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NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM ASC

ASC supports Navy Open Day



Above: HMAS Newcastle berthed at the Wharf down at Techport in Osborne. Right and below: ASC's air warfare destroyer and submarine models attracted a lot of attention during the Open Day.



After great success with our Inaugural Community Open Day in May this year, ASC again opened its doors to the public in September. This time there was an additional attraction - HMAS Newcastle. The Open Day formed part of Navy Week South Australia and ASC once again opened the gates to our

Shipyard to the public. More than 5000 people flocked to ASC to see behind the scenes of two of the most complex defence projects in Australia – maintenance of the Collins Class submarines and construction of the Hobart Class air warfare destroyers (AWDs). The capabilities of the submarines



and AWDs were on show and some of the massive blocks that will eventually make up the AWDs, were also on display. The best attraction by far though was the HMAS Newcastle and the Navy Band. ASC plans to make this an annual event with Navy.

Recruitment overdrive

ASC has recruited almost 400 employees between January and September this year. The bulk of these employees (just over 300) were recruited to work at ASC South (shipyard) on the Hobart Class air warfare destroyer (AWD) project. The new recruits were drawn from a talent pool within South Australia. ASC's General Manager for the AWD Project Paul Gay said each production worker brought on board brings the project a step closer to meeting ASC's recruitment targets and a step closer to delivering each AWD to our customer.

"We are not only recruiting in a tough skills market but also competing with the growing local resources sector for talent." ASC has rolled out a recruitment campaign focused on recruiting candidates with the right skills needed for the various stages of construction throughout the AWD project. ASC is looking to fill a further 200 production positions in this financial year.

Positions will be advertised and applications can be made directly through the ASC website.

First air warfare destroyer blocks arrive at ASC

The first block that will be used to construct the first air warfare destroyer (AWD) HMAS *Hobart* arrived at ASC on Monday, 15 August.

The keel Block 109 was built at BAE Systems in Williamstown, Victoria where the technical process to load the block on to a barge began on Tuesday, 9 August before setting sail on the Friday of the same week.

The block was successfully unloaded on Wednesday, 17 August without any incidents, in a controlled and calculated manner.

The block was removed from the barge and transported by the self propelled modular transfers to the pre-fit out facility where further

work on the block including blast and paint, fitting pipes, installing communications and electrical cables and fitting internal walls will be completed.

ASC Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer Streve Ludlam officer said ASC is excited by the first delivery of a block from an interstate shipyard.

"This is a significant milestone for the project. A team of people worked well into the night to successfully roll the block off the barge and into ASC's shipyard," he said.

"Special thanks must go to the ASC Site Team at BAE Systems, Toll Tug Crew, Toll Barge Crew, ASC Support Services and the ASC

Engineering team for making the transfer of Block 109 a success".

Two more blocks arrived from Williamstown in late September.

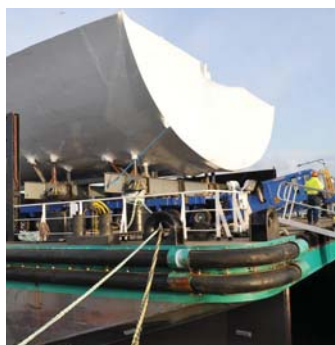
Construction of the AWDs involves 93 separate steel blocks being built at ASC, BAE Systems, Forgacs and Navantia.

About 70 blocks will be shipped to ASC over the next four years where they will be consolidated into three new warships. Over the next six months six blocks are expected to be delivered from Williamstown and Newcastle.

Construction has begun on all main blocks for the first ship and work has also begun on blocks for the second ship, HMAS *Brisbane*.



Block 109 ready to roll off the barge.



The team work hard to get everything just right.



Ready for the next phase.

ASC awarded for innovation

ASC was awarded the SA Engineering Australia Excellence Award for Innovation, Research and Development in September.

ASC received the award for the innovative 'in-situ generator repairs' on a Collins Class submarine conducted in 2009.

The repairs defied convention and resulted in a significant time and money saving for the Defence Materiel Organisation and Navy.

ASC will now compete for the national award to be announced in November.

ASC employees open their hearts

In the last quarter, ASC hosted several charities for gold coin collections and employees donated generously each time.

In May, a collection was held for Surf Life Saving SA. In total ASC raised \$1551.90.

The funds will go towards improving vital training and equipment to keep lifesavers qualified and equipped to save

lives.

On Friday, 8 July – a casual clothes day raised about \$1430

for Alyna and Friends – a charity set up to assist children with disabilities.

Also in July, ASC hosted SA Dog Rescue for collections. With the furry volunteers out the front of ASC North and ASC South in tow, employees donated \$1500 to assist the organisation.



Sophie from SA Dog Rescue.

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Briefly

Trades people: we're ready when you are!

ASC will recruit 250 people over the next two years in support of our air warfare destroyer construction program.

We are now recruiting the following permanent trade based roles:

- Welders;
- Boilermakers;
- Operators;
- Electricians
- Pipe fitters;
- Pipe welders; and
- Sheet metal workers.

ASC offers a range of benefits and programs including a nine day fortnight, brand new facilities, the provision of all tools and equipment and training opportunities.

To apply for these roles or any others, visit the careers section on ASC's website at www.asc.com.au

To enquire about the status of an application please contact our Human Resources team at careers@asc.com.au

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