# 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

**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 & amp; Acknowledgements

Cumberland Argus, 8 October 1958, p.6.

With thanks to HMAS Cerberus Museum curator Toni Munday

#### **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 & amp; 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.'

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online <a href="http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/">http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/</a>