

# Roose + Partners

## Casualty Newsletter 166

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### FEATURE CASUALTY

## Roger Blough

Bulk carrier, IMO 7222138, Built 1972, 46,833 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 27 May 2016

**Voyage** Duluth to Conneaut, USA

**Cargo** Iron ore pellets

**Type of Casualty** Grounding

**Type of Claim** Hull damage, salvage claim and/or General Average declaration

**P&I** North of England

The 1972 built bulk carrier *Roger Blough* ran aground whilst transiting Lake Superior in the afternoon of 27 May 2016. The vessel was laden with iron ore pellets from the Duluth-Superior harbour and was en route to Conneaut when she grounded on the Gros Cap Reef in Whitefish Bay, located in far eastern Lake Superior. The bulker struck the bottom as she manoeuvred to pass another vessel at the end of Whitefish Bay a section of the lake which narrows into the St. Mary's River.

The grounding caused hull breaches and flooding into some of the vessel's water ballast tanks. The damage to the vessel is at the forward section and as such the fuel tanks, which are located aft, were thought to have remained intact. There has been no pollution. Overflights have taken place to check for any release of pollutants, none was determined. The cutter *Mobile Bay*, an ice breaking tug was dispatched from Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin to provide assistance. Throughout the night the Coastguard carried out draft readings and interior soundings

which confirmed that the flooding had been brought under control. Booms have been placed around the vessel whilst salvage plans are being put in place. It is expected the vessel will require some cargo lightering. The owners of the *Roger Blough* are expected to send two smaller vessels to assist in the lightering operation.

A 500 yard safety zone has been established around the vessel to protect other commercial vessels on the Lake. DonJon Smit divers have carried out an underwater survey of the vessel's hull in order to ascertain the full extent of the damage and a completed salvage plan has been submitted to U.S. and Canadian officials for review and approval. Lightering operations are expected to begin in the next few days.

An investigation into the cause of the grounding is being carried out by the Coast Guard and the NTSB.



### NEW CASUALTIES

#### Neptun D

Product tanker, IMO 9277773, Built 2004, 74,999 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 25 May 2016

**Voyage** Jubail, Saudi Arabia to Rotterdam, Netherlands

**Cargo** Loaded, no details

**Type of Casualty** Collided with an unnamed vessel north of Port Said. The *Neptun D* suffered damage to Nos 4, 5 and 6 ballast tanks.

**Type of Claim** Collision damage claim  
**P&I** Gard



#### Josva

Dive vessel, No other details

**Date of Casualty** 25 May 2016

**Type of Casualty** Caught fire off Kristiansand, Norway. The fire completely gutted the superstructure.

**Type of Claim** Fire damage claim

#### Frio Antwerp

Reefer, IMO 9078282, Built 1994, 8,032 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 25 May 2016

**Voyage** Marin, Spain to Las Palmas, Canary Islands

**Cargo** 22 m<sup>3</sup> of frozen squid

**Type of Casualty** Suffered a fire in a forklift stowed in one of her holds whilst docked in Marin, Spain.

**Type of Claim** Possible cargo damage  
**P&I** UK Club

#### Johannes Wulff

Bulk carrier, IMO 9498896, Built 2010, 93,272 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 25 May 2016

**Voyage** Rosario, Argentina to Gibraltar

**Cargo** No details

**Type of Casualty** Ran aground on the Rio de la Plata.

**Type of Claim** Possible hull damage, salvage claim and/or General Average declaration.

**P&I** Gard



#### Segesta

Tow boat, No other details

**Date of Casualty** 25 May 2016

**Type of Casualty** Two barges being pushed by the *Segesta* suffered water ingress whilst on the Danube in Strudengau. The tug pushed the barges aground to prevent them from sinking.

**Type of Claim** Salvage type claim



#### WA 1

Fishing vessel, No other details

**Date of Casualty** 26 May 2016

**Type of Casualty** Allided with a wind turbine and began sinking. The vessel was towed to Biggar Bank where it was grounded to prevent it from sinking.

**Type of Claim** Allision damage claim

#### Tim S.Dool

Bulk carrier, IMO 6800919, Built 1967, 28,471 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 26 May 2016

**Voyage** Sault Ste. Marie, Canada to Hamilton, USA

**Cargo** No details

**Type of Casualty** Suffered an electrical circuit failure and blackout northwest of Whitefish Point, U.S.A. The vessel was towed back to Sault Ste. Marie

**Type of Claim** Possible salvage type claim

**P&I** North of England



#### Saga Myojin Maru 183

Fishing vessel, Built 1994, 772 gt

**Date of Casualty** 26 May 2016

**Type of Casualty** Caught fire 20 miles southeast of Mikirajima island, north of Yokohama in the Pacific Ocean. The 25 crew members were rescued by another fishing vessel.

**Type of Claim** Fire damage/total loss claim



#### Aang Thong Discovery 3

Speed boat, No other details

**Date of Casualty** 26 May 2016

**Type of Casualty** Capsized with 32 tourists on board whilst en route from Mu Ko Ang Thong National Park to Koh Samui, Thailand. Four people died.

**Type of Claim** Damage and loss of life claim

#### Antje - UK-254

Fishing vessel, No other details

**Date of Casualty** 27 May 2016

**Type of Casualty** Sank in the inner port of Scheveningen.

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**Type of Claim** Hull damage and salvage claim

### Karissa ▣

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 8611233, Built 1988, 2,628 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 27 May 2016

**Voyage** n/a

**Cargo** n/a

**Type of Casualty** Caught fire whilst undergoing a conversion to a dredger at Ocean Quay in Norham, Southampton.

**Type of Claim** Fire damage claim



### Dante

Yacht, No other details

**Date of Casualty** 28 May 2016

**Type of Casualty** Collided with an unidentified cargo vessel 45 nm west of Sein Island, Bay of Biscay. The vessel began taking on water and the crew were rescued by the cargo ship *Finesse*. The yacht was later towed to Sein by the attending lifeboat.

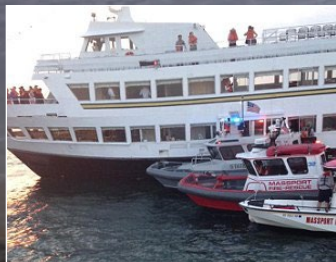
**Type of Claim** Collision damage claim

### Majesty ▣

Harbour cruise ship, 92 gt

**Date of Casualty** 28 May 2016

**Type of Casualty** Ran aground in Boston Harbour off George's Island with 152



people on board. All but five were evacuated and the vessel was refloated the following day.

**Type of Claim** Possible salvage claim

### Tai Shan/Universal MK 2003

*Tai Shan* - Ferry, IMO 9067465, Built 1993, 43 dwt

*Universal MK 2003* - Ferry, IMO9087570, Built 1995, 45 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 28 May 2016

**Type of Casualty** The *Tai Shan* collided with the *Universal MK 2003* whilst arriving at Macau Passenger Terminal from Shekou.

**Type of Claim** Collision damage and passenger claims

**P&I** Unknown / London Club



### Chrysoula ▣

General cargo vessel, IMO 5213688, Built 1956, 788 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 28 May 2016

**Voyage** Volos, Greece to Cape Verde

**Cargo** General cargo

**Type of Casualty** Suffered water ingress and engine failure 18 miles south of Cabo de Gata. The Spanish tug *Sar Mastelero* towed the vessel to Almeria.

**Type of Claim** Possible salvage claim and/or General Average declaration

### Nissos Kos

Ferry, Built 1986, No other details

**Date of Casualty** 29 May 2016

**Type of Casualty** Allided with the jetty at Kos Port.

**Type of Claim** Allision damage claim

### Briz

Trawler, IMO 9076234, Built 1992, 414 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 29 May 2016

**Type of Casualty** Disabled in the Barents Sea west of the Island Novaya Zemlya. Salvage tug *Murmanyra* was dispatched to assist.

**Type of Claim** Possible salvage type claim



### Shengyuan508 ▣

General cargo vessel, No other details

**Date of Casualty** 29 May 2016

**Voyage** No details

**Cargo** Sand

**Type of Casualty** Suffered a fire in the superstructure whilst on the Yangtze river in the Chongqing area. The vessel was pushed away from the fairway and ran aground.

**Type of Claim** Fire damage and salvage claim

### Seahake

Product tanker, IMO 9255488, Built 2003, 32,464 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 29 May 2016

**Voyage** London, UK to Archangel, Russia

**Cargo** No details

**Type of Casualty** Allided with a jetty whilst mooring at Archangel.

**Type of Claim** Allision damage claim

**P&I** Skuld

### Dependant

Self-propelled barge, 1,226 ts

**Date of Casualty** 30 May 2016

**Voyage** No details

**Cargo** Gypsum binders

**Type of Casualty** Ran aground on the Main at Hanau and suffered a hull breach and water ingress. The vessel was refloated by tugs and towed into Hanau.

**Type of Claim** Hull damage and possible salvage type claim

### Big Bang

Bulk carrier, IMO 9347188, Built 2007, 174,109 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 30 May 2016

**Voyage** Yuzhny Ukraine to Qingdao, China

**Cargo** 169,032 m<sup>3</sup> of iron ore

**Type of Casualty** Suffered engine failure at Gelibolu point on the Dardanelles. Coastal safety tugs *Kurtarma-4* and *Kurtarma-9* assisted the vessel.

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## LOF NEWS

**Fong Seong 666** - edition 165 - the fishing vessel was salvaged under an LOF contract by Marshall Islands Towing and Salvage Company.



**Type of Claim** Possible salvage type claim or fine

**P&I** Gard

### KRI Pati Unus ▣

Naval ship, 950 displacement tons

**Date of Casualty** 30 May 2016

**Type of Casualty** Struck a sunken wreck off Balawan, North Sumatra, Malacca Strait. The vessel was holed and partially sank.

**Type of Claim** Hull damage and salvage claim



### Noordelicht ▣

Sailing vessel, Built 1910, 140 gt

**Date of Casualty** 31 May 2016

**Type of Casualty** Ran aground on a breakwater on Vlieland island's northern beach, Netherlands, North Sea. The vessel was carrying 28 school children who were evacuated. Refloating efforts will resume today.

**Type of Claim** Possible hull damage and salvage claim

## CASUALTY FOLLOW-UP



**Modern Express** - editions - 148, 149, 150, 152, 153 & 161 - a video has been released by Royal Boskalis showing parts of the salvage operation. Click [here](#) to view.

**El Faro** - editions 132, 133, 134, 136, 138, 139, 143, 145, 147, 148, 151, 160, 162 & 165 - contrary to earlier reports we are advised that ABS do not own a stake in Herbert Engineering and as such there is no conflict as regards their classification of the vessel and the use of the Herbert's software for loading the cargo.

**MSC Fabiola** - edition 162 - is to be repaired at the Dalian Shipyard. It is reported that the generator failure which led to the grounding was caused by two

jammed injection pumps which caused the blackout and subsequent steering failure.

**Spirit of 1770** ▣ - edition 163 & 164 - the wreck of the fire gutted tourist boat has been located almost 25 kilometres off the coast of southern Queensland. Any decision regarding salvage/recovery will be made in close consultation with the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority. The Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) has taken over the investigation into the incident.

**Siteam Anja** - edition 165 - salvage efforts have been interrupted by poor weather. The operation is expected to resume on 2 June 2016.

### Amadeus Amethyst

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9223435, Built 2000, 2,688 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 31 May 2016

**Voyage** Antwerp to Genk, Belgium

**Cargo** No details

**Type of Casualty** Allided with bridge at Jzerlaan in Albertkanaal, Belgium. The vessel's superstructure was seriously damaged and one crew member was seriously injured.

**Type of Claim** Allision damage and crew claims

**P&I** Lodestar Marine

### Sukran Camuz ▣

General cargo vessel, IMO 8218392, Built 1984, 2,584 dwt

**Date of Casualty** 31 May 2016

**Voyage** n/a

**Cargo** n/a

**Type of Casualty** Fire in the superstructure whilst anchored, apparently abandoned, in Mersin, Turkey.

**Type of Claim** Fire damage claim

