



50th anniversary of the end of WWII on Southsea Common at a weekend attended by 10,000 veterans. Joan and I stayed with them. There was a repeat of this five years later in HMS *Nelson*.

Both he and I with our wives were invited to lunch at Buckingham Palace with the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh with 1,000 other veterans of the Far East Fleet. The four of us

had another great weekend together.

When, in 1974, Conway hauled down its defaced Blue Ensign on board the Mersey ferry *Royal Iris* alongside the Pier Head, David attended as Commodore Amphibious Warfare. He carried out that operation standing on the deck above the Wheelhouse. It was a sad moment but carried out with great dignity by him.

Joan and I were particularly sad when Christopher phoned to say David had been taken to hospital in Malta, followed by a call a week later, again from Malta by Richard, to tell me that David had died.

His success in saving the *Foudroyant* and renaming her HMS *Trincomalee* (above) will always be David's memorial.

David's commitment to the Royal and Merchant Navies was total:

- Trustee of the Marine Society
- Vice President of Marine Society of Sea Cadets
- Trustee, Chairman and Vice President of Seaman's Hospital
- Trustee and Chairman of *Foudroyant* Trust
- Chairman and Vice President of HMS *Trincomalee* Trust
- Trustee Conway Merchant Navy Trust
- Committee Member, President and Patron of Conway Club
- Trustee HMS Conway Trust
- Freeman of the City of London
- Freeman of the Honourable Company of Master Mariners
- Fellow of the Nautical Institute
- Member of the Royal Yacht Squadron
- Younger Brother, Elder Brother of Trinity House

Thanks to Derek Perfect (42-44)

The Most Honourable the Marquis of Anglesey

We were saddened to learn of the recent death of the Marquis of Anglesey. A condolence card was sent on behalf of the Club and a reply received from the new Marquis. Both will be published in the next *Cadet*, as will an obituary. The Club will of course be represented at the Memorial Service this autumn.