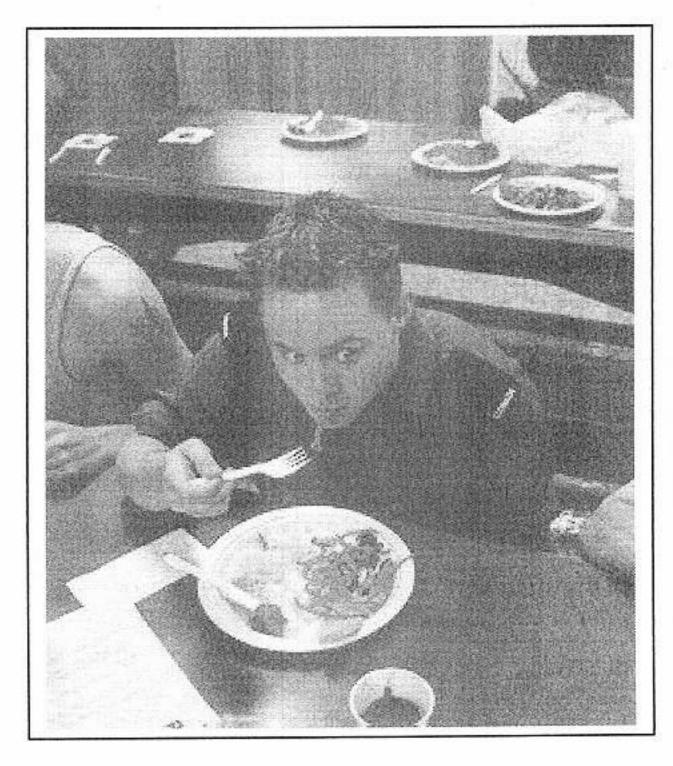
What mean "This ain't Egypt anymore, Toto?"



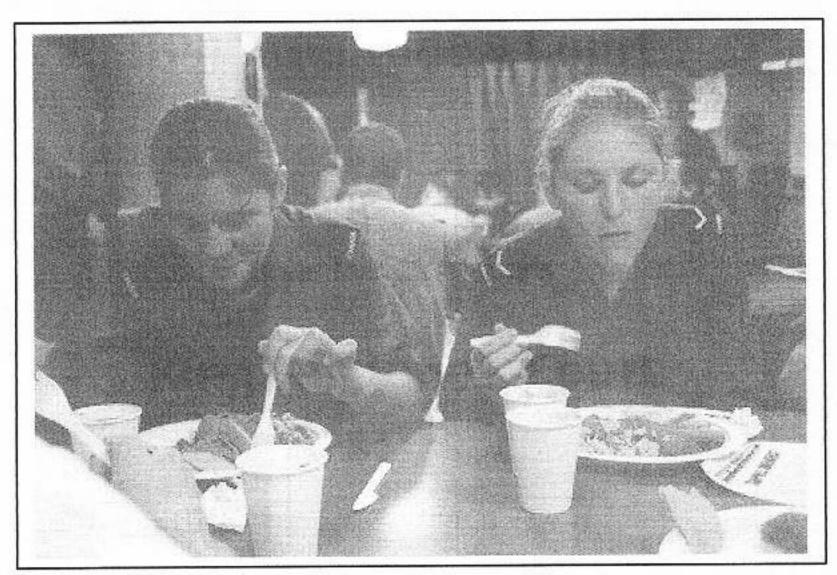
This ain't so bad.



I'm still smiling 'cause I haven't tasted it yet.



All Right! Just like I make at home!



Breakfast at Tiffany's

King Neptune's Court



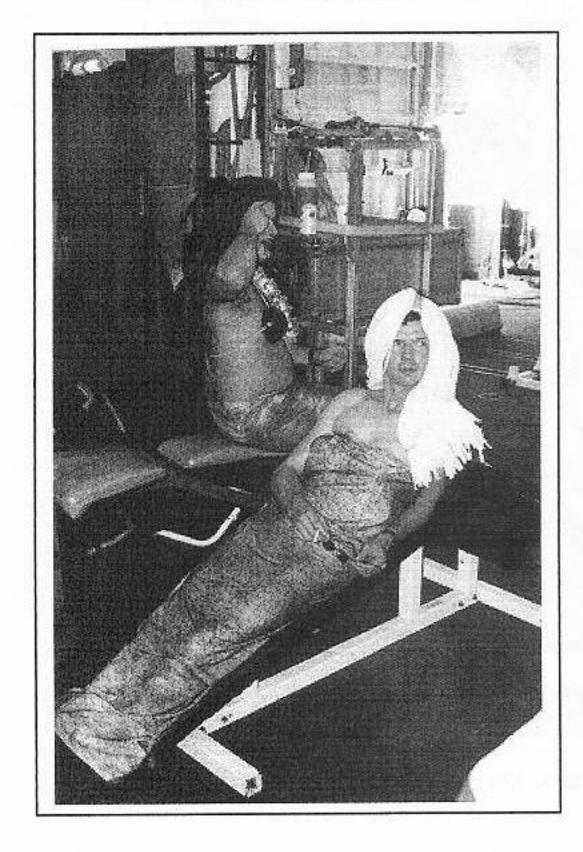
The stage is set...



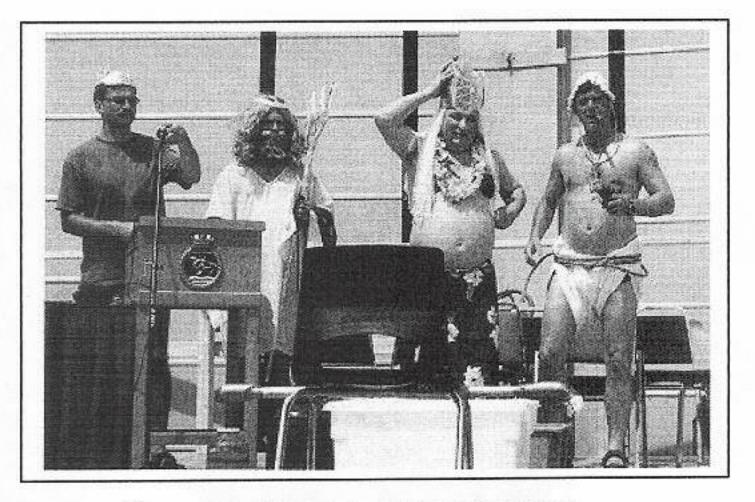
"All rise for King Neptune!"



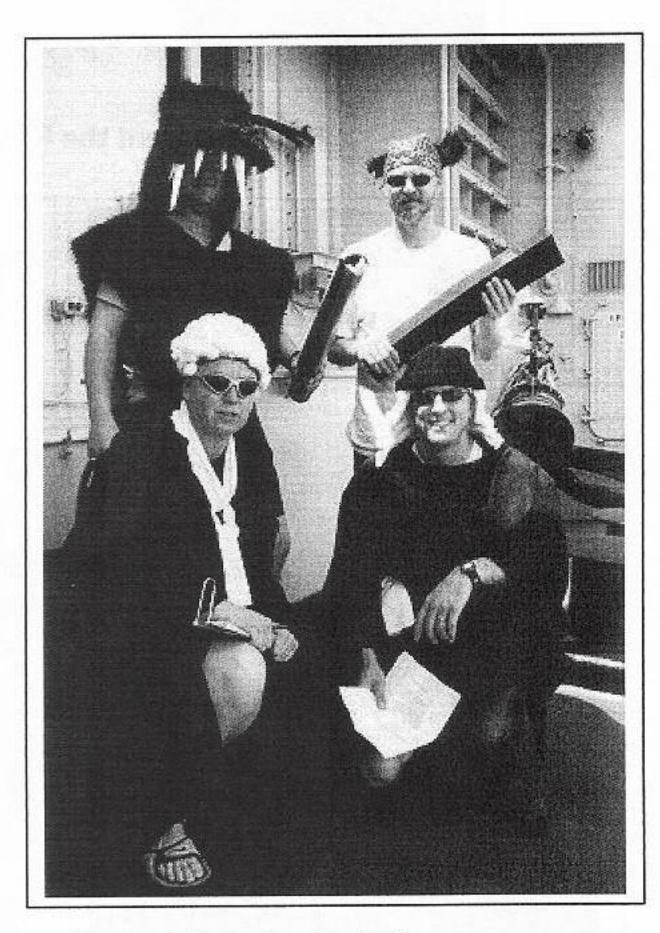
Enter King Neptune



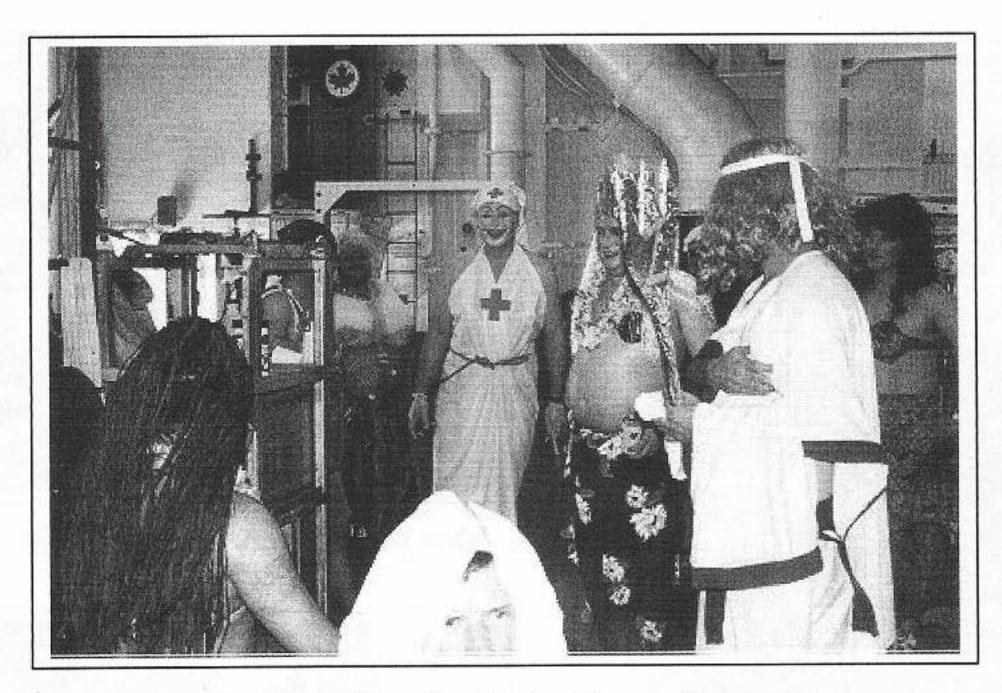
Nice shine on those scales, Baby!



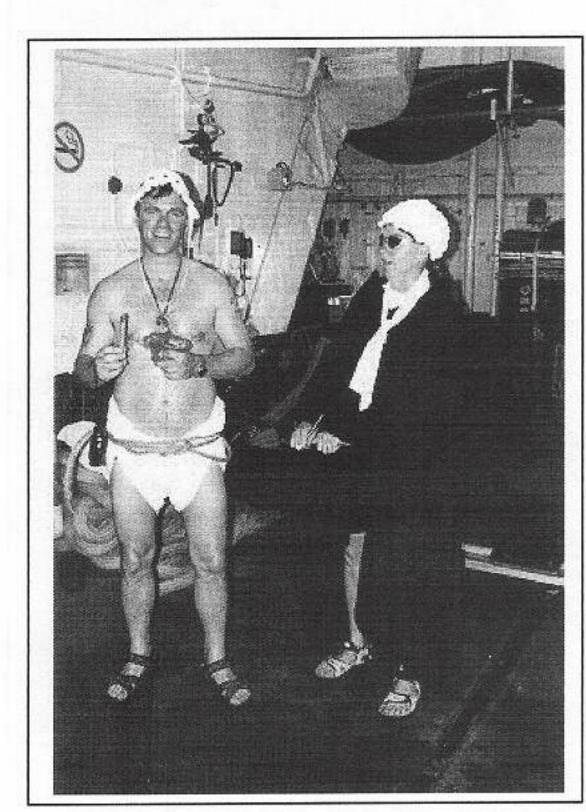
One sexy Queen, one ugly baby



(Counter clock-wise from front left)
The Good, the Bad, the Ugly and the Jurassic?



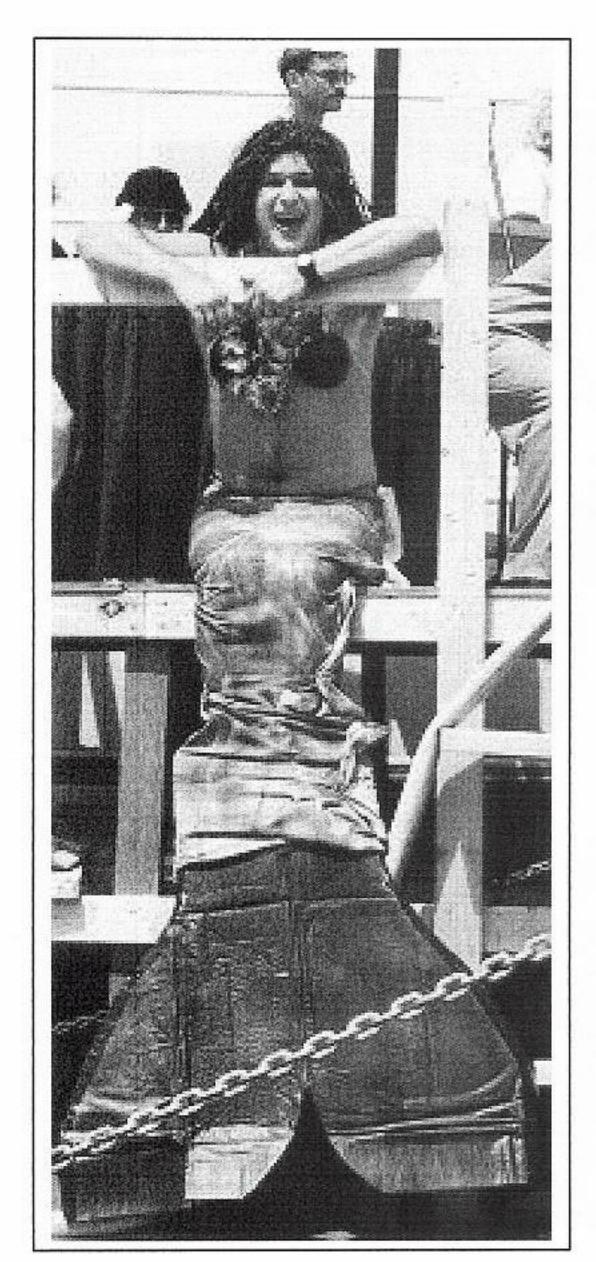
Escapees from the Rocky Horror Picture Show

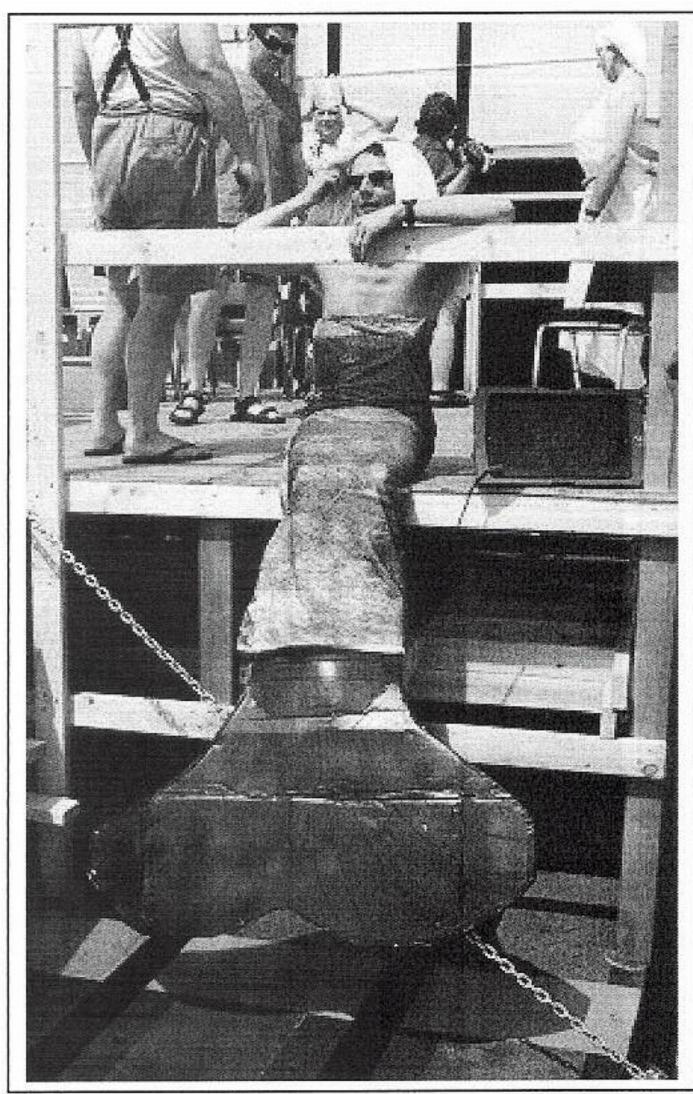


"... and they said smoking would Stunt your growth."



One, two, three TONS of mermaid!





There's something Fishy here.

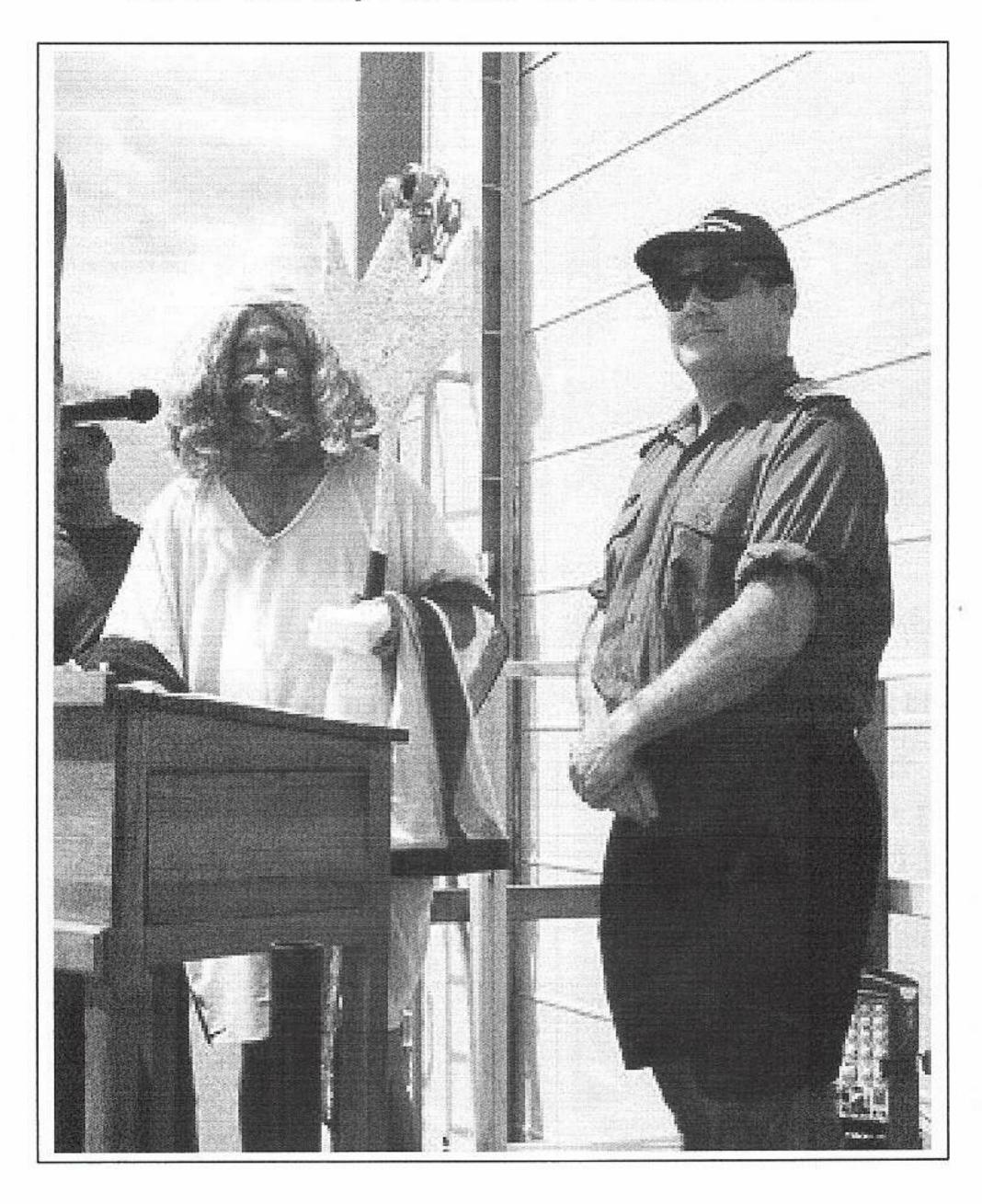


"We'll give you a REAL close shave!"

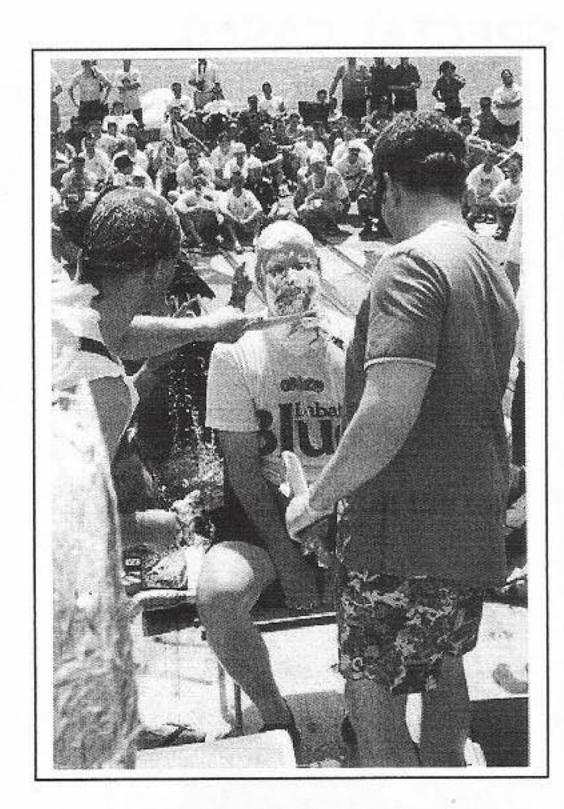


Oh Baby, Oh Baby, Oh!

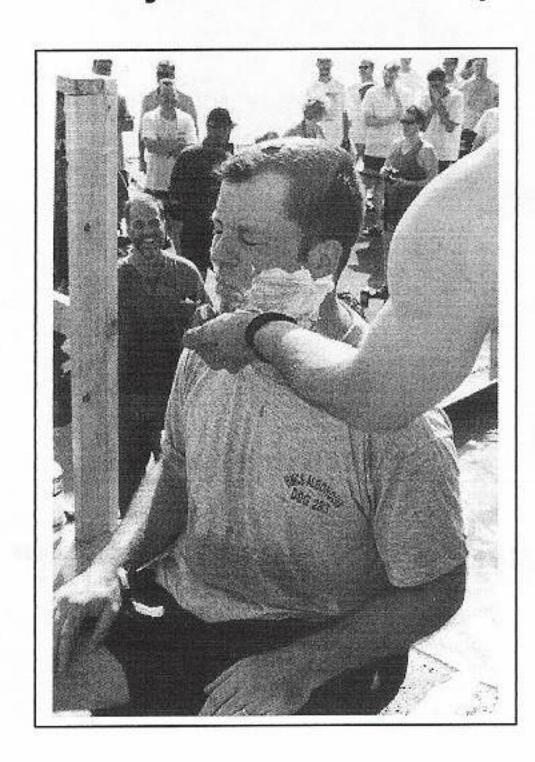
AND NOW, A FEW SPECIAL CASES



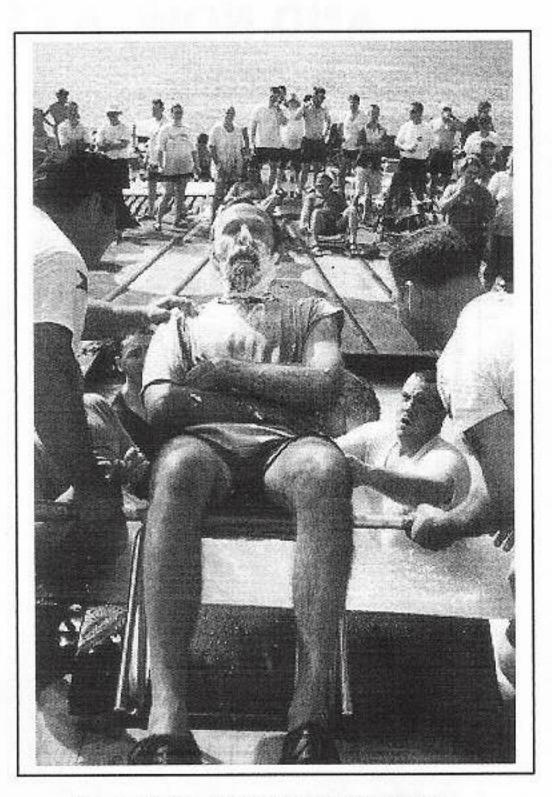
"You are hereby BANISHED to the last in line!"



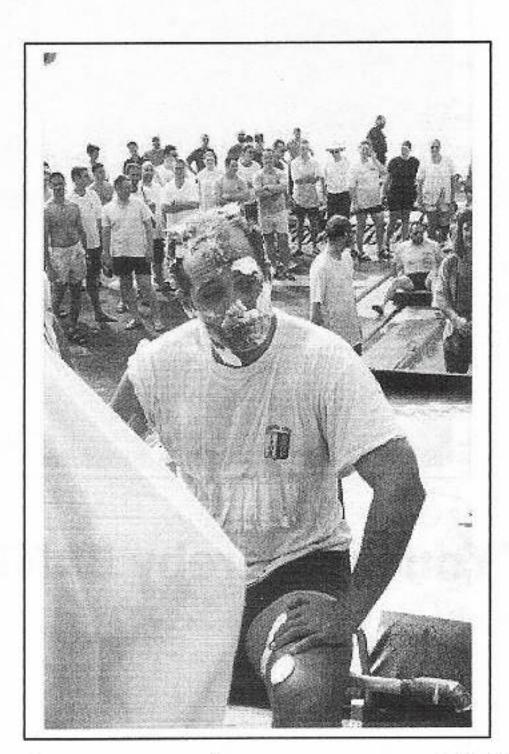
"I said just a LITTLE off the top!"



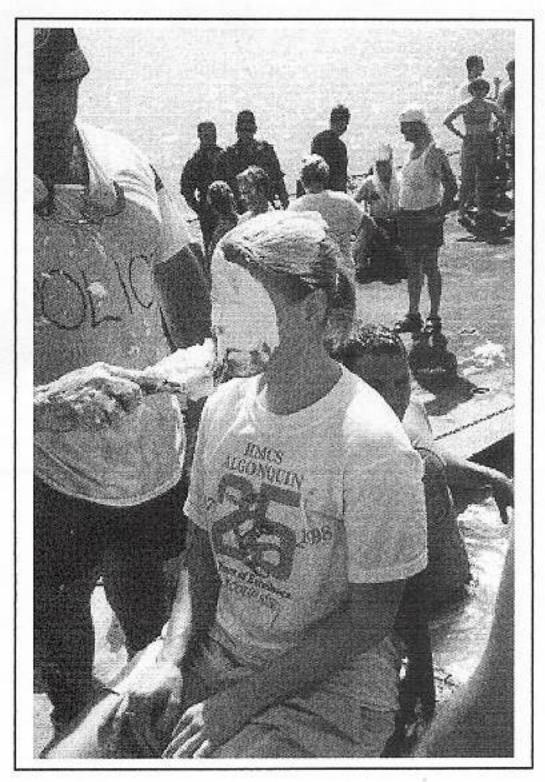
I think I'm gonna die



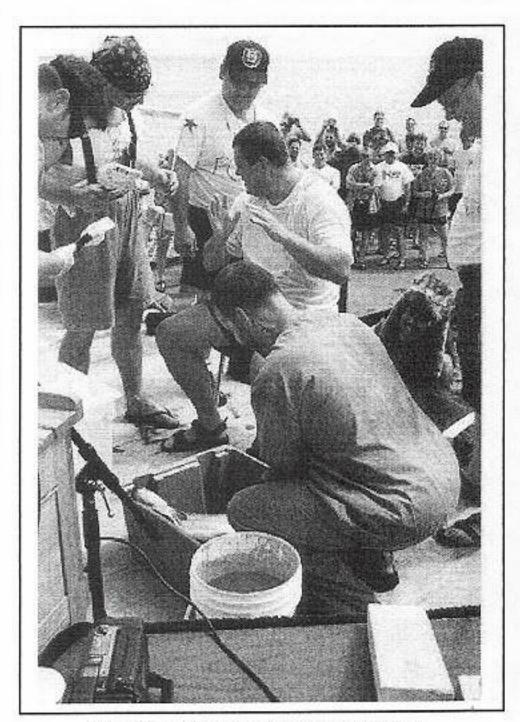
Even the Learned must go



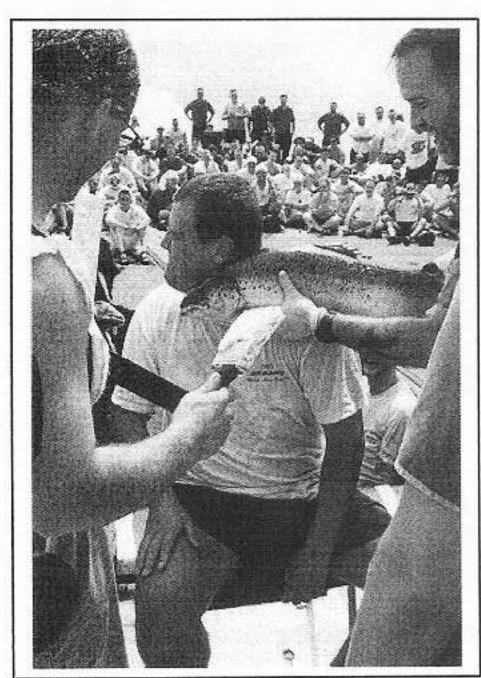
Our turn to give you some medicine, Doc!



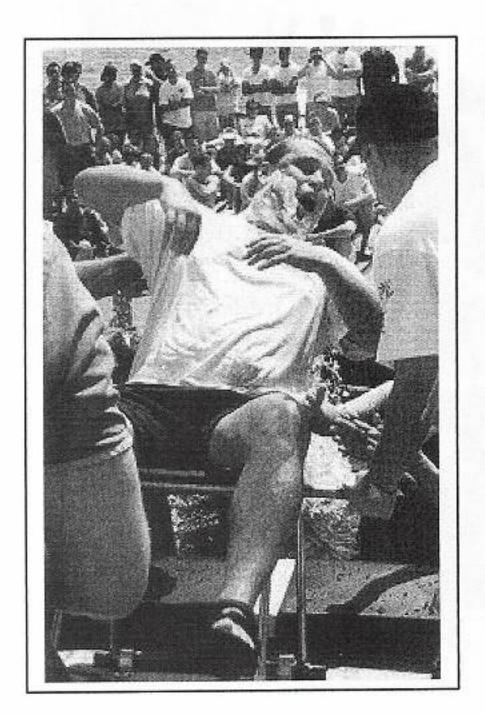
"Really, is this good for the complexion?



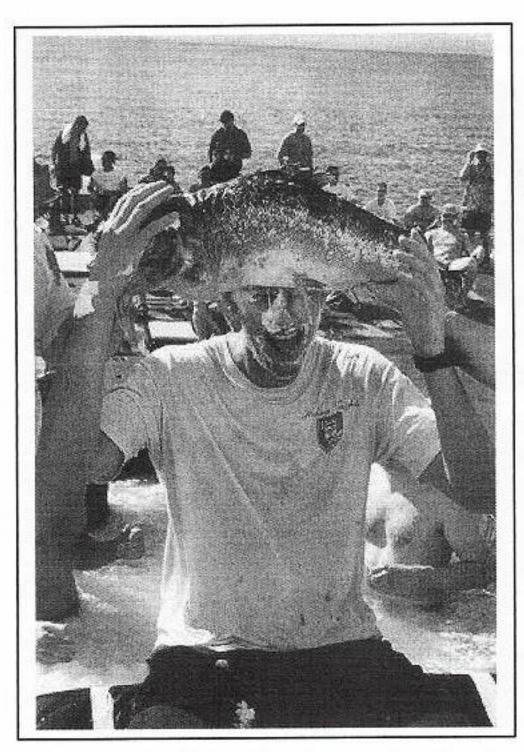
In the face of adversity



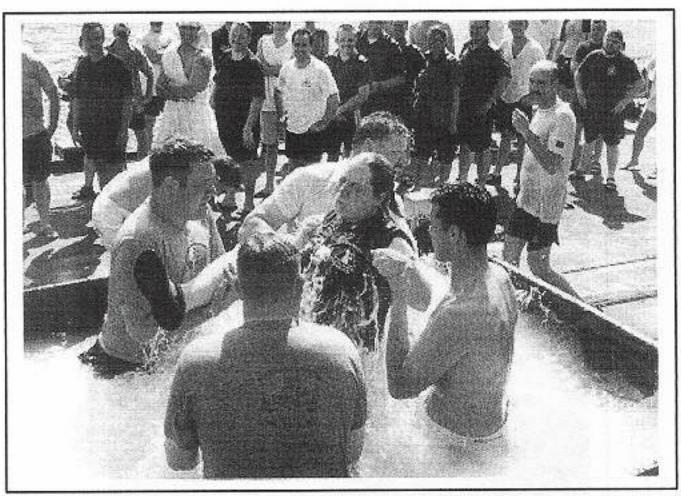
Charming smell



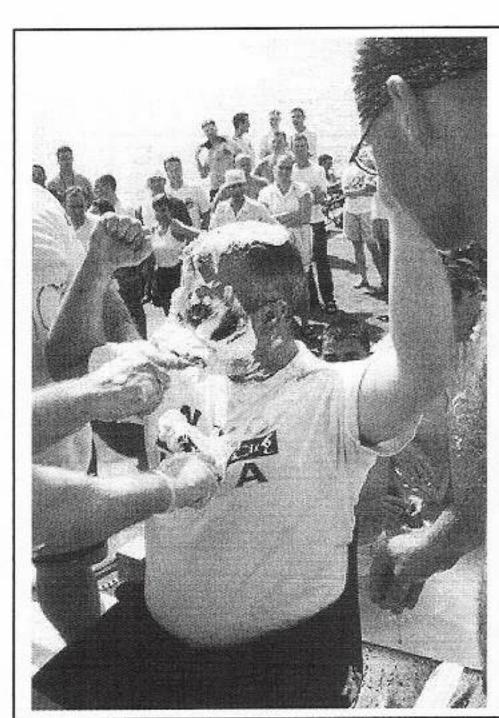
You were told not to lean back



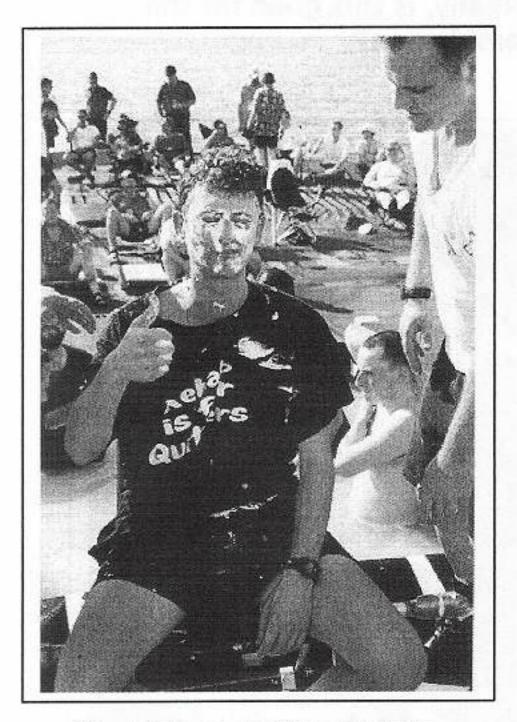
Hey look, It fits!



Look who we found at the bottom



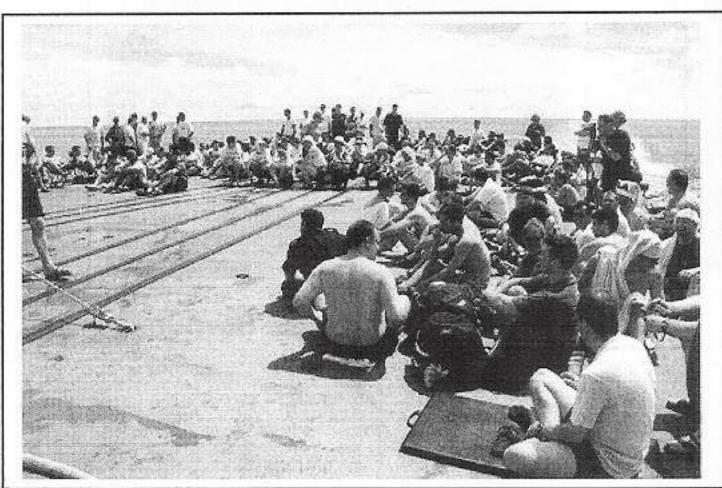
Shave the Budda



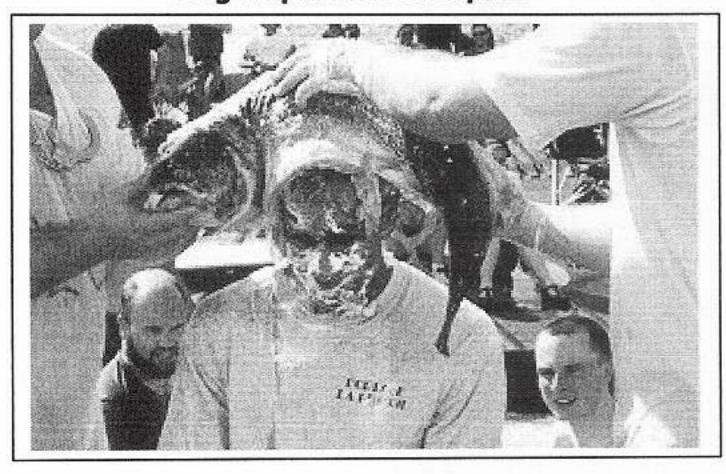
Ok, let's go before I puke



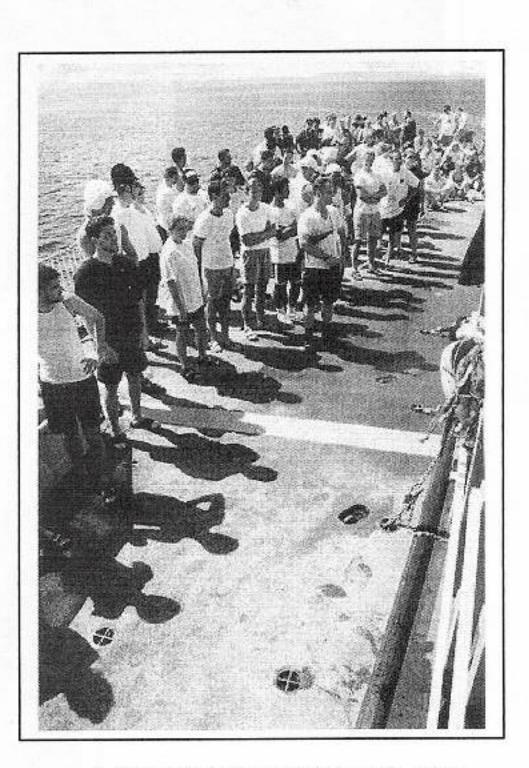
The TLA awaiting trial



King Neptune's Groupies

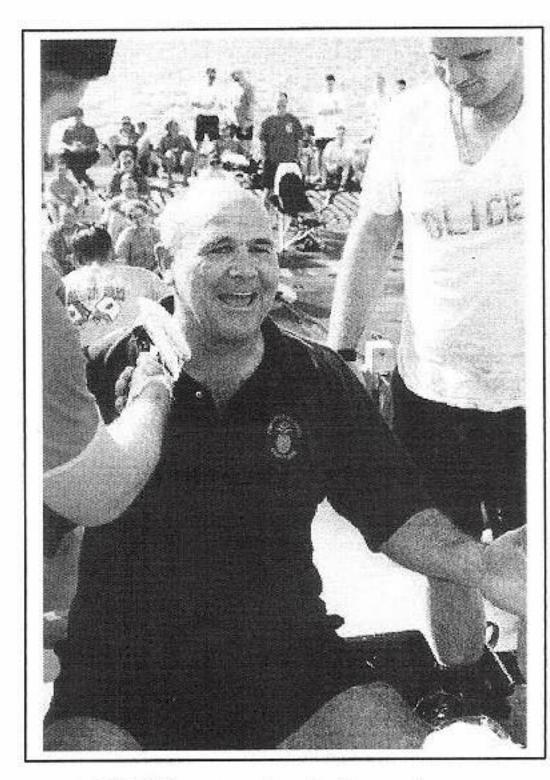


Mom said that there'd be days like this

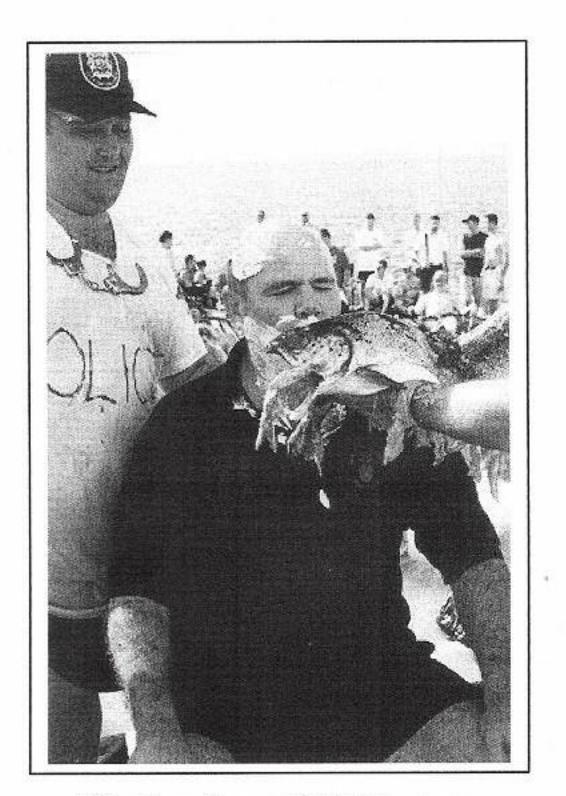


A Shellback said we'd get our just deserts at the end of this line

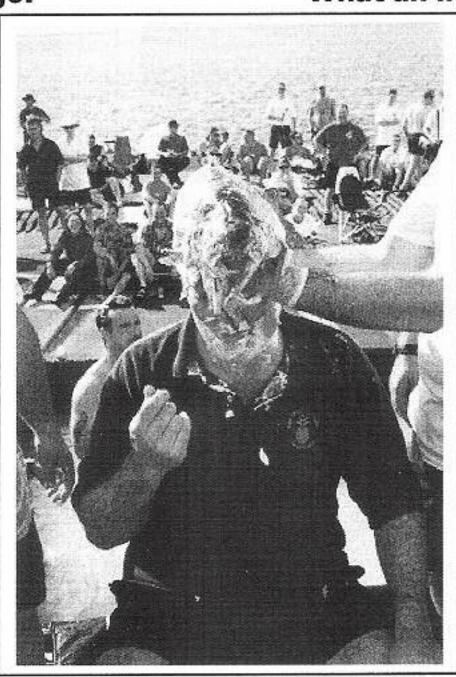
Welcome Back, Sir!



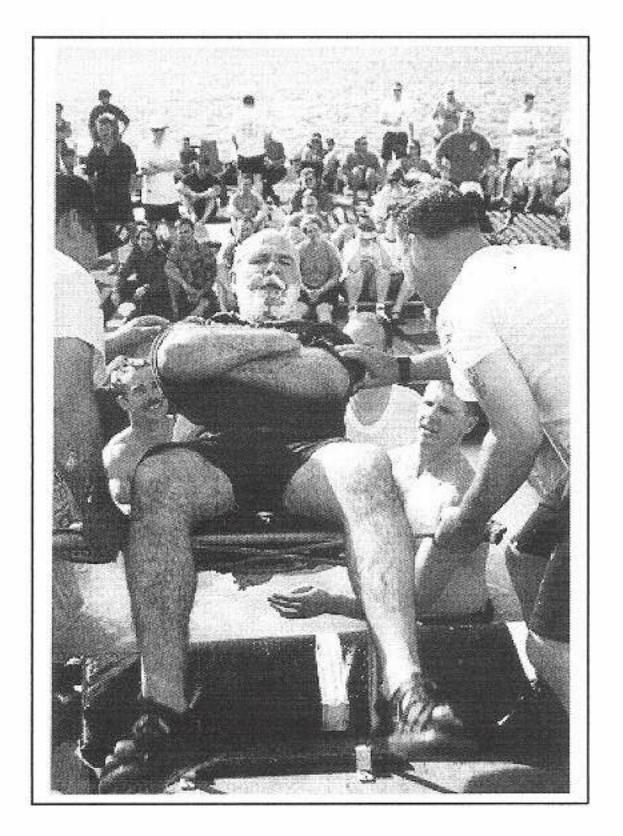
Ok! I'm ready, Lets go!



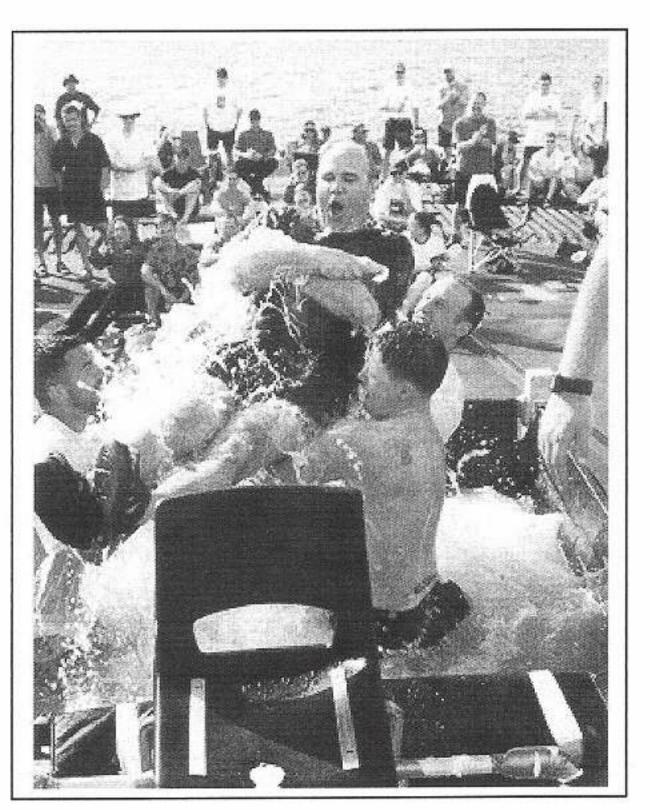
What an incredible flavour



Nice hat, are the hanging bits extra?



Up and over



...and the annual body surfing award goes to...

In the end...

RESISTANCE IS FUTILE!

