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Casualty Newsletter 357

29th January 2020

FEATURE CASUALTY

Cooperative Spirit/RC Creppel

Cooperative Spirit – Tug, Built 1975

RC Creppel – Pusher tug, No other details

Date of Casualty 26 January 2020

Type of Casualty Collision

Type of Claim Collision damage and loss of life claims

At 0537 hours on 26 January 2020, the tugs *Cooperative Spirit* and *RC Creppel* were involved in a collision whilst sailing on the Mississippi River, near Luling, Louisiana, USA which led to the sinking of the *RC Creppel* and the loss of three of her four crew members.

The tug *RC Creppel* was pushing two barges laden with a cargo of sulfuric acid on the Mississippi River when the collision occurred. The *Cooperative Spirit* was proceeding up river. It is reported to have entered a barge fleeting area and struck the laden barges before colliding with the *RC Creppel*. The *RC Creppel*'s four crew members were thrown into the water and the tug quickly sank. The US Coast Guard immediately launched a Response Boat from US Coast Guard Sector New Orleans and a MH-65 Dolphin rescue helicopter was deployed from Air Station New Orleans. One of the crew members was subsequently recovered from the water by a passing vessel.

The impact of the collision caused damage to one of barges and some of the sulphuric acid vapour was released into the air. The barges broke away from the tug. Action was quickly taken to secure the damaged area to prevent further release of the cargo. A safety zone from mile marker 121 to 123 was issued and traffic was closed to vessels in that area and an assessment of air quality was carried out by the Centre of Toxicology and Environmental Health.

The search for the missing crew members from the *RC Creppel* has since been halted and the Mississippi River has re-opened to traffic. The National Transportation Safety Board and Coast Guard will carry out a joint investigation into the cause of the collision.



NEW CASUALTIES

Lian Feng 18

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 8410873, Built 1985, 1,599 dwt

Date of Casualty 19 January 2020 – Late Notification

Voyage Kaohsiung, Taiwan to Busan, Korea

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Suffered a loss of stability and developed a port list whilst proceeding in the Southern Taiwan Strait. The ten crew were rescued by passing vessels.

Type of Claim Total loss claim

Stadt Heilbronn

Self-propelled barge, 2,619 ts

Date of Casualty 21 January 2020 – Late Notification



GENERAL AVERAGE NEWS

The owners of the fully cellular containership *Northern Jupiter* (IMO 9466984, Built 2010, 108,622 dwt, London Club) have declared General Average and appointed the firm of Adjusters Stihling Hahn Hilbrich GmbH after the vessel suffered an engine room fire in the morning of 4 January 2020 whilst transiting the Malacca Strait en route from Singapore to Port Klang, Malaysia. The vessel was anchored and after the fire was extinguished the vessel was cleared to be towed back to Singapore where she remains. Information regarding the incident has not been widely reported until notice of the General Average declaration was sent to property interests last week. Owners of the cargo and containers on board are required to provide General Average security. Roose+Partners are appointed to assist part cargo interests. You can contact the GA Adjusters by clicking [here](#).

Voyage Heilbronn to Ludwigshafen, Germany
Cargo Salt

Type of Casualty Ran aground whilst on the Neckar near Mannheim, Germany. The vessel was refloated after being lightered.

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

Ormi

Bulk carrier, IMO 9397200, Built 2006, 16,648 dwt

Date of Casualty 21 January 2020 – Late Notification

Voyage Kherson, Ukraine to Haifa, Israel

Cargo Soya beans

Type of Casualty Experienced a mechanical failure whilst in the Mediterranean south of Rhodes Island, Greece. The tug *Karapiperis 18* was contracted to assist the vessel.

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

P&I MS Amlin

Xin Jin Yang/Danum 160

Xin Jin Yang – Crude oil tanker, IMO 9294068, Built 2004, 297,376 dwt

Danum 160 - Fully cellular containership, IMO 9477268, Built 2008, 13,177 dwt

Date of Casualty 22 January 2020

Voyage Iraq to China / Port Klang to Kuching, Borneo, Malaysia



Cargo Crude oil / General containerised cargo

Type of Casualty The vessels were in collision whilst proceeding in the western Singapore Strait east of Karimunjawa Island, Indonesia

Type of Claim Collision damage claim

P&I West of England / No details



Reem 5

Asphalt tanker, IMO 8300767, Built 1983, 1,894 dwt

Date of Casualty 23 January 2020

Voyage Basrah, Iran to Hazira, India

Cargo Bitumen

Type of Casualty Suffered flooding to her engine room and sank in the Arabian sea off the Gujarat coast southwest of Karachi, India. Her 13 crew were evacuated onto a commercial vessel, the *Ganga*, which diverted to assist.

Type of Claim Total loss claim

P&I MS Amlin

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Fishing vessel, 17.72 gt

Date of Casualty 23 January 2020

Further casualties overleaf

Type of Casualty Missing presumed lost 28 miles west of Cape Espartel off the coast of Morocco. There was a crew of six on board.

Type of Claim total loss and loss of life claims

Stavros/European Star

Stavros – Passenger ro-ro, IMO 8973136, Built 2000, 913 dwt

European Star – Passenger ro-ro, IMO 7813949, Built 1981, 2,092 dwt

Date of Casualty 23 January 2020

Type of Casualty The ferries were in collision in Drapetozona, Greece.

Type of Claim Collision damage claim

Pollux

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9390135, Built 2008, 3,689 dwt

Date of Casualty 23 January 2020

Voyage Gibraltar to Hällekis, Sweden

Cargo Bentonite

Type of Casualty Ran aground in Lake Vanern, Sweden whilst approaching the port of Hällekis. The vessel was refloated with tug assistance the same afternoon after several attempts.

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

P&I Skuld



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NEW CASUALTIES - Continued - edition (357)

Clipper Eirene

LPG carrier, IMO 9834715, Built 2019, 18,063 dwt

Date of Casualty 24 January 2020

Voyage Houston, USA to Cristobal, Panama

Cargo LPG

Type of Casualty Ran aground whilst departing the port of Houston. Tugs were deployed to refloat the vessel.

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

P&I Gard

BW Acorn

Bulk carrier, IMO 9548586, Built 2010, 82,589 dwt

Date of Casualty 24 January 2020

Voyage Fangcheng, China to Suez

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Disabled after suffering an engine room fire whilst in the Gulf of Aden. After extinguishing the fire the crew were able to restart the engine.

Type of Claim Fire damage claim

P&I North of England

Ades

General cargo vessel, IMO 9523237, Built 2008, 3,417 dwt

Date of Casualty 24 January 2020

Voyage Haifa, Israel to Tuzla, Turkey



LOF NEWS

EM Oinousses – edition 356 – the vessel, which suffered an engine room fire on 19 January 2020, received assistance from Kotug Mozambique BV under the terms of a Lloyds Open Form salvage contract. Tugs were deployed from Nacala, Mozambique where the vessel was towed.

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Suffered mechanical failure and was disabled whilst in the Aegean sea south of Levitha Island. The vessel was towed to Kalymnos by the tug *Pothitos*.

Type of Claim Possible salvage/towage claim



Nene Francine

Fishing vessel, No other details

Date of Casualty 24 January 2020

Type of Casualty Suffered water ingress and developed a port list whilst moored in Agde. The vessel partially sank.

Type of Claim Salvage and damage claim and clean-up operations

Hoogo

Fully cellular containership, IMO 9301122, Built 2006, 16,987 dwt

Date of Casualty 24 January 2020

Voyage St. Petersburg, Russia to Zeebrugge, Belgium

Cargo General containerised cargo

Type of Casualty Ran aground on a mud bar at the edge of the fairway of the Northwest Anchorage of Brunsbüttel, Germany. The vessel was refloated with tug assistance.

Type of Claim Possible tug claims

P&I West of England

Valiant

General cargo vessel, IMO 9030503, Built 1993, 2,366 dwt

Date of Casualty 25 January 2020

Voyage Poole to St. Peter Port, Guernsey, UK

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Suffered steering problems in deteriorating weather and was assisted by tugs into St. Peter Port.

Type of Claim Towage or salvage claim and/or possible General Average declaration

P&I North of England

Zernograd

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 9252905, Built 2001, 6,207 dwt

Date of Casualty 26 January 2020

Voyage Azov, Russia to Trabzon, Turkey

Cargo Wheat

Type of Casualty Ran aground on the River Don close to Azov, Russia. Tugs were deployed to assist the vessel.

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

Laskar Pelangi

Passenger ro-ro, IMO 7920651, Built 1998, 1,001 gt

Date of Casualty 26 January 2020

Type of Casualty Collided with a fishing vessel off Balikpapan in East Kalimantan, Indonesia. The fishing vessel, which had reportedly suffered engine failure shortly before the collision, sank but thankfully all her crew were rescued safely.

Type of Claim Collision claim



Svyatitel Innokentiy

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 7811056, Built 1981, 3,427 dwt

Date of Casualty 27 January 2020

Type of Casualty Caught fire whilst at the Solombal shipyard in the port of Archangel. Local fire-fighters attended and fought the fire.

Type of Claim Fire damage claim

Iver Prosperity/Edna May

Iver Prosperity – Product tanker, IMO 9351921, Built 2007, 37,456 dwt

Edna May – Fishing vessel, No other details

Date of Casualty 27 January 2020

Voyage Saint John, Canada to Providence Port, USA

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty The vessels were in collision 25 nm south of Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts, USA.

Type of Claim Collision claim

P&I North of England / No details

Bon Challenger

Product tanker, IMO 9361471, Built 2008, 13,185 dwt

Date of Casualty 27 January 2020

Voyage Ulsan, Korea to unknown destination

Cargo In ballast

Type of Casualty Allided with the breakwater whilst departing Ulsan having just offloaded a cargo of palm oil.

Type of Claim Allision damage claim

P&I London Club

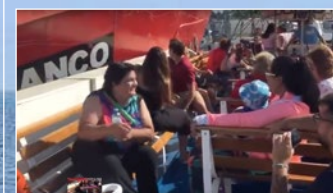
Anamora

Tour boat, No other details

Date of Casualty 28 January 2020

Type of Casualty Collided with a fishing vessel which was at a berth in Mar del Plata, Argentina. Several passengers suffered injuries. Click [here](#) for video.

Type of Claim Collision damage and injury claims



CASUALTY FOLLOW-UP



Stettin – edition 229 – on 24 January 2020, over 2½ years after the collision with the ferry *Finnsky* on the Warrow in the port of Rostock on 12 August 2017, the *Stettin* finally entered the Norder Yard in Hamburg for permanent repairs which are expected to take eight weeks. The vessel had been sliced on her starboard side over a length of two metres and this had been temporarily patched with a steel plate. The repairs costs are estimated in the region of one million Euros.

Anjuzo – edition 346 – work to raise the vessel, which sunk on 11 November 2019 off the port of Ouisstreham at the entrance of the access channel to the port, began on 21 January 2020.

Vietsun Integrity – editions 343, 346, 348 & 351 – the salvage operations to recover the vessel have still to be completed. Salvors are cutting the wreck into pieces to remove it from the channel.

Scandies Rose – edition 353 – The US Coast Guard has launched a Marine Board of

Investigation into the loss of the fishing vessel in the Gulf of Alaska on 31 December 2019. The vessel developed a sudden list and sank whilst off Sutwik Island and five of her seven crew were lost.

Bow Fortune – editions 355 & 356 – Odfjell SE, the Norwegian owners of the *Bow Fortune* have denied any liability for the collision with the fishing vessel *Pappy's Pride* which sank off the coast off Texas after the accident leaving one crew member dead and two others missing presumed dead. Their denial was filed in response to a law suit filed against the Norwegian owners by the family of the fisherman who died shortly after the collision.

Manu'atele – edition 356 – damage to the vessel which allided with a dock at Ofu is estimated in the region of USD200,000. The vessel is expected to remain in Ofu until she has undergone a hull inspection and completed sea trials. The dock suffered several cracks.

