



H.M.S.

TROUBRIDGE

Commissioning Booklet

THE sea has formed the
English character, and the
essential England is to be found
in those who follow it. . . .

The sea endures no makeshifts.
If a thing is not exactly right,
it will be vastly wrong.

John Buchan (1875-1940)
Naval Episodes

Foreword

BY THE CAPTAIN

Commander N. J. S. HUNT, m.v.o., Royal Navy

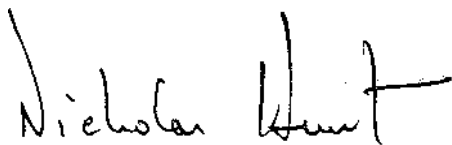
Welcome to *TROUBRIDGE*

We are all due to commission H.M.S. *TROUBRIDGE* at 1100 on Thursday 7th September, 1964.

This booklet is intended to give you, your family and friends, some idea of the ship.

For the first part of our commission we expect to be operating mainly in the Mediterranean and must be ready for any emergency. There are possibilities of visits to North Africa, The Middle East and Southern Europe.

Later in the year we can expect to be nearer the United Kingdom for the home leg of our General Service Commission.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Nicholas Hunt". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly stylized font. The first name "Nicholas" is written in a more formal cursive, while "Hunt" is written more quickly and fluidly, with a long horizontal stroke extending from the end of the word.

COMMANDER

Some background history

H.M.S. *TROUBRIDGE* is named after Admiral Sir Thomas Troubridge (1758-1807) who was a contemporary of Nelson. He became a famous fighting Admiral and gained renown when in the battle of Cape St Vincent in 1797 he joined Nelson in attacking the Spanish ship *San-tissima Trinidad*, the largest ship in the world. Nelson said of him that he was 'the very best Sea-officer in His Majesty's Service'.

At the battle of the Nile he went aground in the *Culloden*, and here he also witnessed the sinking of the French ship *L'Orient* which was filled with treasures looted by Napoleon from the Knights of St John at Malta.

He spent some time in Malta and was concerned with the relief of starvation in the Maltese countryside. 'I am not very tender hearted,' he wrote, 'but really the distress here would even move a Neapolitan.'

Troubridge became Commander-in-Chief East Indies, finally losing his life when his ship was sunk in a cyclone off Madagascar.

We have a portrait of him presented by Lord and Lady Hailes in 1961.

There has been one previous *TROUBRIDGE*— (1804-1808) a ship of 16 guns. She was in action against the French, and against privateers in the Napoleonic Wars.

The present *TROUBRIDGE* served in the Mediterranean where she took part in the invasion of the South of France in August 1944, and with the British Pacific Fleet. She was present at the Japanese surrender in Tokyo Bay.

From then she has spent much of her time on the America and West Indies Station. Converted to a type XV Frigate in 1956 she has since undergone further extensive refits.

AMENITIES

Canteen

Times of opening are displayed on the door.

Laundry

We have a laundry – details are given in the Ship's Orders.

Library

The Ship's Library is in the CM(E)'s Office.

DANGER

Life and limb will be endangered if you:

- (a) Step inside the red circle around the 4-in or Bofors mountings.
Climb the Director Ladders without permission.
Walk under the mortar barrels.
(They may all train without warning.)
- (b) Go aloft without permission of the O.O.W.
- (c) Smoke in a fuel or ammunition danger area.
- (d) Lean on the guardrails.

ENTERTAINMENTS

The Entertainments Officer (Instructor Lieutenant Hawkins) is responsible for all forms of entertainment. He will welcome any ideas.
S.R.E.

Details of programmes can be found in the Ship's Orders. If you have any suggestions see the Operator.

Tombola

Times of playing will be promulgated in the Daily Orders.

Cinema

Midshipman Clarke runs the films. He will welcome any suggestions.

FIRE

If you find a fire, you must at once:

Try to put it out;

Shout for help;

Telephone the QM in harbour or the Officer of the Watch at sea.

FAMILIES DAYS

We hope to be able to take our families and friends to sea for the day from time to time during the commission.

KEYS

Your department holds all your keys. Return them to the Departmental Keyboard as soon as you have finished with them. The Magazine and Important Keyboard is in the charge of the Officer of the Day or Officer of the Watch.

LIFERAFTS

A number of 20-man liferafts with survival packs are situated around the upper deck. On being released they automatically inflate. Everyone will be instructed in their use, and instructions will also be found in each raft.

MEDICAL AND DENTAL

Urgent cases can be dealt with at any time. Fresh cases are examined each morning and cases requiring treatment are dealt with at times shown on the Sick Bay door.

ORDERS

Orders affecting everyone are:

ABCD Orders, Ship's Orders.

Departmental Orders include:

Communications
Electrical, and Weapons/Radio
Engineering
Gunnery
Navigation and Direction
Supply and Secretariat
Torpedo and Anti Submarine

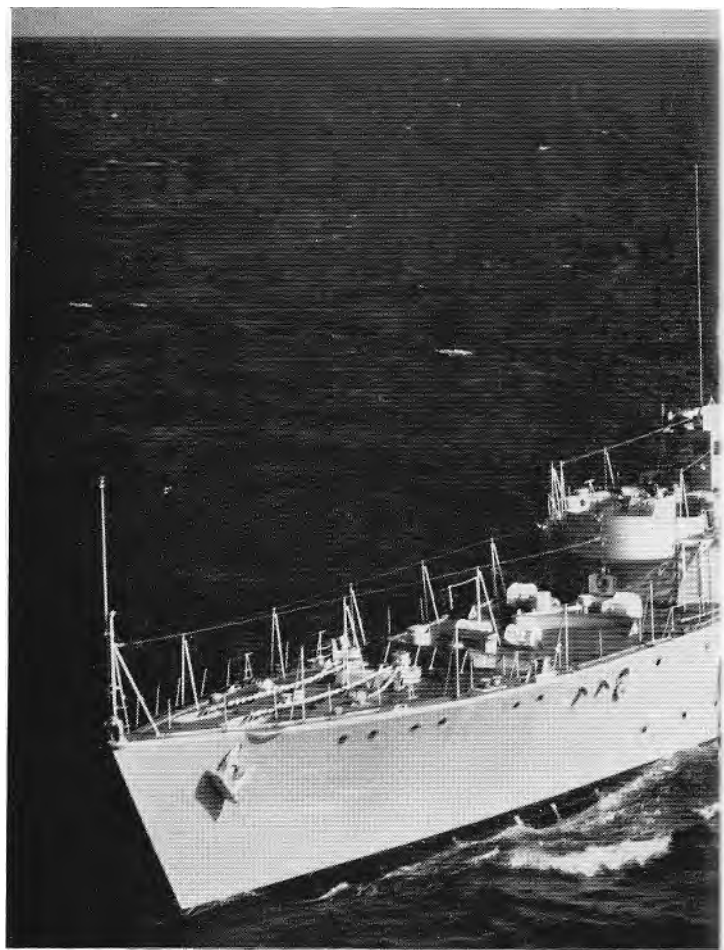
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Ship's Standing Orders

QUERIES

Your Divisional Officer will always be available if you wish to sort out a problem with him, and the Captain will be glad to see anyone privately, arrangements being made through the Divisional Petty Officer and Divisional Officer.

RECREATION

Lieutenant Allen is the Sports Officer. He will be assisted by the Sports Committee in which there will be a representative for each sport. We aim to play as often as possible and as many different sports as possible.





SQUADRON

We shall form part of the 27th Escort Squadron. The other ships will be:

<i>GALATEA</i> (Captain (D))	Captain R. F. Plugge, D.S.C.
<i>AGINCOURT</i>	Commander D. J. Hallifax
<i>CARYSFORT</i>	Commander G. M. F. Brewer

SMOKING

Smoking is normally allowed providing it does not hamper your work, but it is not allowed when it would be:

- (a) **Dangerous** – e.g. during refuelling or ammunitioning.
- (b) **Unhygienic** – e.g. in galleys or when storing.
- (c) **Out of place** – e.g. on duty or during ceremonial.

TRAINING CLASSES

The First Lieutenant is the Training Officer. We shall put much emphasis on training and advancement and everyone will be encouraged to get ahead as much as possible.

VISITORS

Visitors are welcome aboard providing a request has been granted and Security and Local Orders permit. The Captain will always be glad to meet families and friends.

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are required for the Welfare Committee, Sports Representatives, Tombola Committee, SRE Operators, Cinema Operators, Barber – names should be given to the Coxswain.

DAMAGE CONTROL

Know your ship, her equipment and the meanings of the ABCD markings.

SHIP'S OFFICERS

Commander N. J. S. Hunt, M.V.O.	Captain
Lieutenant Commander D. I. Barton	Second in Command and First Lieutenant
Lieutenant Commander B. J. Austin	Engineer Officer
A.M.I.Mar.E.	
Lieutenant A. L. Thorpe	Supply Officer
Lieutenant (SD) (TAS) G. C. Tindale	TAS Officer
Lieutenant D. H. Allen	Navigating Officer
Instructor Lieutenant R. E. Hawkins	Squadron Instructor Officer
Electrical Lieutenant P. B. Warner	Weapons/Radio Officer
Lieutenant J. M. Hines	Gunnery Officer
Sub Lieutenant J. McGrigor	Correspondence Officer
Midshipman R. J. Clarke	Under Training
Midshipman B. N. Harrison	Under Training
Midshipman H. A. Hussein	Under Training
Sudan Navy	
Midshipman J. L. P. Steinhausen	Under Training

COXSWAIN

C.P.O. R. Fretwell

COMMUNICATIONS

C.Y. Chambers, A.	R.O.2(T) Chinery, A.
R.S. Jordan, J. E.	R.O.3 Corney, T.
L.R.O.(T) Dain, D.	R.O.3 Crawford, J. A.
L.R.O.(G) Jones, D. J.	R.O.2(W) Eldridge, W.
L.R.O.(W) Laybourne, D. A.	R.O.2(G) Hussey, J.
J.R.O.1 Axford, D.	R.O.3 Jefferies, K. P.
R.O.2(G) Baker, I.	R.O.3 Lawrence, R.
R.O.3 Brennan, A. J.	R.O.3 Phillips, I.
R.O.2(W) Brook, R.	R.O.2(G), Simpson, T.
R.O.2(T) Carroll, N.	

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<p>Ch.El. Milstead, A. C.O.A. Partington, D. C.A.W. Robinson, A. R.El.Mch.1 Smart, P. O.A.1 Veal, P. J. C.E.A. Wallis, J. L. R.E.A.3 Marriot, P. C. P.O.El. Kent, D.F. P.O.El. Lancashire A. R.Mch. Lumb, R. A. O.A.2 Watts, J. M. L.E.M. Freeman, N. H. L.E.M. Jennings, G. L.E.M. Sullivan, R.</p>	<p>L.E.M. Wits, T. J. L.R.E.M. Fraser, E. C. L.R.E.M. Williams, T. J.E.M.1 Barton, G. E.M.2 Doey, W. F. J.R.E.M.1 Girtchen, E. J. R.E.M. Milne, A. V. E.M.1 Preedy, A. R.E.M.2 Robinson, K. R.E.M.1 Ryan, M. T. J.E.M.1 Smith, D. J.E.M.1 Andrews, J. J.R.E.M. Vickers K. E.M.1 Welsh, W. H.</p>
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SEAMEN

C.P.O. Fretwell, R.	A.B. Sandham, A. c. c. F. J.
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A.B. Grimley, E.	J.Sea. Glover, R.
A.B. Holloway, R.	J.Sea. Hetterley, J. R.
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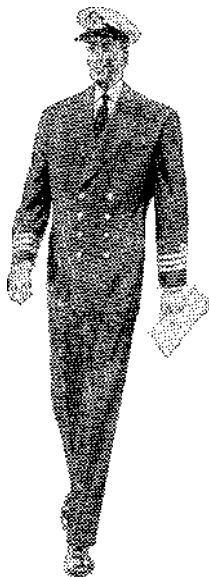
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