



# THE PENGUIN POST

HMS SCOTT'S NEWSLETTER FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILIES

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## Scott's Stars

As 2014 ended SCOTT's command team got together to decide which members of the ship's company had, through their efforts had gone above and beyond what is expected of them to get the ship ready for sea.

Senior Rate of the Winter Term was Petty

Officer Richie Faulkner (pictured right), who gave up his weekends to bring the ship's fire-fighting and damage control organisation up to readiness.



The Junior Rate of the term was the ship's camera-shy (hence the picture) medic Michelle Carter.

Being the only member of the medical branch onboard at the moment, Michelle has had to work many late nights to ensure her department passed the external fleet inspection visit.

Michelle once confided that her secret is

constantly re-writing her to-do-lists, maybe if the PP editor tried this the editions might go out in a timely manner?

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Very Shady Publication***

Any feedback, contributions and images are most welcome.

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## Refit Progress



SCOTT is complete once more; well, her hull is watertight at least. The welders from Appledore, Devon (where the ship was built) have now finished attaching the new rudder horn assembly to the hull.

The rudder blade was craned into place and now the contractors are attaching it to the steering gear. Once the work on the rudder is complete, that will be the green light to flood up the dock returning the ship to her natural environment.

Internally the tiled decks are gradually being replaced with a high-gloss low-maintenance epoxy deck covering.

The focus is now shifting from installation and repair, towards "setting to work" the various systems that a ship of SCOTT's size needs to function. For instance, before the SCOTT's specialised sonar suite can fully powered up, the air conditioning needs to be functioning correctly to prevent overheating that damages the computer equipment.



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## Christmas Cheer

There are some traditions that just shouldn't be messed with and the Armed Forces Christmas lunch is one of them.

To show their appreciation for all the hard work put in over the year the officers of the wardroom (*naval officers mess*) prepare, under supervision, and serve the Christmas lunch to the rest of the ship's company.

It is a light hearted occasion, complete with the seemingly obligatory fancy dress, dodgy jumpers, high jinks with a sprinkle of, wait for it, Christmas Cheer



## Penguin Love

Leading Communications and Information Systems Specialist seeks a soul mate for cosy nights in.

A GOSH is essential, as needs to be tolerant of many hours he spends in a darkened radio shack, muttering about a "precious." Needs to have a soft spot for the consequential patchy excuse of a beard and the crazed look of someone who hasn't slept for a week. Possibly also deluded, as he keeps referring to himself as the "*Heart breaker, love maker, dii administrator.*" Replies to = PO BOX hopeless case