

A SUMMARY OF BRITISH NAVAL COURTS MARTIAL DURING THE WAR YEARS 1939 TO 1945

YEAR	NUMBER	SUBJECT
1939	ADM156/195	Board of Enquiry into loss of HMS COURAGEOUS following submarine attack: criticism of Commander C. Woodhouse, RN
1940	ADM156/197	Disclosure of secret naval information to unauthorised persons: case of Lt. Cdr. C. Crawshay, RN
1940	ADM156/198	Audible discussion of secret naval matters in public place: case of Sub-Lieut. G.C. Ames, RNVR
1940	ADM156/199	Loss of HMS SUSSEX: Board of Enquiry and subsequent Court Martial of Capt. R.V. Symonds Taylor, Cdr. A.M. Else and Cdr.(E) H.M. Millet, RN
1940	ADM156/200	Loss of HMS SUSSEX: Board of Enquiry and subsequent Court Martial of Capt. R.V. Symonds Taylor, Cdr. A.M. Else and Cdr.(E) H.M. Millet, RN
1940	ADM156/201	Hazarding and Stranding of HMS SALVAGE KING: termination of T.124T, agreement of Temporary Lieutenant Robert Hill RNR.
1941/42	ADM156/202	Sabotage in HMS MYOSOTIS: reduction of sentences passed on Leading Seaman S.E.Bucknole and Able Seaman T. Vallance
1941/42	ADM156/203	Loss of HMS ARK ROYAL: Board of Enquiry and Court Martial of Captain L.E.H. Maund RN.
1941/2	ADM156/204	Loss of HMS ARK ROYAL: Board of Enquiry and Court Martial of Captain L.E.H. Maund RN.
1941/42	ADM156/205	Loss of HMS ARK ROYAL: Board of Enquiry and Court Martial of Captain L.E.H. Maund RN.
1941/42	ADM156/206	Loss of HMS ARK ROYAL: Board of Enquiry and Court Martial of Captain L.E.H. Maund RN.
1942	ADM156/207	Loss of HMS ARK ROYAL: Enquiry by Second Bucknill Committee.
1942	ADM156/208	Disclosure of most secret information: Temporary Lieutenant L.C. Head RNR HMS DINOSAUR.
1942/43	ADM156/209	Torpedoing and scuttling of HMS MANCHESTER: Board of Enquiry, Court Martial of surviving officers and crew and discontinuance of Courts Martial under section 92 of Naval Discipline Act for the duration of the war.
1942/43	ADM156/210	Torpedoing and scuttling of HMS MANCHESTER: Board of Enquiry, Court Martial of surviving officers and crew and discontinuance of Courts Martial under section 92 of Naval Discipline Act for the duration of the war.
1942/43	ADM156/211	Torpedoing and scuttling of HMS MANCHESTER: Board of Enquiry, Court Martial of surviving officers and crew and discontinuance of Courts Martial under section 92 of Naval Discipline Act for the duration of the war.
1944/45	ADM156/212	Attacks on HM Minesweepers by friendly aircraft: Court Martial.
1944/45	ADM156/213	Attacks on HM Minesweepers by friendly aircraft: Court Martial.
1940/41	ADM156/214	Court Martial of Acting P.O. G J James of HMS PEMBROKE: guilty of making remarks and statements favourable to the enemy and subversive of Naval discipline
1940/43	ADM156/215	Court Martial of A/B E J Bailey of HMS ROYAL SOVEREIGN for containing information contravening the Official Secrets Act
1941	ADM156/216	Court Martial of Temporary Lieutenant B Palmer RNVR for the hazard and loss of HMS MERCURY
1941	ADM156/217	Court Martial of Lieutenant T Powell RNR for hazarding HMS DAUNTLESS: Admiralty letter to Commanders-in-Chief on procedures for challenging darkened ships
1941	ADM156/218	Court Martial of Commander W J Tucker RNR for loss of HMS CORFIELD: officer reprimanded and dismissed his ship
1941	ADM156/219	Board of Inquiry and Court Martial of Temporary Lieutenant P E Brown for sinking of netlayer HMS TONBRIDGE
1941/42	ADM156/220	Court Martial of Stoker E E Carterton for murder: found guilty of man-slaughter
1941/42	ADM156/221	Board of Inquiry on loss of HMIS PARVATI: award of decoration to navigation officer Sub Lieutenant Jai Shankar Mera RINR
1941/42	ADM156/222	Court Martial of Pensioner PO Writer W H Daltrey: suspension of sentence on technical legal grounds
1941/42	ADM156/223	Court Martial of Acting Temporary Captain G E Salter, RM for fraudulent misapplication of public funds: appeals and petitions regarding sentence and court martial proceedings
1941/42/49/57	ADM156/224	Court Martial of Temporary Sub Lieutenant A G C Franklin and others at Singapore for deserting posts and acts prejudicial to good order and naval discipline in the vicinity of the enemy
1942	ADM156/225	Court Martial of Commander St J J R Tyrwhitt for abandonment of HMS FORESIGHT: honourably acquitted; abolition of this term proposed
1942	ADM156/226	Court Martial of Ord Seaman R P Boyle for desertion from HMS VICTORY: found guilty; but sentence annulled on point of law
1942	ADM156/227	Court Martial of Commander the Hon J H Waldergrove and others for negligently or by default hazarding HMS PUNJABI
1942/43	ADM156/228	Court Martial of Stoker R Haslem for manslaughter of Italian prisoner of war: request that the sentence be considered not approved
1943	ADM156/229	Court Martial of A/B R A Walton (Canadian citizen) for desertion from HMS SCYLLA: mitigating circumstances man's repeated attempt to transfer to Royal Canadian Navy: Admiralty policy on transfer to Dominion Navies in wartime promulgated
1943	ADM156/230	Court martial of Sub Lieutenant J B Leeming RNR of HMS HERON for acts prejudicial to good order and naval discipline: low and dangerous flying outside the practice area
1943	ADM156/231	Court Martial of Temporary Lieutenant T J Paull, RNR of HMS ASBURY: drunk on shore at Bermuda and guilty of conduct unbecoming to the character of an officer: charges not proved
1945	ADM156/232	Court Martial of Fireman W Croft for murder: sentenced to death: sentence not carried out until confirmed by the Admiralty, report by Sir Bernard Spilsbury on victim
1942	ADM156/233	Court Martial of Able Seaman G Godwin for manslaughter of R Bradshaw: sentence reduced
1943/44	ADM156/234	Petition submitted on behalf of Able Seaman G Godwin to be excused reporting on licence, after discharge
1942/44	ADM156/235	Court Martial of Able Seaman M Carr charged with maliciously wounding Superior Officer
1943/44	ADM156/236	Court Martial of Skipper R W Denny RNR for loss of HMS KINGSTON JACINTH. Web Authors note. A skipper was the old name for a Sub Lieutenant.
1943/44	ADM156/237	Court Martial of Acting Sub Lieutenant O C Fink RNVR charged with fraudulent conversion and neglect of duties
1943/44	ADM156/238	Assaults on members of Staff at Canterbury detention quarters: Court Martial of Ordinary Seamen M Duffy
1943/44	ADM156/239	Court Martial of Stoker First Class J E Charles for murder of A J C Beament: found guilty of manslaughter
1944	ADM156/240	Court Martial of Able Seaman W N Tinkler for shooting A Taylor: acquitted
1944	ADM156/241	Court Martial of Able Seaman G Jeffery for manslaughter of H J Tansley:
1944	ADM156/242	Court Martial of Ordinary Seaman F E Williams for desertion:
1944	ADM156/243	Court Martial of Stoker First Class W A Fletcher for manslaughter: sentence annulled
1944	ADM156/244	Court Martial of Temporary Acting Lieutenant (SP) H Wescott for breaches of security
1944	ADM156/245	Court Martial of Temporary Lieutenant E S Ross for loss of HMAS WALLAROO:
1944	ADM156/246	Court Martial of Sub Lieutenant (A) J Incley for neglect and damaging aircraft material:
1944	ADM156/247	Court Martial of Temporary Petty Officer H Sargent for contravening leave regulations
1944	ADM156/248	Court Martial of Stoker Petty Officer G V Sawney for improperly taking leave of his ship
1944	ADM156/249	Board of Inquiry into cause of death of Lance Corporal R D T Coe
1944	ADM156/250	Court Martial of Ordinary Seaman T Ferguson for using violence against a superior officer
1942/43	ADM156/251	Court Martial of acting leading stoker (temp) A R Gordon, and stoker E J Elias of Royal Australian Navy for murder of stoker J Riley
1942/43	ADM156/252	Court Martial of Lt Cdr G R G Watkins DSO, DSC, RN for grounding of HMS HAVOCK on Tunisian coast
1942/44	ADM156/253	Court Martial of Capt G F Stevens-Guille DSO and Bar, OBE, RN, accused of stranding HMS DURBAN at Kilindini, including Court Martial of temp Lts. W G Gill RNVR, and G B Angus, DSC, RNVR, for stranding of HMS SOUTHERN PRIDE
1943	ADM156/254	Loss of HM Trawler KINGSTON JACINTH damaged by an explosion and abandoned: Court Martial of Lt N H Mangnall, RNVR accused of negligence on duty
1943	ADM156/255	Court Martial of D Thompson Ellis, ordinary Telegraphist of HMS PRESIDENT III accused of disclosing secret information
1943	ADM156/256	Court Martial of D A Rome, assistant steward of HMS FERRET, held at RN Barracks Ebrington Londonderry: Question of legality of constitution of Court
1943/44	ADM156/257	Disciplinary court: proceedings of trials of Temp Lt J K Macbeth, RCNVR, Temp Sub Lt R G Mortimore, RNVR, and Temp Sub Lt F Angus, RCNVR all of HMCS NIOBE, accused of sailing landing craft without authority
1944	ADM156/258A	Report of Court Martial of Sub Lt A N Davies, RN accused of indecent assault on board HMS JAMAICA: remarks by Naval Law Branch
1944/45	ADM156/258B	Mutiny on board HMS LOTHIAN: minutes of proceedings at Court Martial of Able Seaman J Necreus: appeal for reduction of sentence
1944/45	ADM156/259	Mutiny on board HMS LOTHIAN: minutes of proceedings at Court Martial of Lt Cdr K W Buckel, RN; appeal against sentence
1944/45	ADM156/260	Desertion and absence without leave: submissions by C-in-C Portsmouth and Commanding Officer HMS WARSPITE. Case of Able Seaman A M Dover of HMS PEMBROKE tried by Court Martial on charge of desertion
1945	ADM156/261	Court Martial of Able Seaman D McQuade, RN of HMS ELAND, accused of seven offences: report of proceedings
1945/46	ADM156/262	Court Martials of Able Seaman Dawood EL Assi of HMS NILE and Abdel Hadi Omar Zaben of HMS STAG charged with attempting to smuggle drugs into Egypt
1945/46	ADM156/263	Verdict of not proved in charge against Ty Act Lieut Comdr H E Bell RNVR for theft of government stores
1945/46	ADM156/264	Verdict of not proved in charge against Ty Act Lieut Comdr H E Bell RNVR for theft of government stores
1945/46	ADM156/265	Petition and appeal against sentence on Ty Lieut G E Hobson RNVR of HMS ODYSSEY for refusal to join ship and absence without leave
1945/46	ADM156/266	Petition and oral representation to Judge Advocate to the Fleet against sentence on Lieut Comdr (S) C Hall RNVR HMS NILE for fraudulent use of public money and trafficking in currency