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Members of the Crew



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Dues

Membership dues in the amount of \$25 are now past due for 2022 (1 Jan. through 31 Dec.).

See Dues Expiration Note below.

Please mail your dues to:

**USS Canberra Reunion Association, Ltd.
c/o Bob Tylinski
5117 E. 70th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46220**

Please make your check out to:

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Dues Expiration Note

Please check the Address label on the newsletter.

If there is an **** before your first name, your dues are not up to date according to our records (dues not received as of 08/15/2022).

If you feel there is an error as to when your dues expired, **please contact our Sec/Treas, Bob Tylinski**, at 317-257-4551 or at the address listed above, or you can contact Ken Minick at the address, phone number or e-mail address listed in the Masthead of the Newsletter at the top of this page.

Please be advised that this will be your last copy of our Newsletter if your dues remain unpaid.

2023 Reunion

As the Fall 2022 Newsletter went to press, we had begun working on setting up a reunion for 2023.

Hopefully, we will have more information for you in the Winter Newsletter.

Agent Orange

The note below was received from USS Canberra Shipmate Terry Albright via email.

I suspect that most crew members are aware that the Canberra's deck logs for the second tour of VietNam in 1966, as well as in 1967, grants crew members "Presumption of Exposure" to Agent Orange. I was aboard for both of those WestPac's and I have 100% disability from the VA, **all service connected**. These illnesses started about 34 years after my time in VietNam and were treated and recorded by my private doctors. The VA ruled that these ailments were "more likely than not caused by exposure to agent orange". They range from diabetes 2, coronary artery disease, periphery neuropathy, prostate cancer, etc. The "Presumption of Exposure" is the key as everything falls in to place once you have that. Contact me at Terrymalbright@gmail.com if you have any questions.

If you've been having trouble getting VA approval, contact Terry, he may be able to help you with it.

Found Shipmate

This **USS Canberra Shipmate** was found since the Summer 2022 Newsletter was published.

See the "Agent Orange" Article above!

<u>Shipmate</u>	<u>Ship</u>	<u>Div</u>	<u>Aboard</u>
Albright, Terry M.	CAG-2	OI	1966-68

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LCS-30 Arrives at its Home Port

The Independence-Variant Littoral Combat Ship Pre-Commissioning Unit Canberra (LCS-30) arrived at Naval Base San Diego on June 22 after completing the ship's maiden voyage from AUSTAL USA shipyard in Mobile, Alabama. The Canberra (LCS-30) departed AUSTAL USA shipyard on Friday, May 27th. Prior to her homeport arrival, Canberra underwent testing, trials and certifications. The crew navigated through several ports across the Caribbean and Latin America, including a transit through the Panama Canal.



USS Canberra (LCS-30)
Arrives at her Homeport
of San Diego, CA

Request from Author

This request was received from Mr. Marc Leepson

I would like to hear from USS Canberra sailors who were aboard in April 1967 when SA Doug Hegdahl went missing for a book I am writing for Stackpole Books on Hegdahl's Vietnam War POW story.

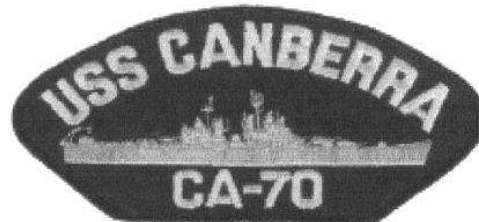
I am a Vietnam War U.S. Army veteran and the author of nine published books, including The Ballad of the Green Beret: The Life and Wars of Army Sgt. Barry Sadler and the Webster's New World Dictionary of the Vietnam War.

Please email me at marcleepson@gmail.com or call 540-687-4131.

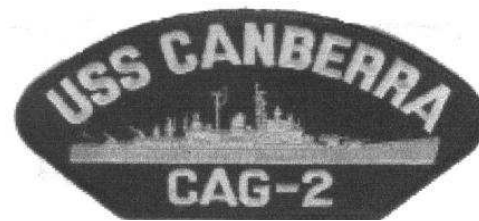
More info at <https://marcleepson.com>

Canberra Association Officer's Passing

It is with deep sadness that we report the passing of our Marine Corps Liaison Member, Leonard "Ski" Kucharski
Ski passed on the 11th of August 2022.



Ship's Silhouet Hats



We have Ship's Silhouette Hats in stock. The cost for a hat will be \$22.00 including priority mail postage. If ordering more than one hat, contact Ken for costs as postage is less for each additional hat. Both the CAG-2 and CA-70 version hats are available in Navy Blue, Summer White or Scarlet. If you are interested in purchasing one or more of these hats, you can contact Ken via mail, e-mail or telephone.

The Supreme Commander

Following are names of **USS Canberra Shipmates** that have met the **Supreme Commander**.

<u>Shipmate</u>	<u>Ship</u>	<u>Div</u>	<u>Aboard</u>	<u>Died</u>
White, Leland E.	CA-70	8th	43-46	2022
Horn, Delbert L.	CAG-2	A	59-61	2005
Trost, James A.	CAG-2	OE	63-65	2006
Labonte, Armond J.	CAG-2	6th	64-67	2007
Danals, Dick A.	G2/70	OE	68-69	2009
Bernard, Walter	CAG-2	R	63-66	2010
Brown, Lawrence M.	CAG-2	Flag	1960	2010
Sheppard, Robert L.	CAG-2	8th	57-60	2011
Shytle, Larry D.	CAG-2	8th	56-58	2011
Dohman, John V.	CAG-2	5th	60-62	2012
Robinson, Arthur H.	CAG-2	X	59-60	2013
Williams, Harold T.	CAG-2	A	57-58	2013
Wilson, James L.	CAG-2	OS	62-63	2014
Adams, Charles E.	CAG-2	S-2	60-63	2015
Heise, Ronald K.	CAG-2	Deck	61-62	2015
Herberts, William F.	CAG-2	5th	1960	2015
McCormick, Mack H.	G2/70	FM	65-69	2015
Del Vecchio, Dennis J.	CAG-2	Deck	1968	2016
Sides, Andrew B.	CAG-2	4th	63-67	2016
Supry, William F.	CAG-2	OS	60-61	2016
Webb, Clyde A.	CAG-2	3rd	64-67	2016
Boudreaux, Alcide T.	CAG-2	M	59-62	2017
Brown, Garry R.	CAG-2	H	66-68	2017
Hart, Thomas J.	CAG-2	X	66-67	2017
Bethel, Robert G.	CAG-2	OR/OS	61-64	2018
Cady, Leonard J.	CAG-2		64-66	2018
Hardin, Joseph B.	G2/70			2019
Siercks, John W.	CAG-2	E	61-63	2019
Beverly, Byron E., Jr.	G2/70	E	67-69	2020
Young, John L.	CAG-2	R	63-64	2020
Anderson, Dan C	CAG-2	OS		2021
Dorsey, Howard A.	G2/70	6th	65-69	2021
Harris, Joe H.	CAG-2	S	66-67	2021
Armijo, Theodore H.	CAG-2	3rd	66-69	2022
Axthelm, Charles E.	CAG-2			2022
Broadway, Bennett	CAG-2	B	63-67	2022
DeMeyer, Ronald N.	CAG-2	FG	61-62	2022
Eikenberry, Terry L.	CAG-2	9th	61-63	2022
Gowenlock, Curtis W.	CAG-2	OR		2022
Hutson, Joseph C.	CAG-2	M	60-63	2022
Monahan, Thomas J.	CAG-2	A	59-63	2022
Nunemaker, Robert W.	CAG-2	X	56-57	2022
Patterson, Michael A.	CAG-2	S-1	59-62	2022
Soos, Donald S.	CAG-2	Flag	1960	2022
Trost, Richard D.	CAG-2	E	64-66	2022
Vashaw, Patrick J.	CAG-2	OI/E	62	2022
Victorine, Ronald J.	CAG-2	X	62-63	2022
Kucharski, Leonard J.	CAG-2	9th	57-58	2022

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