

FEATURE CASUALTY

Ever Judger

Bulk carrier, IMO 9632844, Built 2014, 82,000 dwt

Date of Casualty 31 March 2018

Voyage Balikpapan, Indonesia to Lumut, Malaysia

Cargo 70,000 m/t of coal

Type of Casualty Fire

Type of Claim Fire damage claim

P&I West of England

The 2014 built bulk carrier *Ever Judger* was anchored off the port of Balikpapan in eastern Kalimantan, Borneo, Indonesia when she caught fire following a fuel spill.

The 229 metre vessel had just loaded a cargo of coal bound for Lumut in Malaysia when diesel fuel in the water along her port side ignited and flames spread to the vessel. Local tugs were deployed to provide assistance. They took steps to cool the hull and prevent the fire from spreading to the cargo holds. The fire, which caused damage primarily to the aft of the vessel, was extinguished an hour later at 1200 local time. All of the 20 strong Chinese crew were evacuated from the vessel with one crew member hospitalised suffering from burns. Thick plumes of smoke engulfed the Bay of Balikpapan. Two fishing vessels also caught fire and four fishermen are reported to have been killed with another man remains missing. Further assessment of the damage to the vessel is underway. The cargo is not thought to have been affected.

The local authorities including the police are investigating the cause of the incident. Fuel samples have been taken from the vessel

as well as from the Pertamina Oil Terminal so that investigators can identify the source of the fuel. Blame was originally focused towards the Pertamina terminal with reports that the fuel had originated from one of their many pipelines which span the Bay. Reports suggested local workers may have been attempting to burn off the spill and the flames drifted towards the bulk carrier and the fishing vessels. This has been strongly denied by Pertamina who allege the spillage came from the *Ever Judger* and that tests had shown the pollutant was marine diesel. [Click here](#) for video.



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whilst 9 crew members were rescued, three are missing.

Type of Claim Collision damage and loss of life claims

P&I North of England / No details

Aldebarán

Yacht, No other details

Date of Casualty 29 March 2018

Type of Casualty Caught fire and sank off Denia, Spain. Her crew of two escaped into a dinghy and were rescued by a Coastguard helicopter.

Type of Claim Total loss claim

Siona

Yacht, No other details

Date of Casualty 29 March 2018

Type of Casualty Caught fire off Vigo, Spain. The sailor on board escaped on a surf board. A lifeboat and patrol boat attended and managed to extinguish the fire. The heavily damaged vessel was towed to the port of Cangas, Spain.

Type of Claim Fire damage claim



Sky Vita

General cargo vessel, IMO 9014949, Built 1991, 4,195 dwt

Date of Casualty 29 March 2018

Voyage St Petersburg, Russia to Goole, UK

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Grounded on the river Ouse near Saltmarsh in the UK. Tugs assisted the vessel and she refloated in the late afternoon on the rising tide.

Type of Claim Possible salvage claim

Cosco Shipping Leo/ Mercury Triumph

Cosco Shipping Leo – Ultra large

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containership, IMO 9783502, Built 2018, 197,500 dwt

Mercury Triumph – General cargo vessel, IMO 9379272, Built 2006, 13,060 dwt

Date of Casualty 29 March 2018

Voyage Sea trials / Tobata, Japan to China

Cargo None / Steel

Type of Casualty Collision in the East China sea some 50 nm from Seogwipo Port, southern Jeju. The containership, which was undergoing sea trials at the time and had 150 people on board, suffered some bow damage with dents and the loss of her forward starboard anchor. The *Mercury Triumph* was damaged with water ingress.

Type of Claim Collision damage claim

P&I No details / Japan Shipowners

Seiryu Maru

General cargo vessel, IMO 9667667, Built 2013, 820 dwt

Date of Casualty 30 March 2018

Voyage Nagasaki to Osaka, Japan

Cargo Steel

Type of Casualty Ran aground early in the Tsushima Strait on a small islet north of Karatsu, Kyushu Island, Japan. The vessel was refloated and taken to Fukuoka.

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

Yuan Tai 789

General cargo vessel, No other details

Date of Casualty 31 March 2018

Voyage No details

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Grounded on rocks in the Taiwan Strait some three nm off the Southeast coast of Kinmen Island, China. The crew were evacuated.

Type of Claim Possible total loss or hull damage and salvage claim



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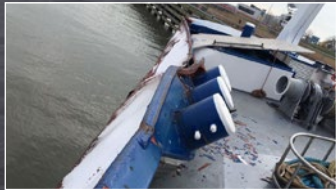
Nordkap

Fishing vessel, IMO 8913241, Built 1990, 1,270 dwt

Date of Casualty 31 March 2018

Type of Casualty Suffered a fire whilst berthed at the Fiskerstrand Yard in Sula. Local fire-fighters attended.

Type of Claim Fire damage claim



Vista Classica/Onyx

Vista Classica – River cruise ship, No other details

Onyx – Tank barge, 2,979 ts

Date of Casualty 31 March 2018

Type of Casualty Collision at the Oranje Lock on the approach to the Amsterdam-Rhine Canal.

Type of Claim Collision damage claim



Eldorado

Ferry, IMO 9194256, Built 1999, 62 dwt

Date of Casualty 31 March 2018

Type of Casualty Breached after striking an unidentified object in the Japan Sea. The crew were able to control the water ingress sufficiently to enable the vessel to reach Ulleungdo Island, South Korea although a Korean patrol boat also escorted the vessel.

Type of Claim Hull damage claim

Lily-B

General cargo vessel, IMO 9066069, Built 1994, 2,300 dwt

Date of Casualty 31 March 2018

Voyage Port Penryn, UK to Rotterdam, Netherlands

Cargo 2,120 m/t of slate

Type of Casualty Disabled off Holyhead, UK. The *Afon Alaw* was deployed from Holyhead to tow the vessel to destination.

Type of Claim Possible General Average declaration

P&I Hanseatic



CSL Welland

Bulk carrier, IMO 9665279, Built 2014, 36,417 dwt

Date of Casualty 1 April 2018

Voyage Port Colborne to Quebec, Canada

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Allided with the ship arrester whilst entering lock 7 of the Welland Canal, Ontario. Traffic was suspended until the vessel was freed.

Type of Claim Allision damage claim

P&I Standard Club

Montanara/Hermann Burmeister

Montanara – Self-propelled barge, 3,208 ts
Hermann Burmeister – Tank barge, 1,320 ts

Date of Casualty 2 April 2018

Voyage Unknown to Rotterdam, Netherlands / Amsterdam, Netherlands to unknown destination

Cargo Coal / No details

Type of Casualty Collision on the Waal at

Gendt. The tank barge was damaged and suffered water ingress forward. The fire brigade of Millingen and Rijkswaterstaat attended and brought the flooding under control.

Type of Claim Collision damage claim



Spirit of Altruism

Passenger ro-ro, IMO 7215290, Built 1972, 726 dwt

Date of Casualty 2 April 2018

Type of Casualty Grounded on a reef off Naigani Island after suffering engine failure. Passengers were evacuated to another ferry in the same ownership.

Type of Claim Possible hull damage and salvage claim

UBC Sagunto

Bulk carrier, IMO 9426867, Built 2010, 33,313 dwt

Date of Casualty 2 April 2018

Voyage Kingston, Jamaica to Fond Mombin, Haiti

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Grounded whilst approaching Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Ardent Salvage are reported to have been contracted to assist, terms unknown.

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

P&I UK Club

CMA CGM Samson

Fully cellular containership, IMO 9436379, Built 2010, 101,383 dwt

Date of Casualty 3 April 2018

Voyage Singapore and Port Réunion, Réunion to Cape Town, South Africa

LOF NEWS

LOF stats – In the first quarter of 2018 some 20 LOF Salvage contracts were reported to Lloyd's Salvage Arbitration Branch. This compares to 11 LOFs in the first quarter of 2017. With the total LOFs during 2017 up significantly on previous years, it suggests perhaps the LOF contract is enjoying a slight resurgence.

Transforza – edition 261 – was refloated on 3 April 2018 by salvors Alfons Hakans in cooperation with Smit Salvage under an LOF salvage contract. Half the cargo of aspen pulpwood was lightered into barges and taken to Pärnu whilst the rest remains aboard. Discussions continue regarding a suitable repair yard and where to discharge the balance of the cargo.

PIRACY NEWS

The fishing vessel *Marine 711* was hijacked by pirates on 26 March 2018 whilst in the Gulf of Guinea. The pirates took five hostages.

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Cargo General containerised cargo

Type of Casualty Ran aground on the South Breakwater in Cape Town harbour whilst approaching the Cape Town Container Terminal. The vessel was refloated in the afternoon with assistance from three tugs deployed by the Transnet National Ports Authority. Collaborating with the South African Maritime Safety Authority (SAMSA).

Type of Claim Possible hull damage

P&I Skuld

CASUALTY FOLLOW-UP

MSC Daniela – editions 210, 211, 212, 214 & 218 – the registered owner and demise charterer have obtained a Limitation Decree from the High Court of Justice in London dated 22 March 2018 having previously constituted a limitation fund, in the form of a Letter of Undertaking, in the amount of SDRs 61,172,818. Any party wishing to set aside the Limitation Decree must file an application before the Admiralty Court no later than 30 April 2018. Any party wishing to file a claim against the Limitation Fund must do so by 14 May 2018.

Leonardo – edition 231 – tenders have been invited for the removal of the general cargo vessel from the grounding site at the northern entrance to the Istanbul Straits.

Vestas 11th Hour – editions 252, 254 & 258 – Suffered a broken mast 100 nm off the Falkland Islands in the South Atlantic on 30 March 2018. The vessel is heading towards the Falklands under engine power. The vessel had only re-joined this leg of the race from Auckland to Itajai following repairs to the collision damage which occurred as she was racing into Hong Kong on 19 January 2018. Investigations will centre on whether the mast could have been damaged in the collision or if this is an entirely separate event.

Akacia – editions 256, 257, 258 & 259 – on 29 March 2018 the sheerleg *Matador 3* started raising the damaged lock gate in Kiel-Holtenau which had been damaged by the *Akacia*.

Maersk Honam – editions 258, 259, 260 & 261 – Jebel Ali remains the favoured port

of refuge and the vessel is continuing her progress towards the port but still remains over 580 nm. She has been kept in a holding position for some of this week. Efforts to deal with the hot spots continue.

Harriett – edition 260 – was refloated in the morning of 31 March 2018 under her own power after more than two weeks aground. Surveys suggest she did not suffer any external damage whilst aground.

Britannica Hav – editions 260 & 261 – all potential pollutants from the vessel have been removed by salvors Ardent. A floating crane is underway from Norway to assist in bringing the hull upright.

Delphius Gdansk & BBC Neptune – edition 261 – the Danish Navy has located the last of the five containers lost from the *Delphius Gdansk* following the collision with the *BBC Neptune*. One of the units lost was loaded with banana and avocados which have drifted ashore on the South and Southeast coast of Samsø. Meanwhile the *BBC Neptune* was assisted by the tug *Bugsier 1* into the Lloyd Yard Bremerhaven on 1 April 2018 where she will undergo repairs.

Fukuseki Maru No. 7 – edition 261 – bad weather has continued to hamper the operation to refloat the fishing vessel which stranded off Namibia two weeks ago. The engine room started taking on water on 28 March and seven of the vessel's nine fuel tanks were reported as leaking. Salvors have now pumped out the remaining fuel and oil contaminants and are awaiting an improvement in the weather.

