

VISIT BY GOVERNOR AND LADY RAMSAY

The Society welcomed its Patron, the Governor of Queensland, Sir James Ramsay, and Lady Ramsay to the Annual Meeting at Newstead on 27 September 1979.

His Excellency, as well as being a keen historian, is a distinguished naval man, and it was fitting that the Presidential address prepared this year by Commander Norman S. Pixley was based on the work of Vice-Admiral Sir William Rooke Creswell in the building of the Royal Australian Navy.

Moving a vote of thanks to the President for its delivery, His Excellency said the subject of the Address was one very close to his heart. Vice Admiral Creswell, though retired, was still alive when he, Sir James, joined the Naval College in 1930. At a later stage in his own career, His Excellency added, he had a hand in saying that the Naval College should be renamed H.M.A.S. Creswell in the Admiral's honour when it was re-sited at Jervis Bay.

Captain J. Snow, Captain of H.M.A.S. Creswell, came to Brisbane specially for the meeting, which was attended also by Captain W. Owen, Naval Officer Commanding, Queensland.

As the Society's year for the inclusion of items in this Journal closed in August, Commander Pixley's address on the work of Sir William Creswell it being held for featuring in the 1980 edition.