

Original Website

Dedication to Lou Leboydre

Lou Leboydre created the first FESR Website, which was viewed by over 20,000 visitors. When creating the second FESR website, Lou's original design concept was reserved in honour of his memory.



Born: 25th April 1939 (Kalgoorlie WA) 1957

Telegraphist 1957-1963

HMA Ships Sydney, Melbourne, Vampire, Barcoo, Anzac and Diamantina.

HMA Depots: Cerberus, Harman and Leeuwin.

Service

Far East Strategic Reserve

Malay Emergency

Vietnam Borneo/Indonesian Confrontation

Awarded

Australian Service Medal 1945-1975

PNG Independence Medal 1975-1985

Brief History on changes up until January 2002

JANUARY 2002 - New Format Introduced to take the Association into the year 2002 and beyond: The FESR website has undergone another facelift in line with the upcoming changes to the Association's infrastructure. It is hoped the new design, a reworking of the last, will better facilitate members and visitors.

JANUARY 2002 - Temporary Webmaster Assigned: Due to technical difficulties this website will be maintained by Erica Witt over the next couple of months. Bob Bailey will resume his duties as Webmaster once these technical issues have been addressed. Please continue to forward all web enquires to mail will be collected as per usual and should be addressed to Erica until further notice is given. Postal enquires may still be addressed directly to Bob Bailey at 22 Cuthbert Street, Albany Creek Q 4122. All general enquires regarding the Association should be forwarded to Ken Sanders, FESR Secretary, PO Box 5510, Gold Coast MC, Q 4217. ph: [07] 5597 1735

SEPTEMBER 2001 - New Webmaster Assumes Role: The FESR would like to take this opportunity to thank outgoing Volunteer Webmaster Bob Witt for his commitment and continued editorial efforts during the past year. The FESR would also like to welcome incoming Volunteer Webmaster Bob Bailey. Bob will be

assuming responsibility for the site as at September 2001. On behalf of members and visitors we wish him well.

AUGUST 2001 - Follow-up: Appreciation is extended to Erica Witt who got the site up and running again; and to Bob Witt who inherited the role of Webmaster upon it's completion. The website has now been operational for sometime and feedback so far has been excellent. Most recent additions include the introduction of the Slops Page and Photo Gallery. In August 2001 the history pages were also redesigned for easy editing. This move was undertaken in an effort to assist the incoming Webmaster Bob Bailey who will be assuming the position from the retiring Webmaster. All in all, the site is progressing nicely and we are confident that the FESR Website will become a favourite web destination for many. To all who visit the FESR Website ... Thank You for making this site a success!

JULY 2001 – Overview: In 2001, the need for a new FESR Website arose. While the old site had served the Association well, the ability to maintain the site after the passing of it's master Lou Leboydre became increasingly difficult, although FESR Member Bob Bailey did an excellent job with the limited resources at hand. Unlike a new site which can be built from scratch, the FESR website had to built upon an existing foundation which already possessed a strong support contingent. The decision to retain much of Lou's original design concept was based not only on the high quality of his work but also on the fact that regular visitors were comfortable with the established design. Hence Lou's graphics were adopted and reworked into a similar but contemporary format. Major changes were made but these were undertaken in an effort to ensure that the new site was user friendly. All pages are now linked for easy navigation, all sub headings grouped and indexed for easy access, and a uniformed font system adopted for web compliance and general aesthetics. The project took many months to complete, with the new site totalling over 80 pages. All information from the old site was transferred to the new, collated, indexed and reformatted. New pages were also added to reflect the changes within the Association. One major addition was the inclusion of the 'history' pages. The history pages are dedicated to the major military campaigns covered by the FESR and beyond. The idea was to bring together various web resources to create comprehensive profiles for each campaign. It is anticipated that these pages will preserve the memory of such endeavours for future generations ~ lest we forget.