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Casualty Newsletter 349

4th December 2019

FEATURE CASUALTY

RCC Passion

Vehicle carrier, IMO 9453107, Built 2011, 11,174 dwt

Date of Casualty 1 December 2019

Voyage Le Havre to Fort-de-France, Martinique

Cargo Vehicles

Type of Casualty Fire

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

P&I North of England

In the afternoon of 1 December 2019, the vehicle carrier *RCC Passion* suffered a fire in her engine room whilst in the Celtic Sea. At 1700 UTC CROSS Corsen was alerted by the crew of the *RCC Passion* after a fire broke out in the engine room. Earlier in the day the vehicle carrier had sailed from Le Havre bound for Fort-de-France loaded with 2,195 vehicles. She had 19 crew members on board.

The 2011 built vehicle carrier was in a position some 40 nm west north west of Ushant Island which is located in the south western end of the English Channel when the fire started. The crew tried to contain the fire using the vessel's fire suppression systems and later in the evening at 1050 hours an evaluation and intervention team of six people including four firefighters were winched on board by a navy helicopter. A further six more firefighters were then deployed. The emergency

tug *Abeille Bourbon* which was at the Bertheaume anchorage, was dispatched to provide assistance and arrived at the casualty's location at around midnight. Weather at the time was inclement with northerly Beaufort force 6 winds with a 5 metre swell.

The fire on the vessel was reported to have been extinguished by the early morning on 2 December 2019 and the authorities were advised of this at 0200 hours. The vessel was to be taken in tow by the tug but she was able to proceed under her own power to Brest after the engine room had been ventilated although the *Abeille Bourbon* remained to escort the vessel safely into Brest.

The *RCC Passion*, which remains in Brest, is owned by Passion Ray Ltd and is operated by Ray Car Carriers Ltd, Douglas, Isle of Man.



NEW CASUALTIES



Villa San Giovanni ▽

Ro-ro, IMO 7929126, Built 1980, 2,500 dwt

Date of Casualty 27 November 2019

Type of Casualty Disabled following a suspected engine room fire whilst crossing the Strait of Messina. The passengers were evacuated and the ferry was towed into Reggio Calabria on 28 November 2019.

Type of Claim Fire damage and possible salvage/towage claim

P&I Carina P&I

Kaministiqua

Bulk carrier, IMO 8119285, Built 1983, 36,248 dwt

Date of Casualty 27 November 2019

Voyage Montreal, Canada to Ogdensburg, USA

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Suffered damage to her ballast tanks after contacting the edge of the waterway whilst on the St. Lawrence River at Beauharnois.

Type of Claim Hull damage claim

P&I North of England

Schneivins ▽

Fishing vessel, No other details

Date of Casualty 27 November 2019

Type of Casualty Suffered an engine room fire whilst 8.5 nm northwest of Ouistreham, France. Fire-fighters were

winched on board and together with the crew they were able to extinguish the fire. The fishing vessel was towed into Ouistreham

Type of Claim Fire damage and possible salvage claim



Ilhan Yilmaz 5 ▽

Fishing vessel, No other details

Date of Casualty 27 November 2019

Type of Casualty Suffered a loss of stability and sank 40 miles off the Mauritanian coast west of Nouadhibou. The crew abandoned the vessel and were rescued by another fishing vessel.

Type of Claim Total loss claim

COSCO Star

Passenger ro-ro, IMO 9073440, Built 1993, 5,868 dwt

Date of Casualty 27 November 2019

Type of Casualty The ferry collided with a port tug in Taichung Port, Taiwan. The tug was severely damaged.

Type of Claim Collision damage claim

P&I Steamship Mutual



Nordana Sophie ▽

General cargo vessel, IMO 9205562, Built 1999, 8,976 dwt

Date of Casualty 28 November 2019

Voyage Hong Kong to Vung Ang, Vietnam

Cargo In ballast

Type of Casualty Suffered water ingress into her engine room whilst proceeding

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to Son Duong port to load steel. The 18 crew members were evacuated. The vessel sank later in the day. There has been some loss of oil. The port authority are taking steps to remove the oil from the vessel.

Type of Claim Total loss or possible salvage claim and clean-up operations

Lummetje – UK-165 ▽

Fishing vessel, IMO 8432613, Built 1986

Date of Casualty 28 November 2019

Type of Casualty Sank in the North sea west of Texel. Search and rescue operations were activated after an emergency beacon was activated. The bodies of the two crew members have been recovered from the wheelhouse of the fishing vessel.

Type of Claim Damage claim, wreck removal and loss of life claims



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Brual

Fishing vessel, Built 1991

Date of Casualty 28 November 2019

Type of Casualty Suffered engine failure and began drifting towards the coast at the port of Cedeira. The vessel was pulled to safety from her position 30 metres from the shore and taken into Cedeira.

Type of Claim Possible salvage claim



Baltic Moon

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9195729, Built 2000, 3,850 dwt

Date of Casualty 29 November 2019

Voyage Klaipeda, Lithuania to Ermden, Germany

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Allided with the quay of the west jetty in the outer port of Ermden.

Type of Claim Allision damage claim

Stallovare

Ro-ro, IMO 7727413, Built 1978, 258 dwt

Date of Casualty 29 November 2019

Type of Casualty Ran aground off Levang in Sandnessjoen, Norway. All passengers were evacuated.

Type of Claim Possible hull damage and salvage claim



Poseidon 34

General cargo vessel, IMO 8529416, Built 2014, 5,152 dwt

Date of Casualty 29 November 2019

Voyage Legazpi to Tagbilaran, Philippines

Cargo In ballast

Type of Casualty Grounded on northern coast of Capul Island, south of Legazpi after suffering steering failure. Her 21 crew members were evacuated by the Philippines Coast Guard, Navy and local police.

Type of Claim Possible hull damage and salvage claim

Meike-B

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9105841, Built 1994, 4,143 dwt

Date of Casualty 28 November 2019

Voyage Leixoes, Portugal to Oxelösund, Sweden

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Allided with sheet piling and several dolphins whilst manoeuvring into the old lock of Brunsbüttel, Germany

Type of Claim Allision damage claim

Toan Phat 68

General cargo vessel, IMO 8981638, Built 2003, 3,195 dwt

Date of Casualty 30 November 2019

Voyage Hai Phong to Can Tho, Vietnam

Cargo 2,950 tons of clinker

Type of Casualty Sank in the South China sea off Quy Nhon in Binh Dinh Province, Vietnam after suffering a cargo shift in poor weather. All 11 crew members were rescued but the Master later died after suffering a heart attack during the incident.

Type of Claim Total loss and clean-up operations

Mir Jalal Pashayev

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9356969, Built 2006, 6,933 dwt

Date of Casualty 1 December 2019

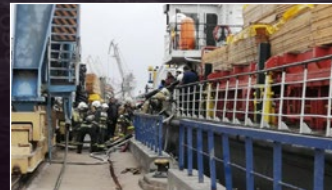
Voyage Azov, Russia to Incheon, South Korea

Cargo Sunflower seeds

Type of Casualty Ran aground on the river Don.

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

P&I West of England



Vafa 2

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 8869919, Built 1988, 2,755 dwt

Date of Casualty 2 December 2019

Voyage Unknown to Astrakhan, Russia

Cargo Sawm timber

Type of Casualty Suffered a fire in her superstructure whilst berthed at Astrakhan Port, Russia. Local fire-fighters attended. The cargo, which was being unloaded, was not affected.

Type of Claim Fire damage and possible salvage claim

VF Tanker-14/Melita

VF Tanker-14 – Product tanker, IMO 9645035, Built 2012, 7,025 dwt

Melita – General cargo vessel, IMO 8230479, Built 1981, 3,509 dwt

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Date of Casualty 2 December 2019

Voyage Turkmenistan to Romania / Turkmenistan to Ukraine

Cargo Diesel / Fertiliser

Type of Casualty The vessels were in collision at the Kochetovsky Lock Anchorage on the River Don. The VF Tanker 14 suffered breaches in her aft quarter above the waterline.

Type of Claim Collision damage claim

P&I Standard Club / No details

KLM Citra Hasil

General cargo vessel, No other details

Date of Casualty 3 December 2019

Voyage No details

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Sank in the South China sea west of the Ebeling Reef.

Type of Claim Total loss claim

KM Amarisa/Nusa Agung/Suki 2

KM Amarisa – Passenger ro-ro, IMO 8602074, Built 1986, 2,805 dwt

Nusa Agung – Ro-ro with container capacity, IMO 7027423, Built 1986, 2,900 dwt

Suki 2 – Ro-ro, IMO 9066722, Built 1993, 1,065 dwt

Date of Casualty 3 December 2019

Type of Casualty The KM Amarisa dragged at anchor near Bakauheni Port Lampung, Indonesia and struck the Nusa Agung and Suki 2.

Type of Claim Collision damage claim

New Leo

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9113044, Built 1997, 5,600 dwt

Date of Casualty 4 December 2019

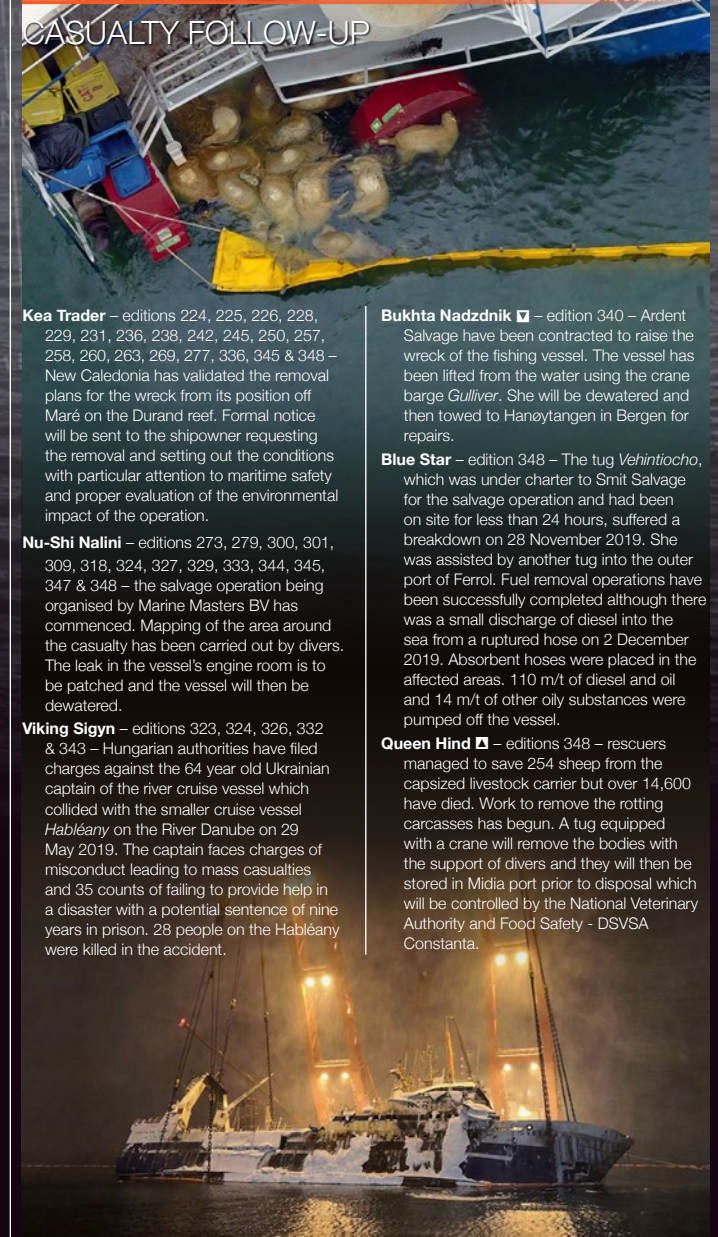
Voyage Eleusis, Greece to Gemlik, Turkey

Cargo Steel

Type of Casualty Suffered engine failure between Lesvos and Skyros during poor weather. The cargo of steel began to shift under the influence of the rolling vessel and the crew requested emergency evacuation. They were airlifted by two helicopters.

Type of Claim Possible total loss or salvage claim

P&I Skuld



CASUALTY FOLLOW-UP

Kea Trader – editions 224, 225, 226, 228, 229, 231, 236, 238, 242, 245, 250, 257, 258, 260, 263, 269, 277, 336, 345 & 348 – New Caledonia has validated the removal plans for the wreck from its position off Maré on the Durand reef. Formal notice will be sent to the shipowner requesting the removal and setting out the conditions with particular attention to maritime safety and proper evaluation of the environmental impact of the operation.

Nu-Shi Nalini – editions 273, 279, 300, 301, 309, 318, 324, 327, 329, 333, 344, 345, 347 & 348 – the salvage operation being organised by Marine Masters BV has commenced. Mapping of the area around the casualty has been carried out by divers. The leak in the vessel's engine room is to be patched and the vessel will then be dewatered.

Viking Sigyn – editions 323, 324, 326, 332 & 343 – Hungarian authorities have filed charges against the 64 year old Ukrainian captain of the river cruise vessel which collided with the smaller cruise vessel Habléány on the River Danube on 29 May 2019. The captain faces charges of misconduct leading to mass casualties and 35 counts of failing to provide help in a disaster with a potential sentence of nine years in prison. 28 people on the Habléány were killed in the accident.

Bukhta Nadzdnik – edition 340 – Ardent Salvage have been contracted to raise the wreck of the fishing vessel. The vessel has been lifted from the water using the crane barge Gulliver. She will be dewatered and then towed to Hanøytangen in Bergen for repairs.

Blue Star – edition 348 – The tug Vehintiocho, which was under charter to Smit Salvage for the salvage operation and had been on site for less than 24 hours, suffered a breakdown on 28 November 2019. She was assisted by another tug into the outer port of Ferrol. Fuel removal operations have been successfully completed although there was a small discharge of diesel into the sea from a ruptured hose on 2 December 2019. Absorbent hoses were placed in the affected areas. 110 m³ of diesel and oil and 14 m³ of other oily substances were pumped off the vessel.

Queen Hind – editions 348 – rescuers managed to save 254 sheep from the capsized livestock carrier but over 14,600 have died. Work to remove the rotting carcasses has begun. A tug equipped with a crane will remove the bodies with the support of divers and they will then be stored in Midia port prior to disposal which will be controlled by the National Veterinary Authority and Food Safety - DSVSA Constanta.