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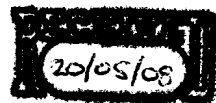
Sir,

I was a schoolboy living in England during WWII and I can remember similar disasters to Royal Navy ships (Hood ^{remember} Prince of Wales and Repulse) I can also, hearing at the time of the inadequacies in equipment - fleet air arm planes, spitfire carburetors, armour of tanks, lack of penetration of anti tank guns, belt action rifles etc etc.

I would like to raise the question of whether HMAS Sydney II had adequate equipment.

The discussion of this point could have positive results for present and future armed forces personnel in that the conflict of positive criticism and patriotism could be recognised and codified into an accepted culture.

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