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Casualty Newsletter 391

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FEATURE CASUALTY

Amorella

Passenger ro-ro, IMO 8601915, Built 1988, 3,690 dwt

Date of Casualty 20 September 2020

Type of Casualty Grounding

Voyage Turku, Finland to Stockholm, Sweden

Type of Claim Hull damage and salvage claim

P&I North of England

On 20 September 2020, whilst the passenger ro-ro *Amorella* was sailing in the Åland archipelago, she made contact with the seabed and, according to initial reports, had to be intentionally driven aground in order to stabilise her situation.

The 1988 built ferry, which is operated by Viking Lines, was en route from Turku in Finland to Stockholm in Sweden with 207 passengers and 80 crew on board when she was damaged south of Långnäs on the Åland Islands after striking the seabed whilst navigating between two rocks located in the Haesslo fjord. The ferry was holed and began taking on water to such an extent that the crew navigated her to the shallows off Järsö

island and put her aground at 1250 hours.

Search and rescue boats together with anti-pollution craft were immediately dispatched to the site. The passengers were mustered on the upper deck of the ferry and evacuated from the vessel during the afternoon and were taken to an evacuation centre which had been established on the Åland Islands in a local school. The crew remained on board to keep the vessels pumps operating. Oil containment booms were laid out by the Finnish Coast Guard later in the day. There are no reports of any injuries amongst the passengers or crew.

An investigation into the accident is underway. There are reports that the vessel also struck ice buoy during her passage.

Viking Lines released an update yesterday and advised that preparatory work is underway and they hope to refloat the vessel today. Once safely afloat she will be moved to Långnäs port. The vessel has some 40 cars and 41 lorries on board and it may be that the vehicles will be removed at Långnäs. She is expected to undergo repairs Naantali, Finland. Click [here](#) for video of the vessel and a recording of the mayday call.



NEW CASUALTIES

Aisho No.8

General cargo vessel, IMO 9499515, Built 2008, 1,050 dwt

Date of Casualty 16 September 2020

Voyage No details

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Collided with an unnamed fishing vessel 3nm from Shimizu, Japan. The fishing vessel was seriously damaged.

Type of Claim Collision claim

Jolanda 2

Self-propelled barge, 2,668 ts

Date of Casualty 17 September 2020

Voyage Tolkamer, Netherlands to Ludwigshafen, Germany

Cargo 900 m/t of styrol

Type of Casualty Suffered a fire in the engine room whilst transiting the Rhine river near Unkel, Germany. Local fire-fighters brought the fire under control.

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

Lady I ▣

Bulk carrier, IMO 9336610, Built 2007, 75,356 dwt

Date of Casualty 17 September 2020

Voyage Tianjin, China to Vancouver, Canada



Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Collided with and seriously damaged a yacht in the East China Sea northwest of the northeast tip of Jeju. The *Lady 1* anchored at Yosu whilst investigations are underway.

Type of Claim Collision claim

P&I London Club

King Challenger

Fishing vessel, IMO 9345099, Built 2006

Date of Casualty 17 September 2020

Type of Casualty Suffered engine failure 17 miles southwest of Portland Bill and was towed into Brixham, UK by the tug *Camm Defiance*.

Type of Claim Possible salvage or towage claim

Tilly Russ

Fully cellular containership, IMO 9470894, Built 2010, 17,142 dwt

Date of Casualty 17 September 2020

Voyage Alaga to Gemlik, Turkey

Cargo General containerised cargo

Type of Casualty Suffered engine failure whilst transiting the Istanbul Strait. Coastal Safety tugs attended. The crew were able to restart the engine and the vessel was escorted to a safe anchorage.

Type of Claim Possible salvage claim and fine
P&I Skuld

Globe 6

General cargo vessel, IMO 9490284, Built 2008, 4,374 dwt

Date of Casualty 18 September 2020

Voyage Quang Ngai, to Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Cargo 4,186 m/t of iron ore

Type of Casualty Suffered a loss of stability and developed an 11° list whilst off Vietnam's Ninh Thuận Province. The vessel was assisted by the Vietnam Navy who towed her to Cam Ranh Bay.

Type of Claim Possible salvage claim



Kingfisher ▣

Fishing vessel, No other details

Date of Casualty 18 September 2020

Type of Casualty Grounded off Westray, one of the Orkney Islands, in Scotland.

Type of Claim Hull damage and possible total loss

Elise ▣

General cargo vessel, IMO 9454462, Built 2007, 3,020 dwt

Date of Casualty 18 September 2020

Voyage Littlehampton, UK to Antwerp, Belgium

Cargo 2,000 m/t of aggregate

Type of Casualty The vessel broke free of her moorings and grounded on the river Arun at Littlehampton, UK, blocking the waterway. She was refloated the same day with tug assistance and pulled back to her berth.

Further casualties overleaf ▣

Type of Claim Possible hull damage and salvage claim

P&I Standard Club

Vera D

Fully cellular containership, IMO 9290177, Built 2004, 22,513 dwt

Date of Casualty 18 September 2020

Voyage Grundartangi and Reykjavik, Iceland

Cargo General containerised cargo

Type of Casualty Suffered hull damage whilst sailing to Reykjavik.

Type of Claim Hull damage claim

P&I Standard Club

Gotland Sofia

Combined chemical and oil tanker, IMO 9328144, Built 2007, 53,187 dwt

Date of Casualty 19 September 2020

Voyage Skikda, Algeria to Malta

Cargo Jet fuel

Type of Casualty Disabled in the Istanbul Strait near Kandilli point. Coastal Safety tugs and a technical team attended and the tanker was towed to a safe anchorage.

Type of Claim Salvage claim and fine
P&I Skuld

Mercuria

Bunkering tanker, IMO 9014547, Built 1989, 1,100 dwt

Date of Casualty 19 September 2020



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Type of Casualty Suffered an explosion and fire whilst berthed in its home port of Taranto, Italy. Two crew members suffered severe burn injuries. Port Authority tugs attended along with local fire-fighters and extinguished the fire.

Type of Claim Fire damage, possible salvage and crew injury claims

P&I Carina P&I

Ocean B

Yacht, MMSI 211336220

Date of Casualty 19 September 2020

Type of Casualty Suffered rudder failure south of Sorkapp in Spitsbergen, Norway. The vessel was assisted by the patrol boat *Barentshav* and towed into Longyearbyen.

Type of Claim Possible damage and salvage claim

AM Quebec

Bulk carrier, IMO 9624108, Built 2013, 81,792 dwt

Date of Casualty 19 September 2020

Voyage Milne Inlet to Hamburg, Germany

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Suffered engine problems reportedly due to contaminated fuel some 35 nm north west of Westray, UK. The vessel received towage assistance from the tug *levoli Black* and was taken to a position east of Orkney where repairs were completed.

Type of Claim Possible salvage claim

P&I Skuld

Mimife

Yacht, No other details

Date of Casualty 19 September 2020

Type of Casualty Ran aground at Oudeschild, Germany. The vessel was refloated with

assistance. No damage was reported.

Type of Claim Possible salvage claim

Regina Maris

Yacht, IMO 7025126, Built 1970, 249 dwt

Date of Casualty 20 September 2020

Type of Casualty Suffered an explosion and fire whilst berthed in Kiel, Germany. The fire was brought under control by the crew but local fire-fighters also attended to search for hotspots. Two crew members were injured.

Type of Claim Fire damage and crew injury claims



Moli

Ro-ro, IMO 6510643, Built 1965 20 Sep 2020

Date of Casualty 20 September 2020

Type of Casualty Caught fire in the port of Šibenik, Croatia. Local fire-fighters attended and struggled to contain the fire which caused serious damage. The vessel has remained in the port for several years.

Type of Claim Fire damage and possible salvage claim

Carabel

Fishing vessel, No other details

Date of Casualty 20 September 2020

Type of Casualty Disabled after its fishing gear fouled the propeller. The vessel was pulled into Oza, Spain by the SAR boat *Salvamar Altair*.

Type of Claim Possible salvage or towage claim

Viet Trung 69

General cargo vessel, MMSI 574013642

Date of Casualty 20 September 2020

Voyage Quang Ninh, Vietnam to unknown destination

Cargo In ballast

Type of Casualty Pushed aground on the coast of Cua Dai bay in the Gulf of Tonkin during poor weather. The vessel was refloated the following day and anchored for inspection.

Type of Claim Possible hull damage and salvage claim

Sapilo

Fishing vessel, MMSI 224382430

Date of Casualty 20 September 2020

Type of Casualty Ran aground on rocks at Liás beach in Foz, Spain and subsequently sank. Her three crew members were safely rescued by helicopter.

Type of Claim Total loss and clean-up operation.

Rimini

General cargo vessel, IMO 9421635, Built 2008, 2,620 dwt

Date of Casualty 21 September 2020

Voyage Klaipeda, Lithuania to Dordrecht, Netherlands

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Suffered engine failure entering the southern lock of the Kiel Canal in Kiel-Holtenu. Tugs pulled the vessel out of the lock and the vessel was taken to Kiel, Germany for inspection and repairs.

Type of Claim Possible salvage claim

P&I Noord Nederlandsche

Sheng Hang 189/Zhe Xiang Yuyung 3123

Sheng Hang 189 – General cargo vessel, No



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other details

Zhe Xiang Yuyung 3123 – Fishing vessel, No other details

Date of Casualty 21 September 2020

Voyage Nantong to Fuzhou, China

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty The vessels were in collision in the northern Taiwan Strait. The *Sheng Hang 189* sank. All her crew were safely rescued.

Type of Claim Collision claim

Lady of Chantry

Yacht, No other details

Date of Casualty 22 September 2020

Type of Casualty Suffered water ingress and sank north east of Poros, Greece. The crew of two were safely rescued after abandoning the yacht.

Type of Claim Total loss

Hillegersberg

Tank barge, Built 2005, 3,229 TS

Date of Casualty 22 September 2020

Voyage Rotterdam, Netherlands to Emmerich, Germany

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Suffered a hull breach and water ingress after contacting the seabed at Tolkamer. Local fire-fighters attended and the vessel was moored at Tolkamer.

Type of Claim Hull damage claim

Hanse Explorer

Training vessel, IMO 9346110, Built 2006, 199 dwt Date of Casualty 22 September 2020

Type of Casualty Caught fire whilst in dry-dock at the Fassmer Yard in Berne/Motzen, Germany. Local fire-fighters attended and extinguished the fire.

Type of Claim Fire damage and possible salvage claim

P&I Gard

Marstal

Ro-ro, IMO 9199074, Built 1999, 490 dwt

Date of Casualty 22 September 2020

Type of Casualty Allided with the ferry berth whilst entering Aeroskobing port, Denmark.

Type of Claim Allision claim

CASUALTY FOLLOW-UP



Scandies Rose – editions 353, 357, 359 & 362 – whilst carrying out their investigations into the loss of the fishing vessel and five of her crew on New Year's Eve some 170 miles west of Kodiak Island, the US Coast Guard has taken the unusual step of appealing for information from the public on the vessel and its condition as well as details on the sea conditions at the time of the sinking.

Raja 4 – editions 384, 385, 386, 388 & 390 – the bow of the ferry was raised on 15 September 2020 using two crane ships. Local fishing vessels have also been deployed to collect any debris and rubbish which may be released during the salvage operation.

Gulf Livestock I – editions 387, 388 & 390 – the two crew members who survived the

loss of the livestock carrier have returned home. In the meantime the vessel's owners and managers have pleaded with the Japanese Coast Guard to resume the search and rescue operation with a focus on the uninhabited islands in the area where it is possible some of the crew might have reached. A general alert to all vessels remains in place to keep a look out for survivors.

New Diamond – editions – 389 & 390 – the Master of the vessel is facing negligence and pollution charges which have been filed against him in Sri Lanka and the authorities there are also seeking compensation of just under USD2million for their assistance in the fire-fighting, anti-pollution and clean-up operation.

