These postcards record part of the tour of duty of John Johnston Engine Room Artificer Royal Navy Australian Station

ERA John Johnston was attached to HMS Euryalus in 1905, based in Sydney, before being transferred to HMS Wallaroo for the ship's visit to Hobart, then aboard HMS Pegasus for the New Hebrides intervention, finally aboard HMS Wallaroo again for his return to England.

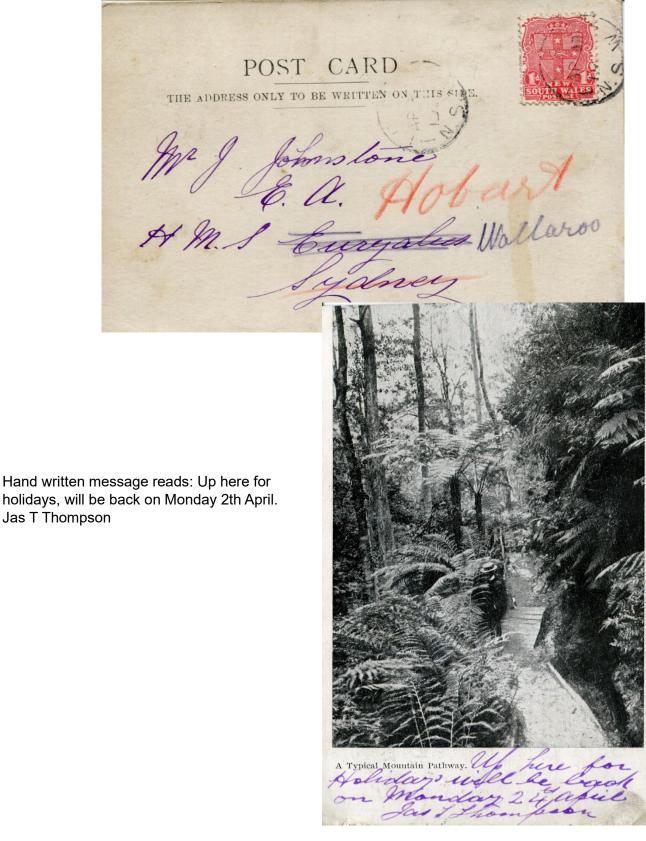
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Photograph of ERA Johnston RN on the back of a postcard, postmarked Hobart 22 January 1905. The postcard is addressed to his wife.

Picture postcards sent from England to ERA Johnston RN, postmarked April 1905. He was attached to HMS Euryalus, flagship of the Australian Station. Reverse of cards shown opposite at 50%.

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Picture postcard postmarked 17 April 1905. ERA Johnston was transferred to HMS Wallaroo for its visit to Tasmania. The visit lasted one month before returning to Sydney in late May. Many of the postcards in this display are from the friends he made while in Tasmania.



holidays, will be back on Monday 2th April. Jas T Thompson

Picture postcard postmarked Hobart 9 June 1905. Addressed to HMS Euryalus, Sydney. ERA Johnston returned to Sydney in late May 1905.

TASMANIA Post Card 0% 80 THE ADDRESS ONLY TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE. Vall and Jens South Wales. Fern Tree Bower in Winter

Hand written text reads - Sorry you misunderstood our invitation it was a general one to come when you could and we all waited wondering why you did not come, now we understand, S.G. 9.6.05

Picture postcard postmarked Hobart 27 June 1905. Addressed to HMS Euryalus Sydney, re-directed to HMS Wallaroo, then HMS Pegasus.

Post Card-Tasma This half may be written upon tor postage in the <u>Commonwealth only</u>. This half is fo There is a Ricnic' to the Buls next-Sunday is there m Walch & Sons, Well any chance of gole coming? all are finrited forget Shutty G. GRUNCELI ROAD TO H Road to Hobart Waterworks.

Message is an (unsigned) invitation to a picnic in Hobart. The date of the picnic may have passed before the postcard reached him.

Picture postcard postmarked Portsmouth 29 June 1905 addressed to ERA Johnston RN, showing his change of ships: HMS Euryalus to HMS Wallaroo for visit to Tasmania, then HMS Pegasus when back in Sydney.

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"Hands across the Sea."

Should auld acquaintance be forgot, And ne'er be brought to mind; Should auld acquaintance be forgot, In the days of Auld Lang Syne.

Hand wrtitten text in bottom right corner reads – Thanks for card and liked it very much. Best wishes from E Dixon. Picture postcards from Portsmouth England from his wife / mother that lament his absence. No hand-written text or message. Reverse of cards shown opposite at 50%.

TUCK'S POST CARD. CARTE POSTALE POSTKARTE N HEART IS SAIR FOR SOMEBODE IP SENT ABROAD, THIS SPACE MAY ONLY BE USED (FOR ADDRESS ONLY) FOR NAME AND ADDRESS OF SENDER. Ams H.A Pegarus 1elowhen My heart is sair, I daurna tell, My heart is sair for somebody, I could wake a winter night For the sake of somebody Printed in England. POST CARD. For Inladd use Only. THE ADDRESS TO BE This Space as well as the back may now be used for communication. WRITTEN HERE. Post Office Regulation. Mr. John Johnston & R.U. H. M. S. Pegasus Justrahan Station a Mouther Copyright. Bamforth, Photo., Holmfirth, Yorkshire.

Picture postcard postmarked Hobart 20 Oct 1905, being re-directed to Noumea.

HMS Pegasus was part of a "major armed expedition in October 1905 (to the New Hebrides, now Vanuatu) against recalcitrant natives on Mallicolo which resulted in the capture of fifty prisoners." Reference 'The Australia Station: A Short History of the Royal Navy in the South West Pacific 1821-1913', by John Bach, published UNSW Press 1986, page 166. Noumea was the closest major port and supply base to the operational area. The French and British authorities cooperated in this action against the natives.

Post Card.-Tasmania. This half is for the Address This half may be written upon for postage in the Commonwealth only. only. mr. J. Johnston E. R. a Al. M. D. Basis -24,000. ington Bridge, Hobart Series (Walch



Picture postcard postmarked Hobart 9 December 1905. Card published by J Walch & Sons, Hobart. ERA Johnston had returned to Sydney.

TASMANIA Post Card.-Tasmania. THE ADDRESS ONLY TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE. nrg. Johnston E. R.a. It m.S. Basus" Sydney New South Wales Hobart, from Lansdowne Crescent

Handwritten text on reverse reads: 8.12.05 Thank you very much for the beautiful P card it is one of the prettiest I have in my collection. Kind regards S

Picture postcard, postmarked Hobart 19 December 1905, after his transfer from HMS Pegasus to HMS Wallaroo. ERA Johnston was on HMS Pegasus in Sydney. He would have known that he was returning to England very soon.

TASMANIA Post Card Wallaw 0% Johnson. Re - of 2 THIS SIDE FOR THE ADDRESS Hand written text on card reads: a Avery 2cm ind repards

Best wishes for a Merry Xmas& kind regards from all. Hoping to see you soon; and trusting you are enjoying good health. From your sincere friend LL

Picture postcard postmarked Hobart 20 December 1905 POST CARD. THE ADDRESS ONLY WRITTEN HERE For Inland Postage only, this space as well as the back may now belused for Communication. (Post Office Regulation). none Gardo la

Hand written text on card reads: Just a card to wish you a very happy Xmas & the best of luck for the new year – many thanks for the many pretty P. cardsyou have sent. Yours etc E.E.T.



Picture postcard postmarked Hobart 30 December 1905 addressed to HMS Wallaroo in Sydney. Presumably ERA Johnston had told his friends in Tasmania of his new posting and return to England. Card published by A. Mather & Co. Hobart.

Post Card 0% 8 THE ADDRESS ONLY TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE. the J. Johnstone a Ra. El M S' Wallaros" Sydney Dew South Wales.

Hand written text on card reads: 28.12.05 Many happy returns of the day. Kind regards EG

returns

New Norfolk.

Colour picture postcard postmarked Christchurch, probably late December 1906, during the visit of HMS Euryalus to New Zealand. ERA Johnston had been on HMS Euryalus, so this postcard was probably posted by a former shipmate.

ERA Johnston was transferred to HMS Wallaroo, for return to England. The ship was moored at Garden Island for maintenance and stores before returning to England.

ACHUMEW ZEALAND. Post Card-Carte Postal DRESS TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE y Elsewhere Handwritten message: Wishing you a Happy New Year, Yours J Denton, Photo. Maori Maiden S. M. & Co.'s Series a Happy Rew Year Wishing yo

Returning home to England, with a stop at Thursday Island, Queensland, the last stop in Australia. HMS Wallaroo left Sydney on 11 January 1906. The stop in Thursday Island was to pick up a pilot to safely sail through the Torres Strait.

POST CARD. This space as well as the back may be used The Address only the for communications. written here. 41.01. Warwicht Street-awow in Furness England Handwritten message: Thursday Island, just sailing, yours Jack SAMOAN MAIDEN. Series 30-Samoa. Kerry (Copyright), Sydney Just - Sailing Jours

Picture postcard, manuscript dated 30 January 1906, from Batavia, with the arrival handstamp London 28 February 1906, with London ½ D tax stamp. Next day Barrow-In-Furness arrival stamp 1 March 1906.



Hand written message reads "HMS Wallaroo" / Batavia 30/1/06, yours Jack. A little nearer England home and beauty. Hope to keep going all night, you and yours Jack.

Picture postcard showing a view of Aden, hand written on reverse with the date 22 February 1906, from HMS Wallaroo. Postage has been paid with two ½ anna stamps of India, postmarked ADEN 23 February 1906.

Carte postale Hôtel de l'Europe Turkish Shop J.BENGHIAT & SON. ADEN. Harwich Street-.in - & uners. England

Hand written message reads: "HMS Wallaroo". Other 2060 miles nearer home, but won't be in to till tomorrow night. Yours Jack. 22/2/06

Central View.