

FEATURE CASUALTY

Genco Auvergne

Bulk carrier, IMO 9557123, Built 2009, 58,020 dwt

Date of Casualty 1 October 2020

Voyage Vancouver, USA to Busan, Korea

Cargo G rain

Type of Casualty Grounding

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

P&I Skuld

Shortly before 1am on 1 October 2020 the Coast Guard on the Columbia River was notified that the Marshall Islands flagged bulk carrier *Genco Auvergne* had run aground whilst transiting the river.

The 58,020 dwt vessel was en route from Vancouver, a suburb of Portland, Oregon where she had loaded a cargo of grain bound for Busan. She also had some 2,300 m³ of fuel oil in her tanks. She was proceeding downstream when she suffered a technical malfunction and gently drifted aground, coming to rest on

the Washington side of the Columbia river off Skamokawa Vista Park. The Master of the *Genco Auvergne* advised the authorities of the grounding, confirming there was no apparent pollution and all his crew were safe and well.

The Coast Guard immediately deployed the tugs *Carolyn Dorothy*, *Samantha S* and *Willamette* to the grounding site. They also dispatched a marine inspector from Sector Columbia River and a Columbia River Bar Pilot to organise traffic on the river. The vessel was found to be sitting on soft ground. Regular soundings were taken of the vessel's tanks throughout her time aground.

The vessel was refloated at 1420 hours on the rising tide and sailed to port of Longview to undergo a full damage assessment and investigation into the technical issues and the loss of propulsion which preceded the grounding. She arrived in Longview at 1830 hours.

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Golden Opal

Bulk carrier, IMO 9470404, Built 2015, 74,232 dwt

Date of Casualty 26 September 2020 – Late Notification

Voyage Milne, Canada to Immingham, UK

Cargo Iron ore

Type of Casualty Disabled in the Davis Strait, Nunavut, Canada. The tug *Venture Sea* was deployed to assist.

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

P&I Skuld

Sanar 3

Product tanker, IMO 9457804, Built 2010, 6,621 dwt

Date of Casualty 26 September 2020

Voyage Constanta, Romania to Rostov-on-Don, Russia

Cargo In ballast

Type of Casualty Suffered engine failure whilst departing Constanta. The tug *Coremar 76* was deployed and towed the vessel to Rostov.

Type of Claim Towing or salvage claim

YM Mandate

Fullly cellular containership, IMO 9438523, Built 2010, 59,900 dwt

Date of Casualty 28 September 2020 – Late Notification

Voyage Bayonne, New Jersey

Cargo General containerised cargo

Type of Casualty Suffered a fuel leak from a damaged bunker tank whilst in Bayonne container terminal. The Coast Guard, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, and Gallagher Marine Systems responded. The containership has since proceeded to New York for repairs.

Type of Claim Possible clean-up costs.

P&I Britannia



Stian-Andre

Fishing vessel, IMO 9677038, Built 2013, 104 gt

Date of Casualty 30 September 2020

Type of Casualty Sank in Oksfjord, Norway whilst preparing to unload a cargo of fish.

Type of Claim Damage and salvage claim

Hong Dai

Bulk carrier, IMO 9563603, Built 2010, 76,557 dwt

Date of Casualty 30 September 2020

Voyage Baltimore to Norfolk, USA

Cargo Coal

Type of Casualty Ran aground northwest of Sewell's Point near Norfolk, USA. The vessel was refloated with the assistance of seven

tugs and brought into the port of Norfolk. She is now anchored awaiting inspection.

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

P&I UK Club

FG Didim

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 8410330, Built 1984, 2,183 dwt

Date of Casualty 30 September 2020

Voyage Izmir to Tuzla, Turkey

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Suffered engine failure at Izmir, Turkey and was towed to Tuzla for repairs.

Type of Claim Possible towing/salvage claim

P&I Hydor AS

Catalina Godó

Fishing vessel, No other details

Date of Casualty 1 October 2020

Type of Casualty Disabled off the north east coast of Spain. The vessel was towed into Port de Roses, Spain by the rescue vessel *Salvamar Anilam*. Click [here](#) for video.

Type of Claim Possible salvage claim

Lord 1

General cargo vessel with container capacity, IMO 7803229, Built 1979, 1,304 dwt

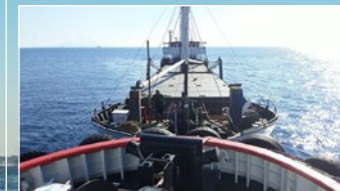
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Voyage Iskenderun, Turkey to Constanta, Romania

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Disabled off Sarkoy north of Çanakkale and began drifting to the shore. Coastal Safety tugs towed the vessel to the Sarkóy anchorage.

Type of Claim Salvage claim and fine



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Erin T

Offshore supply vessel, No other details

Date of Casualty 2 October 2020

Type of Casualty Caught fire whilst on the Houston Ship Channel entrance in Galveston, Texas. The vessel was assisted by the US Coast Guard. The crew were evacuated.

Type of Claim Fire damage claim



Oceanline 5001/Strovolos

Oceanline 5001 – Dredger, No other details
Strovolos – Product tanker, IMO 9178056, Built 1999, 47,106 dwt

Date of Casualty 2 October 2020

Voyage n/a / Malacca anchorage to EOPL, Singapore

Cargo n/a / No details

Type of Casualty The dredger collided with the product tanker which was anchored at the Melaka anchorage, Malaysia in the Malacca Strait. The tanker, which was receiving supplies at the time, was damaged and breached above the waterline on her port side. The vessels were locked together but separated after several hours. Click [here](#) for video.

Type of Claim Collision claim

P&I London Club

Sabuk Nusantara 55

Passenger ro-ro, IMO 9787663, Built 2015, 750 dwt

Date of Casualty 2 October 2020

Type of Casualty Suffered rudder and steering failure whilst off Kera Island in East Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia. A tug was deployed to



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tow the vessel to Tenau Kupang.

Type of Claim Towage claim



Niamh ▣

Patrol ship, IMO 9231456, Built 2001, 569 dwt

Date of Casualty 3 October 2020

Type of Casualty Suffered a fire whilst undergoing maintenance in Cork, Ireland. The fire was extinguished with the combined efforts of the crew and local fire-fighters.

Type of Claim Fire damage claim

New Leo ▣

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

Date of Casualty 3 October 2020

Voyage Novorossiysk, Russia to Tekirdag, Turkey

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Suffered engine failure off Pasabahce whilst transiting the Bosphorus. The Master anchored the vessel which was later assisted by Coastal Safety tugs *Kurtama-5* and *Kurtama-11* and was towed



LOF NEWS

During the third quarter of 2020 a further 11 LOF salvage contracts were signed and reported to Lloyd's Salvage Arbitration Branch. This brings the total number of LOFs reported so far in 2020 to 32, a figure which is slightly up on last year's figures of 29 LOFs reported in the same period.

to an anchorage off Ahirkapi.

Type of Claim Salvage claim and fine
P&I Skuld



Varnava ▣

General cargo vessel, IMO 9463463, Built 2007, 3,287 dwt

Date of Casualty 3 October 2020

Voyage Iskenderun, Turkey to Rostov, Russia

Cargo In ballast

Type of Casualty Suffered steering failure whilst transiting the Bosphorus. Coastal Safety tugs assisted the vessel to a safe anchorage at Büyükdere.

Type of Claim Salvage claim and fine

P&I Hydor AS



Virgo Sejati/Virgo Serati 331 ▣

Virgo Serati – Tug, IMO 8892540, Built 1993, 112 gt

Virgo Serati 331 – Barge, No other details

Date of Casualty 3 October 2020

Type of Casualty The towing line parted whilst the tug was towing the unloaded coal barge which subsequently drifted into local waterside houses and two fishing vessels. Click [here](#) for video.

Type of Claim Allision damage claim

P&I MS Amlin

Kaiserberg

Self-propelled barge, MMSI 211179930, 2,545 ts

Date of Casualty 3 October 2020

Voyage Dordrecht, Netherlands to Dillingen, Germany

Cargo No details

Type of Casualty Grounded on the Rhine, near St. Sebastian, Germany after suffering a technical failure. The vessel was pulled from by a container barge.

Type of Claim Hull damage and possible salvage claim

Ole Willassen ▣

Fishing vessel, IMO 5334664, Built 1948, 406 dwt

Date of Casualty 4 October 2020

Type of Casualty Suffered water ingress and sank in the estuary of the Dange River



in Klaipeda, Lithuania. The vessel was submerged to her deck. Oil booms were laid out to prevent pollution.

Type of Claim Salvage claim

Vigilia

Self-propelled barge, MMSI 244650638, 3,939 ts

Date of Casualty 4 October 2020

Voyage Passau to Straubing, Germany

Cargo 1,454 m/t of soy

Type of Casualty Grounded whilst on the Danube river at Niederaalteich.

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

Lady Vanilla ▣

Yacht, Built 2002, 89 dwt

Date of Casualty 5 October 2020

Type of Casualty Destroyed by fire which broke out whilst the yacht was moored in the Yacht Club-Marina in Loano, Italy.

Type of Claim Total loss claim and clean-up operations

Eco Lux

Fast ferry, IMO 9844239, Built 2018, 38 dwt

Date of Casualty 6 October 2020

Type of Casualty Ran aground on the Espalmador near the island of S'Espalmador, a few miles from the mouth of the port of La Savina in the Balearics, Spain. The vessel suffered hull breaches. Her 12 passengers and three crew were evacuated. The Master and another crew member remained on board the ferry.

Type of Claim Hull damage and salvage claim

P&I Carina P&I

CASUALTY FOLLOW-UP



Alta – editions 360, 361, 362, 373 & 386 – works carried out to the wreck to remove any pollutants or hazardous waste have to date cost the Cork County Council more than €200,000. Efforts continue to find the owner of the vessel willing to accept responsibility for the wreck. Work is expected to continue albeit this is likely to be limited only to preventing pollution with no date set for the wreck removal due to the huge associated costs involved.

Wakashio ▣ – editions 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389 & 392 – the Master of the bulk carrier was due in court yesterday for his bail application but as the Mauritian police continue with their investigations they have requested he remain in custody.

Waymon L. Boyd ▣ – editions 387 – on 30 September 2020 the US National Transportation Safety Board issued their preliminary report into the fire on board the dredger which occurred on 21 August 2020 and claimed the lives of four crew members. They have not issued a finding of probable cause but the report has set out the events leading up to the fire. Whilst carrying out dredging operations adjacent

to the EPIC Corpus Christi Marine Terminal the dredger reportedly struck a submerged 16-inch liquid propane pipeline operated by Enterprise Products Operating, LLC. A geyser of gas and water erupted next to the vessel and the gas ignited. It is estimated 6,000 barrels of propane was released. Investigations continue.

New Diamond – editions 389, 390, 391 & 392 – the tanker is no longer to be unloaded at the offshore terminal of the Kandla Port Trust in north west India but will instead be towed 2,000 miles to the port of Khor Fakkan in the United Arab Emirates. The to is expected to take several weeks. Guarantees have now been provided by the vessel interests to the Sri Lankan authorities which have enabled the release of the vessel. The crude oil cargo will be discharged onto another vessel and taken to destination. The Master of the New Diamond remains in custody.

X-Press Godavari – edition 392 – after discharging cargo at Kolkata, India, including the fire damaged containers, the containership departed for Colombo, Sri Lanka on 3 October 2020.

