

## Vice Admiral Tim Barrett, AO, CSC, RAN Chief of Navy

Vice Admiral Tim Barrett, AO, CSC, RAN joined the Royal Australian Navy in 1976 as a Seaman Officer and later specialised in aviation.

A dual-qualified officer, Vice Admiral Barrett served in Her Majesty's Australian (HMA) Ships *Melbourne*, *Perth* and *Brisbane* and HMS *Orkney* as a Seaman Officer and then as Flight Commander in HMA Ships *Stalwart*, *Adelaide* and *Canberra*. His staff appointments include Deputy Director Air Warfare Development, Director Naval Officer's Postings and Director General of Defence Force Recruiting.



He has served as Commanding Officer 817 Squadron, Commanding Officer HMAS *Albatross*, Commander Australian Navy Aviation Group, Commander Border Protection Command and most recently as Commander Australian Fleet.

Receiving a Conspicuous Service Cross in 2006 for his achievements in naval aviation, Vice Admiral Barrett became a Member of the Order of Australia in 2009 for his service as Director Naval Officers' Postings and Commander Navy Aviation Group. He was made an Officer of the Order of Australia in 2014 for his leadership of Border Protection Command and the Australian Fleet.

Vice Admiral Barrett holds a Bachelor of Arts in Politics and History and a Masters of Defence Studies, both from the University of New South Wales. He recently completed the Advanced Management Program at Harvard Business School. Vice Admiral Barrett and his wife Jenny have two daughters.

Vice Admiral Barrett assumed command of the Royal Australian Navy on 1 July 2014.