
Stained Glass Window at Crib Point HMAS Cerberus Flinders Naval Depot Anglican Chapel



Crib Point HMAS Cerberus Anglican Chapel N Class Destroyers (1)



Crib Point HMAS Cerberus Anglican Chapel N Class Destroyers (3)



Crib Point HMAS Cerberus Anglican Chapel N Class Destroyers (2)

Location

Crib Point, MORNINGTON PENINSULA SHIRE

Municipality

MORNINGTON PENINSULA SHIRE

Level of significance

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Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Heritage Study/Consultant

Vic War Heritage Inventory - Stained Glass Memorial Windows Study, Bronwyn Hughes, 2013;

Architect/Designer

Smyth, Dacre H D,

Hermes Number

196712

Property Number

Memorial Window References & Acknowledgements

Cumberland Argus, 8 October 1958, p.6.

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Memorial Window Subject

N Class Destroyers

Memorial Window Text

n/a

Memorial Window Inscription

Plaque: This window commemorating the "N" Class Destroyers which served in The Seventh Flotilla, R.A.N. in World War Two was dedicated 16th June 1992. The Fiftieth Anniversary of the Loss of the *Nestor* in the Mediterranean It was designed and crafted by Commodore Dacre Smyth AO RAN Rtd. who had served in HMAS *Norman*

Memorial Window Description & History

This, the centrallight of the three-light window, commemorated the N Class Destroyers of 'Seventh Destroyer Flotilla 1940-45'. The upper section holds the insignia of the five ships, HMAS *Napier*, HMAS *Nizam* (with a profile of the ship), HMAS *Norman*, HMAS *Nepal*, and HMAS *Nestor* flanked by flames and laurel wreaths to represent her loss in action on 16 June 1942. The badge of the N Class Destroyer Association 1939-1945, with a profile of an N Class ship encircled by a 'wreath' rope and 'Dedicated to the Glory of God' below.

The artist, Dacre Smyth (1923-2008), included verses of his own as a tribute to the destroyers. 'Salute the ocean greyhounds, The "N" Destroyers brave, Especially gallant 'Nestor', Deep in her watery grave. Their crews served King and country At home and overseas, Please cherish well their mem'ries, All ye who sail the seas.'

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