

# Winds of change

1770 *Endeavour*, barque. Lt. Cook anchored off mainland in search of fresh water.

1819 *Mermaid*, cutter. Captain PP King passed by during survey of the north coast.

1848 *Rattlesnake*, frigate. Owen Stanley and MacGillivray surveyed the Inner Passage of the Great Barrier Reef from Dunk Island to Torres Strait.

1863 *Antagonist*, barque. Carrying a cargo of horses bound for India, wrecked on Green Island reef, all lives lost.

1873 *Flying Fish*, cutter. Dalrymple sailed into the inlet to explore present site of Cairns.

1873 *Goodwill*, beche de mer cutter. Crew killed on Green Island.

1873 *Florence Agnes*, beche de mer cutter. Crew killed on Green Island.

1874 *Margaret and Jane*, (*Florence Agnes* renamed), beche de mer cutter. Crew killed on Green Island.

1877 *Adonis*. Carrying timber for building Cairns, wrecked near Green Island.

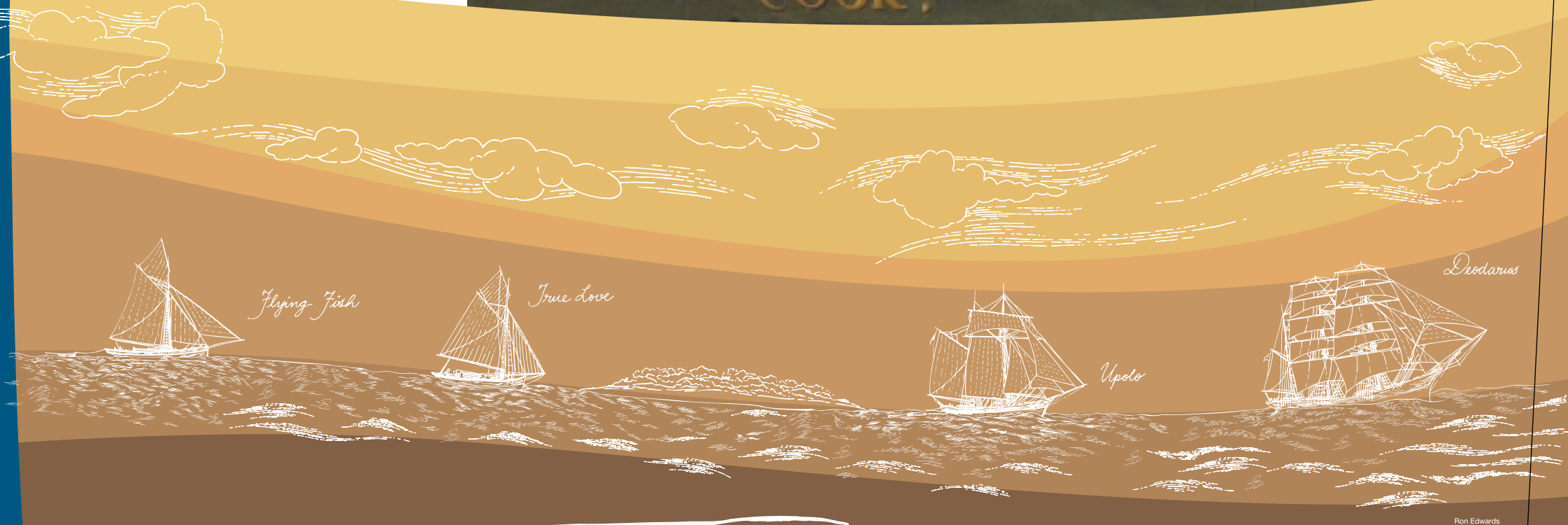
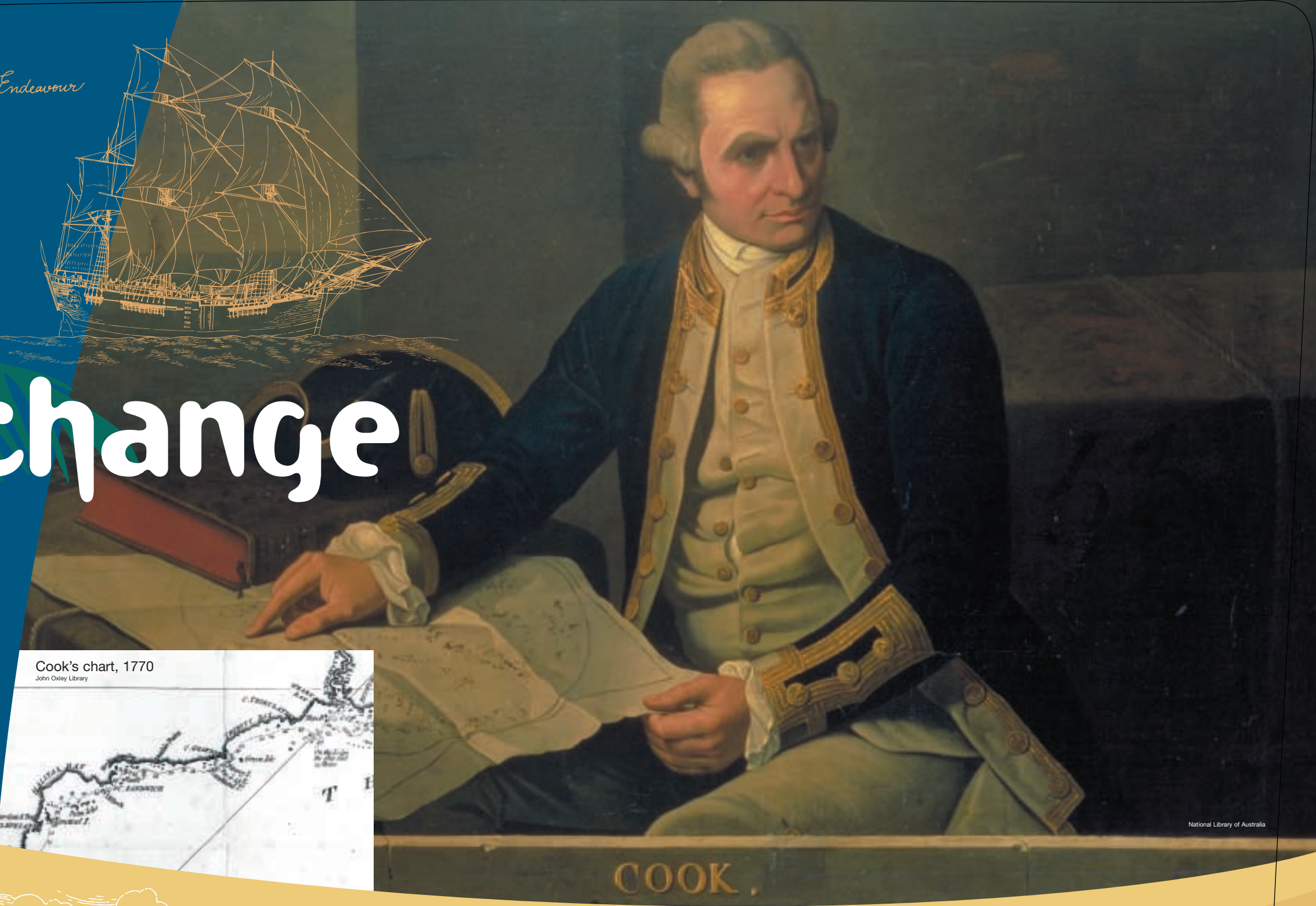
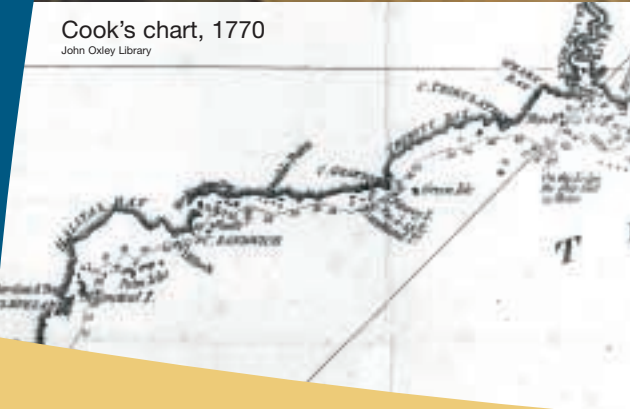
1879 *True Love*, cutter. Used by Yorkey of Green Island to salvage wrecks and collect beche de mer.

1885 *Blue Jacket*, beche de mer cutter. Bound for Green Island, capsized nearby with one survivor.

1886 *Upolu*, schooner. Carrying supplies from Sydney to the South Sea Islands, wrecked on nearby Upolu reef, crew rescued.

1886 *Indalia*, cutter. Carrying tourists from Cairns to Green Island, presumed wrecked with all lives lost.

1887 *Deodarus*, barque. Carrying coal to Townsville, wrecked near Fitzroy Island, crew returned to Cairns in lifeboats.



## Cairns Post 17 June, 1886

### BOAT MISSING

Serious apprehension is felt for the safety of the *Indalia*, a cutter which left Cairns Saturday night last, with a party of eight persons, who intended to visit Green Island, and has not yet returned.

On Sunday morning at about 7 o'clock, (a party) saw from Green Island a sail, which they took for the *Indalia*, and it was endeavouring to beat in to Green Island. At the time it was blowing very hard and there was a heavy sea on.

Shortly after sighting the sail they saw the boat running before the wind in the direction of Double Island, but during a quarter of an hour the vessel went out of sight.

In the face of such boisterous weather, the only conclusion that can be arrived at is the *Indalia* must have floundered, and all hands on board have perished. The supposed loss of lives has created a profound feeling of gloom in Cairns.

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