

*A Message
from the
Flag Officer
Pacific Coast*



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More than five thousand officers and men of the Pacific Command of the Royal Canadian Navy join me in extending to you a most cordial invitation to attend and participate in the Annual Navy Day celebrations to be held in Victoria's Beacon Hill Park on Wednesday, 15th August, 1956.

Navy Day provides another opportunity for the Navy and the Community to renew and strengthen the bonds of friendship and co-operation which have been enjoyed here for more than a century. While today's training requirements keep ships of the Pacific Fleet at sea for a great part of the year, Navy Day is one time when they will be in their home port. Officers and men of the seagoing ships and their shipmates ashore welcome this opportunity to show you at first hand the high standards required for the operation and maintenance of modern men-of-war.

I sincerely hope that every citizen will, on Navy Day, learn more about the Royal Canadian Navy and become better acquainted with its men and its role in Canada's defence.



Be it known to all worthy Citizens that Wednesday, 15 August, 1956 is hereby decreed as Navy Day in Victoria, B. C.

These, my worthy servants of the Royal Canadian Navy, who sail proudly upon the broad seas of my Kingdom will, upon this occasion, show unto you their power and ability in their honourable profession of the Sea.

Be it therefore known by all these presents, that you are welcomed into this worthy and noble band of mariners and it is the hope of my ancient and venerated court, this Navy Day of 1956 will be an occasion for long remembering the power that is Sea Power and how it influences your lives.

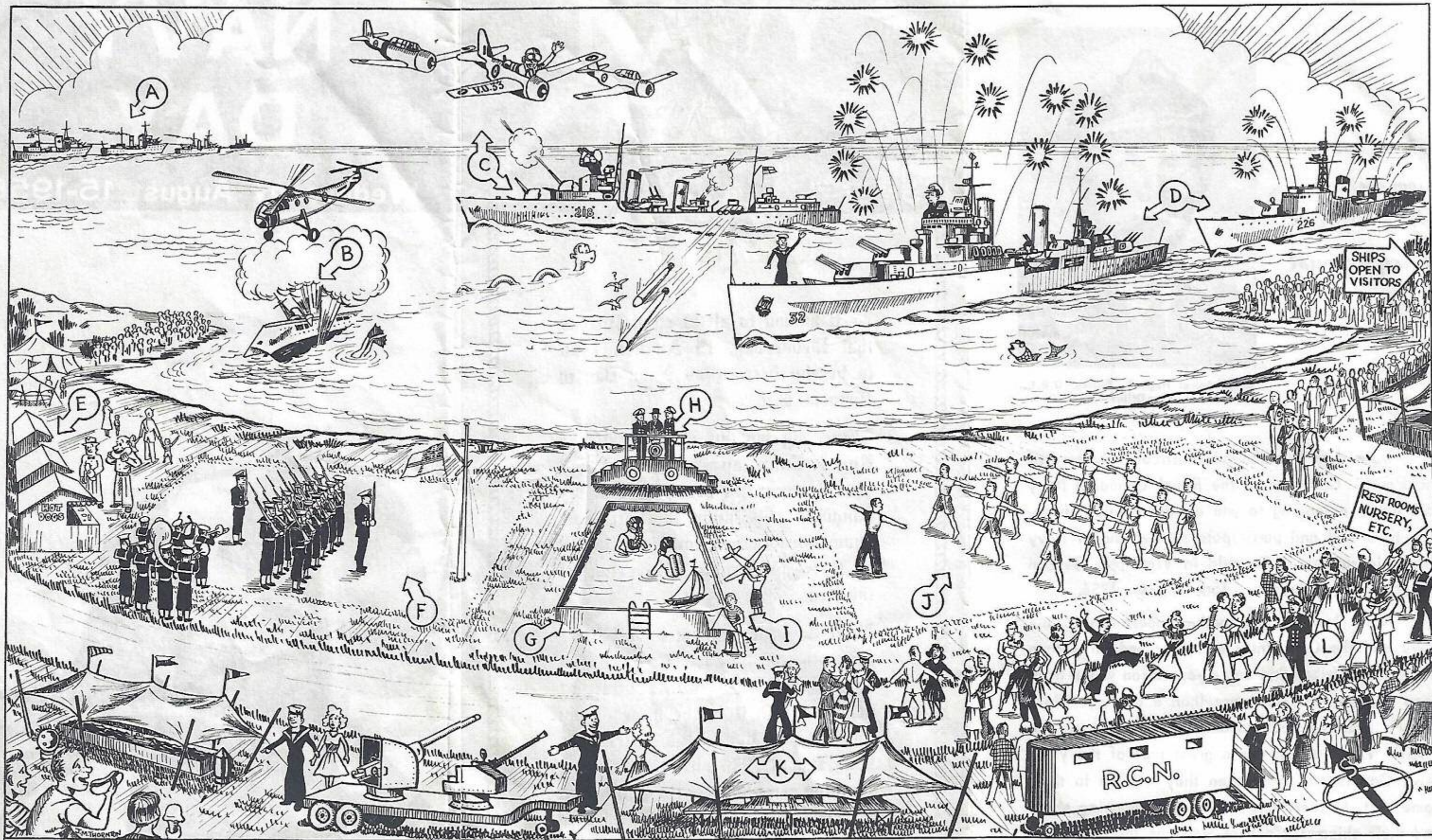


**ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY
PACIFIC COMMAND**

VICTORIA, B.C.

**NAVY
DAY**

Wednesday August 15-1956



PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

- 10:00 a.m. R.C.N. Parade commences from corner Pendray and Belleville Streets and proceeds to Government Street (Saluting base in front of Empress Hotel) to Yates to Douglas to Figgard to Blanshard to Yates to Douglas and proceeds out Douglas to Beacon Hill Park.
- 11:30 a.m. (K) Parade disperses and floats join R.C.N. static displays.
- 11:30 a.m. (A) H.M.C. Ships sail from Ogden Point Docks for two-hour Sailor-For-A-Day cruise.
- 2:30 p.m. (H) Opening ceremony at Beacon Hill Park.
- 2:45 p.m. (G) Crossing-The-Line ceremony - H.M.C.S. Ontario.
- 3:00 p.m. (J) Gymnastic display - H.M.C.S. Venture Cadets.
- 3:15 p.m. (C) Weapons display and torpedo firing off water front - H.M.C.S. Cayuga and VU 33 Squadron.

- 3:30 p.m. (B) Frogman display - demolition of a model ship.
- 4:00 p.m. High speed run by H.M.C.S. Cayuga co-ordinated with simulated rocket attack by naval aircraft.
- 4:15 p.m. (G) Frogman display in tank.
- 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. H.M.C. Ships Ontario and Crescent open to public at Ogden Point Docks; H.M.C. Ships Comox and Fortune open to public at C.P.S.S. Docks.
- 5:00 p.m. Band concert in exhibition area;
- 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. (I) Hobby contest display.
- 7:00 p.m. (B) Frogman display - demolition of model ship.
- 7:15 p.m. (C) Weapons display - H.M.C.S. Cayuga and VU 33 aircraft.
- 7:21 p.m. Torpedo firing - H.M.C.S. Cayuga.
- 7:45 p.m. (G) Crossing-The-Line ceremony in tank - H.M.C.S. Ontario.

- 8:00 p.m. High speed destroyer run co-ordinated with simulated rock attack by VU 33 aircraft.
- 8:30 p.m. (G) Frogman display in tank.
- 9:00 p.m. (F) R.C.N. Sunset Ceremony.
- 9:30 p.m. (D) Ship illumination and fireworks display by H.M.C. Ships Ontario and Crescent.
- 10:00 p.m. (L) Street Dance commences at Beacon Hill Park - R.C.N. Band.

ALL DAY FACILITIES and ATTRACTIONS

There will be refreshments available at Beacon Hill Park.

- Child nursery and diaper changing station.
- Playground for small children.
- Rest centre for parents.
- Children's special - a train ride to remember.
- Movies for children - continuous showing afternoon and evening.