

The Secretary  
 HMAS SYDNEY II  
 Commission of Inquiry  
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#### LEAVE TO APPEAR BEFORE THE INQUIRY

We seek leave to appear before the Inquiry by tendering into evidence the results of the research we have conducted.

Stanley Lee DAVIS, born 13 November 1941


- son of Leading Seaman Stanley Roy DAVIS, Official Number 20732
- news of the birth being the subject of the last signal sent to HMAS *Sydney* on 14 November 1941
- retired Electrical Maintenance Engineer

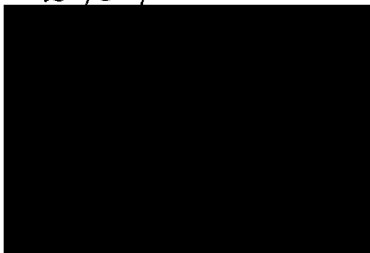
Neil Hemming COATES

- ex Petty Officer Instructor, Navy League Australian Sea Cadet Corps, by Australian Commonwealth Naval Board warrant (now Australian Navy Cadets)
- Pulled and sailed naval pattern Whalers and Island class dinghies
- Owned and operated 28 ft gig and 36 ft motor pinnace of the types carried aboard HMAS *Sydney*
- ex Technician, Electronic, Royal Australian Corps of Signals, operation and maintenance of HF radio and static communications centre equipment
- Research into the history of hydrographic surveys in Australia, particularly Tasmania and into the history of the practice of navigation
- Retired Telecommunications Engineer

A precis of the results of research in the following areas are submitted in evidence; a full and referenced document will be tendered if warranted.

We hope that the attached submission will be relevant and of use to the Commission.

  
 26/05/2008



Neil Coates  
 26 May 2008

