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## A great day for fishing



## It's hard to find Fijians to promote, says PM

The Fiji Civil Service was "scratching" to find Fijians to promote, the Prime Minister, Ratu Sir Kamisese Mara, told the House of Representatives yesterday.

He was replying to complaints by Mr Sukiasi Butadroka (Fijian Nationalist Party) about promotions of Fijians.

Mr Butadroka said there were Fijians in the service who held degrees and had experience who could be considered for higher posts.

"But when the case of seniority and other things of that type are considered they fall to enter that bracket," Mr Butadroka said.

# SUN SMILES ON PRINCE

Princes Charles went on his second fish drive in Fiji yesterday.

But unlike the dismal, rain-sodden occasion near Leleuvia Island in 1970, yesterday's drive by 100 islanders in the Beqa Lagoon was a huge success.

The Prince and his shipmates from the Royal Navy frigate Jupiter plunged overboard from boats to help a chanting, yelling throng of islanders to herd hundreds of pounds of vividly coloured coral fish into a net.

The Deputy Prime Minister, Ratu Sir Penaia Ganilau, clad in goggles and swimming trunks, and Adi Lady Lala Mara, wife of the Prime Minister, joined in the action.

## CLAMBERED

Prince Charles, wearing a face mask, constantly ducked underwater to watch the fleeing fish as he helped to haul in the hundreds of yards of vine used to drive them in the direction of the net.

Scores of sailors from Jupiter jumped from their boats to lend a hand, and

then with Prince Charles clambered into one of Beqa's big punts to examine the catch after it had been dragged out of the lagoon.

The cheerful informality of the fish drive ended a seven-hour call at Beqa by Jupiter, in which the Prince serves as a radio officer.

## GUITARISTS

Earlier, at Rukua Village, home of the Beqa firewalkers, the formality of welcoming ceremonies quickly gave way to relaxation.

A squad of island guitarists struck up with some lunch-hour music in the vakatunulua (shelter).

Village girls quickly grabbed Prince Charles and hustled him around in the shuffling steps of the taralala.

Islanders were puzzled by the welcoming ceremonies, which were directed at Jupiter's captain, Commander John Gunning, and not

the Prince, who sat with him in the vakatunulua.

Their leaders explained to them that because the 2300-ton frigate's crew was being welcomed, Commander Gunning, as her senior officer, was correctly the person to whom the welcome should be addressed.

After the presentation of tabua, yagona, mats and food, and then meke by Beqa schoolchildren, Jupiter's crew, including Prince Charles, walked from the village to a nearby beach where Rukua men gave a firewalking demonstration.

## HALF CREW

Jupiter, which had sailed from Suva at 7am, dropped anchor in Beqa Lagoon, about half mile off the village at 9am.

About half the frigate's crew members went ashore with Prince Charles.

The British High Commissioner, Mr John

Williams, and his wife travelled to Beqa aboard Jupiter with Ratu Sir Penaia.

Adi Lady Lala went to the island earlier to help with welcoming arrangements.

Jupiter returned to Suva last night and is due to leave tomorrow for Apia, Western Samoa.

## PALM FRONDS

Australian Associated Press reported from NORFOLK ISLAND that the Queen had a picnic lunch with descendants of the Bounty mutineers under towering pine trees on Monday.

The Queen and members of her family sat with palm fronds at their feet eating a typical tropical island lunch while bronzed islanders and tourists in Hawaiian shirts sat under the giant trees enjoying beer and sandwiches.

Earlier, the Queen, the Duke of Edinburgh, Princess Anne, Captain Mark Phillips and Earl Mountbatten spoke with the oldest

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PRINCE Charles takes part in a fish drive off Dekulbeqa Village, Beqa, yesterday. With him are the British High Commissioner in Fiji, Mr John Williams (left), and Fiji's Deputy Prime Minister, Ratu Penaia Ganilau.

— Picture by STAN RITOVA

fairs. Ratu William Toganivalu, rejected Mr Butadroka's allegations.

He said Mr Butadroka should not enter the House and make untrue statements.

"He should not make statements that will poison or distort facts," Ratu William said. That could have far-reaching consequences in this country.

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# HMS JUPITER DUE TOMORROW

## PRINCE CHARLES TO VISIT TONGA

The British Navy Frigate H.M.S. Jupiter (Commander J. P. Gunning, R.M.) will be making an informal goodwill visit to Tonga. The ship is expected the berth alongside Vuna Wharf at about 9.30 tomorrow morning and will be leaving at 11 o'clock on Monday morning.

The Captain will be calling on the Prime Minister, H.R.H. Prince Tu'ipulohake, C.B.E., on Friday afternoon, accompanied by the British High Commissioner Mr. Arthington-Davies.

The Ship will be open to the general public from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday 16th February. A party of crippled children under the auspices of the Red Cross will visit the Ship at 11 a.m. on Saturday morning.

The programme for the visit will include two soccer matches tomorrow afternoon at the Mala'e Pangai, and an all-day cricket match starting at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning, also at the Mala'e pangai. These games will be against local teams. Weather permitting, there will be sailing on Saturday afternoon.

In addition, there will be Tongan feasts at 'Oho-lei Beach, Dances at the

Yacht Club and the Dateline Hotel and sightseeing pleasure trips on the Tonga Tourist and Development Company's 'Islander' aircraft. The Tonga Visitors Bureau has kindly offered the first flight to eight of the ship's officers free of charge.

One of the officers serving on H.M.S. Jupiter is H.R.H. The Prince of Wales. As an ordinary ship's officer Lieutenant the Prince of Wales will be fulfilling his normal share of duties and of attendances at social and formal functions.

Jupiter is a Leander class general purpose Frigate with complement of 19 officers, 50 senior rates and 180 junior rates. She is armed with 2 x 4.5" guns in a single turret, SEACAT anti-aircraft missile system, 2 x 20 mm cannon, 1 triple barrelled anti-submarine mortar, 1 Wasp

anti-submarine helicopter armed with homing torpedoes and short and medium-range sonars and a variable depth sonar are fitted to enable the ship to detect the most modern submarines.

The present HMS Jupiter is the sixth ship of the name to have served under the White Ensign. Commissioned on the 13 August 1969, she was built by Yarrow's of Glasgow, a City that has seen the building of three Jupiters in the past 100 years, and she joined the Fleet as a fully operational unit in December 1969.

Served as West Indies Guardship during the 1970 hurricane season in the Caribbean. Since then she has carried out two tours of duty with the Standing Naval Force Atlantic, the NATO naval squadron, and has visited many European ports as well as ports on the East

tern American seaboard and in the West Indies. She has just undergone her first refit at Devonport during the summer of 1972.

### Wait And Ponder

Colossians 3: 12 & 13

Put on therefore, as the elect of God, Holy and beloved, powers of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, long suffering:

Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any, even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.



HRH Prince of Wales, Prince Charles (above) is due to visit Tonga tomorrow as an officer serving aboard the British frigate Jupiter. This will be His Royal Highness' first visit to the Kingdom.

Jupiter a 2500 ton frigate, is on her way back from Christchurch, where she was escort to the Royal Yacht Britannia.

Prince Charles joined the Royal Navy two years ago and has been serving as a communications officer in Jupiter.

## HMS Jupiter





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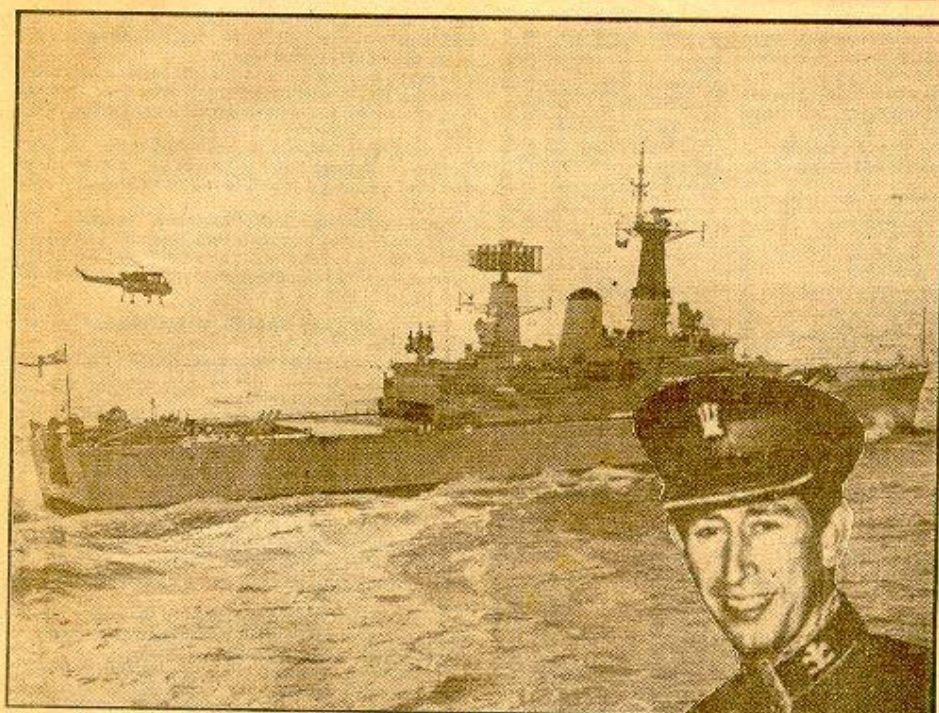
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The Jupiter will bring Prince Charles here today.

## just an officer on visiting ship

By DAVID PELLEGRIN  
Advertiser Staff Writer

The British frigate HMS Jupiter is due to arrive at Pearl Harbor today — with "just another officer" on board.

That's how the chaps at the British Consulate here are describing the 24-year-old lieutenant who also happens to be the next king of England — if all goes according to "shedule."

Scuttlebutt has it that the young lieutenant stands a good chance of being granted a bit of shore leave here, and maybe even being entertained by a U.S. admiral or two.

But the British consul for Honolulu, David G. Barr, yesterday stressed that Prince Charles will still carry his fair share of ship

duties, right along with the 15 other officers.

"We're trying to draw no distinction between the Prince of Wales and his brother officers," Barr told The Advertiser.

As a result, he said, no one yet knew how much free time the prince will have while he is here — or what he'll do with the free time he does have.

"We assume he'll sleep on board along with the other officers," Barr said. "But whatever he'll be doing here depends on his captain. His captain has control."

Right now, the Hawaii Polo Club is hoping the captain will grant the prince time for a spot of polo out at Mokuleia on Sunday.

It isn't official yet, according to

the consul, but since it's well known the prince enjoys a game of polo — well, it's expected he'll have a game of polo.

Besides the polo, there are plans for possible soccer and cricket matches for all of the Jupiter's 16 officers and 243 enlisted men.

There will also be shuttle buses available for trips to Waikiki, Sea Life Park and the Polynesian Cultural Center.

And there just might be some protocol visits between the Jupiter's key officers and Hawaii military and political leaders.

The 2,450-ton frigate last stopped in Fiji and is headed for the Mainland. It is stopping at Pearl Harbor for dry-dock repairs, and is scheduled to be on its way in about a week.



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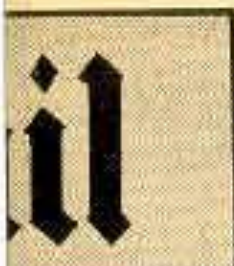
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## "SMILE, CHARLIE, YOU'RE ON C



PRINCE CHARLES in the viewfinders of many cameras when he left his ship, the Royal Navy frigate Jupiter, at Dalgety's Wharf, Tenerife, yesterday. He was about to





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## TODAY'S WEATHER

Brisbane forecast: Fine.

Yesterday's temperatures: 29 max., 20 min.

Today's forecast: 29 max., 19 min.

Tides: High, 9 a.m. (2.1 m) and 9.10 p.m. (1.5 m)  
Low, 2.24 a.m. (0.2 m) and 3.41 p.m. (0.4 m).

Weather details are on Page 23.

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# CANDID CAMERA"





# The wharties sum him up: "He's all right"

By ALAN UNDERWOOD

"JUST another naval lieutenant" stepped ashore yesterday at Dalgety's No. 1 Wharf — but about 100 people stood in the 30 deg. heat for two hours for the chance to welcome him.

His Royal Highness, Lieut. Prince Charles, did not even rate a mention on the programme issued for H.M.S. Jupiter's Brisbane visit. Just another R.N. lieutenant . . . but three British bodyguards materialized at the Brisbane wharftide as the king-to-be's ship came up river. They were a mystery, even to State and Commonwealth Police.

## TO LUNCH

When Lieut. Prince Charles left (on the front seat of a Holden) for lunch at Government House, a bodyguard-car roared off, right behind.

Officially, Government House invited any three Jupiter officers to lunch. Three accepted, and it so happened Prince Charles was one.

However, the whole royal arrival was very, very democratic — mostly.

Jupiter, an anti-submarine frigate, came alongside the wharf and Lieut. Prince Charles waved to the crowd.

At first the Brisbane-ites waved to the wrong officer up there. This man added to the misunderstanding by

waving back enthusiastically.

Charles stood on the tight dock near the one helicopter and chatted to some wharfies. One of them then announced, officially: "By gee, he's all right."

When cameramen appeared, the shy lieutenant Prince somehow was no longer there.

"Charles" charmed the crowd with that smile. One welcomer was Mrs. Charles Valins, of Acacia Bridge, at whose red-haired little girl he said: "She's really lovely."

Dalgety's Wharf is a drab scene. Our future King's view from the frigate's bridge was at crumpled, corrugated-iron sheds, oil drums, containers, trucks and mobile cranes.

Jupiter was due alongside at 10.30. She had her first-line ashore at 10.28. Then it took almost 15 minutes for stevedores to fumble the gangplank into place.

## PACESETTER

In contrast, what a pacesetter was Jupiter.

She even had a killed piper on the upper bridge — Highland airs wafting over Teatiff, Bulimba and the road to Brisbane.

And (Prince or no

Prince) what pacesetters are Jupiter's sailors. Not a rope left uncoiled. Immediately on tying up, pink-and-white British ratings put up the awning for last night's cocktail party.

They scrubbed her sides with brooms and soapy water. They painted and they polished. They loaded Queensland fresh vegetables, and a mini-forest of potted palms for the party.

## PROMOTION

Prince Charles declined to appear at a press conference. It was the ship's commanding officer, Commander John Gunning, 40, Dublin-born, who was obliged to stand up to the press barrage. He made a good backdrop for rosettes.

Question: "What are Prince Charles' chances of promotion?"

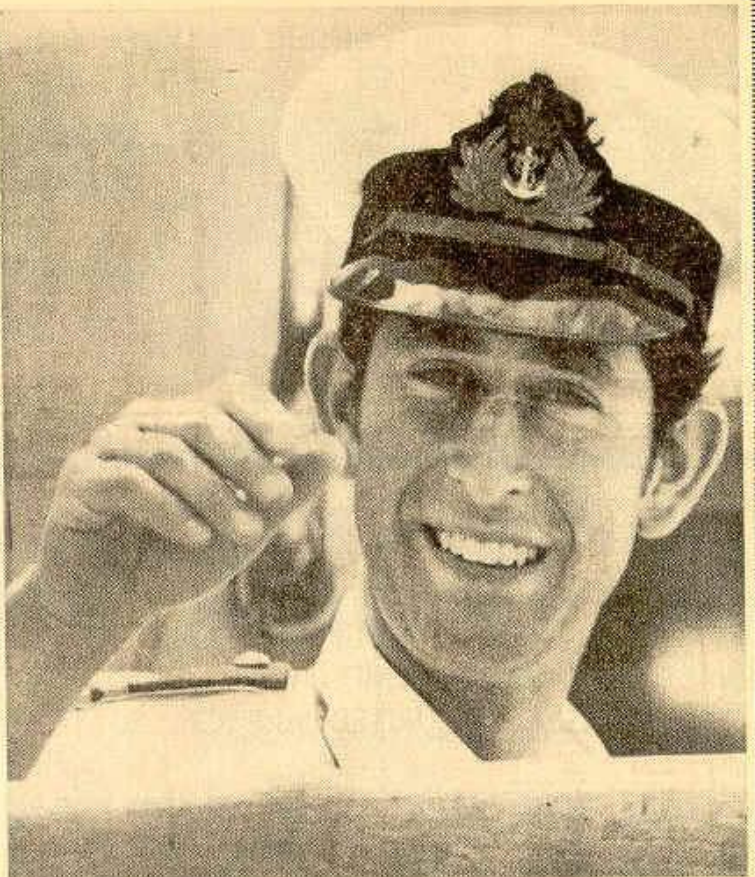
Commander Gunning: "I should say they're as good as any other good, young officer."

I'd say they're considerably better. And I'll bet Commander Gunning agrees.

Yet for H.R.H. it must be no luxury cruise.

He's a watchkeeping officer, liable to be placed in complete charge of the ship any time. He's also communications officer, and

got into a white hot pitch as the two sides battled hard to outlast each other for lunch. A reporter thrust a microphone near the Prince in the hope that he would have something to say.



HE DID SMILE . . . Prince Charles on the bridge of Jupiter had a broad grin and a cheery wave for welcomers on the wharf.

even to swim in the Fernberg pool. But very soon after lunch, he returned to his ship.

Had H.M.S. Jupiter become a royal barge to take Prince Charles to the Christchurch Games?

"This ship was going



Jupiter is virtually a floating electronics factory.

### GOOD SAILOR

He's flight-deck officer (in charge of the one Wasp helicopter's take-offs and landings). He's the ship's intelligence officer.

And he's the ship's entertainments officer.

Last week-end, coming down the Queensland coast, Jupiter plunged through heavy seas. This was the backwash from Cyclone Vera, 350 kilometres off the coast.

"His Royal Highness is a better sailor than I am," Commander Gunning said with a grin. "I wasn't quite sick. But I was thinking about it."

Prince Charles's swim togs went to Government House. In the second car, of course. It was thought he may

be accompanying Princess Ann in the Christchurch area before Prince Charles ever came to us," the commander said.

Which reminds me of the board notice that went up at the Royal Air Force station where Prince Charles qualified for his wings: "He is at all times to be treated as a normal RAF officer."

Beneath which some RAF type hastened to add with a black felt pen: "... who is about to become the king of England."

### AND THE DUKE

The Duke of Edinburgh landed at Williamtown RAAF base, 24 kilometres (15 miles) north of Newcastle last night.

He will leave this afternoon for Christchurch to open the Commonwealth Games on Thursday.

## Charles rang Dad from police station

Prince Charles spoke to his father, The Duke of Edinburgh, by telephone from the Valley Police station about 9.45 last night.

The Duke was at Williamtown air base, near Newcastle, on his way to New Zealand to open the Commonwealth Games.

The prince, in Brisbane as Lieutenant the Prince of Wales, of H.M.S. Jupiter, was accompanied by his bodyguard, Inspector McLean of the London police, and another police guard.

The Prince spoke to

his father for several minutes.

The visit was duly noted, in four lines, on the station's nightly occurrence sheet.

Earlier Prince Charles attended an official cocktail party on the wharf.

The 100 guests who included the Premier (Mr. Bjelke-Petersen) crowded under a canvas awning