

Sydney Man Was Surf Champion

An outstanding swimmer and cyclist, Petty Officer A. E. (Eric) Green is one of those reported missing on the Sydney.

He joined the navy seven years ago this month and for most of the time was on H.M.A.S. Canberra.

He was transferred to the Sydney eight months ago.

"We are losing our best all-round athlete and one of our best swimmers in Patrol Captain Eric Green," said Captain Jim Ashdown of the Scarborough Surf Club, when Green left the club to join the navy in 1934.

Petty-Officer Green made for himself an outstanding reputation with the club.

EIGHT CYCLING TROPHIES

He also made a name for himself in cycling, winning eight cups and trophies.

Others of his trophies include four surf cups and a gymnastum cup.

He began his surf work as a foundation member of the Scarborough club and was one of its main active supporters.

During 1931-32 Petty - Officer Green was awarded a surf bronze medallion and was a representative of the championship junior reel and rescue team.

He was selected as a member of the boat championship crew in the 1932-33 season.

In 1933 he captained his first senior patrol, which carried off two cups—the Bond cup for patrol sports competitions and the Hunt cup, presented for patrol efficiency by Dr. Bruce Hunt.

In 1934 he was again voted senior patrol captain.

He represented the Scarborough club in every carnival from 1931 to 1934.

MARRIED IN BRISBANE

Petty-Officer Green was married in Brisbane two years ago and his name appeared in the Queensland list of those on the Sydney.

But he lived nearly all his life in this State.

His wife and a son are living in Queensland.

Before joining the navy he was working at Felton, Grimwade and Bickford.

Petty-Officer Green is the son of Mrs. E. Green, of Bulwer Avenue, Perth, and the late Edwin Green.