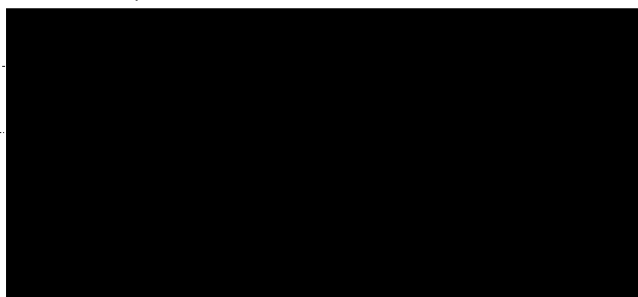


MR P. DAIVSON



30.7.08

Dear Sir

This is a true and factual account of a letter and photograph I sent to John Penryman, Naval History Branch just before he left on the Search Vessel to locate H.M.A.S. SYDNEY II as I mentioned in a earlier letter to the Inquiry, when I went over Detmers Book and found he told of "OSTRIARK" being still on the stocks while "KORMORAN" was being finished and that he said Sister Ship it was a great clue to follow.

I decided to get help from a man who spent over forty-five years at sea and a great friend to me over some years. Some months before this our dying daughter bought me a computer and printer as she followed my research closely, and told me not to need for the money!

My friend was giving me lessons and as he knew many ship web sites I asked him to help me search for "OSTMARK" we spent some time and found to our delight two photos of her as "SKALY GUM" one of which I sent to Mr Perryman possibly a 6x4 glossy picture her starboard side alongside a berth and showing her portside with the features

one maintained as typical German.

Some days later Perryman rang me to discuss how the so called fogged plating gave this effect. I told him the Germans rolled the edge of the plates to form two ridges of and I think it was done for strength. Per Pulwankes on the fore-castle had been lengthened to ride the two six-inch guns.

He told me after the search. He had discussed the matter with Dr Mearns & Reliance the Inquiry may now have this photograph. The problem for Mr Perryman is he doesn't know how this photograph came about or which website it



came from  
"A Russian proverb"  
Be careful of the hole  
you dig for someone, you  
might fall into it yourself  
As a loving family  
we will welcome our loss  
will Mr Perryman overcome  
his loss!

Yours faithfully

Peter Dawson

God be my witness