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# Information Update

## Three Times Around the World

### Launch of the *Project Endeavour* Collection 2 November 2009

Jon Sanders sailed the yacht *Parry Endeavour* three times around the world between 25 May 1986 and 13 March 1988. The record-breaking voyage was solo and non-stop.

The *Project Endeavour: Jon Sanders' Triple Circumnavigation of the World* Collection was donated to the University Library in 2007 by Emeritus Professor John Penrose from Curtin's Centre for Marine Science and Technology (CMST).

Managed under the umbrella of the CMST, the Project Endeavour team were responsible for both the preparation program and the voyage. The project was funded by Parry Corporation and endorsed as an Australian Bicentennial Activity.

As part of the preparation program, Dr Kim Klaka from the CMST provided design advice for the refit of the *Endeavour* to enable the yacht to survive the two year voyage.

Professor Penrose prepared a scientific package that was taken on board so that Sanders could measure sea surface temperatures, log wildlife sightings and record bathymetric measurements. Using the package, Sanders was able to confirm the existence of a sea mount in the South Pacific region.

This historically significant collection includes hundreds of photographs, correspondence between Sanders and Penrose, designs of the yacht by WA Naval Architect Phil Curran, Dr Klaka's notes and drawings, scientific results and logs, minutes of the Project Endeavour working



Jon Sanders at sea on board the *Parry Endeavour*, 1986  
(Records of Project Endeavour. CUL00039/19/2)

party, audio recordings and film footage shot by Sanders during his voyage. An important recent addition to the collection is the donation by Jon Sanders of five logbooks which chronicle the complete journey in his own words.

The Collection is held by the Library and housed in the John Curtin Prime Ministerial Library, with many of the items, including the photographs, correspondence, log books, and log notes related to the scientific data, being available for viewing online.

Find out more about the Project, the Collection and Sanders' historic voyage by visiting the Project Endeavour website at [john.curtin.edu.au/endeavour](http://john.curtin.edu.au/endeavour).

### The Launch of the Project Endeavour Collection

You are warmly invited to the launch of the *Project Endeavour: Jon Sanders' Triple Circumnavigation of the World* Collection on Monday 2 November.

At this event, Jon Sanders will speak about his historic voyage with a special introduction by John Penrose.