

# Chronology of Naval Accidents 1945 to 1988

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- c. Conversion of date presentations from US to English.
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- e. Changes in grammar from US to English.
- f. Ship type and classes added.

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Serial No.	Date	Description of Accident	Type of vessel
1	01/Feb/45	In February the USS Washington (BB-56) and USS Indiana (BB-58) collide in the Pacific.	BB=Battleship
2	08/Feb/45	A U.S. Navy minesweeper sinks after colliding with a U.S. destroyer off Boston Harbour, Massachusetts.	
3	17/Mar/45	A new submarine floods and sinks after a worker opens a torpedo tube at the Boston Navy Yard.	
4	09/Apr/45	A U.S. Liberty ship loaded with aerial bombs explodes, setting three merchant ships afire and causing many casualties in Bari harbour, Italy.	
5	09/Apr/45	The Allied tanker Nashbulkcollides with the U.S. freighter St. Mihielin fog off Massachusetts, killing 15.	
6	23/Apr/45	A U.S. Navy PE-56 patrol ship sinks after an explosion off Cape Elizabeth, Maine, killing 49.PE=Steel Patrol Vessel as opposed to Wood	
7	22/May/45	Acetylene torch fumes ignite in the hold of a U.S. Navy attack boat, Todd Shipyards, Brooklyn, killing two.	
8	21/Jun/45	The USS Franklin (CV-13) suffers a boiler room fire at New York Harbour during decoration ceremonies; damage is slight.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
9	25/Aug/45	A French minesweeper explodes near Marseilles, killing five.	
10	17/Sep/45	The Royal Navy battleship HMS Vanguard is damaged by an explosion at Clydebank, Scotland.	
11	08/Aug/45	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Zodiac suffers an explosion.	
12	12/Oct/45	The Royal Navy vessel HMS Loch Eriboll sinks after colliding with the U.S. merchant ship Sidney Sharman in the English Channel off Start Point, U.K.	Loch Class were frigates
13	27/Oct/45	The Royal Navy tug HMS Swarthy sinks in a gale at Spithead, U.K.	
14	10/Nov/45	A U.S. Navy shore-liberty boat capsizes in San Francisco Bay, California.	
15	30/Nov/45	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Kempenfelt suffers an explosion.	
16	22/Jan/46	The Royal Navy cruiser HMS Cleopatra experiences an engine room explosion.	
17	30/Jan/46	The Royal Navy minesweeper HMS Rhyl runs adrift.	
18	04/Feb/46	The heavy cruiser USS Prinz Eugen (IX-300) collides with a tug on a pre-test run from Boston to Philadelphia. The former German heavy cruiser escorting the Bismarck.	
19	10/Feb/46	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Saga collides with the trawler Girl Lena at night in the English Channel, sinking the Girl Lena.	
20	11/Feb/46	Fire damages four Royal Navy minesweepers docked at Dover, U.K., threatening the magazine of one.	
21	12/Feb/46	The lease-lend Royal Navy dock landing ship HMS Oceanway is involved in a collision.Landing Ship Dock in the USN but called a BAMP=British Mechanise Artillery Transport in the RN	
22	18/Feb/46	A U.S. tank landing ship suffers an explosion of ammunition in Shanghai, China, killing six and injuring 44.	

23	01/Mar/46	In March the French diesel submarine Orpheeexplodes in Casablanca, Morocco, killing two.	
24	17/Apr/46	The USS Wasp (CV-18) runs aground off New Jersey.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier
25	01/May/46	The USS Solar (DE-221) is destroyed by an explosion while unloading ammunition at Earle, New Jersey.	DE=Destroyer Escort
26	14/May/46	The USS Franklin (CV-13) leaks carbon dioxide fumes while at the Brooklyn Naval Shipyard, New York, killing two.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier
27	30/May/46	The flagship USS Estes (AGC-12) is slightly damaged after a collision with the USS Los Angeles (CA-135), off Shanghai, China.	CA=Attack Aircraft Carrier; AGC=Amphibious Force Flagship
28	27/Jun/46	A Spanish C-4 submarine sinks after colliding with the Spanish destroyer Lepanto off the Balearic Islands, killing the 46 aboard the submarine.	
29	27/Aug/46	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS St. James sinks a tug during firing practice.	
30	24/Sep/46	The Royal Navy tanker RFA Green Ranger is struck by a torpedo during naval firing practice in Portland harbour, U.K. The vessel is struck below the waterline but stays afloat.	
31	06/Nov/46	A U.S. Navy launch hits a buoy and capsizes in Portland harbour, U.K.	
32	15/Nov/46	The USS Frank Knox (DD-742) and USS Higbee (DD-806)are damaged after colliding off Oahu, Hawaii.	DD=Destroyer
33	21/Nov/46	The USS Antietam (CV-36) suffers an explosion at the Hunters Point Navy Yard in San Francisco, killing one and injuring 34.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier.
34	05/Dec/46	The French submarine 2326, an ex-German U-boat, sinks 20 miles off Toulon in the Mediterranean while carrying out diving tests, killing 21.	
35	13/Dec/46	The USS Missouri (BB-63) is hit by a star shell during target practice in the North Atlantic.	BB=Battleship
36	04/Apr/47	The USS Ernest G. Small (DD-838) runs aground off Block Island, Rhode Island.	DD=Destroyer
37	15/Apr/47	The Royal Navy battleship HMS Nelson is damaged in a collision with the diesel submarine HMS Sceptre in Portland harbour, U.K.	
38	27/May/47	The USS Johnston (DD-821) and the USS Torsk (SS-423) are damaged in a collision off New London, Connecticut.	DD=Destroyer SS=Submarine
39	04/Jun/47	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Seneschal suffers an explosion.	
40	12/Jun/47	The USS Valley Forge (CV-45) suffers an explosion at the Philadelphia Naval Base, injuring 17.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier
41	01/Jul/47	The Italian munitions ship Panigagliaexplodes while unloading munitions at Santo Stefano, Sardinia, Italy, killing 68.	
42	02/Jul/47	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Aurochs is involved in a collision.	
43	17/Jul/47	The Canadian destroyer Micmac is damaged in a collision with the freighter Yarmouth County in Halifax, Nova Scotia, killing five.	

44	29/Sep/47	The USS Douglas H. Fox (DD-779) hits a mine in the Adriatic Sea 18 miles from Trieste, Italy, killing three.	DD=Destroyer
45	24/Nov/47	The U.S. Army transport Clarksdale Victory is wrecked off Hippa Island near British Columbia, Canada.	
46	18/Feb/48	A USS Midway (CV-41) launch capsizes off Hyeres, France, killing eight.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier
47	23/Feb/48	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Aeneas runs aground and is refloated the same day.	
48	02/Feb/48	The USS Duncan (DD-874) is damaged by an explosion in the Pacific, killing one.	DD=Destroyer
49	11/Mar/48	A Royal Navy firing practice inadvertently places fishermen under fire off Walton-on-the-Naze, U.K.	
50	19/Apr/48	The U.S. Navy drydock O'Boyle No. 24 sinks off Cape Hatteras, North Carolina.	
51	01/Jun/48	A U.S. Navy launch nearing a Fleet Aircraft Carrier sinks in heavy seas off Norfolk, Virginia, drowning 30.	
52	13/Jul/48	The USS Portsmouth (CL-102) runs its prow into a mudbank in the St. Lawrence River but is subsequently refloated.	CL=Light Carrier
53	04/Sep/48	The U.S. minesweeper No. 46 runs aground off Pigeon Island Light, Lake Ontario, New York.	
54	19/Oct/48	A liberty boat of the Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Illustrious sinks in Portland harbour, U.K., drowning 29.	
55	25/Nov/48	The USS Chandler (DMS-9) and the USS Ozbourn(DD-846) collide in the Yellow Sea.DMS=Destroyer Minesweeper;	DD=Destroyer
56	15/Feb/49	The Royal Navy sloop HMS Sparrow proceeds to Port Stanley in the Falkland Islands after freeing itself from ice in Admiralty Bay.	
57	26/Feb/49	The Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Vengeance is holed by ice during testing of special armament and equipment in the Arctic.	
58	28/Feb/49	The USS Taussig (DD-746) and USS Marsh (DE-699) are damaged in a collision during manoeuvres in the Pacific.	DD=Destroyer DE=Destroyer Escort
59	23/Mar/49	The USS Perch (SS-313) and the USS Orleck(DD-886) are damaged in a collision during manoeuvres off San Diego, California.	SS=Submarine; DD=Destroyer
60	26/Mar/49	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Broadsword accidentally discharges an artillery shell over Portsmouth, U.K.	
61	15/Apr/49	A gun accidentally explodes aboard the USS Hollister (DD-788) during manoeuvres near Pearl Harbour, Hawaii, killing four.	DD=Destroyer
62	23/Apr/49	The USS Fechteler(DD-870) and USS Leonard Mason (DD-852) are damaged in a collision off Oahu, Hawaii, injuring two.	DD=Destroyers
63	30/Apr/49	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Myngsis damaged by a practice torpedo during exercises.	
64	07/May/49	Pan-American Airways says anti-aircraft fire from a U.S. carrier task force burst near a plane on a Bermuda-New York flight.	
65	01/Jun/49	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Chevron is damaged in a collision.	
66	03/Jun/49	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Loch Fadaexperiences an explosion.	

67	02/Aug/49	The USS Livermore (DD-429) runs aground at Bearse Shoal off Cape Cod, Massachusetts.	DD=Destroyer
68	26/Aug/49	The USS Cochino(SS-345) explodes and sinks in Arctic seas off Norway, drowning six Navy rescuers and a Cochinotechnician. On 21 September the Soviet publication Red Fleet alleges the Cochino was sunk off Murmansk while scouting out military information.	SS=Submarine
69	22/Sep/49	The Argentine minesweeper Fournier sinks after striking a submerged rock in the Magellan Straits, killing 77.	
70	09/Oct/49	The USS Chehalis (AOG-48) sinks after an explosion and fire in Tutuila, American Samoa.	AOG=Patrol Tanker
71	09/Nov/49	The USS Tusk (SS-426) is rammed while submerged by the USS Aldebaran (AF-10) 175 miles off Labrador, Newfoundland, Canada. The submarine suffers damage to its periscope and superstructure.	SS=Submarine; AF=Refrigerator Ship
72	31/Dec/49	In 1949, a Polish ammunition ship carrying 500 tons of bombs sinks in the English Channel off Folkestone, U.K., after a collision. During 1968 harbour clearing operations the ship explodes with such force it causes earthquake reports as far away as Antarctica.	
73	13/Jan/50	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Truculent sinks after colliding with the Swedish tanker Divina ten miles east of Sheerness, U.K., in the Thames Estuary, killing 64.	
74	18/Mar/50	The net-laying ship USS Elder (AN-20) is damaged by an explosion off Kwajalein Atoll in the Pacific Ocean.	
75	08/Apr/50	A Royal Navy midget submarine explodes in Portsmouth harbour, U.K., killing one.	
76	17/May/50	The USS General M.B. Stewart (AP-140) collides with a buoy in Port Said Harbour, Egypt, damaging the ship's propeller.	AP=Transporter
77	14/Jun/50	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Trenchant suffers an explosion.	
78	15/Jul/50	Eight ammunition barges explode in Portsmouth harbour, U.K. On 18 July British officials say sabotage is a suspected cause of the explosions.	
79	15/Jul/50	The Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Vengeance drags its moorings and collides with a quayside at Stavanger, Norway.	
80	18/Jul/50	The USS Missouri (BB-63) runs aground in Chesapeake Bay, suffering light damage. On 19 July, the Soviet publication Red Fleet ridicules the grounding of the Missouri.	BB= Battleship
81	25/Jul/50	The USS Benevolence (AH-13) collides with SS Mary Luckenbach while on a trial run after being taken out of mothballs for service in the Korean War. The Benevolence sinks outside San Francisco Bay, California, killing 18.	AH=Hospital Ship - how ironic?
82	31/Aug/50	The Royal Navy boom defence vessel HMS Barwind experiences an explosion.	
83	15/Sep/50	The French weather-observation frigate La Place sinks after an explosion while at anchor in the Baie de la Fresnaye near St. Malo, killing 51. The explosion is believed caused by a drifting magnetic mine.	

84	16/Sep/50	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Armada is involved in a collision.	
85	21/Sep/50	A torpedo fired from the British naval range at Bincleaves deviates from its course and sinks two sailing boats in Portland harbour, U.K.	
86	30/Sep/50	The French destroyer Amyot Dindevilleis damaged by an explosion off Indochina.	
87	18/Oct/50	The Royal Navy cruiser HMS Phoebe is involved in a collision.	
88	27/Oct/50	The Royal Navy cruiser HMS Newcastle experiences a fire in a turret.	
89	09/Nov/50	The USS Brownson (DD-868) and USS Charles H. Roan (DD- 853) collide in the Atlantic during night time fleet manoeuvres, killing four.	DD=Destroyers
90	11/Nov/50	The USS Buck (DD-761) and USS Thomason (DE-203) are damaged in a collision in the Korean Bay.	DD =Destroyer DE= Destroyer Escort
91	16/Jan/51	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Broadsword suffers a fire, killing one.	
92	23/Jan/51	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Daring suffers a fire.	
93	12/Feb/51	The Royal Navy battleship HMS Vanguard is damaged in a collision with the Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Indomitable in the Mediterranean.	
94	14/Feb/51	The Portuguese gunboat Garo sinks after colliding with a Portuguese warship off Portugal.	
95	16/Apr/51	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Affray sinks in the English Channel 30 miles north of the Island of Guernsey, killing 75. Possibly the submarine was flooded after its snorkel mast welding failed. On 22 April all British "A" class submarines are docked pending an investigation of the Affray accident.	
96	28/Apr/51	The Royal Navy munitions ship HMS Bedenham explodes in Gibraltar, killing nine.	
97	16/May/51	The small seaplane tender USS Valcour (AVP-55) is set on fire in a collision with a collier. The fire threatens the ship's magazine.	
98	18/May/51	The USS Bairoko (CVE-115) suffers a blast, killing five.	CVE=Escort Fleet Aircraft Carrier
99	19/May/51	The French tank landing ship Adour explodes in Nha Trang, Vietnam.	
100	23/May/51	A stray U.S. Navy torpedo sinks a fishing boat in Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island.	
101	24/May/51	A U.S. Navy liberty launch capsizes at Newport, Rhode Island, killing 19.	
102	08/Jun/51	The Royal Navy cruiser HMS Bermuda suffers an explosion.	
103	23/Aug/51	The USS Wisconsin (BB-64) is freed after grounding on mud flats in New York Harbour.	BB=Battleship
104	08/Sep/51	The Royal Navy battleship HMS Duke of York collides with a ferry in the Mersey River, U.K.	
105	03/Oct/51	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Grenville collides with an Italian vessel.	

106	15/Oct/51	The U.N. troopship Kongo Maru is wrecked by a typhoon off southern Japan.	
107	04/Nov/51	The Argentine motorship Maipu sinks after colliding with the troop ship USS General M.L. Hersey (AP-148) in fog in the North Sea off Bremerhaven, West Germany. There are no reported casualties.	AP=Transporter
108	10/Nov/51	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Thorough is damaged in a collision.	
109	02/Dec/51	A converted U.S. Navy landing craft sinks off San Diego, California, killing six.	
110	19/Jan/52	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Chivalrous is in a collision near Malta.	
111	28/Mar/52	The USS Mount Baker (AE-4) collides with a South Korean freighter, killing 24 South Koreans.	AE=Ammunition Ship
112	26/Apr/52	The destroyer minesweeper USS Hobson (DMS-26) sinks after colliding with the USS Wasp (CV-18) in the mid-Atlantic, killing 176 aboard the Hobson. The ships were part of a task force headed for the Mediterranean to join the Sixth Fleet. The collision occurred when the Wasp turned into the wind to receive aircraft.	DMS=Destroyer Minesweeper; CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier
113	26/Apr/52	The USS St. Paul (CA-73) suffers a powder blast in a gun turret while operating off Korea, killing 30.	CA=Heavy Cruiser
114	08/May/52	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Tenacious is grounded in the River Foyle, Northern Ireland.	
115	10/Jun/52	The Royal Navy cruiser HMS Cumberland runs aground on Tinker Shoal, two miles off Plymouth, U.K.	
116	14/Jun/52	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Sleuth collides with the destroyer HMS Zephyr in heavy fog while leaving Portsmouth harbour, U.K. The Zephyr suffers flooding in one of its magazines.	
117	14/Jun/52	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Seneschal's collision with the Danish frigate Thetis south of the Isle of Wight is reported. The submarine's periscope and radar mast are damaged.	
118	11/Jul/52	A blast aboard a French cruiser in Toulon kills one.	
119	06/Aug/52	An unidentified Royal Navy submarine carries away the fishing gear of the Fleetwood Queen Alexandria trawler off the Isle of Man, U.K. The submarine is not damaged.	
120	07/Aug/52	The USS Boxer (CV-21) suffers an explosion and fire off Korea, killing nine.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier
121	14/Aug/52	The USS Gregory (DD-802) and USS Marshall (DD-676) are slightly damaged after colliding off San Diego, California. s	DD=Destroyer
122	25/Sep/52	The French diesel submarine Sibylle(ex-HMS Sportsman) fails to surface after a dive off Toulon, France, killing 46. The submarine is believed to have burst.	
123	24/Oct/52	The USS Tigrone (SS-419) suffers a fire at the Philadelphia naval base, injuring two civilians.	SS=Submarine

124	12/Nov/52	The high speed transport USS Ruchamkin (APD-89) is rammed by a tanker 60 miles east of Cape Henry, Virginia, during manoeuvres, killing five soldiers. The tanker captain denies he knew manoeuvres were being conducted in the area.	
125	16/Nov/52	The USS Picking (DD-685) and USS Porter (DD-800) are slightly damaged after colliding in dense fog off Virginia.	DD=Destroyers
126	17/Nov/52	The Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Implacable is mildly damaged by a dockside fire in London.	
127	23/Nov/52	The USS Wiseman (DE-667) strikes a submerged rock in Korean waters, causing damage to her sonar and hull. It proceeds to Sasebo, Japan, for repairs.	DE=Destroyer Escort
128	28/Nov/52	An Israeli naval ship disappears during a storm in the Mediterranean.	
129	11/Dec/52	The USS Sitkoh Bay (CVE-86) collides with a freighter in the Pacific, but none are hurt.	CVE=Escort Aircraft Carrier
130	13/Jan/53	The minesweeper USS Condor (AMS-5) is heavily damaged by fire.	
131	27/Jan/53	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Duchess suffers an explosion while in the U.K., damaging the ship and killing one.	
132	03/Feb/53	Sabotage enquiries are under way in Devonport, U.K., after damage to the Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carriers HMS Warrior and HMS Triumph is reported.	
133	03/Feb/53	The Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Indomitable suffers an explosion while in Malta, killing three.	
134	19/Feb/53	The USS Prichett (DD-561) and USS Cushing (DD-797) collide while operating off the coast of Korea. Both ships require dry docking in Sasebo, Japan.	DD=Destroyers
135	05/Mar/53	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Termagant suffers a fire.	
136	06/Mar/53	A bomb dislodged from a plane landing after a combat mission over Korea bounces twice across the deck of the USS Oriskany (CV-34) and explodes, killing two and injuring 15.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier
137	07/Mar/53	The Egyptian minesweeper Sollumsinks during a storm off Alexandria, killing 54.	
138	04/Apr/53	The Turkish diesel submarine Dumlupiner (formerly USS Blower (SS-325)) sinks after colliding with the Swedish freighter Naboland in the Dardanelles. The captain of the Naboland is held by Turkish authorities in connection with the incident, and on 11 April Sweden protests his arrest.	
139	28/Apr/53	The USS Bennington (CV-20) suffers an explosion off Cuba, killing 11.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier
140	13/May/53	The USS Wright (CVL-49) is hit by a target drone off Key West, Florida, killing three.	CVL=Light Fleet Aircraft Carrier
141	18/May/53	An unidentified fast patrol boat suffers fires and explosions in Aarhus harbour, Denmark, which slightly damage the Royal Navy patrol vessel HMS Gay Archer, moored alongside.	
142	20/May/53	The Royal Navy minesweeper HMS Coquette is in a collision.	
143	16/Jul/53	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Vigo suffers a fire.	
144	18/Jul/53	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Carron suffers a fire.	

145	01/Aug/53	In August the USS Harder (SS-568) is towed across the Atlantic to New London, Connecticut, by the USS Tringa (ASR-16) after breaking down off the east coast of Ireland.	SS=Submarine; ASR=Submarine Rescue Ship
146	25/Aug/53	The Netherlands charges that U.S. Navy ships fired on a KLM civilian airliner over the Caribbean Sea. The U.S. State Department later reports anti-aircraft artillery shells were accidentally fired within two miles of the plane.	
147	13/Sep/53	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Delight is damaged by fire in Glasgow, Scotland.	
148	15/Sep/53	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Contest suffers a fire.	
149	01/Oct/53	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Diamond collides with the cruiser HMS Swiftsure during exercises.	
150	06/Oct/53	The Royal Navy minesweeper HMS Rattlesnake suffers a gun firing accident.	
151	16/Oct/53	The USS Leyte (CV-32) is badly damaged by an explosion and subsequent fire caused by the accidental ignition of hydraulic fluid on a catapult while moored at Charlestown Naval Yard, Boston, killing 36. The fire takes five hours to extinguish.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier
152	28/Dec/53	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Amethyst suffers a fire in its storeroom.	
153	18/Jan/54	The Royal Navy tanker RFA Wave Victor suffers a fire off the Devon Coast, U.K.	
154	21/Jan/54	A U.S. troopship rams a U.S. Navy landing craft off Inchon, South Korea, drowning 28 Marines.	
155	09/Mar/54	An Australian destroyer rams a pier when it attempts to dock without tugs in Melbourne, Australia.	
156	17/Mar/54	A U.S. Navy tank landing ship runs aground at Eleuthera Island, Bahamas.	
157	17/Mar/54	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Zest suffers a fire.	
158	13/May/54	The Japanese fishing boat Kine-Maru sustains damage as a result of shots fired by vessels of the Netherlands, Australia, and New Zealand during target practice in "Area George." The Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs later presents a claim against the United States on the grounds that Japan had permitted the use of "Area George" to U.S. forces, but had not approved its use by other countries. The U.S. State Department rejects the claim, saying that "Area George" is located on the high seas and that its use does not require permission from the Japanese government.	
159	26/May/54	The USS Bennington (CV-20) is damaged by an explosion and fire off Newport, Rhode Island, killing 103 and injuring 201.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier
160	27/May/54	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Curzon runs aground and is later refloated.	
161	01/Jul/54	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Vigo suffers a fire.	
162	14/Jul/54	The Royal Navy tanker RFA Wave Commander is involved in a collision.	
163	03/Sep/54	The Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Eagle is damaged by an aviation fuel-tank blast at the Devonport dock, killing one.	

164	16/Sep/54	Several weeks before its first sea trials, a small steam pipe in the reactor compartment of the USS Nautilus (SSN-571) bursts, filling the area with steam during a test of the steam system while the ship is at the Electric Boat Shipyard in Groton, Connecticut. The test is part of a quality control effort to check the adequacy of the shipyard's inspection system. The incident initially appears to be minor. There are slight personnel injuries and no radiation hazards. However, subsequent investigation shows the situation is more serious. Specifications called for seamless pipe, but ordinary stanchion pipe had been used. All suspect pipe is ripped out and the mistake leads to more stringent quality control measures.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
165	08/Oct/54	The USS Laffey (DD-724) hits and sinks the distressed yacht Able Lady while attempting rescue.	DD=Destroyer
166	08/Oct/54	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Chevron is involved in a minor collision.	
167	24/Oct/54	The Royal Navy destroyers HMS Battleaxe and HMS Scorpion collide during an exercise in the Bay of Biscay. The Battleaxe suffers a five foot hole in its bow, but is able to return to Plymouth Sound, U.K., unassisted.	
168	27/Oct/54	The Royal Navy frigates HMS Relentless and HMS Vigilant collide off western Scotland during night exercises.	
169	31/Oct/54	The USS Norris (DDE-859) rams the superstructure of the USS Bergall(SS-320) during war games off Norfolk, Virginia. The Norris suffers flooding in five of its compartments and the Bergall suffers damage to its superstructure. Both proceed to port for repairs.	DDE=Escort Destroyer SS=Submarine
170	09/Nov/54	A Canadian Navy ship collides with a ferry in Halifax, Canada, killing three.	
171	12/Dec/54	A Norwegian submarine is damaged by an explosion at Bergen, Norway.	
172	15/Dec/54	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Talent, undergoing a refit, is swept out of a Chatham dockyard by an inrush of water, due to a mistake in estimating the size of the tide.	
173	04/Jan/55	The USS Monterey (CVL-26) is slightly damaged after colliding with a freighter near the mouth of the Mississippi River.	CVL=Light Fleet Aircraft Carrier
174	07/Jan/55	Three U.S. Navy dock-landing craft capsize in heavy seas off Beaufort, North Carolina. Faulty steering gear blamed.	
175	14/Jan/55	The USS Tench (SS-417) is grounded off Cape Henry Lighthouse, Virginia.	SS=Submarine
176	22/Jan/55	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Flint Castle experiences a fire.	
177	21/Feb/55	The USS Pomodon (SS-486) is damaged by an explosion and fire caused by excess hydrogen formation during battery charging in the San Francisco Naval Yard, California, killing five.	SS=Submarine
178	11/Mar/55	A U.S. Navy tank landing ship rams a trawler in Puget Sound, Washington, killing three.	
179	18/Mar/55	The USS General R.E. Callan (AP-139) runs aground at Red Hook Flats, New York Harbour. News reports are censored for 24 hours.	AP=Transporter

180	18/Mar/55	The USS Cassin Young (DD-793) is driven aground by high winds at Fall River, Massachusetts.	DD=Destroyer
181	10/May/55	A small military ship (of unspecified nationality) explodes at Kaohsiung, Taiwan, killing 49.	
182	11/May/55	The USS Nautilus (SSN-571) suffers a small leak in a freshwater line in the steam plant as it leaves on its shakedown cruise from Groton, Connecticut, forcing the ship to return to port for quick repairs. The Navy says the leak did not involve the reactor.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
183	31/May/55	The Royal Navy minesweeper HMS Northumbria is involved in a collision.	
184	02/Jun/55	A Yugoslavian naval vessel sinks in the Adriatic Sea, killing 26.	
185	17/Jun/55	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Sidon sinks after a HTP [High Test Peroxide] torpedo explosion in the forward torpedo compartment while the ship is in Portland harbour, U.K., killing 13.	
186	09/Jul/55	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Sturdy suffers an explosion.	
187	14/Jul/55	The Royal Navy cruiser HMS Blake suffers a fire.	
188	19/Jul/55	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Chevron is involved in a collision.	
189	27/Jul/55	The Danish diesel submarine Saelenis gutted by fire in Copenhagen.	
190	14/Aug/55	The Royal Navy battleship HMS King George V runs aground while being towed into the Firth of Clyde, Scotland.	
191	29/Sep/55	The Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Hermes loses power when a marking buoy wedges in a propeller bracket. The ship is towed to Belfast, Northern Ireland.	
192	07/Oct/55	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Venus suffers engine room damage.	
193	19/Oct/55	The USS Wisconsin (BB-64) is grounded for one hour in the East River, New York Harbour.	BB=Battleship
194	19/Oct/55	The Royal Navy cruiser HMS Ceylon suffers a fire.	
195	31/Oct/55	The USS English (DD-696) and the USS Wallace L. Lind (DD-703) collide in heavy seas during antisubmarine exercises off Norfolk, Virginia. The English has 31 feet of its bow bent and broken off and the Lind suffers an eight-foot hole. Both head for Norfolk under escort.	DD= Destroyer
196	31/Oct/55	A Soviet cruiser hits a mine and sinks sometime in October. Conflicting reports described in the New York Times of 25 April 1956 place the sinking in the Black or Baltic Seas. Possibly the ship is an Italian warship given to the Soviet Union as WW2 reparations, called the Novosibirsk.	
197	11/Nov/55	The USS Boyd (DD-544) is towed to port after striking a Japanese freighter off San Diego, California.	DD=Destroyer
198	12/Nov/55	A U.S. Navy plane crashes into the USS Hopewell (DD-681) during manoeuvres off San Diego, California, killing three fliers and two sailors.	DD=Destroyer
199	14/Nov/55	The radar ship USS Searcher (AGR-4) is damaged by explosions and fire off Cape May, New Jersey, killing three.	AGR=Radar Picket Ship

200	22/Nov/55	Heavy winds damage six U.S. Navy destroyers moored at Newport, Rhode Island.	
201	23/Nov/55	Six sailors are killed as a result of a jet landing mishap on the deck of the USS Ticonderoga (CV-14) in the Mediterranean Sea.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier.
202	04/Dec/55	A British troopship is blown aground by heavy winds in the River Clyde, Scotland.	
203	04/Jan/56	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Venus suffers a fire.	
204	05/Jan/56	The USS Basilone (DD-824) runs aground near Hampton Roads, Virginia.	DD=Destroyer.
205	20/Jan/56	The USS James V. Forrestal (CVA-59) collides with the USS Pinnacle (MSO-462) at Norfolk, Virginia, slightly damaging the Pinnacle.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier; MSO=Minesweeper
206	21/Jan/56	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Artemis collides with a motor fishing vessel off the Isle of Wight in the English Channel. The submarine is undamaged and continues on exercises.	
207	23/Jan/56	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Scorpion crashes into the Londonderry, Northern Ireland, dockside.	
208	25/Jan/56	The Royal Navy minesweeper HMS Mutine suffers a fire.	
209	27/Jan/56	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Puma experiences a fire.	
210	04/Feb/56	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Scorcher is damaged in a collision.	
211	10/Feb/56	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Chieftain collides with the naval tanker RFA Blue Ranger in foul weather while en route from Malta to Beirut, Lebanon, and suffers damage to its bows.	
212	21/Feb/56	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Eastbourne suffers an explosion.	
213	11/Mar/56	The USS Columbus (CA-74) and USS Floyd B. Parks (DD-884) are damaged after colliding off Luzon, Philippines.	CA=Heavy Cruiser DD=Destroyer
214	18/Mar/56	Fifteen ships of a U.S. destroyer fleet break their moorings during a storm off Newport, Rhode Island.	
215	18/Mar/56	The USS Willis A. Lee (DL-4) runs aground off Jamestown, Rhode Island.	DL=Destroyer Leader
216	22/Apr/56	The USS Nautilus (SSN-571) is snared in the nets of a fishing vessel off the New Jersey coast 140 miles southeast of New York, while running at a depth of 150 feet. The submarine nearly drags the vessel under water, but the Nautilus is unaware of the mishap, does not surface, and continues to Groton, Connecticut. The estimated damage is US\$1,300 to each vessel.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
217	26/Apr/56	The USS Remey (DD-688) runs aground in the Persian Gulf.	DD=Destroyer.
218	28/Apr/56	The USS Nautilus (SSN-571) suffers a fire caused by a welder's torch, while berthed at New London, Connecticut, during repair of damage caused by snaring of a fishing net on 22 April. The blaze ignites cork insulation and burns paint from the hull. The Navy reports that damage from the fire, the third to break out on the Nautilus, is slight.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered

219	07/May/56	The USS Eaton (DD-510) and USS Wisconsin (BB-64) are badly damaged after a collision in fog off Virginia. Commander Varley of the Eaton is later court-martialed and found negligent.	DD=Destroyer BB=Battleship
220	08/May/56	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Redpole collides with a yacht in Copenhagen, Denmark.	
221	10/May/56	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Talent is involved in a collision.	
222	04/Aug/56	The USS Windham Bay (CVE-92) is heavily damaged by fire while in Alameda, California.	CVE=Escort Aircraft Carrier
223	19/Aug/56	The experimental sodium-cooled nuclear reactor of the USS Seawolf (SSN-575) suffers a failure in the steam plant during a full power test run while the new ship is at Groton, Connecticut. A leak of sodium-potassium alloy being used as the third fluid in the steam generator aggravates stress corrosion in the system, causing two cracks in steam piping and a leak in a super heater. Makeshift repairs permit the Seawolf to complete its initial sea trials on reduced power in February 1957. Due to the difficulties of running a sodium-cooled reactor, the Navy decides to replace the Seawolf's sodium-cooled reactor with a water-cooled reactor, and use only water-cooled designs in the future.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
224	22/Sep/56	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Decoy suffers an explosion.	
225	29/Sep/56	The Royal Navy minesweepers HMS Broadly, HMS Etchingham, and HMS Bisham are extensively damaged by fire at Portsmouth harbour, U.K.	
226	29/Sep/56	A shell explodes aboard the USS Buck (DD-761), killing one.	DD=Destroyer.
227	06/Oct/56	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Keppel collides with a Torpoint ferry, near Plymouth, U.K.	
228	06/Oct/56	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Orwell is involved in a collision.	
229	13/Oct/56	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Anchorite runs aground in Rothesay Bay, U.K., and is refloated two days later.	
230	15/Oct/56	During the height of the Suez crisis the USS Nautilus (SSN-571) accidentally fires two dummy practice torpedoes at a British merchantman during naval manoeuvres in European waters. The Nautilus mistakes the ship for a Fleet Aircraft Carrier on its sonar.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
231	23/Oct/56	The USS Antietam (CVS-36) is grounded for six hours off Brest, France.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
232	22/Nov/56	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Scorcher suffers a fire during exercises.	
233	03/Jan/57	The Royal Navy coastal minesweeper HMS Ilmington suffers a fire.	
234	07/Mar/57	The USS Mission San Francisco (AO-123) suffers explosions and fires when it collides with the Liberian freighter Elna II in the Delaware River near New Castle, Delaware, killing ten.	AO=Fleet Oiler
235	15/May/57	A U.S. Navy A3D Sky warrior aircraft crashes while landing on the USS Bon Homme Richard (CVA-31) off San Diego, California, killing three.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier

236	15/May/57	The USS Franklin D. Roosevelt (CVA-42) reportedly hits a submerged object off Florida. The object is not thought to be a submarine. The Navy later denies that the carrier had hit an object, claiming instead that a propeller had broken.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
237	20/May/57	The USS Antietam (CVS-36) crashes into a river wharf in New Orleans, Louisiana. The wharf is heavily damaged, while damage to the carrier is light.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
238	21/May/57	A U.S. Navy experimental X-1 submarine is damaged by a blast at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. There are no injuries.	
239	08/Jun/57	Eleven depth charges explode prematurely off the stern of the USS Whitehurst (DE-634) 18 miles off Pearl Harbour, endangering the lives of a Hollywood movie cast on board to shoot a movie scene.	DE=Destroyer Escort
240	19/Jun/57	A high-pressure steam line explodes aboard the USS Franklin D. Roosevelt (CVA-42) off Jacksonville, Florida, killing two and injuring five.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
241	06/Jul/57	The Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Eagle suffers a fire.	
242	13/Jul/57	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Redpole is involved in a collision.	
243	15/Jul/57	A Royal Navy destroyer depot ship suffers a fire.	
244	18/Jul/57	A TNT device aboard the USS Somersworth (PCER-849) explodes off Montauk Point, New York, killing three.	PCER=Patrol Escort Rescue
245	27/Jul/57	The USS Mauna Loa (AE-8) suffers a fire off New York. The fire is extinguished before it reaches the ship's 3,500-ton cargo of explosives.	AE=Ammunition Ship
246	07/Aug/57	The USS Cobbler (SS-344) and USS Tusk (SS-426) are slightly damaged after an underwater collision during manoeuvres off New Jersey.	SS=Submarine
247	19/Aug/57	The USS Wisconsin (BB-64) scrapes its bottom near a sea buoy off Cape Henry, Virginia, during a storm.	BB=Battleship
248	25/Aug/57	The USS Lenawee (APA-195) and USS Wantuck (APD-125) collide in the Pacific, killing one.	APA=Attack Transport APD=High Speed Transport
249	28/Aug/57	The Peruvian diesel submarine Iquique is freed from a sand bar where it had run aground during trials in the Long Island Sound, New York.	
250	29/Aug/57	The Royal Navy coastal minesweeper HMS Badminton is in a collision.	
251	01/Sep/57	In the first few days of September, the USS Nautilus (SSN-571) suffers damage to two periscopes while rising under ice conditions during an exploratory trip under the Arctic icepack. The Nautilus returns from under the icepack to the open sea to perform repairs on the surface. It takes 12 hours in rough seas, freezing temperatures, and gale winds to fix one periscope. The other is damaged beyond repair.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
252	05/Sep/57	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Decoy runs aground.	
253	11/Sep/57	The Royal Navy cruiser HMS Blake suffers an explosion and fire while in Glasgow, Scotland.	

254	12/Sep/57	The USS Wasp (CVS-18) suffers a second fire while in drydock in Boston, Massachusetts, causing minor damage.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
255	20/Sep/57	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Taciturn collides with a merchant ship during exercises off Brighton, U.K., in the English Channel. No damage is reported.	
256	21/Sep/57	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Delight is rammed by the Clyde tug Forager at the Princess Pier, Greenock, Scotland.	
257	26/Sep/57	A U.S. Navy A3D Skywarrior crashes while attempting to land on the USS Forrestal (CVA-59) during NATO exercises in the Norwegian Sea.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
258	29/Sep/57	The USS Purdy (DD-734) and the British trawler British Columbia collide off The Netherlands, sinking the trawler. A small hole is punched in the Purdy's hull above the waterline.	DD=Destroyer.
259	09/Oct/57	The USS Mission San Miguel (AO-129) runs aground on a reef in the mid-Pacific.	AO=Fleet Oiler
260	23/Oct/57	The USS Forrestal (CVA-59) is slightly damaged after a collision with an oiler at sea.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
261	16/Nov/57	The Washington Post reports that the reactor compartment of the USS Nautilus (SSN-571) flooded several days ago after a small leak developed while the submarine was in port in Connecticut. The leak was due to the malfunctioning of a valve, and according to the Navy caused no radioactive contamination or damage to the power plant.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
262	11/Dec/57	The Royal Navy minesweeper HMS Alcaston loses power.	
263	12/Dec/57	The USS Manley (DD-940) is badly damaged in heavy seas in the eastern Atlantic.	DD=Destroyer.
264	10/Jan/58	A plane catapult explodes aboard the USS Kearsage (CVA-33) off Yokosuka, Japan, killing three.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
265	14/Jan/58	The Royal Navy boom defence vessel HMS Barcombe runs aground off the Island of Oronsay, Argyll, Scotland.	
266	18/Jan/58	The USS Essex (CVA-9) is damaged by fire at sea.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
267	31/Jan/58	A bomber explodes on the flight deck of the USS Hancock (CVA-19), killing two.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
268	04/Feb/58	The Swedish diesel submarine Illern sinks in a shipyard, Malmo, Sweden.	
269	12/Feb/58	A rocket propelled antisubmarine weapon backfires aboard the USS Eaton (DD-510), killing one.	DD=Destroyer.
270	16/Feb/58	The fuel supply submarine USS Guavina (AOSS-362) runs aground in high winds and foul weather after dragging its anchor in San Salvador, El Salvador.	AOSS=Submarine Oiler
271	27/Feb/58	The USS Tripoli (CVU-64) is towed to Bremerhaven, West Germany, after running aground in the Weser estuary.	CVU=Utility Aircraft Carrier
272	03/Mar/58	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Decoy suffers a fire.	
273	01/Apr/58	The USS Corregidor (CVU-58) cracks its hull in a storm off the Azores.	CVU=Utility Aircraft Carrier
274	02/Apr/58	The Royal Navy fleet supply ship RFA Fort Duquesne suffers a fire.	

275	17/Apr/58	The Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Bulwark is involved in a collision in the Suez Canal.	
276	24/Apr/58	The USS Yarnall (DD-541) is damaged by a dummy torpedo fired by a submarine during practice.	DD=Destroyer.
277	25/Apr/58	The USS Nautilus (SSN-571) springs a small saltwater leak in one of the steam condensers shortly after leaving Groton, Connecticut, as the submarine heads south toward the Panama Canal to transit to the Pacific for its expedition to the North Pole. After passing through the Canal and experiencing a fire (5/4/58), the Nautilus puts into Mare Island Naval Shipyard, near San Francisco, California, for repairs. The source of the leak cannot be pinpointed, however, and the ship proceeds to Seattle, Washington. During the trip to Seattle, the captain decides to use the same type of additive that is sold for leaky car radiators to try to repair the leak in the condenser. Upon arriving in Seattle in late May or early June, 140 quarts are purchased and half are poured into the cooling system. The reactor plant is started and the leak stopped.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
278	04/May/58	The USS Nautilus (SSN-571) suffers a fire in the insulation around one of its turbines as the ship is running submerged in the Pacific shortly after leaving Panama on its way to its Arctic mission. The insulation had become oil-soaked during the submarine's three years of operation and had caught fire. The fire is put out with minor injuries, but the submarine must surface to ventilate.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
279	23/May/58	The Royal Navy cruiser HMS Lion suffers a fire.	
280	28/May/58	The USS Stickleback (SS-415) sinks after being rammed by the USS Silverstein (DE-534) off Pearl Harbour, Hawaii. There are no casualties. The submarine had lost power and drifted into the Silverstein's path.	SS=Submarine versus DE=Destroyer!
281	11/Jun/58	The trawler St. Clair catches a Royal Navy submarine in its net off Land's End, U.K. There is little damage.	
282	20/Jun/58	The Royal Navy minesweeper HMS Hound is involved in a collision.	
283	03/Jul/58	The USS Chemung (AO-30) runs aground 500 yards off Alcatraz Island in San Francisco Bay, California, during a naval procession.	AO=Fleet Oiler
284	06/Jul/58	The USS Caney (AO-95) loses power during a monsoon in the Arabian Sea, and is in danger for several days until it can be towed by U.S. ships.	AO=Fleet Oiler
285	08/Jul/58	A U.S. Navy barge used for research in underwater explosions suffers an explosion and flash fire while in port at Norfolk, Virginia.	
286	19/Jul/58	The USS Piper (SS-409) runs aground on a sandbar off Provincetown, Massachusetts, but is pulled free after seven hours with minor damage.	SS=Submarine
287	23/Jul/58	A fuel tank accidentally falls from a FJ4B Fury fighter being launched from the USS Ticonderoga (CV-14) while operating off California, killing two.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier.

288	24/Jul/58	The USS Skate (SSN-578) suffers damage to its propeller when it collides with the USS Fulton (AS-11) while the tender is moored to a pier in New London, Connecticut. Never ever assault your mum!	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered versus an AS=Submarine TenderBUT
289	22/Aug/58	The USS Prestige (MSO-465) sinks after running aground off Shikoku, Japan.	MSO=Minesweeper
290	03/Sep/58	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Amphion hits a British naval training ship.	
291	24/Sep/58	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Camperdown suffers a fire.	
292	29/Sep/58	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Hogue collides with the British trawler Northern Foam while trying to prevent the arrest of the trawler by an Icelandic patrol boat for illegally fishing in Icelandic waters - but wasn't, our fishing was legal and we won that war at least on paper.	
293	10/Oct/58	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Andrew is involved in a collision.	
294	14/Oct/58	An explosion floods the engineering room of the USS Saratoga (CVA-60) at Jacksonville, Florida.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier.
295	21/Oct/58	The USS Rich (DD-820), USS Moale (DD-693), USS Ellyson (DD-454), and the destroyer USS Sumner are damaged in a severe storm off North Carolina. All destroyers to the fore and suffering badly together.	
296	23/Oct/58	The USS Lindenwald (LSD-6) is disabled off Greenland when the steering engines fail.	LSD=Landing Ship Dock
297	23/Oct/58	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Grenville inadvertently surges forward while preparing to leave Portland harbour, U.K., and collides with the minesweeper HMS Shoulton and the submarine support ship HMS Chaser. Oh dear!	
298	27/Oct/58	The Royal Navy frigates HMS Undine and HMS Ulysses are both damaged above the waterline in a collision off the Ile d'Ouessant, Brittany, France.	
299	05/Nov/58	The USS Growler (SSG-577) springs a leak during a deep-sea dive but surfaces without damage off the Isle of Shoals, southeast of Portsmouth, New Hampshire. The Growler, designed for launching the Regulus II sea-to-land missile, was several hundred feet below the surface when the leak developed in an improperly adjusted sonar compartment fitting for an electrical cable.	SSG=Guided Missile submarine launched from within a diesel electric boat.
300	06/Nov/58	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Alamein experiences a fire.	
301	10/Nov/58	The USS Ranger (CVA-61) suffers an explosion in the magazine area seven decks below the waterline while off San Francisco, California, killing two. A careless act by two crewmen trying to obtain gunpowder from the magazine to fuel a miniature ram jet engine they had built caused the explosion. The Navy said the two men were known rocket enthusiasts and were not authorized to be in the magazine area at the time of the explosion. The "relatively minor" damage takes about a month to repair due to the location of the accident. An Attack Aircraft Carrier of all magisterial warship.	

302	12/Nov/58	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Alaric collides with a jetty.	
303	18/Nov/58	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Rorqual experiences a fire.	
304	28/Nov/58	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Caesar suffers a fire.	
305	23/Dec/58	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Undaunted collides with the minesweeper HMS Maxton off Cyprus.	
306	30/Dec/58	The Royal Navy destroyers HMS Jutland and HMS Dunkirk collide during daytime manoeuvres off Malta, causing slight damage.	
307	31/Dec/58	In the late 1950s, a Soviet Northern Fleet diesel-powered submarine, possibly a Whiskey class submarine, reportedly sinks. The vessel was specially converted to be a test platform for a Soviet cruise missile, which was under development. The submarine went to sea carrying empty missile containers and sank on its return voyage.	
308	11/Jan/59	The USS Valley Forge (CVS-45) is damaged in a storm off North Carolina.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
309	28/Jan/59	The port propeller of the USS Skate (SSN-578) is damaged in a collision with the USS Cubera (SS-347). The accident occurs during routine operations off the U.S. east coast just after the Cubera delivered mail to the Skate and moved away. The Navy says nobody was hurt. Another case of the underdog Impeding the super star namely non-nuclear versus the nuclear world! But friendly with no venom intended! SSN versus SS and may the best man win!	
310	02/Mar/59	A depth charge explodes aboard the USS Conway (DD-507) in the Atlantic, injuring two.	DD=Destroyer.
311	05/Mar/59	The USS Kenneth D. Bailey (DDR-713) and the USS Haiti Victory (T-AK-238) collide in the Strait of Gibraltar, killing one. DDR=Radar Picket Destroyer and a T-AK= Is a cargo ship under Navy Control	
312	16/Mar/59	The Royal Navy destroyers HMS Corunna and HMS Barrosa collide.	
313	07/Apr/59	The USS Triton (SSN-586) suffers a galley fire caused by testing of a deep-fat fryer, while in New London, Connecticut. According to the Navy, the fire spread from the galley into the ventilation lines of the crew's mess. But quick action by crew members "resulted in the saving of the ship's equipment and possible loss of life."	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
314	09/Apr/59	The U.S. Navy announces the USS Raton (SSR-270) and the USS George K. Mackenzie (DD-836) recently collided during manoeuvres in the western Pacific.	DD=Destroyer SSR=Submarine Radar Picket
315	09/Apr/59	The Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Ark Royal is damaged by fire in Devonport, U.K., while undergoing a refit.	
316	13/Apr/59	The British admiralty discounts sabotage in three small fires aboard the Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Eagle.	
317	01/May/59	The USS Randolph (CVA-15) suffers a flash electrical explosion at the Norfolk Naval Base, Virginia, killing one.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier

318	21/May/59	The Royal Navy boom defence vessel HMS Barnard runs aground.	
319	21/May/59	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Rocket collides with a buoy.	
320	28/May/59	A U.S. Navy FJ Fury jet crashes aboard the USS Essex (CVA-9) east of Jacksonville, Florida, causing explosions and fire, killing two, and injuring 21.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
321	18/Jun/59	The Royal Navy submarine depot ship HMS Maidstone suffers a fire.	
322	30/Jun/59	The starboard rudder guard of the USS Macon (CA-132) is scraped off in the Welland Canal (connecting Lake Erie to Lake Ontario), delaying shipping for 17 hours.	CA=Heavy Cruiser
323	08/Jul/59	The Royal Navy cruiser HMS Birmingham and destroyer HMS Delight collide during exercises off Malta, killing two.	
324	11/Jul/59	The USS Gearing (DD-710) is damaged after colliding with a freighter in Chesapeake Bay.	DD=Destroyer.
325	31/Jul/59	The USS Upshur (AP-198) is heavily damaged by fire at the Brooklyn Army Terminal, New York.	AP=Transporter
326	11/Aug/59	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Broadsword suffers a fire off Iceland.	
327	13/Aug/59	A Soviet warship, believed to be a destroyer shadowing NATO manoeuvres, collides with the West German coastal vessel Christel in fog 30 miles off Kiel, West Germany. The Soviet ship reportedly stands by with its engines stopped while the Christel's crew works to plug a hole, then steams off when the Christel is out of immediate danger.	
328	18/Aug/59	The USS Wasp (CVS-18) is heavily damaged by an explosion and subsequent fires when a helicopter engine explodes while being tested in hangar bay Number 1 as the ship is operating 250 miles east of Norfolk, Virginia. The fires and reflashes take over two hours to control. The ship was carrying nuclear weapons. In the first 30 minutes as the fires burned out of control and the forward magazines were flooded, preliminary preparations also were made to flood the nuclear weapon magazine. It was not flooded, however, and 30 minutes later the nuclear weapon magazine reported no significant rise in temperature. But water from the fire-fighting efforts eventually leaked into the nuclear weapon magazine around electrical cables.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
329	25/Aug/59	A U.S. Navy F8U Crusader jet crashes into the rear of the USS Independence (CVA-62) off Norfolk, Virginia, killing one man and causing a fire.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
330	27/Aug/59	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Hogue is involved in a collision with the Indian Navy Air Craft Carrier Mysore. Hogue scrapped in Singapore.	
331	29/Aug/59	The USS Decatur (DD-936) suffers an engine room fire while docked in Naples, Italy. The fire is extinguished after two hours during which the ammunition stores are flooded as a precautionary measure.	DD=Destroyer.
332	01/Sep/59	The Royal Navy diving tender HMS Deepwater suffers a fire.	

333	29/Sep/59	The USS Bristol (DD-857) collides with the Italian merchant vessel Italia Fassioin fog in the Nantucket Shoals area off Massachusetts. The Bristol is slightly damaged.	DD=Destroyer.
334	04/Oct/59	The USS Tench(SS-417) runs aground on a mudbank in Portsmouth, U.K. The submarine is lifted off the mudbank without damage.	SS=Submarine
335	04/Oct/59	The USS Franklin D. Roosevelt (CVA-42) collides with the USS Pawcatuck (AO-108) during refuelling off Virginia. Both vessels are slightly damaged.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier and a Fleet Oiler
336	05/Oct/59	The USS Seadragon(SSN-584) on the surface at night during its sea trials collides with a whale, or possibly a large shark, off Portsmouth, New Hampshire, bending one of its propellers. The submarine proceeds to Portsmouth for repairs on its own power using its other propeller.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
337	07/Oct/59	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Redpole collides with an oil lighter, sustaining an eight-foot hole in its bow.	
338	15/Oct/59	"Apparently intentional" damage to electrical cables of the USS Nautilus (SSN-571) is discovered during overhaul at the naval shipyard in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. The Navy says the damage appears to be confined to the electrical system and "does not extend to the nuclear reactor plant." The Navy disclosure of the incident follows an article in the Portsmouth Herald which reports a series of incidents involving "sabotage- type" damage to the craft including fires, cut cables, broken pipes, and other damage to vital parts.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
339	04/Nov/59	The USS Willis A. Lee (DL-4) suffers a fire after an explosion of an anti-aircraft round during exercises off Newport, Rhode Island.	DL=Frigate
349	06/Nov/59	The USS Threadfin (SS-410) is rammed by the Greek freighter Nikolas Mikhalosat the entrance to the Suez Canal as both ships are exiting to the Red Sea.	SS=Submarine
350	08/Nov/59	The Soviet cruiser Sverdlovsk collides with the German coastal vessel Hilda Rebecca in the Kiel Canal. The Sverdlovsk continues into the Baltic while the Hilda Rebecca has to be beached for repairs.	
351	09/Nov/59	A fire is discovered in the pump room of the USS Midway (CVA-41) at the Subic Bay Navy Base, Philippines. Arson is blamed for the incident.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
352	27/Nov/59	The Royal Navy cruiser HMS Tiger suffers a fire.	
353	16/Dec/59	The USS Searcher (AGR-4) reaches Boston, Massachusetts, safely under tow after being disabled at sea for five days with boiler trouble.	AGR=Radars Picket Ship
354	11/Jan/60	An arresting gear cable aboard the USS Independence (CVA- 62) breaks as an aircraft lands while the ship is operating off the Florida coast, killing one.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
355	04/Feb/60	Eleven men are swept overboard from the USS Daly (DD-519) during sea trials 200 miles off the Virginia coast, killing seven.	DD=Destroyer.
356	13/Feb/60	The USS Skate (SSN-578) suffers "very minor" damage after colliding with a concrete pier at Electric Boatyard, Groton, Connecticut.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered

357	28/Feb/60	In late February in the Atlantic the USS Triton (SSN-586), shortly after departure for a submerged global circumnavigation, suffers a leak in a main condenser circulating water pump, necessitating the shutdown of the port reactor for five hours to effect repairs.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
358	03/Mar/60	In the beginning of March the USS Triton (SSN-586), while traveling down the Atlantic, springs a severe leak in its starboard propeller shaft due to loose bolts and an improperly installed water seal.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
359	19/Mar/60	The USS Darby (DE-218) collides with the Swedish ore carrier Soya Atlantic off Cape Henry while returning from exercises off the Virginia Capes, killing two.	DE=Destroyer. Escort
360	04/Apr/60	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Narwhal runs aground in high winds off Scotland.	
361	07/Apr/60	The USS Shangri-La (CV-38) suffers an explosion of an air separator operated by a gasoline motor while near Valparaiso, Chile, injuring three.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier.
362	24/Apr/60	The USS Triton (SSN-586) suffers a serious casualty in the after torpedo room when a hydraulic line to the stern plane mechanism bursts just prior to the end of its global circumnavigation. Quick action by crew members prevents the accident from getting out of control. The leak is stopped and hydraulic power is restored.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
363	25/May/60	The USS Saratoga (CVA-60) collides with the ore carrier Bernd Leonhardt off North Carolina. The accident touches off a jet fuel fire on the Saratoga which is quickly extinguished.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
364	30/May/60	The USS Saratoga (CVA-60) suffers an oil-fed flash fire at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Virginia, where the carrier had docked after a collision on 25 May. The fire scorches the vessel's amidships hull.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
365	08/Jun/60	Sabotage is suspected in an incident involving damage to a shipyard fire hose used on board the USS Nautilus (SSN-571) for testing the ship's evaporators while the ship is undergoing overhaul at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, New Hampshire. The Navy says, "No damage occurred to the ship."	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
366	14/Jun/60	The USS Sargo (SSN-583) suffers an explosion and fire in its aft end while docked in Pearl Harbour, Hawaii. The fire starts from a leak in a high-pressure line that was pumping oxygen aboard. The explosion occurs a few moments later. When dock units and boats are unable to bring the fire under control quickly, officers take the Sargo a short distance from the dock and deliberately submerge it with the stern torpedo hatch open to put out the blaze. The Navy says the ship's nuclear reactors were sealed off, and there was "absolutely no danger of an explosion from the reactor compartment." The submarine is extensively damaged and is drydocked taking three months to repair. The Sargo is the first nuclear ship in the Pacific Fleet and was scheduled to take the visiting King and Queen of Thailand on a cruise the next day. How unfortunate for Their Royal Highnesses.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered

367	19/Jul/60	The USS Ammen (DD-527) and USS Collett (DD-730) collide in heavy fog off Newport Beach, California. Eleven of the Ammen's crew are killed and 20 are injured, and the ship is damaged beyond repair.	DD=Destroyer.s
368	10/Aug/60	The USS Bennington (CV-20) and USS Edwards (DD-619) collide during refuelling 175 miles off California. A Navy spokesman later says that the Edwards "apparently lost steering control" and its superstructure smashed into the Bennington's Number 3 elevator. The destroyer is extensively damaged while the carrier is only slightly damaged.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier versus DD=Destroyer.
369	12/Aug/60	The USS Exultant (MSO-441) suffers an oil fire in the engine room while operating off Georgia, killing five.	MDO=Minesweeper
370	24/Aug/60	A U.S. Navy minesweeper is swamped at Charleston, South Carolina.	
371	28/Aug/60	Unexplained engine room damage delays the sailing of the Royal Navy destroyer HMS Dainty. Sabotage is suspected.	
372	14/Sep/60	The Australian destroyer Anzac accidentally fires a salvo into the hull of the Australian destroyer Tobruk opening a hole above the waterline during manoeuvres off Australia.	
373	14/Nov/60	The USS Cree (ATF-84) is accidentally bombed by a plane from the USS Coral Sea (CVA-43) during exercises in the western Pacific.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier ATF=
374	28/Nov/60	About this date six men are soaked by reactor coolant while working on the USS Nautilus (SSN-571) at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, New Hampshire. One man accidentally bumped a valve releasing the water onto himself and the others. Clothes and dosimeters were thrown away, making radiation measurement impossible.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
375	19/Dec/60	Fire breaks out on the hangar deck of the USS Constellation (CVA-64) in the last stages of construction at the New York Naval Shipyard. Reports list 50 dead and an estimated damage of \$45 million. A Navy court of inquiry investigation later finds there were 42 small fires earlier in the year. The fire delays the ship's commissioning by several months to 27 October 1961.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
376	06/Jan/61	A Sea Vixen crashes into the sea at night after a deck accident on the Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Ark Royal while the ship is near Malta.	
377	12/Jan/61	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Oberon runs aground at Rothesay Bay in the Firth of Clyde, Scotland, while manoeuvring to tie up to a buoy. The Oberon is refloated the next day without damage.	
378	14/Jan/61	The USS Johnston (DD-821) and USS Keppler (DD-765) are slightly damaged in a "glancing collision" 200 miles off the North Carolina coast.	DD=Destroyer
379	18/Jan/61	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Brighton suffers a fire.	
380	23/Jan/61	The USS Saratoga (CVA-60) suffers a fire caused by a ruptured oil line while in the Ionian Sea en route to Athens, Greece, killing seven.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier

381	27/Jan/61	The USS Ticonderoga (CV-14) suffers a brief fire when a diesel generator blows up while the ship is at Naval Air Station North Island, San Diego, California.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier.
382	03/Feb/61	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Alaric strikes a sandbank and is grounded for 20 minutes near Sheerness near to the London River Thames Estuary off the east coast of the U.K.	
383	02/Mar/61	The USS Glacier (AGB-4) and USS Staten Island (AGB-5) break free after being stuck in the ice in Antarctica for nine days.	AGB=Ice Breaker
384	12/Apr/61	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Finwhale arrives in the Firth of Clyde, Scotland, with a six-by-two-foot hole in her casing caused by heavy seas in a gale as she sailed to the Arctic for underwater tests. A dent on the aluminum casing forward of the sail measures 20 by 6 feet.	
385	25/Apr/61	A boiler explosion occurs aboard the USS Intrepid (CVS-11), injuring 11.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
386	27/Apr/61	The USS Diamond Head (AE-19) is holed above the waterline in a collision with the USS Independence (CVA-62) in the Caribbean.	AE= Ammunition Ship
387	30/Apr/61	The USS Baldwin (DD-624) runs aground off Montauk Point, New York. One sailor is killed and one hurt when a steel cable whiplashes during an attempt to free the ship. The ship is subsequently scuttled. Another Destroyer bites the dust!	
388	10/Jul/61	The munitions ship Save runs aground and explodes off Mozambique.	
389	21/Jul/61	The USS Angler (SS-240) is slightly damaged in a minor collision with the freighter Export Adventurer during manoeuvres with a destroyer 15 miles south of Block Island, Rhode Island.	SS=Submarine
390	09/Aug/61	The USS Kitty Hawk (CVA-63) suffers a boiler breakdown involving ruptured tubes at Norfolk, Virginia, just prior to its shakedown cruise.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
391	19/Aug/61	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Broadsword suffers a damaged boiler.	
392	26/Sep/61	The USS Charr (SS-328) suffers an engine room flood while submerged at 100 feet and operating 150 miles west of San Diego, California. Two sailors seal themselves in the flooded compartment and save the submarine and its 76 crewmen by manning the controls until the submarine surfaces, and what a brave selfless act by two gallant sailors?	SS=Submarine
393	26/Sep/61	A U.S. Navy tanker catches fire and explodes while in port at Morehead City, North Carolina, killing one. Flames from the burning ship threaten seven huge storage tanks containing more than ten million gallons of high octane aviation fuel. The mind boggles!	

394	16/Oct/61	The USS Randolph (CVS-15) collides with the Liberian tanker Atlantic Viscountess 325 miles east of Charleston, South Carolina. The collision ruptures a gasoline line on the carrier causing a flash fire which is extinguished in less than five minutes.	CVS=Anti submarine Aircraft Carrier
395	02/Nov/61	During its sea trials the USS Thresher (SSN-593) docks at San Juan, Puerto Rico. Its reactor is shut down and a diesel generator is started up to provide electricity in keeping with usual docking procedures. But after seven or eight hours of operation the diesel generator breaks down. While sailors work on the generator, electricity is provided by an electric storage battery. The generator takes much longer than expected to repair, however, and so the decision is made to restart the reactor. But, a nuclear reactor takes several hours and considerable electricity to restart, and the Thresher's battery is depleted before the reactor becomes critical. With no electricity to keep the ventilation system going, the submarine starts to heat up. Temperatures in the machinery spaces reach approximately 140 degrees. Some men are ordered out suffering from the heat and fumes, and the captain fears the heat and humidity could damage electrical equipment and lead to a general evacuation. Ultimately the problem is solved by hooking up electrical cables to the diesel- electric powered submarine Cavalla (SS-244) which is moored alongside early the next morning. With electricity from the Cavalla, the Thresher's reactor is able to be restarted. Fantastic story!	
396	06/Nov/61	A fire on the newly-commissioned USS Constellation (CVA-64) breaks out at sea, killing four and severely injuring nine.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
397	05/Dec/61	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Falmouth collides with the naval auxiliary RFA Tide Flow during antisubmarine warfare exercises in Lyme Bay off the Dorset coast, U.K. The Falmouth is holed above and below the waterline, but returns to Portland, U.K., under its own power. The Tide Flow suffers superficial damage.	
398	21/Dec/61	A rocket motor aboard the USS Meredith (DD-890) ignites and burns on its launcher, causing an intense fire of short duration, while the ship is at Mayport, Florida. The commander of the destroyer squadron to which the Meredith is attached says that safety features prevented the rocket from leaving the ship.	DD=Destroyer.

399	31/Dec/61	In 1961 an accident in the nuclear power plant of an early class of Soviet nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine (probably a Hotel class) reportedly occurs near the coast of England while ship is returning from a training exercise. Crew members were seriously contaminated and parts of the ship and its missiles were also contaminated when a cooling pipe broke. The level of radiation is reported to have been five roentgens per hour in the space where the pipe broke. After a two-month ventilation of the submarine, a decision is made to transfer the missiles to two diesel-powered submarines for their test launches.	
400	06/Jan/62	Western intelligence sources report that a submarine belonging to the United States or another NATO power was damaged and forced to the surface by a 20-megaton underwater nuclear test blast set off by the Soviet Union in the Barents Sea. The detonation point is said to have been about 100 miles from the submarine whose commander is quoted as saying, "If we had been much closer we might not have survived."	
401	16/Jan/62	The Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Ark Royal suffers propeller damage when it runs aground in Plymouth Sound on its way through a deep water channel to the Devonport, U.K., dockyard.	
402	31/Dec/62	The Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Eagle suffers unknown damage in an accident.	
403	03/Feb/62	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Carron suffers damage caused by sailorsaboteur's.	
404	20/Feb/62	The USS Balao (SS-285) is snagged by the tow-line of the ocean tug Torrent IV while cruising 110 feet below the surface off the Florida coast. The accident damages one of the Balao's masthead lights, punches two small holes in the superstructure supporting the periscope, and breaks one radar antenna and damages another. Neither the tug nor the barge under tow receives damage.	SS=Submarine
405	05/Mar/62	An aircraft arresting cable aboard the USS Forrestal (CVA-59) snaps while the carrier is en route from Guantanamo Naval Base, Cuba, to Norfolk, Virginia, killing one.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
406	06/Mar/62	The USS Monssen(DD-798) is grounded by a storm at Beach Haven, New Jersey.	DD=Destroyer.
407	12/Mar/62	The USS Proteus (AS-19) suffers a brief fire during a weekend training cruise in the Irish Sea. The fire, which causes only slight damage, apparently started in a pile of rags.	AS=Submarine Tender
408	31/Mar/62	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Rothesay rams the Turkish diesel submarine Gur in the western Mediterranean during the NATO exercise "Dawn Breeze." Both ships suffer damage and proceed to Gibraltar.	
409	26/Mar/62	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Dreadnought suffers a fire in a cabin while the ship is under construction at Barrow-in-Furness, U.K.	

410	30/Mar/62	The USS England (DLG-22) suffers an explosion and fire at San Pedro, California, injuring 18 workmen before the fire is brought under control.	DLG=Guided Missile Frigate
411	09/Apr/62	The USS Thomas A. Edison (SSBN-610) collides with the USS Wadleigh(DD-689) during antisubmarine warfare exercises 200 miles east of Norfolk, Virginia. The Edison's topside rudder is slightly bent and the destroyer's forward bottom plates are pierced. The Edison is repaired at Newport News, Virginia, in several hours while the Wadleigh goes into drydock for several weeks. According to a Navy spokesman the collision resulted from a misunderstanding between the two ships and occurred as the Edison was surfacing. No one is injured.	DD=Destroyer SSBN=Ballistic Missile Submarine [Polaris, Trident ICBM etc]
412	11/Apr/62	Fire breaks out in the rudder section of the USS Thomas A. Edison (SSBN-610) at Norfolk, Virginia. The fire is caused by the heat from a workman's acetylene torch and is brought under control within 30 minutes.	SSBN = Submarine ICBM Launchers
413	29/Apr/62	A British Gannet aircraft crashes on the Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Ark Royal while the ship participates in a SEATO exercise in the South China Sea, killing one.	
414	03/May/62	Police investigate damaged electrical cables on the Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Eagle. Further damage is found the next day. Sabotage suspected?	
415	10/May/62	The USS Permit (SSN-594) is run over by the cargo ship Hawaiian Citizen while the Permit is on a submerged test run near the Farallon Islands 30 miles from San Francisco, California. A Navy spokesman said the only damage to the submarine was a bending of the doors to the conning tower. The crew had to force the doors open to raise the radio antenna to communicate with freighters standing by.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
416	03/Jun/62	The USS Thresher (SSN-593) is damaged in a collision with a commercial tug that was berthing it at Port Canaveral, Florida, receiving a three-foot gash in the submarine's ballast tanks about a foot below the waterline. The submarine went to New London, Connecticut, under its own power to effect repairs.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
417	07/Jun/62	The U.S. destroyer USS Sumner runs aground off Golfe Juan in the Mediterranean during a windstorm.	
418	15/Jun/62	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Blackpool suffers damage caused by a sailor.	
419	25/Jun/62	The USS Tiru(SS-416) suffers a fire which forces the vessel to make an emergency surfacing 15 miles southwest of Pearl Harbour, Hawaii, with 18 men suffering from smoke inhalation. A malfunction of a practice torpedo in the torpedo room caused the fire.	SS=Submarine
420	01/Jul/62	A U.S. Navy F8U Crusader aircraft crashes into the USS Ranger (CVA-61) at sea off California, injuring two.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
421	01/Aug/62	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Battleaxe collides with the frigate HMS Ursa in the Clyde river, Scotland, during the night. The Battleaxe is subsequently scrapped.	

422	28/Aug/62	A British Meteor aircraft hits the mast of the Royal Navy minesweeper HMS Appleton while exercising off Malta. The aircraft is piloted safely to Luqa airport, Malta.	
423	29/Aug/62	The Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Ark Royal suffers a gale mishap.	
424	13/Sep/62	A Japanese fishing boat collides with a submarine, believed to be Soviet, and sinks off Northern Japan. The crew of 16 escapes on rafts and rubber boats.	
425	04/Oct/62	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Ashanti breaks down during sea trials in the Caribbean Sea.	
426	09/Oct/62	A Danish diesel submarine gets caught in the net of a British fishing trawler. The submarine surfaces with damage to neither vessel and apologies were exchanged.	
427	10/Oct/62	The USS Triton (SSN-586) suffers a fire during repairs in New London, Connecticut. A spokesman for Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics Corporation said there was only minor damage to one compartment and that no one was injured. He said no radioactivity was involved. The cause of the fire was said to be undetermined.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
428	13/Oct/62	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Odin touches the bed of the English Channel at 150 feet five miles south of Portland Bill during a night exercise, damaging the rudder. The submarine is towed back to Portland harbour, U.K.	
429	15/Oct/62	The New York Times reports that one of six Soviet diesel-powered attack submarines operating in the Caribbean during the Cuban missile crisis experiences mechanical trouble and is unable to submerge except for short periods. On 15 November the Associated Press reports that a Canadian Air Force patrol plane sighted the Soviet submarine off Halifax still unable to submerge. It eventually returns to the Soviet Union on the surface with a trawler escort.	
430	25/Oct/62	The New York Times reports that well before the Cuban missile crisis a mechanical breakdown occurred in a Soviet diesel-powered submarine in the Gulf of Alaska. The submarine could not submerge and was escorted home by a trawler.	
431	05/Nov/62	The USS Kearsarge (CVS-33) and USS Mattaponi (AO-41) are slightly damaged in a collision during refuelling off California.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier AO = Fleet Oiler
432	14/Nov/62	The USS Wasp (CVS-18) and the USS Holder (DDE-819) collide during refuelling while in the Atlantic while taking part in the U.S. quarantine of Cuba during the Cuban missile crisis.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier DDE=Destroyer Escort
433	20/Nov/62	The Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Centaur suffers a steam leak in the boiler room, killing five.	
434	26/Nov/62	The Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Albion collides with a tug in Aden harbour, Aden. The tug sinks with two missing.	

435	03/Dec/62	The USS Kearsarge (CVS-33) and the SS Oriana collide in dense fog off Long Beach, California. The Oriana suffers a 20-foot hole near its bow and the Kearsarge suffers a 25-foot rip about ten feet aft on the starboard side.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
436	14/Dec/62	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Otter rams a trawler off Plymouth, U.K. The crew of the trawler abandon ship and are rescued by a nearby launch.	
437	31/Dec/62	During 1962, the engine room of the USS Skate (SSN-578) begins to flood after a seawater circulation line fails while the submarine is submerged at 400 feet on the way through Baffin Bay off Thule, Greenland. Seawater sprays in and starts to flood the engine room. The submarine does not lose power and surfaces safely. On the surface, with the water pressure greatly reduced, the flooding is successfully stopped.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
438	03/Jan/63	The USS Core (AKV-41) runs aground in heavy fog off Fort Baker under the Golden Gate Bridge, San Francisco, California. AKV=Aircraft transporter merchant ship	
439	15/Jan/63	A jet fighter attempting to land snaps a cable aboard the USS Constellation (CVA-64) while the ship is operating in the eastern Pacific, injuring 11, including three whose legs have to be amputated.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
440	09/Feb/63	In the mid-Atlantic a wave washes over the Number 1 elevator on the USS Enterprise (CVAN-65) while the elevator is in the down position. Four men are washed overboard. Two are rescued, but one later dies.	CVAN= Nuclear Attack Aircraft Carrier
441	20/Feb/63	An aircraft crash aboard the USS Enterprise (CVAN-65) sweeps the carrier's deck with fire while it is operating in the Atlantic, killing two.	CVAN= Nuclear Attack Aircraft Carrier
442	28/Feb/63	The USS Bausell (DD-845) runs aground off Djakarta, Indonesia, prior to a scheduled visit to that city. The ship is refloated four days later.	DD=Destroyer.
443	13/Mar/63	The side of the USS Valley Forge (CV-45) is slightly damaged by a fire when an oil film on the water is ignited by sparks from a welder's torch at Long Beach, California.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier.
444	01/Apr/63	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Grampus returns to Gosport, U.K., after spending three weeks under the polar icecap looking for holes in the ice. During the patrol it superficially damages its hull on the ice.	
445	01/Apr/63	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Tabard collides with a wharf damaging its sonar equipment while berthing in Brisbane, Australia.	
446	01/Apr/63	In April the Royal Navy minelayer HMS Manxman runs aground.	
447	05/Apr/63	The USS Ranger (CVA-61) suffers an explosion and fire in the boiler uptakes while en route from Beppu, Japan, to Iwakuni, Japan.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
448	05/Apr/63	The USS Great Sitkin (AE-17) suffers slight damage during a fire of unknown origin while tied up at the Main Ship Repair Corporation in Brooklyn, New York.	AE= Ammunition Ship

449	08/Apr/63	An unidentified submarine becomes entangled in the nets of the trawler Sunappee off New England and drags overboard about US\$3,000 worth of fishing gear.	
450	10/Apr/63	The USS Thresher (SSN-593) sinks in approximately 8,400 feet of water 220 miles east of Boston while conducting postoverhaul trials, killing all 129 men on board. The Navy Court of Inquiry concludes a flooding casualty in the engine room brought about by a piping system failure in one of the submarine's saltwater systems is the most probable cause of the sinking. The Thresher is never recovered. I was involved in HMS Auriga [S09] based on Halifax Nova Scotia as a decompression chamber in case there were any survivors. Dreadfully sad!	
451	04/May/63	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Diamond suffers an engine room fire.	
452	07/May/63	A fire occurs aboard the USS Flasher (SSN-613) at the Electric Boat shipyard, Groton, Connecticut, killing three and injuring two. Damage to the ship is reportedly negligible. The fire occurred in the trimming tank of the submarine, scheduled to be launched on 14 June.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
453	08/May/63	The submerged Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Tabard collides with the Royal Australian Navy frigate Queensborough off Jervis Bay, New South Wales, Australia, during exercises. The submarine suffers superficial damage and a bent fin and returns to Sydney.	
454	08/May/63	The USS Woodrow Wilson (SSBN-624) suffers a fire while under construction at Mare Island Naval Shipyard in Vallejo, California, injuring three. The fire causes only minor damage to the Wilson and occurs when a heavy cable comes in contact with a switchboard on the submarine.	SSBN= Submarine ICBM Launcher Polaris/Trident etc
455	22/May/63	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Devonshire suffers engine trouble.	
456	29/May/63	A flash fire breaks out in the boiler room of the USS Blandy (DD-943) shortly after it arrives in Portland, Maine, to participate in Memorial Day exercises.	DD=Destroyer.
457	04/Jun/63	The USS Asterion (AF-63) and the Japanese freighter Kokoku Maru collide.	AF=Refrigerated Ship
458	07/Jun/63	The USS Tinosa (SSN-606) collides with the USS John Adams (SSBN-620) while being moved in the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, New Hampshire, when a tug towline snaps. The Tinosa received, what the Navy said, was a "small dent below the waterline" in the bow.	SSN Nuclear Attack vessel SSBN= Nuclear ICBM Launcher
459	10/Jun/63	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Rorqual is caught in a trawler's net.	
460	04/Jul/63	The USS Salmon (SS-573) suffers personnel casualties when mercury from a broken thermometer comes into contact with a hot grid, creating toxic mercury vapor, resulting in the intoxication of 14 crewmembers. Submarine	

461	22/Jul/63	The USS William C. Lawe(DD-763) rams and sinks a U.S. Navy tug when the tug loses steering control and crosses into the path of the destroyer in the St. John's River near Jacksonville, Florida.	DD=Destroyer.
462	27/Jul/63	The U.S. freighter Irish Spruce strikes the docked USS Pratt (DE-363) at Norfolk, Virginia.	DD=Destroyer.
463	29/Jul/63	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Leopard is in a collision.	
464	02/Aug/63	The USS Tingey (DD-539) and USS Vammen(DE-644) collide during a Naval Reserve exercise 200 miles off southern California. The Tingey is partly flooded from a deep gash in its starboard side and the Vammensuffers a damaged bow, but both ships make it back to their homeports.	DD= Destroyer
465	15/Aug/63	A F3H Demon aircraft lands on the fouled deck of the USS Saratoga (CVA-60) while the ship is operating in the Mediterranean, killing two and seriously injuring nine. Fifteen aircraft sustain damage.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
466	08/Aug/63	The USS Constellation (CVA-64) suffers an arresting gear accident while operating in the western Pacific.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
467	27/Aug/63	The USS Grayback(SSG-574) suffers a serious fire in the after crew's berthing as a result of a casualty to the main propulsion circuit breaker while operating in the northern Pacific, killing one man and injuring five.	SSG=Diesel Submarine Guided Missiles
468	10/Sep/63	The USS McDermut(DD-677) collides with the USS Gregory (DD-802) during night antisubmarine warfare exercises off southern California. The McDermutsuffers damage to its bow and the Gregory suffers a split in her starboard side to the main deck.	DD=Destroyer
469	21/Sep/63	The USS Grouse (MSCO-15) runs aground on Cape Ann, Massachusetts. After attempts to free the ship fail, the Grouse is destroyed by fire.	MSCO= Coastal Minesweeper
470	26/Sep/63	Fire breaks out in a fuel system of the Royal Navy Fleet Aircraft Carrier HMS Centaur at the Portsmouth naval base, U.K., killing one.	
471	27/Sep/63	The USS Barry (DD-933) accidentally discharges a torpedo into the deck house of the USS Decatur (DD-936) moored alongside in Newport, Rhode Island. There are no injuries or significant damage.	DD=Destroyer
472	03/Oct/63	The USS Medregal (SS-480) is struck by an MK-37 torpedo fired by the USS Sabalo(SS-302) during exercises. Damage is not major.	SS=Submarine
473	09/Oct/63	The USS Caliente (AO-53) and USS Nereus (AS-17) collide in the San Diego, California, operating area during refuelling exercises. Both ships are damaged.	AO=Fleet Oiler; AS=Submarine Tender
474	18/Oct/63	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Porpoise collides with the Aircraft Carrier HMS Centaur when it is caught by an ebb tide and drifts broadside onto the bows of the berthed carrier while leaving Portsmouth harbour, U.K. The submarine suffers superficial damage.	

475	24/Oct/63	The USS Roberts (DE-749) collides with the Swedish ore carrier Luossain inside the Baltimore, Maryland, harbour in dense fog. The Roberts suffers minor flooding due to a small gash in its starboard quarter.	DD=Destroyer.
476	29/Nov/63	A U.S. Navy tanker and a runaway barge each loaded with gasoline collide at New Orleans, Louisiana, putting an eight-foot gash in the side of the tanker.	
477	16/Dec/63	The USS Essex (CVS-9) en route to the United States is struck by two heavy waves while west of the Azores, causing a radar mast to snap. The mast falls to the deck, damaging both the radar and aircraft.	CVS= Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
478	20/Dec/63	The second Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Valiant suffers a fire at the Vickers-Armstrong Yard at Barrow-in-Furness, U.K., while the ship is fitting out after being launched on 3 December. The fire is in the reactor compartment in a wooden structure where workers change their clothing. Mr. R. M. Nicholson, the shipyard general manager, says there is no nuclear hazard since the core of the reactor was not installed.	
479	04/Jan/64	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Trump tows a yacht?	
480	10/Jan/64	The USS Lake Champlain (CVS-39) loses 41 feet of its catwalk in a storm in the Virginia Capes area.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
481	10/Jan/64	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Tiptoe runs aground in the Clyde River, Scotland, coincidentally right in front of the house of the area's senior naval officer.	
482	14/Jan/64	The Royal Navy cable ship HMS Bullfinch runs aground.	
483	24/Jan/64	The Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Hermes suffers a fire, believed to be caused deliberately!	
484	09/Feb/64	The USS Blue Jacket (T-AF-51) collides with the German fishing boat Coaster Dirk, killing six of the fishing boat's seven-member crew.T-	AF=Provisions Stores Ship
485	10/Feb/64	The Royal Australian Navy destroyer Voyager sinks after colliding with the Australian Aircraft Carrier Melbourne off New South Wales, killing 82.	
486	16/Feb/64	An A3J Vigilante aircraft crashes aboard the USS Hornet (CVS-12) operating in the Pacific before the barricade could be rigged, killing the pilot and injuring two crew members.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
487	03/Mar/64	The USS Newman K. Perry (DD-883) collides with a sulphur barge in Tampa Bay, Florida, sinking the barge and flooding the destroyer from stem to Frame 8.	
488	11/Mar/64	The USS Searcher (AGR-4), on station off the U.S. east coast, loses a propeller in heavy seas. A Coast Guard ship takes the Searcher in tow.	AGR=Radar Picket Ship
489	27/Mar/64	The USS Antares (T-AKR-294) suffers a fire 40 miles off North Carolina.	T-AKR=Vehicle Cargo Carrying Ship
490	01/Apr/64	During night flight operations, the Number 3 elevator of the USS Randolph (CVS-15) tears loose from its mountings, dropping five men and a S-2F Tracker antisubmarine warfare plane into the Atlantic. Only three men are rescued.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier

491	02/Apr/64	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Nubian is in a collision.	
492	02/Apr/64	The USS Harlan R. Dickson (DD-708) runs aground a mile east of Deer Island Light off Boston, Massachusetts. The ship is refloated in two hours with damage to screws, the sonar dome, and plating.	DD=Destroyer.
493	16/Apr/64	The USS Mission San Antonio (AO-119) and a small South Korean fishing craft collide off the west coast of Korea in foggy weather. There is no damage to the tanker and five Koreans are rescued, but two are killed.	AO=Fleet Oiler
494	06/May/64	The USS Lake Champlain (CVS-39) and USS Decatur (DD-936) collide in the Atlantic 150 miles east of Cape Henry, Virginia. The Decatur sustains heavy damage to its superstructure, but there are no personnel injuries.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
495	22/May/64	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Cavalier is damaged in a collision.	
496	03/Jun/64	The USS Lake Champlain (CVS-39) collides with the Norwegian freighter Skauvaagin the Chesapeake Bay. There are no injuries.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
497	12/Jun/64	The USS Bon Homme Richard (CVA-31) suffers a major propulsion system casualty while participating in an exercise about 160 miles southwest of Sasebo, Japan. The casualty results in the loss of 50 percent propulsion capability.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier.
498	12/Jun/64	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Puma suffers a fire.	
499	13/Jun/64	Fire damages the hull of the USS Haddock (SSN-621) still under construction at Pascagoula, Mississippi. Captain John B. Guerry, supervisor of shipbuilding for the Navy, said no radioactive material was installed in the Haddock.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear
500	13/Jun/64	A fire slightly damages the USS Randolph (CVS-15) while the ship is in Norfolk, Virginia, the stories grow ever larger elsewhere, upards	CVS=Anti SS=Submarine Aircraft Carrier
501	26/Jun/64	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Diamond collides with the frigate HMS Salisbury IN THE English Channel	
502	28/Jun/64	The USS Sea Leopard (SS-483) suffers a fire in the forward engine room during overhaul at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Virginia.	SS=Submarine
503	01/Jul/64	The USS Henry Clay (SSBN-625) runs aground on a shoal in the mouth of the James River and is pulled free an hour later by two tugs. The submarine was en route from Newport News, Virginia, across Hampton Roads to pick up Deputy Secretary of Defence Cyrus Vance in Norfolk, Virginia. No damage is reported.	SSBN= ICBM [Polaris/Trident] Nuclear Launcher
504	26/Jul/64	A suddenly intensifying storm causes damage to three navy ships anchored in Buckner Bay, Okinawa. The USS George Clymer (APA-27) and the USS Eldorado (AGC-11) collide after dragging their anchors, and the USS Weiss (APD-135) is grounded when the anchor chain parts. There are no injuries.	APA=Attack Transporter; AGC=Amphibious Force Flagship; APD=High Speed Transporter [Converted Destroyer]

505	15/Aug/64	The Royal Navy depot ship HMS Tyne experiences a flooded magazine.	
506	05/Sep/64	The Royal Navy cruiser HMS Lion collides with the frigate HMS Lowestoft.	
507	11/Sep/64	A rocket motor used to boost aircraft explodes aboard the USS Constellation (CVA-64) while the ship cruises in the South China Sea, killing one and injuring three.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
508	12/Sep/64	Flooding damages the command ship USS Wright (CC-2), the National Emergency Command Post Afloat, including the steering compartments so that the ship has no rudder control and can only manoeuvre with the aid of tugs.	CC= Command Cruiser
509	29/Sep/64	The USS Franklin D. Roosevelt (CVA-42) sustains damage to its Number 1 propeller during normal operations in the Mediterranean. The USS Independence (CVA-62) relieves the Roosevelt on Mediterranean duty and it returns to the U.S. to drydock.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
510	29/Sep/64	An explosion aboard the USS Sproston(DD-577) in Pearl Harbour, Hawaii, is caused by a short circuit during work on an indicator light. The propellant in a rocket ignites and the magazine is flooded to prevent further damage. Three people are extensively burned.	DD=Destroyer.
511	08/Oct/64	Three U.S. Navy officers and three Filipino civilian workers are killed in an explosion and fire aboard the floating drydock AFDM-8 at Guam.	
512	13/Oct/64	The Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Ark Royal suffers an electrical fire when an electrical circuit is tested, which in turn ignites some cardboard boxes in a storeroom, while the ship is in Devonport, U.K., dockyard undergoing a refit.	
513	15/OCT/64	THE ROYAL NAVY FRIGATE HMS KEPPEL SUFFERS DAMAGE.	
514	03/Nov/64	The Canadian Aircraft CarrierBonaventure suffers an explosion and fire in a refrigeration unit while the ship is undergoing refit in Saint John, New Brunswick, Canada, killing one dock worker and injuring four.	
515	09/Jan/65	The USS Ethan Allen (SSBN-608) collides with the Norwegian freighter Octavian in the eastern Mediterranean while at periscope depth. The U.S. Department of Defence says "damage was negligible," no casualties occurred, and both the submarine and the freighter continued on their way after exchanging	SSBN= identificationICBM [Polaris/Trident] Nuclear Launcher
516	16/Jan/65	The USS Whitehurst (DE-634), a Naval Reserve Training Ship, collides with the Norwegian freighter Hoyanderat the entrance of Vancouver harbour 2,500 yards west of the Lions Gate Bridge, British Columbia, Canada, in dense fog at night as both ships are leaving the harbour. Both ships are grounded and the Whitehurst is holed in the stern. The Whitehurst is refloated the next day.	DE=Destroyer.Escort
517	27/Feb/65	A plane from the USS Midway (CVA-41) is inadvertently shot down by a USS Preble(DLG-15) missile when it overflies the missile range during southern California manoeuvres for the "Silver Lance" exercise. The pilot is killed.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier; Guided Missile Frigate

518	15/Apr/65	The USS Ranger (CVA-61) suffers an engine room fire off South Vietnam, killing one.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
519	16/Jun/65	The USS Hartley (DE-1029) collides with the Norwegian merchantman Blue Master off Cape Henry, Virginia. Its engine room floods as a result and the Hartley is towed to Norfolk, Virginia, by the USS Kiowa (ATF-72).	DD=Destroyer. and ATF=Fleet Ocean Tug
520	20/Jun/65	The Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Hermes suffers damage to a number of gauges while the ship is undergoing a major refit at Devonport, U.K. Sabotage is suspected.	
521	09/Jul/65	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Orpheus is in a collision.	
522	13/Jul/65	The USS Medregal(SS-480) collides with the Lebanese merchant ship The Rodosin the South China Sea suffering some damage in international waters 18 miles south of Hainan island. The U.S. Department of Defence says the submarine was on routine operations, but China claims the incident took place within its territorial waters.	SS= Submarine
523	14/Jul/65	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Tiptoe collides with the frigate HMS Yarmouth.	
524	17/Jul/65	The USS Frank Knox (DDR-742) runs aground on Pratas Reef in the South China Sea while underway to Taiwan. The ship is pulled free on 22 August.	DDR=Destroyer Radar Picket
525	21/Jul/65	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Devonshire suffers an engine fault.	
526	24/Jul/65	The fishing trawler Snoopy explodes apparently after snagging a torpedo off the North Carolina coast, killing eight.	
527	25/Aug/65	The USS Shangri-La (CVA-38) and USS Newman K. Perry (DD-883) collide off Sardinia, killing one sailor and injuring another on the destroyer. The Perry's bow is crushed and twisted to starboard. Both are repaired at Naples and return to duty with the Sixth Fleet.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier DD=Destroyer
528	22/Sep/65	The United Kingdom announces that HMS Dreadnought, its first nuclear-powered submarine, will be withdrawn from service due to metal failures which involve hairline cracks in its internal bulkheads. The submarine returns to service on 2 February 1966 modifications are made to the hull.	
529	12/Oct/65	The USS Franklin D. Roosevelt (CVA-42) and the French merchantman Charles le Borgne collide off southern France. The carrier sustains little damage and continues its participation in "Lafayette IX," a two-day bilateral U.S.-French exercise in the western Mediterranean. The merchantman sustains minor structural damage and proceeds under its own power to Marseilles escorted by the USS Douglas H. Fox (DD-779).	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier DD=Destroyer
530	13/Oct/65	The USS Barb (SSN-596) and USS Sargo(SSN-583) collide while on manoeuvres 15 miles west of Oahu, Hawaii. Minor damaged resulted to the forward end of one submarine and to the mast and sail of the other, but there were no injuries and both ships returned to port under their own power.	SSN= Attack Submarines Nuclear Powered

531	30/Oct/65	The Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Ark Royal suffers a fire in a boiler room, which causes considerable damage to wiring and other equipment and puts the ship out of operation for three weeks while the ship is undergoing routine overhaul in a Singapore dockyard.	
532	05/Dec/65	At 250 p.m. local time, while the USS Ticonderoga (CVA-14) is en route from operations off Vietnam to Yokosuka, Japan, an A-4E aircraft of Attack Squadron 56 loaded with one B43 nuclear weapon goes overboard. The aircraft was being rolled from the Number 2 Hangar Bay to the Number 2 Elevator when it rolled off the elevator with the pilot Lieutenant Junior Grade D. M. Webster and the bomb and sank in 2700 fathoms of water. Searchers fail to find the pilot. The Department of Defence states this accident took place "more than 500 miles from land" when it reveals the accident in 1981. However Navy documents show the accident occurred about 80 miles east of the Japanese Ryukyu Island chain and 250 miles south of Kyushu Island, Japan, and about 200 miles east of Okinawa. And yet another full on sheer horror! God Bless that hapless Pilot.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier'
533	06/Dec/65	The USS Bushnell (AS-15) suffers a major fire in the Gulf of Mexico. The fire is extinguished with the aid of the USS Penguin (ASR-12).	AS=Submarine Tender; ASR=Submarine Rescue Ship
534	07/Dec/65	Fire breaks out in a machinery room on the USS Kitty Hawk (CVA-63) in the South China Sea, killing two and injuring 28. An ammunition magazine is flooded as a precautionary measure.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
535	13/Dec/65	An aircraft fuel tank ruptures on take off from the USS Independence (CVA-62) starting a fire 220 miles southeast of Norfolk, Virginia, injuring 15.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
536	20/Dec/65	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Dreadnought suffers a fire in its control room while undergoing repairs at Rosyth, Scotland. It is quickly put out by the crew.	
537	31/Dec/65	Mid 1960s -- the New York Times (5/25/75) reports that at amid-1960s briefing on a naval intelligence gathering operation, codenamed Holystone, a U.S. official is shown a photograph of the underside of a Soviet Echo class nuclear-powered submarine apparently taken inside Vladivostokharbour. He recalls being told the submarine scraped the bottom of a Soviet Echo class submarine and knocked off some of its equipment during this mission. Briefing participants are told this happened at least two other times as well (see 5/25/75 entry).	
538	14/Jan/66	The USS General Daniel I. Sultan (T-AP-120) suffers extensive hull damage and a ruptured fuel tank when it runs aground in shoal water west of Okinawa. No casualties are reported. The Sultan is refloated on 15 January.	T-AP=Transporter

539	19/Jan/66	An "actual nuclear incident" occurs when the nuclear warhead on a Terrier anti-air missile separates from the missile and drops about eight feet on the USS Luce (DLG-7) while the ship is docked at Mayport Naval Station, Florida. It is recorded "there were no personnel casualties, and aside from the dent in the warhead, no equipment was damaged."	DLG=Guided Missile Frigate
540	22/Jan/66	The missile tracking ship USS American Mariner (AGM-12) runs aground off Cape Kennedy, Florida.	AGM=Missile Range Instrument Ship
541	23/Jan/66	A U.S. Navy tank landing ship explodes while docked in Kawasaki, Japan, killing four Japanese workers.	
542	27/Jan/66	The USS Wasp (CVS-18) is extensively damaged during a storm in the Caribbean.	CVA= Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
543	04/Feb/66	The USS Brinkley Bass (DD-887) and USS Waddell (DDG-24) are heavily damaged in a collision while forming for operations in the Gulf of Tonkin.	DD=Destroyer. and Guided Missile DD=Destroyer
544	03/Mar/66	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Juno suffers a fire.	
545	05/Apr/66	The USS Alamo (LSD-33) and USS Kawishiwi(AO-146) collide during underway replenishment at sea.	LSD=Landing Ship Dock AO=Fleet Oiler
546	21/May/66	The USS Coral Sea (CVA-43) and the USS Iwo Jima (LPH-2) brush briefly in San Diego, California, causing slight damage.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier and Landing Platform Helicopter
547	27/May/66	The USS Mars (AFS-1) is slightly damaged in a collision with the merchant ship Seiwa Maru in dense fog at the entrance to Tokyo Bay, Japan.	AFS=Combat Stores Ship
548	03/Jun/66	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Galatea is in a collision.	
549	04/Jun/66	The USS Banner (AKL-25) collides with the Soviet vessel Anemometer in the Sea of Japan. Both ships suffer minor damage.	AKL=Light Cargo Ship
550	25/Jun/66	USS Stalwart (MSO-493) explodes, burns, capsizes, and sinks at a pier in San Juan, Puerto Rico. The minesweeper is later towed to Norfolk, Virginia.	
551	29/Jun/66	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Cambrian's accidental firing on a Hong Kong village is investigated.	
552	10/Aug/66	Cracks in welds are discovered in the Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Valiant during the final stages of its construction at Barrow-in-Furness, U.K. British steel firms say the cracks do not represent a serious structural failure and are not dangerous to the vessel or its crew.	
553	11/Aug/66	The Royal Navy cruiser HMS Tiger fires a dummy shell into a dock wall.	
554	19/Aug/66	The USS Raleigh (LPD-1) bumps the cruise liner France at the Hudson River pier in New York City, none are hurt.	

555	30/Aug/66	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Rorqual suffers an explosion off Mozambique while en route to Singapore, killing two and injuring 20. She was coming out to join my flotilla [SM7] doing a two year tour of duty in the far east based on submarine Depot Ship HMS Forth.	
556	01/Sep/66	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Devonshire is in a collision with tanker British Sovereign near the entrance to the River Elbe Germany. For 6 years she lay in Fareham Creek awaiting a buyer which never materialised. Portsmouth wrecker, Messrs Pounds offered to break her but was rejected. Finally it was decided to be used as a deep water target in the Atlantic. Between that decision and her towing out to sea to be sunk by a new Tiger Fish torpedo fired from a nuclear submarine, she was riddled for several souvenirs one of which was a scuttle from 01 deck. That ended up in the Yorkshire Dales [why?] at a Mercedes Benz dealer in the village of Clapham North Yorkshire and was seen by a buddy of mine and given to him as part of a vehicle deal [sales or repair]. I've owned that now since the 1970's. It is mounted in a polish wood surround with a brass name tally.	
557	14/Sep/66	The West German training diesel submarine Hai sinks in the North Sea in 140 feet of water 175 miles northwest of Wilhelmshaven, West Germany, during a storm, killing 19.	
558	15/Sep/66	HMS Resolution, the Royal Navy's first Polaris nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine, is launched at Barrow-in-Furness, England. A week later cracks are reported to be found in the steel hull similar to cracks found in other nuclear submarines built in Britain. The cracks occur in thick steel welding. The Navy has known about the cracks ever since it was discovered that the original specification for steel for the submarines was not of high enough standard. The cracks do not mean the submarines will not go to sea, but if there are too many the metal will have to be rewelded. And, if cracks develop quicker than expected, Polaris submarines would require excessive amounts of welding when they come in for refits between patrols.	
559	16/Sep/66	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Relentless suffers a fire.	
560	26/Oct/66	A major fire on the USS Oriskany (CVA-34) occurs while the carrier is operating off Vietnam. The fire starts when a crewman panics and throws a flare, which had accidentally ignited while being moved, into a storage locker located at the forward starboard corner of Hangar Bay 1. The locker contains some 650 other flares, which ignite in turn. The resulting fire takes three hours to control, kills 44, destroys or damages six aircraft, and puts the carrier out of action for several months.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier. Unbelievable and 44 deaths is almost a tale from the other side of the River Styx!
561	03/Nov/66	The USS Tiru (SS-416) runs aground on Frederick Reef in the Coral Sea and is freed on 6 November.	SS= Submarine

562	04/Nov/66	A flash fire occurs in a storage compartment containing oil and hydraulic fluid four decks below the hangar deck of the USS Franklin D. Roosevelt (CVA-42) while the ship is on station in the South China Sea, killing seven.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
563	10/Nov/66	The USS Nautilus (SSN-571) collides with the USS Essex (CVS- 9) while running submerged about 350 miles east of Morehead City, North Carolina, during underway replenishment exercises. Both ships return to port unassisted. The submarine receives extensive damage to its sail area and goes to New London, Connecticut. The carrier sustains an open hull cut in the bow area and proceeds to Norfolk, Virginia.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered CVS= Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
564	07/Dec/66	The USS Manley (DD-940) suffers an accidental shell explosion and small fire while in South Vietnam, injuring three.	DD=Destroyer.
565	30/Dec/66	The USS Mahnommen County (LST-912) runs aground at Chu Lai, South Vietnam. The ship is decommissioned and abandoned on 31 January 1967 after four weeks of unsuccessful salvage efforts.Tank Landing Ship	
566	31/Dec/66	According to raw CIA intelligence reports, around 1966, a leak occurs "in the reactor shielding of a [Soviet] nuclear submarine home based in Polyarnyy" on the Kola Peninsula. "As the submarine entered the port the captain requested permission to proceed directly to the shipyard. Permission was not granted but the captain took the vessel there nonetheless.... A 'special brigade' was formed to repair the submarine and part of the crew was sent to a special centre on an island near Murmansk where naval personnel with radiation sickness were sent to be treated.... Those sent to the island did not come back!"	
567	31/Dec/66	In the late 1960's (1966-67 according to some accounts), the Soviet nuclear-powered icebreaker Lenin experiences a reactor meltdown according to raw CIA intelligence reports, or at least a "nuclear related casualty" according to the U.S. Navy. The CIA reports suggest that up to 30 people may have died and many others were affected by radiation sickness. The ship is abandoned for over a year before work to replace the Lenin's three reactors with two begins.	
568	31/Dec/66	According to raw CIA intelligence reports, the Soviet November class nuclear-powered attack submarine, Leninskyj Komsomol, burns near the North Pole sometime in 1966-68. "The accident involved crew members being burned inside a bulkhead that was locked from the outside on both sides. The fire was caused by a spark of oxygen and did not involve the propulsion unit." The submarine was saved. The submarine "was one of several submarines which reached the North Pole under ice. The expedition was publicised in the Soviet press at the time without mention of the incident."	
569	03/Jan/67	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Caprice suffers a breakdown.	
570	10/Jan/67	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Amphion is in a collision.	

571	01/Jan/67	A U.S. Navy minesweeper is hit by the freighter Muifinhin Saigon harbour, South Vietnam, and sinks.	
572	01/Jan/67	The South Korean destroyer-escort Chungnam-Ho and ferry Hanil-Ho collide off South Korea, sinking the ferry, killing at least 13, with over 60 missing.	
573	27/Jan/67	The USS Essex (CVS-9) runs aground during training operations five miles off Puerto Rico.	CVS= Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
574	02/Feb/67	The USS McMorris (DE-1036) and USS Tombigbee (AOG-11) collide during a training exercise 75 miles southeast of Honolulu, Hawaii, killing two and injuring seven.	DE=Destroyer Escort AOG=Petrol Tanker + Destroyer
575	04/Feb/67	The USS Clamagore(SS-343) collides with the catamaran Mango outside of San Juan harbour, Puerto Rico.	SS= Submarine
576	11/Feb/67	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Walrus suffers a fire.	
577	15/Feb/67	The Royal Navy diesel submarines HMS Orpheus and HMS Opportune collide at the entrance to Portsmouth harbour, U.K., in darkness and heavy weather.	
578	09/Mar/67	A U.S. Navy river patrol boat is rammed by a British freighter and split in two in the Saigon channel, South Vietnam.	
579	13/Mar/67	The Royal Navy guided missile Destroyer HMS London suffers a fire.	
580	17/Mar/67	A five-inch artillery shell accidentally explodes aboard the USS Manley (DD-940), causing a fire and injuring five off Da Nang, South Vietnam.	DD=Destroyer.
581	21/Mar/67	The USS La Salle (LPD-3) and the Israeli freighter Deganyaare in a minor collision in fog off Cape Henry, Virginia.	LPD= Landing Platform Dock
582	24/Mar/67	The USS Wasp (CVS-18) and the USS Salamonie (AO-26) collide while refuelling east of San Juan, Puerto Rico. No one was injured, but both ships took "moderate damage."	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier AO=Fleet Oiler
583	20/Apr/67	An explosion occurs in a gun mount aboard the USS Bigelow (DD-942) operating in the Vietnam area, injuring six.	DD=Destroyer.
584	10/May/67	During joint manoeuvres of Japanese and U.S. fleets taking place in the Sea of Japan the Soviet Kotlin class destroyer Bessednyiscrapes the USS Walker (DD-517) despite repeated warnings not to get too close. Both ships suffer minor damage.	DD=Destroyer.
585	10/May/67	The Royal Navy guided missile Destroyer HMS Hampshire suffers an explosion.	
586	11/May/67	For the second time in two days a Soviet destroyer and the USS Walker (DD-517) collide in the Sea of Japan. This second incident occurs when the Soviet destroyer "turned into and toward" the Walker, and, according to the U.S. Department of Defence announcement, the two ships "brushed together." The United States delivers what the Department of State describes as a severe protest over the incident, which again involved a Navy task force conducting antisubmarine warfare exercises.	DD=Destroyer.

587	26/May/67	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Warspite suffers a water leak in one compartment while undergoing routine maintenance in Faslane, Scotland. The U.K. Ministry of Defence says the "defect is not connected in any way with her nuclear plant. Her damage is slight and there are no casualties. The leakage of water was brought quickly under control by Warspite herself."	
588	28/May/67	A 750-lb. bomb explodes during a loading operation on a Vietnam-bound ship at the U.S. Navy ammunition shipping piers at Naval Weapons Station, Concord, Port Chicago, California.	
589	01/Jun/67	In June the Royal Navy assault ship HMS Intrepid suffers an overheated starboard turbine, necessitating 12 weeks of repair in Devonport, U.K.	
590	12/Jun/67	The USS Repose (AH-16) is superficially damaged and the USS Tappahannock (AO-43) is slightly damaged when they collide during routine underway replenishment operations off Vietnam.	AH=Hospital Ship; AO= Fleet Oiler
591	06/Jun/67	The USS Kitty Hawk (CVA-63) collides with the USS Platte (AO-24) during refuelling west of San Francisco, California.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier AO=Fleet Oiler
592	21/Jun/67	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Blackwood is damaged by ice floes.	
593	22/Jun/67	A steam line ruptures aboard the USS Raleigh (LPD-1) as it is being repaired while the ship is moored at Norfolk Naval Air Station, Virginia, killing two.	LPD= Landing Platform Dock
594	29/Jun/67	The USS Coconino County (LST-603) loses all propulsion and auxiliary power after suffering two underwater explosions while off-loading near Dong Ha, South Vietnam.	LST= Landing Ship Tank
595	24/Jul/67	The Royal Navy inshore minesweeper HMS Birdham suffers a fire.	
596	29/Jul/67	A Zuni rocket is inadvertently fired from one of several aircraft being readied for launch over Vietnam from the USS Forrestal (CVA-59). The rocket travels across the flight deck, strikes the fully-fuelled drop tank of another aircraft, and explodes. The resulting fire kills 134, damages or destroys 63 aircraft, and puts the ship temporarily out of action. Certainly the worst accident ever recorded which devastated life, materiel, and resulted in a temporary absence of the vessel from gun-line duty. Too horrible to contemplate	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier.!

597	31/Aug/67	The USS Simon Bolivar (SSBN-641) armed with 16 Polaris missiles collides with the target ship USS Betelgeuse (T-AK-260) when practicing a torpedo attack, 70 miles southeast of Charleston, South Carolina. No one is hurt, but the Bolivar suffers about \$1 million damage to its periscope and communications aerials. The Betelgeuse suffers a hole in its hull. The Navy tells a press conference that the missiles aboard the Bolivar were not armed and there was no danger of explosion or nuclear radiation. The missiles were undamaged the Navy emphasises. The Bolivar surfaces and the crew cuts away a 4-foot-high, 15-foot-long section of the conning tower so the submarine could proceed to port.	SSBN= Nuclear Submarine Ballistic Missile Launcher.
598	05/Sep/67	The USS Corporal (SS-346) collides with the racing sloop Media IV in Block Island Sound off Rhode Island. The sloop's owner claims the submarine rammed the sloop and left without offering aid. The Navy says the submarine was stopped dead when hit.	SS= Submarine
599	10/Sep/67	The USS Wasp (CVS-18) suffers a fire in the combat information centre while in drydock at the South Boston Annex of the Boston Naval Shipyard, causing minor damage.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
600	01/Oct/67	The Royal Navy assault ship HMS Intrepid sails for sea trials, but within 48 hours is forced to return to Devonport, U.K., when a leak develops in a steam pipe, taking five or six days to repair.	
601	18/Oct/67	The Royal Navy assault ship HMS Intrepid suffers a fault in a valve in her main engines, taking several days to repair.	
602	26/Oct/67	The USS Lexington (CVS-16) hits a wharf three times in docking in New Orleans,	CVS= LouisianaAnti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
603	27/Oct/67	The USS Coral Sea (CVA-43) suffers a rocket explosion while operating in the Tonkin Gulf, off Vietnam, injuring nine.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier.
604	05/Nov/67	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine HMS Repulse goes aground in Walney Channel, Barrow-in-Furness, U.K., 30 minutes after her launch at Vicker's shipyard. Seven tugs are required to pull her free. She then docks at the fitting-out berth in Devonshire Dock, Barrow, U.K.	
605	12/Nov/67	The Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Victorious suffers a fire while at drydock in Portsmouth, U.K., wrecking part of the chief petty officers' mess and killing one.	
606	21/Nov/67	Navy ships arrive at the scene of the grounding of the USS Clarke County (LST-601) at Duc Pho, Vietnam, observing that the ship is now perpendicular to the beach with the bow directly into the sea and the stern anchored by two army tanks.	LST=Landing Ship Tank
607	24/Nov/67	The Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Victorious suffers a fire, while in Portsmouth, U.K. It is confined to the tobacco store and damage is slight.	

608	24/Nov/67	The U.S. nuclear-powered cargo ship Savannah springs a leak in its reactor auxiliary cooling system off New Jersey. The Atomic Energy Commission and the Maritime Administration say no radioactive materials escaped as a result of the leak. The ship returned to Hoboken, New Jersey, for repairs.	
609	27/Nov/67	The Royal Navy destroyer HMS Diamond suffers a fire.	
610	18/Dec/67	The USS Kitty Hawk (CVA-63) suffers a three-hour fire which was centred in an airplane tyre stowage area while the ship is docked in Subic Bay, Philippines.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier.
611	23/Dec/67	The USS Kearsarge (CVS-33) suffers a fire while docked in Sasebo, Japan, for the holidays, killing three and injuring two.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier
612	24/Dec/67	The USS Guardfish(SSN-612) runs aground on a reef in Pearl Harbour, Hawaii. The Navy says the vessel rested on a World War II bomb which turned out to be asand-filled practice bomb.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
613	25/Dec/67	The Observer (1/7/68) reports that speculation is circulating that a U.S. nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine suffered serious damage during manoeuvres in northern waters just before Christmas. The U.S. Navy declines to confirm or deny the reports which come from unidentified sources at the U.S. Naval Base in Rota, Spain, due to security reasons. In London it was suggested the damage was caused by pressure changes during a deep dive.	
614	26/Dec/67	The USS Lynde McCormick (DDG-8) suffers an explosion while in Sasebo, Japan, injuring two.	DD=Destroyer. Guided Missile
615	31/Dec/67	Before January 1968, the USS Ronquil(SS-396) reportedly narrowly avoids capture by Soviet naval forces while engaged in a Holystone intelligence gathering mission. The submarine caught fire near the Soviet coast and was surrounded by Soviet destroyers which attempted to force it to surface. The Ronquileluded the Soviet ships and escaped to safety (also see 25/5/75 entry).	SS= Submarine
616	31/Dec/67	In 1967 a Soviet November class nuclear-powered attack submarine has a mishap in the Mediterranean believed to be related to its propulsion system. The submarine is towed.	
617	09/Jan/68	The London Times reports that the Royal Navy nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine HMS Resolution recently developed a defect in its electrical generator while on its final trials in the Atlantic before test missile firings at Cape Canaveral, Florida. On 8 January the submarine was on the surface sailing back to Faslane, Scotland, for repairs. U.K. officials said the repairs would not delay the Resolution's arrival at Cape Canaveral.	
618	11/Jan/68	The French trawler Fomalhaut snags the Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Grampus in its net in the English Channel. The Grampus surfaces and both crews spend more than three hours disentangling the nets.	

619	13/Jan/68	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Alliance runs aground and is stuck for three days on a rocky ledge off the Isle of Wight in the English Channel.	
620	22/Jan/68	The Israeli diesel submarine Dakar with 52 aboard disappears in the eastern Mediterranean 250 miles off Israel. The USS Turner (DDR-834), USS Conyngham(DDG-17), and USS Charles H. Roan (DD-853) are subsequently diverted to search for the missing submarine, but it is not found.	DDR=Destroyer Radar Picket; DDG=Destroyer Guided Missile; DD=Destroyer
621	27/Jan/68	The French diesel submarine Minerve with 52 aboard sinks in the Mediterranean off Toulon.	
622	30/Jan/68	The USS Seawolf (SSN-575) runs aground while submerged approximately 65 miles east of Cape Cod, Massachusetts, and damages its rudder. There are no injuries and the submarine returns to Groton, Connecticut, for repairs.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
623	31/Jan/68	The USS Rowan (DD-782) is slightly damaged when it is struck by the Soviet merchant ship KapitanVisiobokovin the Sea of Japan about 100 miles east of Pohang, South Korea. There are no casualties, but the destroyer suffers a three-foot hole above the waterline in the port bow.	
624	01/Feb/68	Early 1968 (shortly after the Pueblo was seized on 22 January 1968) The USS Sergeant Joseph E. Muller (AG-171) loses power and drifts toward Cuban waters under emergency protection of combat air patrol. After several failures, the ship is towed to safety by its escorting destroyer. USS Pueblo was a spy ship attached to the USN.	AG=Miscellaneous Auxillary
625	06/Feb/68	The USS Bache (DD-470) drags anchor off Rhodes harbour, Greece, in hurricane force winds and runs aground on rocks, splitting the ship from stem to stern, but there are no serious injuries. On 17 February the ship suffers further damage in a two-day storm. The ship is so badly damaged, rather than refloated it is decommissioned on 26 February.	DD=Destroyer.
626	06/Feb/68	A U.S. Navy rescue ship sinks after being hit by an errant Bullpup missile launched from an A-4 Skyhawk aircraft during firing exercises near Point Mugu, California. There are no injuries.	
627	18/Mar/68	The USS Theodore Roosevelt (SSBN-600) runs aground while submerged off the coast of Scotland. There were no injuries, but the bow of the submarine is damaged.	SSBN= Submarine ICBM Ballistic Launcher Polaris/Trident
628	09/Apr/68	The USS Robert E. Lee (SSBN-601) snags the nets of the French trawler Lorraine-Bretagne in the Irish Sea, causing the trawler to lose considerable amounts of fishing equipment. The submarine is undamaged.	SSBN= Submarine ICBM Ballistic Launcher Polaris/Trident

629	11/Apr/68	A Soviet diesel-powered Golf class ballistic missile submarine sinks about 750 miles northwest of the island of Oahu, Hawaii, in about 16,000 feet of water, killing approximately 80. In late March 1975 numerous papers carry stories on the CIA's attempt, called "Project Jennifer," to raise the submarine in the summer of 1974 using the specially constructed Glomar Explorer deep-water salvage ship. Part of the submarine is raised on 4 July 1974. The submarine was carrying three nuclear-armed ballistic missiles and unnamed official sources are quoted as saying the evidence also suggests that nuclear-tipped torpedoes were on board.	
630	13/Apr/68	The USS Independence (CVA-62) collides with the USS Wrangell (AE-12) off South Carolina during underway replenishment, damaging both ships slightly.	CVA= Attack Aircraft Carrier AE=Ammunition Ship
631	15/Apr/68	The USS Scorpion (SSN-589) collides with a barge during a storm in Naples harbour, Italy. The submarine was alongside the barge which was used as a buffer between the submarine and another U.S. warship. The barge and the Scorpion's stern came together and then the barge was swamped and went down. The Scorpion returned to Naples on 20 April and divers descending to untangle a fishing line from its propeller made a partial inspection of it and reported no damage.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
632	09/May/68	The USS Guadalcanal (LPH-7) is adrift off North Carolina due to a burned out bearing in the propulsion system.	LPH=Landing Platform Helicopter
633	27/May/68	The USS Scorpion (SSN-589) sinks about 400 miles southwest of the Azores, killing all 99 men on board. The U.S. Department of Defence reveals in 1981 that in the Spring of 1968 a nuclear weapons accident occurred in the Atlantic, the details of which remain classified. Despite the Pentagon's equivocation, this is taken to refer to the Scorpion and, nevertheless, it is generally known that two nuclear-armed ASTOR torpedoes were on board when the submarine sank. Note added by me. The ASTRO with a whopping nuclear blast of 11 kilo tons, was a Mk45 [19-inch diameter] USN anti submarine torpedo, wire guided and submarine launched 40 knot killer with nuclear war head. Could she have launched it against a known target only for the guidance system to bring it back on herself? Guided torpedoes were known to have done that in the early days of operational deployments	
634	03/Jun/68	Shells from the Royal Navy frigate HMS Arethusa fall into farmland.	
635	12/Jun/68	The USS Wasp (CVS-18) and the USS Truckee (AO-147) are badly damaged in a collision during underway replenishment off the U.S. east coast.	CVS=CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier AO=Fleet Oiler
636	13/Jun/68	The USS Waldron (DD-699) and the USS Kiowa (ATF-72) collide during operations off the U.S. east coast.	DD=Destroyer ATF=Fleet Tug

637	15/Jun/68	The USS Cossatot(AO-77), carrying 130,000 barrels of jet fuel, is badly damaged in a collision with the merchant ship Copper State in fog off Santa Cruz, California. The tanker loses 20 feet of its bow.	AO=Fleet Oiler
638	16/Jun/68	U.S. Air Force F-4 jets sink a U.S. patrol boat and attack the USS Boston (CAG-1) and the Australian destroyer Hobart near the demilitarized zone off Vietnam, mistaking the ships for low-flying enemy helicopters.	CAG=Heavy Cruiser Guided Missile
639	02/Jul/68	The Norfolk Ledger-Star reports that several months ago a U.S. nuclear-powered attack submarine collided with a Soviet submarine, causing severe damage to the U.S. vessel which spent two months in Rota, Spain, for repair. The Navy declined to comment on the story by the paper's military correspondent who quoted a usually reliable source. The reporter noted that it is known that during recent months Soviet attack submarines have lain off overseas U.S. Polaris submarine ports, and that U.S. submarines have been given "wiping off" missions to prevent the Soviet submarines from following the Polaris boats. These missions apparently can get quite rough, amounting to what one officer says is "underwater chicken," with U.S. and Soviet submarines set on collision courses until the "chicken" turns away. "Presumably this is what happened" to the U.S. and Soviet submarines. See the introduction about British non-nuclear involvement and then from the mid 60's full on nuclear involvement alongside the best diesels ever built [world wide] viz the British Oberon Class in Iain Ballentyne's excellent book called Hunter Killers. I was a part of the late 1950's/pre mid 1960's cold war submarine force, even though Soviet diesel boats like those of our propulsion and armed only with plain and simple torpedo's, were equipped with ballistic missiles with which we could not compete on a level playing field. However, using the north pole route into the Atlantic was no place for Soviet diesels whatever their armament carrying load, and trespassing into NATO waters meant a very long journey for them regularly exposed by their insatiable fuelling requirements they were highly vulnerable targets for our superior and nigh on stealth O and P classes and as for confronting our fearsome atomic boats, for them it was easy pickings! From mid 1960's, be assured we had a formidable SS=Submarine service with the UK's cold war led by half SSN's and half SSK's, respectively 'N' for nuclear and 'K' for the last letter of the word "Attack", with our now elderly diesel's sidelined but nevertheless, very useful...and potentially still DANGEROUS as long as it wasn't a sub-ice battle!	
640	03/Jul/68	The Royal Navy survey vessel HMS Fox suffers a gas accident, killing one.	
641	01/Aug/68	The USS Caliente (AO-53) runs aground on a mud bank while entering Auckland Harbour, New Zealand. The oiler is pulled clear with no hull damage.	

642	09/Aug/68	The USS Von Steuben (SSBN-632) collides with the towed commercial tanker Sealady about 40 miles off the southern Spanish coast. The Von Steuben was submerged when struck or was struck by a submerged tow cable connecting a tug and the Sealady. The submarine surfaces immediately and then collides with the towed ship. The submarine sustains minor external damage to the superstructure and main deck.	SSBN= Nuclear Submarine Ballistic ICBM Launcher [Polaris/Trident]
643	15/Aug/68	Two small fires occur aboard the Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Valiant while it is in dock at Chatham, U.K. Damage to the ship is slight and there are no casualties.	
644	31/Aug/68	An East German naval vessel collides with a Swedish ferry and sinks off Denmark. Six East German sailors are reported missing.	
645	08/Sep/68	The USS Douglas H. Fox (DD-779) suffers a fire en route to Charleston, South Carolina, killing two and injuring six.	DD=Destroyer.
646	13/Sep/68	A shell goes through the rigging of a trawler in Lyme Bay off Dorset, U.K., during Royal Navy gunnery practice.	
647	19/Oct/68	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Warspite is damaged by ice during exercises in the North Atlantic, suffering slight damage to its conning tower and superstructure. The Royal Navy says there was no risk of "radioactive leakage." The submarine returns to Faslane, Scotland, for repairs.	
648	12/Nov/68	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Alliance suffers a fire.	
649	26/Nov/68	The USS Hancock (CVA-19) and the USS Camden (AOE-2) collide during underway replenishment off South Vietnam. There are no injuries but the Camden is slightly damaged.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier AOE=Fast Combat Support Ship
650	30/Dec/68	An inquiry into an explosion aboard the Royal Navy destroyer HMS Antrim is held.	
651	31/Dec/68	Late 1960s -- Reportedly a U.S. government official is briefed about a collision between a U.S. submarine engaged in a Holystone intelligence gathering mission and a North Vietnamese minesweeper in the Gulf of Tonkin. The minesweeper sinks within minutes (see 25/5/75 entry).	
652	31/Dec/68	According to raw CIA intelligence reports, in 1968, a Soviet nuclear submarine sinks off Severomorsk on the Kola Peninsula, killing all 90 on board. The submarine was overdue from patrol, and after waiting one or two days authorities initiated a search. Divers found the submarine on the bottom of the estuary to the Kolskiy Zaliv. When the submarine was recovered it was determined that all food had been consumed and it was estimated the submarine had been at the location for 30 days.	
653	01/Jan/69	During the winter -- the French trawler Belle Poule catches the Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Porpoise in its nets off the U.K. or France.	

654	14/Jan/69	This is what Stephen King horror stories are all about - just tragic and nightmare'ish, beyond human belief! The USS Enterprise (CVAN-65) a Nuclear Powered Attack Aircraft Carrier suffers explosions and a fire during its two-and-a-half- day ORI [Operational Readiness Inspection] 70 miles southwest of Pearl Harbour, Hawaii, killing 28 and injuring 343. The fire starts when a tractor used to start aircraft engines is backed under the wing of a F-4 Phantom aircraft loaded with Zuni rockets. The tractor has a small jet engine mounted on its rear, the hot exhaust of which is put directly onto a Zuni rocket's warhead. In about a minute the warhead cooks off, spraying shrapnel over the flight deck, puncturing tanks human bodies and starting fires. The fires cause other Zuni rockets and 500-lbbombs loaded on planes and piled on deck to cook off, exploding planes, blowing holes in the solid steel deck, and spilling aviation fuel from punctured fuel storage tanks. The captain of the ship recalls his concern over containing the fire to the aft part of the flight deck, since so little fire fighting equipment was on the flight deck, commenting "If the fire had spread to the hangar deck, we could have very easily lost the ship." Despite the lack of equipment the fire is successfully contained and after three hours burns itself out, whereupon the ship proceeds back to Pearl Harbour. Damage includes 15 aircraft destroyed and 17 damaged. Can you imagine the Pearl Harbour reception party ?	
655	22/Jan/69	The Royal Navy cruiser HMS Blake suffers a fire.	
656	19/Feb/69	The USS Chopper (SS-342) plunges to the sea bottom after suffering a control casualty off Cuba on a routine training mission, injuring two and causing minor damage to the submarine.	
657	10/May/69	The Swedish diesel submarine Sjoebpjoernen hits the bottom after diving too fast and suffers slight damage.	
658	15/May/69	The USS Guitarro (SSN-665) undergoing final fitting-out at the San Francisco Bay Naval Shipyard at Vallejo, California, sinks in 35 feet of water next to the pier. No fissionable material is on board. The report of the U.S. Congress House Armed Services Subcommittee convened to investigate the accident charges culpable negligence on the part of shipyard workers responsible for the submarine two civilian work crews pumped water into fore and aft sections of the boat; neither crew knowing what the other was doing.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear
659	25/May/69	The USS King (DLG-10) suffers a fire in the fire room while operating off North Vietnam, killing four. The ship proceeds to the Philippines for repairs.	DLG= Guided Missile Frigate
660	26/May/69	The Japanese fishing vessel Tayo Maru sinks after colliding with a Soviet patrol boat which was chasing it off the Kurile Islands, eight are rescued.	
661	27/May/69	The Royal Navy cruiser HMS Blake suffers another fire.	

662	01/Jun/69	The USS Lowry (DD-770) suffers a gun explosion during a training mission off Puerto Rico, killing one and injuring eight.	DD=Destroyer.
663	01/Jun/69	In June a Japanese freighter passing off De-Kastri in the Tartar Strait is severely hit and damaged by dozens of splinters from a Soviet missile, which the Japanese government later identifies as a Soviet SS-N-3 Shaddock cruise missile.	
664	02/Jun/69	The USS Frank E. Evans (DD-754) collides with the Australian Aircraft Carrier Melbourne in the South China Sea approximately 650 miles southwest of Manila, cutting the destroyer in two. The bow section of the Evans sinks in about two minutes, killing 74, while the aft section of the Evans is quickly secured alongside the Melbourne. The collision occurred during the SEATO exercise "Sea Spirit." Destroyer which is severely damaged and many killed	
665	12/Jun/69	The Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Ark Royal suffers a fire in a Devonport dockyard, U.K., while undergoing an extensive overhaul.	
666	13/Jun/69	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Rorqual bumps into the USS Endurance (MSO-435) while docking at River Point pier in Subic Bay, Philippines.	MSO = Minesweeper
667	08/Jul/69	The USS Cambria (APA-36) and USS Shadwell (LSD-15) collide off Malta during a night exercise.	A PA=Attack Transporter LSD= Landing Ship Dock
668	15/Jul/69	The USS Forrestal (CVA-59) suffers a small, localized fire while the ship is in the Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Virginia.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
669	09/Aug/69	A Japanese fishing boat collides with a Soviet patrol boat off Hokkaido, killing 11. Japan rejects Soviet claims the fishing boat violated Soviet territorial waters.	
670	22/Aug/69	The USS Coral Sea (CVA-43) collides with a tug and Navy barge in San Francisco Bay, California, injuring one barge crewman.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
671	04/Sep/69	The USS Dewey (DLG-14) suffers an explosion and fire in the boiler room while preparing to sail from Toulon, France; killing three. Guided Missile Frigate	
672	05/Sep/69	The French trawler Pointe de Barfleur catches the Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Onyx in its nets about 20 miles north-northeast of Cherbourg in the English Channel. The trawler faced some resistance when it hauled up its nets. A flare was seen shooting up and then the submarine broke the surface. After some explanation the two boats went their way.	
673	08/Sep/69	The USS Lexington (CVS-16) suffers a fire in a boiler room as the ship is in drydock in Boston, Massachusetts, injuring two. Anti Submarine Air Craft Carrier	
674	08/Sep/69	The USS Intrepid (CVS-11) runs aground off Jamestown, Rhode Island, but is freed after two hours.	CVS=Anti Submarine Aircraft Carrier

675	13/Oct/69	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine HMS Renown collides with the Irish motor vessel Moyle as it is surfacing during the night in the Mull of Kintyre off the west coast of Scotland. The U.K. Navy Department says damage was slight and at no time was there a risk of a nuclear explosion. There are no casualties. Apparently the Renown was carrying out work-up trials preparatory to going on its first operational cruise in a few weeks, but was not carrying any missiles.	
676	30/Oct/69	The Royal Navy guided missile destroyer HMS Glamorgan fires a missile which lands near a farm, causing damage.	
677	31/Oct/69	Fall 1969 -- reportedly 18 months prior to 31 March 1971 -- a U.S. submarine engaged in Holystone intelligence gathering operations is beached for about two hours off the Soviet Union's coast, creating concern in the U.S. National Security Council because of the possibility of an international incident if the submarine is discovered (see 31/3/71 and 25/5/75 entries).	
678	10/Nov/69	An unarmed torpedo fired from a Royal Navy submarine on exercise narrowly misses the Clyde ferry Countess of Breadalbane in the Loch Long, Scotland. The U.K. Ministry of Defence says the torpedo's mechanism went wrong after being fired correctly on course.	
679	14/Nov/69	The New York Times (7/6/75) reports the USS Gato(SSN-615) collides with a Soviet submarine the night of the 14 or 15 of November 15 to 25 miles from the entrance of the White Sea in the Barents Sea. A crewmember is quoted as saying the Gatowas struck in the heavy plating that serves as a protective shield around the nuclear reactor, but the ship sustained no serious damage. However the ship's weapons officer immediately ran down two decks and prepared for orders to arm a nuclear-armed SUBROC antisubmarine warfare missile and three nuclear-armed torpedoes. The accident reportedly occurred during a Holystone operation-(see 5/5/75). According to former Gatocrew members their commanding officer was ordered to prepare false reports showing the submarine had suffered a breakdown and halted its patrol two days prior to the collision. The Gato's commanding officer refused to comment when he was contacted due to security reasons.	
680	14/Nov/69	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Otter strikes a 20-foot wooden ferry in the Manchester Ship Canal, U.K. The two passengers in the ferry jump into the water when they see the outline of the submarine bearing down on them. The submarine strikes the ferry a light blow, slightly damaging the ferry. The men swim safely to shore. The Otter was one of four submarines on a four-day goodwill visit to Manchester.	
681	12/Dec/69	The USS Parsons (DD-949) collides with the Filipino fishing boat Orient off southern California. The Orient sinks but its crew is rescued.	DD=Destroyer.

682	27/Dec/69	The ammunition aboard the merchant ship Badger State comes loose and explodes when a big wave throws the ship on its side 1,500 miles northeast of Hawaii as it is en route to Vietnam with a cargo of ordnance; 26 are dead or missing. The ship is rocked by explosions and fire for a week, leading the Navy to abandon salvage plans. The ship subsequently is sunk with gunfire.	
683	10/Jan/70	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Dreadnought encounters serious problems at the Rosyth, Scotland, dockyard during the first nuclear reactor refuelling at a British yard, delaying the completion of the refit for at least ten months.	
684	10/Jan/70	A Soviet Foxtrot class diesel-powered submarine loses 20 feet of its bow section in a collision somewhere in the Mediterranean in January. Reports variously attribute the accident to a collision with another Soviet naval vessel or with the Italian liner Angelina Laura near the Bay of Naples. The damaged submarine was anchored off Morocco in early February and departed into the Atlantic with an escort on 7 February.	
685	10/Jan/70	The USS Shangri-La (CVA-38) suffers a fire during training off Jacksonville, Florida, when an A-4 Skyhawk aircraft parked on the flight deck ignites, killing one.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
686	17/Jan/70	The USS Volador(SS-490) and the Japanese freighter Miyahime Maru are lightly damaged in a collision at the mouth of Tokyo Bay, Japan.	SS= Submarine
687	21/Jan/70	The USS Yancey (AKA-93) is driven through a section of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel by strong winds, which tore it from its anchorage near Hampton Roads, Virginia. No injuries are reported on the ship or on the roadway, but the roadway is closed to traffic.	AKA= Attack Cargo Ship
688	29/Jan/70	The USS Nathanael Greene (SSBN-636) is grounded for seven hours in thick fog in Charleston harbour, South Carolina. The Navy closes the harbour while the submarine is refloated. Officials will not say whether any Polaris missiles are on board, but a Navy spokesman says there appears to be no danger of nuclear leakage or reactor damage. The next day the Navy says the ship suffered no damage.	SSBN= Submarine Nuclear Ballistic ICBM Launcher Polaris/Trident
689	10/Feb/70	A Bullpup missile aboard the USS Bon Homme Richard (CVA-31) cracks and leaks toxic gases and liquids when its pneumatic hoist fails and drops it on the deck of the weapons magazine while the ship is berthed at Naval Station North Island in San Diego, California. A Navy spokesman says the missile is capable of carrying a nuclear warhead but was not believed to be armed at the time. Two hundred crewmembers are evacuated from the surrounding areas and the rest of the 3500-person crew stands by to take the ship to sea if necessary as a precaution. The broken rocket motor is safely lifted out of the ship and transferred to the dock.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier [Note the crew of 3500!

690	10/Feb/70	The USS Semmes (DDG-18) is heavily damaged and the USS Samuel B. Roberts (DD-823), USS Charles F. Adams (DDG-2), and USS Yellowstone (AD-27) are slightly damaged when a Greek freighter sideswipes the four ships in Naples harbour, Italy.	DDG=Destroyer Guided Missile; DD=Destroyer; AD=Destroyer Tender
691	10/Feb/70	Coincidentally, minutes before the Bullpup missile drops in a starboard magazine, an electrical fire breaks out in a port side magazine aboard the USS Bon Homme Richard (CVA-31) while the ship is docked at Naval Air Station North Island, San Diego, California.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
692	11/Feb/70	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Auriga suffers a battery explosion while submerged in the Gibraltar area during NATO exercises. Ten people are injured, but the vessel surfaces safely and returns to port.	
693	13/Feb/70	The USS Point Defiance (LSD-31) and USS Ponchatoula (AO-148) are slightly damaged in a collision during refuelling operations north of Hawaii, injuring three.	AO=Fleet Tanker LSD=Landing Ship Dock
694	04/Mar/70	The French diesel submarine Eurydice explodes and sinks during dive 35 miles east of Toulon, killing all 57 crewmen on board	
695	19/Mar/70	The USS Orleck(DD-886) collides with the USS Neches (AO-47) during underway replenishment off the coast of Vietnam. The Neches loses its starboard side replenishment capability.	DD=Destroyer. v Fleet Tanker
696	29/Mar/70	The USS McKean (DD-784) and the USS Cacapon (AO-52) sustain minor damage in a collision during underway replenishment off Okinawa.	DD=Destroyer AO=Fleet Tanker
697	12/Apr/70	A Soviet November class nuclear-powered submarine sinks in the Atlantic Ocean approximately 300 miles northwest of Spain. On 11 April the submarine is sighted dead in the water with personnel on deck trying to rig a tow line to two accompanying Soviet ships. By the morning of 12 April U.S. Navy P-3 patrol planes find only two oil slicks on the surface where the submarine had been, and the submarine is considered lost at sea. The accident is believed to be related to a problem in the nuclear propulsion system. After the sinking Soviet survey vessels reportedly guard the area almost continuously for six months. Thereafter routine patrols are conducted until 1979, after which only occasional visits are made.	
698	20/Apr/70	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Plymouth collides with the French frigate Enseigne de Vaiseau Henry.	
699	19/May/70	An inquiry is held into a fire aboard the Royal Navy minelayer HMS Manxman.	
700	28/May/70	The USS Daniel Boone (SSBN-629) proceeding on its initial sea trials collides with the Philippine merchant ship President Quezon off Cape Henry, Virginia. The submarine incurs minor damage, but the President Quezon receives extensive damage to her bow.	SSBN= Submarine Nuclear ICB Launcher Polaris/Trident

701	31/May/70	The West German destroyer Bayern suffers a gas explosion in an empty munitions storeroom, ripping a hole in the side of the ship, killing one and injuring two.	
702	01/Jun/70	The Royal Navy oiler RFA Ennerdale sinks after running aground in the Seychelles.	
703	13/Jun/70	The USS Little Rock (CLG-4) is in a minor collision with the Greek destroyer Lonzihi in the Gulf of Laconia off Greece during the NATO exercise "Dawn Patrol 70."	CLG=Cruiser Light Guided Missile
704	18/Jun/70	The USS Eugene A. Greene (DD-711) and the USS Waccamaw (AO-109) are in a minor collision in the eastern Mediterranean during refuelling operations.	DD=Destroyer AO = Fleet Oiler
705	08/Jul/70	An inquiry is held into the fire aboard the Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Eagle.	
706	17/Jul/70	A sailor is found guilty of causing a power failure aboard the Royal Navy frigate HMS Ajax .	
707	25/Jul/70	A fitter at the Chatham Naval Dockyard, U.K., working on the Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Valiant receives a radiation dosage when he accidentally inhales radioactive material. According to the Ministry of Defence, the fitter "feels no ill effects and seems to be well," but is banned for a year from further work involving radioactivity.	
708	30/Jul/70	Suspected sabotage to the main gearbox of the Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Conqueror in the final stages of completion at the Cammel Laird shipyard Birkenhead, U.K., is under investigation. The shipyard says the damaged gearbox does not affect nuclear safety as it is separated from the reactor compartment.	
709	04/Aug/70	The USS Rogers (DD-876) collides with a Singapore-bound commercial tug in the South China Sea. There are no injuries.	DD=Destroyer.
710	19/Aug/70	A Soviet vessel reportedly equipped with electronic surveillance gear capsizes in the North Sea, near where NATO ships are manoeuvring as part of exercise "Minflotex 70." Before the NATO ships could come to its aid, a Soviet tug took in her in tow. The ship sinks in heavy seas on 25 August.	
711	20/Aug/70	The French diesel submarine Galatee and the South African diesel submarine Maria von Riebeeck collide on the surface off Toulon, France, killing four.	
712	11/Sep/70	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Dreadnought suffers an air pipe fault, delaying its sea trials.	
713	18/Sep/70	The Royal Navy coastal minesweeper HMS Wolverton collides with a yacht on which a family was spending its holiday, sinking the yacht at its moorings in Great Yarmouth harbour U.K. The family leaves the yacht safely.	
714	01/Oct/70	The Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Ark Royal suffers faults to its flight-deck machinery and has to return to Devonport, U.K., for unscheduled repairs.	
715	10/Oct/70	The Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Eagle is sent into drydock after a collision.	
716	04/Nov/70	A boiler room explosion occurs aboard the USS Goldsborough (DDG-20) six hours out of Taiwan, killing two and injuring four.	DDG= Destroyer Guided Missile

717	09/Nov/70	A Soviet Kotlin class destroyer and the Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Ark Royal collide in the eastern Mediterranean. The Ark Royal is only slightly damaged, while the Soviet ship is badly scraped along her port side.	
718	14/Nov/70	The USS Seawolf (SSN-575) suffers a breakdown in the engine room main drain south of Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, en route to the Pacific. It surfaces dead in the water and asks for assistance. The USS Blandy (DD-943) gets underway to rendezvous and escort or tow the submarine. The next day the submarine is able to correct the problem itself and gets underway on its own power for Guantanamo.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
719	16/Nov/70	The Royal Navy guided missile destroyer HMS Fife catches fire during "Lime Jug 70" exercises.	
720	21/Nov/70	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Ulster is damaged by hitting a Swansea, U.K., quay.	
721	28/Nov/70	The USS Sylvania (AFS-2) and the USS Concord (AFS-5) are slightly damaged in a collision in Rota, Spain, when the Sylvania attempts under pilot to moor alongside the Concord.	AFS=Combat Stores Ship
722	29/Nov/70	Fire breaks out in a baggage storeroom in the stern of the submarine tender USS Canopus (AS-34) while it is in the Holy Loch submarine base, Scotland. The Daily Telegraph reports that it was carrying nuclear-armed missiles and that two U.S. nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarines, the Francis Scott Key (SSBN-657) and James K. Polk (SSBN-645), were moored alongside. The Francis Scott Key cast off, but the Polk remained alongside. U.S. naval authorities in Holy Loch and London dismiss any suggestion that a nuclear explosion aboard the Canopus could have occurred or that "even a remote danger" from missiles or other materials existed. "We have drills and precautions which rule out any danger whatsoever," the London spokesman says. There are precautions against every eventuality in Holy Loch." The fire was brought under control after four hours. Three men were killed and the cause of the fire was unknown. U.S. Navy documents record that "damage was extensive in the small area in which the fire was contained," but "repairs were effected on site and Canopus was never 'off the line'".	AS=Submarine Tender SSBN=Submarine Nuclear Ballistic ICBM Launcher Polaris/ Trident
723	01/Jan/71	The USS Sphinx (ARL-24) loses power about 120 nautical miles northwest of Okinawa	ARL=Auxiliary Repair Ship Light
724	15/Jan/71	U.S. Navy barge loaded with diesel fuel sinks off Puerto Rico and spreads a mile-long oil slick.	
725	19/Jan/71	The USS Roark (DE-1053) is badly damaged by an engine room fire in the western Pacific. The ship is taken in tow by the USS Towers (DDG-9) toward Midway Island from whence it will be towed to Pearl Harbour.	DD=Destroyer Escort DDG=Guided Missile
736	20/Jan/71	The USS Wasp (CVS-18) and USS Chukawan(AO-100) collide while refuelling southwest of Bermuda.	CVS=Anti SS=Submarine Aircraft Carrier and Fleet Oiler

737	24/Jan/71	The USS Hamner(DD-718) and USS Camden (AOE-2) collide during underway replenishment in the Gulf of Tonkin.	AOE=Fast Combat Support Ship DD=Destroyer
738	02/Feb/71	The French nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine Redoutablecollides with a fishing trawler off Brest, France. The trawler is holed, but the crew is safely picked up by a French navy escort vessel.	
739	03/Feb/71	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Opportune collides with an unidentified merchant vessel in the English Channel while running submerged, receiving slight superstructure damage.	
740	12/Feb/71	The USS Great Sitkin(AE-17) arrives under tow at Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, having lost power off the Virgin Islands when four spring bearings wiped. Sabotage is suspected.	AE=Ammunition Ship
741	19/Feb/71	Water breaks into the French diesel submarine Florewhen a valve of the snorkel device malfunctions as the submarine cruises submerged at a depth of 15 to 20 feet off Toulon. The submarine surfaces, but water had damaged its electrical circuits, and the engines could not be started. The submarine is slowly towed to Toulon through rough seas.	
742	01/Mar/71	In March the USS Detroit (AOE-4) collides with a Navy oiler 70 miles off the South Carolina coast. Damage was slight.	AOE= Fast Combat Support Ship
743	26/Mar/71	The Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Albion suffers a fault in a drive shaft bearing and returns to Portsmouth, U.K., for repairs.	
744	31/Mar/71	The New York Times reports that a U.S. Navy Sturgeon class nuclear-powered attack submarine collides with a Soviet submarine 17 nautical miles off the coast of the Soviet Union while on a secret reconnaissance mission as part of the Holystone submarine intelligence gathering operations (see 25/May/75 entry).	
745	03/Apr/71	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Conqueror suffers flooding due to a failure of material while in a fitting-out basin in Cammel Laird shipyard, Birkenhead, U.K., over the weekend. Firemen and yardworkers spent about 17 hours pumping seven feet of water out of the submarine.	
746	21/Apr/71	A fire of electrical origin and short duration occurs aboard the USS John F. Kennedy (CVA-67) in the Virginia Capes area.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
747	01/May/71	The Royal Navy guided missile destroyer HMS Sheffield suffers an explosion as it is fitting out, killing several workmen.	
748	06/May/71	The USS Bigelow (DD-942) suffers a possible momentary grounding while en route to an anchorage in Aarhus Bay, Denmark, causing minor damage.	DD=Destroyer.
749	06/May/71	The USS Hanson (DD-832) collides with the Soviet fleet tug Diomidin the Korean Straits, causing minor damage but no injuries. The Hanson conjectures the accident was caused by a deliberate attempt by the tug (with an icebreaker bow) to ram the Hanson. A sliding collision, however, was the only result.	DD=Destroyer.

750	08/May/71	A Nationalist Chinese fishing boat sinks off Kaohsiung, Taiwan, when it attempts to pass between the tug USS Molala(ATF-106) and its tow ARD-22, striking first the bridle and then the bow of the	ARD=Auxiliary Repair Dry Dock
751	28/Jun/71	The casing of a valve ruptures filling the engine spaces with steam aboard the USS Trenton (LPD-14) while the ship is undergoing shakedown training in the Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, operating area, killing four and seriously injuring seven.	LPD= Landing Platform Dock
752	01/Jul/71	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Artemis sinks without warning while moored alongside a jetty in 30 feet of water at Gosport, England.	
753	10/Jul/71	The USS Constellation (CVA-64) suffers a one-hour machinery room fire while moored at San Diego, California.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
754	16/Jul/71	An unidentified U.S. Navy ship spills 40,000 gallons of oil off New York, subsequently contaminating the waterfronts of Coney Island and Staten Island, New York.	
755	27/Jul/71	The USS Harlan R. Dickson (DD-708) runs aground off Cape Cod Canal, Massachusetts, after a mechanical failure, but is freed the next day.	DD=Destroyer.
756	15/Aug/71	The USS Saratoga (CVA-60) suffers flooding in an engine room while anchored off Athens, Greece.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
757	17/Aug/71	The USS Regulus (AF-57) is severely damaged when, struck by typhoon Rose, it is torn from its moorings and tossed aground on Kau Yi Chau Island near Hong Kong.	AF=Stores Ship
758	20/Aug/71	The USS Saratoga (CVA-60) suffers another engine room flood shortly after leaving Athens, Greece, where repair from a similar flood of 15 August just was completed.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
759	08/Sep/71	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Odin suffers a fire.	
760	26/Sep/71	The USS Holder (DD-819) runs aground momentarily in Vieques Passage off Puerto Rico. There is no damage.	DD=Destroyer.
761	30/Sep/71	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Alliance suffers a hydrogen build up and explosion in a battery compartment due to a faulty ventilation system while in Portsmouth, U.K., killing one and injuring 14.	
762	11/Oct/71	The USS Talbot (DEG-4) suffers an engineering casualty and is towed by the USS Skylark (ASR-20) to Newport, Rhode Island.	DEG=Guided Missile Ocean Escort
763	15/Oct/71	In mid-October the Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Ark Royal suffers a fire while in Portsmouth, U.K.	
764	21/Oct/71	The Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Ark Royal suffers a second fire while in Portsmouth, U.K., taking six hours to control.	
765	26/Oct/71	The Japanese fishing boat Minato Maru collides with an unidentified submarine in the Sea of Japan about 300 miles northwest of Niigata, Japan.	
766	30/Oct/71	The USS Benjamin Stoddert (DDG-22) suffers a four-and-one-half hour fire in the motor generator set room while undergoing overhaul at Pearl Harbour, Hawaii.	DD=Destroyer. Guided Missile

767	31/Oct/71	The USS Niagara Falls (AFS-3) is slightly damaged by a main deck fire while moored at Hong Kong. The fire is later determined to be caused by arson.	AFS=Combat Stores Ship
768	01/Nov/71	The USS Hardhead (SS-365) suffers minor structural damage when it is struck by an Italian ferry in the Straits of Messina, off Italy.	SS= Submarine
769	29/Dec/71	The USS Dace (SSN-607) inadvertently discharges 500 gallons of water used as coolant for its nuclear reactor into the Thames River at New London, Connecticut, during a routine water transfer between the submarine and the USS Fulton (AS-11). The Navy says measurements in the area showed "no increase in radioactivity of the environment" on the following day and claims the coolant contains a "very small amount of radioactivity." Navy sources at the Pentagon acknowledge there have been a "a few" leakages at the base during such transfers in the past, although none were disclosed, but also none were of sufficient size to endanger anybody. Reportedly the Navy disclosed this accident only when rumours of a nuclear incident started circulating in New London.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear; AS=Submarine Tender
770	31/Dec/71	On two occasions in 1971 defective U.S. nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine distress buoys accidentally shot to the surface signalling the submarines had been sunk by enemy action and each set off "a massive U.S. alert," raising the "threat of accidental war." A spokesman for the Pentagon admitted there had been two involuntary releases in 1971, one in the Mediterranean and one in the North Atlantic. But in each case, he said, the submarine informed its home base immediately and "There was no alert of any kind." One release was due to a mechanical problem and one to a human error. The Navy said technical corrections had been made since 1971 to prevent a recurrence of the accidental launchings.	
771	16/Jan/72	The USS Albert David (DE-1050) collides with a North Vietnamese junk in the Gulf of Tonkin and two people from the junk are lost.	DD=Destroyer. Escort
772	24/Jan/72	The USS Sea Horse (SSN-669) is grounded for two hours while outbound from Charleston, South Carolina.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
773	01/Feb/72	In February the Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Alliance's engine room begins to flood while the ship is submerged during a trial dive off Plymouth, U.K., in the English Channel. The submarine touches the seabed at 122 feet after diving too steeply due to incorrect trimming in response to the flooding. The Alliance leaves the bottom after bouncing off the seabed.	
774	07/Feb/72	The USS Wahoo (SS-565) sustains damage to its starboard shaft when it collides with Queens Pier in Hong Kong after being carried by a tidal current.	SS= Submarine
775	19/Feb/72	The hull of the USS Preserver (ARS-8) is cracked in three places when it strikes a rock while entering Portsmouth, New Hampshire, harbour during stormy weather.	ARS=Salvage Ship

776	23/Feb/72	The USS Shreveport (LPD-12) and USS Nashville (LPD-13) are slightly damaged in a collision during exercises in the Caribbean.	LPD= Landing Platform Dock
777	24/Feb/72	A U.S. Navy P-3 Orion patrol plane sights a Soviet Hotel II class nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine on the surface 600 miles northeast of Newfoundland. The submarine had an apparent nuclear propulsion problem which resulted in the loss of all power. Several deaths are thought to have occurred. The next day the U.S. Coast Guard cutter Boutwell sights the disabled submarine in company with five Soviet ships. An offer of assistance by the Boutwell receives no reply. The Soviet ships start back to the submarine's home base through heavy, stormy seas. On 18 March the submarine is still slowly moving across the north Atlantic now accompanied by nine Soviet ships and the U.S. Coast Guard cutter Gallatin. On 5 April, the West German Navy reports the submarine had reached its home waters in the White Sea.	
778	25/Feb/72	The USS Beacon (PG-99) suffers a large hole and an engine room flood after colliding with the Dutch fishing ship Syrinameeast of Cape Maisi, Cuba, and is towed to Guantanamo Bay.	PG=Patrol Gunboat
779	15/Mar/72	The USS Joseph Hewes (DE-1078) loses power about 600 miles east of Jacksonville, Florida, when a main engine line shaft bearing breaks in stormy seas.	DE=Destroyer. Escort
780	16/Mar/72	The U.S. Navy reports the rare sighting of a Soviet Yankee class nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine on the surface northeast of Iceland. It was not clear whether the submarine was in difficulty.	
781	11/Apr/72	The USS Benjamin Franklin (SSBN-640) collides with and sinks a tugboat at the General Dynamics Electric Boat Division docks at Groton, Connecticut. The submarine, being overhauled at the shipyard, was not damaged.	SSBN= Submarine Nuclear Ballistic ICBM Launcher Polaris/Trident
782	16/Apr/72	Two antiradiation missiles inadvertently fired by a U.S. support aircraft explode near the USS Worden (DLG-18) while the ship operates off Vietnam, killing one, injuring nine, and putting the ship out of action. The ship proceeds to Subic Bay, Philippines for ten days of repairs.	DLG= Guided Missile Frigate
783	28/Jun/72	The USS Oriskany (CVA-34) and USS Nitro (AE-23) are in a minor collision during underway replenishment 150 nautical miles east of Da Nang, South Vietnam.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier and AE=Ammunition Ship
784	06/Jul/72	The USS Guadalupe (AO-32) sustains damage to its bow, bridge, and fuelling probe in a collision with the USS Alamo (LSD-33) 30 miles north of Da Nang, South Vietnam, during underway replenishment when the Alamo's rudder jams hard left and does not respond.	AO=Fleet Oiler and LSD=Landing Ship Dock
785	10/Jul/72	The computer system of the USS Forrestal (CVA-59) is damaged by a fire determined to have been caused by arson while in Norfolk, Virginia.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier

786	19/Jul/72	Damage to the reduction gears of the USS Ranger (CVA-61) while in San Diego, California, is determined to have been caused by sabotage.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
787	20/Jul/72	The USS Oriskany (CVA-34) loses a propeller and a section of the propeller's tail shaft while operating in the Pacific, thus limiting the carrier to three engines.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
788	20/Jul/72	A sailor who is said to have started fires aboard the Royal Navy frigate HMS Puma because the first lieutenant got on his nerves, is sentenced by a Portsmouth, U.K., court-martial.	
789	16/Aug/72	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Onyx suffers a fire started by chemicals while undergoing refit at a Portsmouth, U.K., dockyard, causing slight damage.	
790	01/Oct/72	The USS Newport News (CA-148) suffers an accidental explosion in a gun turret while operating off Vietnam, killing 19, injuring ten (one mortally) and putting the ship out operation.	CA= Heavy Cruiser
791	06/Oct/72	The USS Tullibee (SSN-597) collides with the West German freighter Hagen as it is cruising just beneath the surface about 150 nautical miles east of Cape Hatteras, North Carolina, during stormy weather, causing slight damage to the submarine. The collision did not impair the operations of either ship.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
792	11/Oct/72	The French diesel submarine La Sirene sinks at its moorings after emergency bulkheads fail to prevent an inrush of water through an open torpedo tube, no reported injuries.	
793	22/Oct/72	The USS Silas Bent (T-AGS-26) is badly damaged by fire while conducting surveillance off the South Korean coast. There are no casualties and the ship returns to Pusan under its own power.	T-AGS= Survey Ship
794	25/Oct/72	The USS Snook (SSN-592) is slightly damaged when it strikes bottom in Dabob Bay, Washington, while on a celebration run. The submarine surfaced without any problems.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
795	29/Oct/72	The USS Saratoga (CVA-60) suffers a machine room fire while in port at Singapore, killing three.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
796	30/Oct/72	The USS Florikan (ASR-9) suffers a fire in a forward hold, killing one and injuring another.	ASR= Submarine Rescue Ship
797	31/Oct/72	While the USS Mississinewa (AO-144) is getting underway, sabotage is discovered in the ship's boiler system which is shut down before damage is incurred.	AO=Fleet Oiler
798	03/NOV/72	A flash fire in the after fire room of the USS Henderson (DD-785) puts the Number 4 boiler out of commission. However, the ship continues operations off southern California.	DD=Destroyer.
799	12/Nov/72	The USS Kretchmer (DER-329) while crossing the Atlantic is forced to divert to Ponta Delgado, Azores, after suffering a series of material casualties.	DER= Radar Picket Destroyer
800	14/NOV/72	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Russell is damaged in a gale.	
801	11/Nov/72	The USS Preserver (ARS-8) completes a month-long trans-Atlantic tow of the USS Brumby (DE-1044) from Greenock, Scotland, to Charleston, South Carolina, after the Brumby suffers damage to its steam generators.	ARS=Submarine Rescue Ship DE=Destroyer Escort

802	01/Dec/72	According to raw CIA intelligence reports, in December a Soviet nuclear-powered submarine from the Northern Fleet suffers a nuclear radiation accident while on patrol off the eastern coast of North America. The accident involved leakage from a nuclear-armed torpedo in the Mine-Torpedo Department in the forward section of the submarine. Reportedly, "Doors were immediately secured in accordance with radiation procedures when the leakage occurred."	
803	02/Dec/72	The USS Proteus (AS-19) experiences a blast in a boiler room while in Pearl Harbour, Hawaii, suffering only slight damage.	AS= Submarine Tender
804	13/Dec/72	The USS Ranger (CVA-61) suffers a fire in the main machinery room while the ship operates off Vietnam. The fire takes two hours to control.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
805	31/Dec/72	According to raw CIA intelligence reports, probably in December 1972 or January 1973 an undetermined accident during Soviet naval operations cripples a Soviet nuclear-powered submarine in the Atlantic. Reportedly, the submarine is towed "at a speed of two to three knots" for six weeks to Severomorsk on the Kola Peninsula, arriving in February 1973. Also, "The crew members trapped in the forward space initially consumed dry rations that were permanently stored in the compartment and later they received food through a small opening from the weather deck. Upon arrival at Severomorsk, crew members were permitted to disembark from the submarine. Several men died shortly after the accident, others later.... The majority of the submarine crew members suffered from some form of radiation sickness."	
806	05/Jan/73	The USS Henry B. Wilson (DDG-7) while outside Saigon, South Vietnam, suffers an in-bore premature explosion in Mount 51 which destroys a foot of the barrel and injures two crewmen.	DD=Destroyer. Guided Missile
807	21/Jan/73	The USS Cascade (AD-16) experiences flooding and small fires in port at Sigonella, Italy. Sabotage is suspected.	AD=Destroyer Tender
808	22/Jan/73	The USS Batfish (SSN-681) suffers bottom damage after running hard aground at Charleston, South Carolina, while proceeding to sea. The submarine is pulled free by tugs and returns to the dock.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
809	23/Jan/73	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Scylla collides with a Tamas River ferry between Plymouth and Torpoint in the river. The ferry's hull is split near the bows, leaving a three-foot-wide gash from handrail to waterline. The frigate continued down river for the sea.	
810	23/Jan/73	The Royal Navy frigates HMS Russell and HMS Hardy collide with minor damage in Portsmouth harbour, U.K. as they manoeuvre for a formation departure. Both continued to their exercise area.	
811	27/Jan/73	The USS Jason (AR-8) suffers minor damage when struck by the Japanese cargo ship Koro Maru while en route from Sasebo, Japan, to Keelung, Taiwan	AR=Repair Ship

812	04/Feb/73	The USS Tolovana(AO-64) is slightly damaged by a fire apparently of electrical origin while in port at Subic Bay, Philippines.Fleet	AO= Tanker
813	05/Feb/73	The USS Basilone (DD-824) suffers a boiler room explosion during training 120 miles southeast of New York City, killing seven.	DD=Destroyer.
814	07/Feb/73	An explosion of fuel leaking from a broken pipe sets off an engine room fire on the USS Agerholm(DD-826) while the ship is off San Diego, California, killing three.	DD=Destroyer.
815	10/Feb/73	The USS Fairfax County (LST-1193) is holed by an uncharted reef during amphibious exercises off Carbonaras, Spain, but is able to continue participation.	LST= Landing Ship Tank
816	23/Feb/73	The USS Franklin D. Roosevelt (CVA-42) suffers minor damage from a brief fire in the hangar deck while the carrier is undergoing restricted availability in Mayport, Florida.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
817	11/Mar/73	The USS Manitowoc (LST-1180) experiences a brief fire in a pump room while in port at Little Creek, Virginia. There are no injuries.	LST= Landing Ship Tank
818	03/Mar/73	The USS Hammerhead (SSN-663), operating east of the Virginia Capes area at about 300 feet, strikes a submerged object of unknown nature thought to be non-metallic, perhaps a whale. The impact was heavy enough to be heard and felt throughout the ship. There was no discernable damage.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
819	04/Apr/73	The USS Beacon (PG-99) runs aground at Beaufort Inlet, North Carolina, during "Exotic Dancer VI" exercises and is refloated the next day.	PG= Gun Boat
820	05/Apr/73	While sailing in the Virginia Capes area, the USS Independence (CVA-62) suffers a 45-minute fire in a catapult ventilation system which affects its operational readiness.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
821	10/Apr/73	The USS Guadalupe (AO-32) runs aground off Harbour Island in San Diego Bay, California, no reported injuries.	AO= Fleet Oiler
822	21/Apr/73	The USS Guardfish(SSN-612) experiences a primary coolant leak while running submerged about 370 miles south-southwest of Puget Sound.The submarine surfaces and is ventilated and decontaminated, and repairs thecasualty unassisted. Four crewmen are transferred to the Puget Sound Naval Hospital for monitoring.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
823	21/May/73	The USS Sturgeon (SSN-637) strikes the bottom of the ocean suffering minor damage while operating in deep water during a dive off the U.S. Virgin Islands. The Navy says there were no injuries to the crew and the submarine's nuclear power plant was not affected. The submarine put into the nearest U.S. port at Frederiksted, St. Croix, under its own power.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
824	28/May/73	The USS Charles Berry (DE-1035) and a Japanese cargo ship suffer minor damage in a collision in Kobe harbour, Japan.	DD=Destroyer. Escort
825	03/Jun/73	The USS Hull (DD-945) suffers a minor fire in an air conditioning unit while in port at San, California.	DD=Destroyer.
826	04/Jun/73	The USS Higbee (DD-806) suffers damage to its sonar dome when it is grounded for five hours at Subic Bay, Philippines.	DD=Destroyer.

827	06/Jun/73	The USS Skipjack (SSN-585) hits an uncharted sea mount during "Dawn Patrol" exercises in the Mediterranean Sea. The submarine suffers minor damage and proceeds on the surface to Soudha Bay, Crete, for hull inspection.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
828	14/Jul/73	The USS Robert H. McCard(DD-822) damages its sonar dome when it runs aground on an uncharted sand bar while exiting Tampa Bay, Florida.	DD=Destroyer.
829	17/Jul/73	The U.S. Army Reserve transport ship Hickory Knoll collides with U.S. Coast Guard buoy tender Firebrush in Baltimore harbour, Maryland, shortly after being freed from a sand bar. Neither ship is seriously damaged. The Army says the Firebrush failed to concede the right of way.	
830	28/Jul/73	The Canadian diesel submarine Okanagan and the Royal Navy oiler RFA Grey Rover collide off the Scottish coast, no reported injuries.	
831	03/Aug/73	The USS Victoria (AK-281) experiences an engine room fire while berthed at Eire Basin, Brooklyn, New York, delaying its sailing by two weeks in order to make repairs.	AK= Cargo Ship
832	05/Sep/73	The U.S. Defence Department reports that a damaged Soviet Echo II class nuclear-powered cruise missile submarine has been sighted in the Caribbean south of Cuba with an eight-foot gash in the port bow deck. This is apparently the result of a collision with another Soviet ship, perhaps a cruiser with visible scrapes on its hull, during manoeuvres of the Soviet Caribbean task force. The Pentagon spokesman said the submarine did not appear to be in danger of sinking.	
833	09/Sep/73	The USS Claud Jones (DE-1033) experiences an engine room fire while en route to Pearl Harbour, Hawaii, causing substantial damage but no casualties.	DD=Destroyer. Escort
834	22/Sep/73	The USS Saratoga (CVA-60) experiences a fire on the third deck, between the flight deck and the hangar deck, which takes nine hours to extinguish while the ship is in drydock at Norfolk, Virginia.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
835	07/Oct/73	The Soviet Kanin class guided missile destroyer 252 accidentally releases a torpedo after an explosion in a torpedo tube while shadowing the Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Hermes during NATO "Swift Move" exercises in the North Sea. Other torpedoes are jettisoned to clear the tubes near the fire.	
836	01/Nov/73	A U.S. Navy 100-foot underwater demolition team's vessel rams a mini submarine in San Diego harbour, California, as both vessels are returning to Coronado amphibious base from routine exercises with 40 other vessels, killing one.	
837	11/Dec/73	A fire, probably due to a fuel line failure, occurs in the main engine room on board the USS Kitty Hawk (CVA-63) while the ship is 700 miles east of the Philippines, killing six.	CVA=Attack Aircraft Carrier
838	12/Dec/73	An explosion rips through the stack of the USS Detroit's (AOE-4) after engine room, causing much material damage while the ship is in Newport, Rhode Island, for repairs and upkeep.	AOE=Fast Combat Support Ship

839	29/Dec/73	An oil slick 11 miles in length results when a fuel tank of the USS Pvt Joseph F. Merrell (T-AK-275) is opened in a collision with the Liberian freighter Pearl Venture off the Californian coast. The Pvt Joseph F. Merrell is towed into San Luis Obispo Bay the next day while the oil slick dissipates at sea.	T-AK=Roll On Roll Off Vehicle Cargo Ship
840	08/Jan/74	The USS Kittiwake (ASR-13) receives minor hull damage in a collision with the USS Finback (SSN-670) at the destroyer-submarine piers at the Norfolk Naval Base, Virginia.	ASR=Submarine Rescue Ship SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear
841	21/Jan/74	The U.S. Navy says it is investigating possible sabotage in the cutting of electrical wires in the USS Spadefish (SSN-668), which is undergoing a one-year overhaul in the Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Virginia. Electrical wires on the submarine had been cut several times since the fall of 1973, prompting the Navy to investigate.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
842	14/Feb/74	The USS Schofield (DEG-3) suffers a propulsion casualty and is taken in tow by the USS Bainbridge. DEG=Guided Missile Ocean Escort (DLGN-25) near the entrance of the Red Sea in the Indian Ocean. Repairs are completed the next day.	DEG= Guided Missile Frigate Nuclear Powered.
844	04/Apr/74	The USS Wyandot (T-AKA-92) is in collision with merchant ship Sacramento Venture off the entrance to Keelung, Taiwan. There were no casualties.	AKA=Attack Cargo Ship
845	17/Apr/74	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine [Polaris ICBM] HMS Renown strikes the seabed while carrying out an exercise in the Firth of Clyde, almost straight from a mega expensive overall in Rosyth dockyard. Renown was not carrying nuclear warheads. The captain, Commander Robin Whiteside Royal Navy faced a court-martial on 11 June. The case became a national top secret trial ordered to continue in camera given that it was a ICBM Polaris boat top secret event. The Judge Advocate shifted it between 'in camera' and 'open court' and the findings of the Court which resulted in Whiteside being found guilty and his junior officer, a lieutenant and his navigator, discharged as innocent, were delivered in open court. That the CO was so highly thought of by the pan submarine service shows all, in that he escaped being discharged his ship the worst possible outcome of the trial, but was reprimanded for hazarding his ship. If ever this was a travesty of justice I ask you to state it. Looking at the bible, 'The Navy List', one sees no mention of his appointment as the CO of this giant of all giants, just in the family of nuclear's appointed from HMS Dolphin. From Dolphin he was appointed to HMS Nelson for his court martial. Thereafter he had lots of shore appointments and regrettably left the navy still as a commander, with an OBE, but going nowhere other than to civilian street many years after the event as shown here - read bottom up -	

		<p>1989 Flag Officer Submarines Staff [15 years after the event]  1988 As above 1987 As above  1986 Flag Officer Submarines &amp; SUBELANT Staff 1985 As above 1984 As above  1983 Commander-in-Chief Fleet, Sandy Lane, Northwood, HA6 3AP   Weapons Department (Naval)   Director Strategic Weapon Systems Staff  1982 HMS DOLPHIN, Gosport, Hants  1981 As above  1980 As above  1979 Flag Officer Submarines Staff 1978 As above  1977 HMS DOLPHIN, Gosport, Hants 1976 Director of Naval Equipment 1975 As above  1974 HMS NELSON, Queen Street, Portsmouth, PO1 3LS - Court Martial</p> <p>That tiny bump which did not impede the Renown's operational future, put a stop to the CO's future and his naval career.</p>	
846	25/Apr/74	The USS DuPont (DD-941) collides with the left swing span of a bridge at Yorktown, Virginia. The ship suffers damage to the forward mast while the bridge is closed to traffic for about an hour.	DD=Destroyer.
847	01/May/74	In May the USS Pintado (SSN-672) reportedly collides almost head-on with a Soviet Yankee class nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine while cruising 200 feet deep in the approaches to the Petropavlovsk naval base on the Kamchatka Peninsula. The Soviet submarine surfaced immediately, but the extent of damage was not known. The Pintado departed from the area at top underwater speed and proceeded to Guam where it entered drydock for repairs lasting seven weeks. The collision smashed much of the Pintado's detection sonar, a starboard side torpedo hatch was jammed shut and diving plane received moderate damage. The Pintado was on an intelligence gathering mission in Soviet territorial waters.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
848	06/May/74	The USS Jallao(SS-368) experiences an explosion in the engine room while providing services in the Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, operating area. An electrical arc ignited the engine room atmosphere causing a quick flash. The submarine surfaces and returns to port needing minor repairs and soot clean-up. Sixteen crewmembers are hospitalized with smoke inhalation effects and one with burns.	SS= Submarine

849	23/May/74	An explosion in the hold of USS John R. Craig (DD-885) under overhaul in drydock at a civilian shipyard at Swan Island, Oregon, rocks the destroyer and buckles its plates, injuring 18. Welding was being done in the area where the explosion occurred.	Destroyer.
850	27/Jul/74	The USS Enterprise (CVAN-65) suffers a fire in an electrical maintenance area off California, no reported injuries.	Attack Carrier Powered Aircraft Nuclear
851	03/Aug/74	A wave sweeps over the forward deck of the USS Hawkins (DD-873) as it is refuelling from the USS Marias (T-AO-57) in the Indian Ocean, injuring seven. An emergency visit to Diego Suarez, Madagascar, is made so the men can be treated at a hospital.	Destroyer. and AO=Fleet Oiler
852	31/Aug/74	The Royal Navy coastal minesweeper HMS Brinton collides with a museum ship.	
853	01/Sep/74	The first and only Japanese nuclear-powered merchant ship, the Mutsu, develops a reactor leak during its first test voyage in the Pacific. The leakage apparently results from a faulty design in the reactor's shielding system and involves the release of radiation -- gamma rays and neutrons escaping through a hatch cover -- rather than a leak of actual radioactive materials. Emergency repairs are made reportedly with a thick layer of sticky boiled rice. However, the ship drifts for weeks off northern Japan due to protests by fishermen who are concerned about contamination of their scallop beds in the vicinity of the ship's homeport of Mutsu and refuse to allow the ship to dock. The fishermen end their protest after the government promises compensation and the ship docks in Mutsu on 15 October. In 1978 the ship is moved to Sasebo, Japan, and work on repairing the leak begins in August 1980 at the Sasebo Heavy Industries Company.	
854	03/Sep/74	Shortly after getting underway in Norfolk, Virginia, the USS Butte (AE-27) suffers a major fire in the main switchboard, disrupting all ship support electrical supply. The Butte is towed back to the naval base for repairs which include replacing the switchboard.	AE= Ammunition Ship
855	19/Sep/74	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Sovereign develops a steering defect during exercises off the west coast of Scotland while on the surface. On 23 September the ship is towed from the Coulport naval base to the submarine base at Faslane, Scotland, for investigation and repair.	

856	27/Sep/74	The New York Times reports that Turkey's semi-official Anatolian News Agency said that a Soviet Kashin class guided missile destroyer exploded and sank in the Black Sea with no survivors about two weeks ago. Both Turkish Navy officials and the U.S. Defence Department refuse to confirm reports of the sinking. The Kashin class can carry nuclear-capable SA-N-1 Goa surface-to-air missiles, but qualified sources doubted the destroyer was carrying any nuclear-armed versions since the ship was on its sea trials. Later newspaper accounts based on U.S. intelligence sources report that 75 or more people may have been rescued, but even so a minimum of 275 perished.	
857	19/Oct/74	The USS Richard S. Edwards (DD-950) experiences one-foot deep flooding in the fire room while in Pearl Harbour, Hawaii. The water is pumped out.	Destroyer.
858	02/Nov/74	A four-hour fire aboard the Royal Navy guided missile destroyer HMS Bristol damages the turbine and boiler rooms and injures four sailors. The ship was on sea trials off Pembrokeshire, U.K., and had to be towed back to port.	
859	03/Nov/74	The USS James Madison (SSBN-627) collides with an unknown Soviet submarine in the North Sea according to Jack Anderson's regular newspaper column of 1 January 1975. The collision left a nine-foot scrape in the Madison. According to Anderson the two submarines came within inches of sinking one another. The Madison proceeded to Holy Loch, Scotland, to effect repairs. The U.S. Navy refused to comment on the incident.	SSBN= Submarine Nuclear ICBM Launcher Polaris/Trident
860	06/Dec/74	The USS Yukon (T-AO-152) experiences a fire in the electrical control board which renders the ship dead in the water in the western Mediterranean. The fire occurred in heavy weather and the ship drifts toward the Algerian coast.	T-AO= Fleet Oiler
861	12/Dec/74	The USS Edson (DD-946) experiences a fire in the after fire room while training with USS Coral Sea (CVA-43) off Hawaii. The fire was caused by the ignition of oil which was spraying from a rupture in a lube oil gauge line. The area was secured and fire extinguished with no personnel casualties. The destroyer returned to Pearl Harbour under its own power for repairs.	Destroyer. working with Attack Aircraft Carrier
862	13/Dec/74	The USS Saratoga (CV-60) suffers a major aircraft accident when a jet blast deflector is inadvertently raised into the turning propeller of a plane while the ship is involved in exercise "National Week XVII" in the Tyrrhenian Sea, injuring five crewmen and damaging five planes.	Fleet Aircraft Carrier.

863	14/Dec/74	The USS Kamehameha (SSBN-642) strikes submerged fishing gear during independent exercises in the central Mediterranean. Deep hull scrapes on the port side, a sheared underwater log sword, and a damaged screw result. The vessel returns to port under its own power for repairs.	SSBN= Submarine Nuclear Powered ICBM Launcher Polaris/Trident
864	24/Dec/74	The Argentine warship Candido de Lasalasuffers an explosion in its boiler room in the English Channel, killing two and injuring three.	LSD= Landing Ship Dock
865	05/Jan/75	The USS Enhance (MSO-437) is disabled by an engine room fire when a ruptured "O" ring in a lube oil filter causes the turbo charger to explode while operating off San Diego, California.	MSO= Minesweeper
866	20/Jan/75	The USS Newman K. Perry (DD-883) strikes an unknown object off New Jersey, cutting a small hole in the engine room and causing minor flooding.	DD=Destroyer.
867	16/Feb/75	The USS Swordfish (SSN-579) runs aground near Lanai, Hawaii, while conducting post-overhaul trials. The submarine surfaces safely and returns to Pearl Harbour for inspection and repair. The Navy says the submarine damaged sensor devices mounted on hull, but there were no breaks in the hull. The Honolulu Star-Bulletin, however, receives reports that a torpedo room flooded. The Navy denies this.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
868	24/Feb/75	The USS Kansas City (AOR-3) is struck by the USS Henry B. Wilson (DDG-7) while moored at Subic Bay, Philippines, and both ships receive minor damage.	AOR=Replenishment Oiler DDG=Destroyer Guided Missile
869	03/Mar/75	The USS Iwo Jima (LPH-2) and USS Nashville (LPD-13) are severely damaged when the Iwo Jima loses steering control and rams into the Nashville during highline transfer about 1,000 miles southwest of the Azores.	LPH=Landing Platform Helicopter LPD=Landing Platform Dock
870	05/Mar/75	The USS Edward McDonnell (FF-1043) is struck from astern by a Finnish merchant ship while entering Hamburg, West Germany, in rain and fog. The collision opens an eight-foot-square hole above the waterline of the frigate.	
871	24/Mar/75	The USS Dace (SSN-607) collides with a fishing vessel while surfaced in the Narraganset Bay area off Rhode Island. There was no reported damage to the submarine.	
872	26/Mar/75	The USS Holland (AS-32) suffers a Class Alpha fire caused by spontaneous combustion of fiber glass materials in a sanding room while undergoing overhaul at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Washington.	AS= Submarine Tender
873	04/Apr/75	The USS Koelsch(FF-1049) experiences flooding in the diesel generator room when an air conditioning main ruptures while in Mayport, Florida.	FF= Frigate

874	08/Apr/75	The USS Meredith (DD-890) suffers an explosion and fire in a freshwater tank in the forward fire room while undergoing overhaul in Jacksonville, Florida, killing two civilian workers.	DD=Destroyer.
875	23/Apr/75	The USS Snook (SSN-592) becomes entangled in a net of a probable Soviet fishing trawler while submerged at a depth of 150 feet in a submarine diving area 30 miles off San Francisco, California. The Snook is pulled to periscope depth immediately astern of the fishing ship, however it breaks free and clears the area. About 25 Soviet fishing vessels are in the area when the incident occurs.	
876	29/Apr/75	The USS Patterson (FF-1061) experiences flooding in a machinery room when an air compressor saltwater cooling line ruptures while in upkeep in Mayport, Florida.	FF= Frigate
877	25/May/75	A lengthy story in the New York Times details a secret U.S. Navy submarine intelligence gathering programme code-named Holystone. Using specially equipped submarines the Navy has spied on the Soviet Union and other countries since the early 1960s, at times within their three-mile limit. Several accidents resulted from these missions including the damaging of a U.S. submarine which surfaced under a Soviet ship during a Soviet fleet exercise as well as accidents listed at 31/Dec/65, 31/Dec/67, 31/Dec/68, 31/Oct/69, 14/Nov/69, 3/Mar/71, 1/May/74, and 31/Dec/74. Further exposes of the Holystone programme are in the Washington Post (4/Jan/74), New York Times (4/Jul/75 and 6/Jul/75), Village Voice (16/Feb/76), Chicago Tribune (4/Dec/77) and Baltimore Sun (18/Apr/81). According to the reports, most of the submarines involved in Holystone missions were Sturgeon class nuclear-powered attack submarines, which also were armed with nuclear weapons.	
878	10/Jun/75	The USS Kitty Hawk (CV-63) suffers major flooding in its Number 1 machinery room while 135 nautical miles northwest of Wake Island, crossing to the western Pacific.	Fleet Aircraft Carrier.
879	15/Jun/75	A boiler flareback explosion damages two boilers and adjacent uptakes of the USS Independence (CV-62) while moored at Norfolk, Virginia.	CV= Fleet Carrier
880	20/Jun/75	The Navy announces eight minor fires that occurred aboard the USS John F. Kennedy (CV-67) earlier in the week may have been set by a sailor in an effort to forestall its departure from Norfolk, Virginia, on a seven-month deployment.	CV= Fleet Carrier
881	05/Aug/75	The Royal Navy Reserve minesweeper HMS Killiecrankie rams a yacht, sinking it, and damages two other pleasure craft in Great Yarmouth harbour, U.K., when the minesweeper tries to turn while leaving Yarmouth at the end of a courtesy visit.	

882	07/Aug/75	The USS Dahlgren (DDG-43) collides with the Panamanian freighter Eurybates about three-and-one-half miles east of Port Colon in the Panama Canal Zone. There are no injuries.	Destroyer. Guided Missile
883	29/Sep/75	The USS Albany (CG-10) suffers a Class Bravo fire after a fuel oil strainer explosion east of Norfolk while en route to northern Europe, killing one. On 1 October the Albany rejoins the Second Fleet task group headed for northern Europe, with repairs scheduled to take place in Europe.	CG= Guided Missile Cruiser
884	24/Oct/75	The USS Farragut (DDG-37) is momentarily grounded while departing Den Helder, Netherlands, for Brest, France. Both sonar domes are damaged and the ship proceeds at reduced speed.	Destroyer. Guided Missile
885	12/Nov/75	The Royal Navy frigate Achilles collides with the tanker Olympic Alliance in thick fog in the English Channel, no reported injuries.	
886	20/Nov/75	The USS Independence (CV-62) is in a minor collision with the USS Denebola (AF-56) during night replenishment in the North Sea.	Fleet Aircraft Carrier. and AF=Refrigerated Ship
887	21/Nov/75	The USS Belknap (CG-26) is involved in an oil spill during refuelling with the USS Waccamaw (T-AO-109) in the Ionian Sea about 25 nautical miles from Italy. The hapless Belknap - see also 888 below which occurred a day later.	CG=Cruiser Guided Missile AO=Fleet Oiler
888	22/Nov/75	The USS John F. Kennedy (CV-67) and the USS Belknap (CG-26) collide in rough seas at night during air exercises about 70 miles east of Sicily. The overhanging flight deck of the carrier cuts into the superstructure of the cruiser setting off fires on the Belknap which are not controlled for 2% hourson account of frequent flarebacks. The commander of Carrier Striking Forces for the U.S. Sixth fleet, reporting to higher commands shortly after the collision, declares a possible nuclear weapons accident -- a Broken Arrow -- stating there was a "high probability that nuclear weapons [W45 Terrier missile warheads] on the USS Belknap were involved in fire and explosions," but there were "no direct communications with the Belknap at this time," and "no positive indications that explosions were directly related to nuclear weapons." He also notes that casualties recovered thus far show no exposure to radiation. Nonetheless, monitoring and medical teams were "alerted to the possibility of contamination." He adds that the nuclear weapons on board the Kennedy were not affected. An hour after the Broken Arrow message was sent the USS Claude V. Ricketts (DDG-5), alongside the Belknap fighting the fire, reported that Belknap personnel said "no radiation hazard exists aboard." Six people aboard the Belknap and one aboard the Kennedy are killed. The Belknap suffers serious damage, is put out of commission, and towed back to the	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier

		U.S. to effect repairs lasting four years. It returns to the fleet in 1980. Smaller fires and other damage on the Kennedy are quickly contained and the carrier continues operations.	
889	24/Nov/75	An ASROC motor prematurely ignites seriously burning one man while the USS Richard S. Edwards (DD-950) is en route to the Pacific Missile Range Facility, Barking Sands, Kauai, from Pearl Harbour, Hawaii. A manufacturing defect in one of the rocket motor components is determined to be the accident's cause.	DD=Destroyer.
890	25/Nov/75	A plane attempting to land on the USS Midway (CV-41) strikes the ramp, bolts, impacts the barricade, and strikes another plane during post- "Midlink" exercises in the Indian Ocean. Flying debris injures two crewmen.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier.
891	06/Dec/75	The USS Haddock (SSN-621) develops a leak and floods during a deep dive while on a test run near Hawaii. The U.S. Navy confirms the incident, but denies the vessel is unsafe as crew members had charged in late October. A number of enlisted men had protested sending the ship to sea, claiming it had cracks in the maincooling piping, leaks, and malfunctions and deficiencies in other systems, including the steering mechanism. The Navy replied that in accordance with strict safety procedures any problems are corrected before the ship goes to sea.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
892	15/Dec/75	The USS Saratoga (CV-60) and the USS Mississinewa(AO-144) are in a minor collision during underway replenishment off the Florida coast.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier. AO=Fleet Oiler
893	16/Dec/75	The USS Inchon (LPH-12) and the USS Caloosahatchee (AO-98) are in a minor collision during refuelling in rough seas west of Italy.	LPH=Landing Platform Helicopter AO=Fleet Oiler
894	20/Dec/75	The USS Santa Barbara (AE-28) suffers a Class Alpha fire while moored at Charleston, South Carolina, without crew and ammunition in preparation for regular overhaul.	AE=Ammunition Ship
895	31/Dec/75	Around 1975, according to The Virginian-Pilot and TheLedger-Star, the USS California (CGN-36) spills 15 to 20 gallons of primary coolant while the ship is at the Norfolk Naval Base, Virginia.	CGN= Nuclear Guided Missile Cruiser
896	27/Jan/76	The USS Guadalcanal (LPH-7) exiting Augusta Bay, Sicily, goes aground on a peak of coral which pushes in areas on either side of the bow, but does not crack or hole the ship. On 30 January, with cargo, personnel, helicopters, and fuel off-loaded to assist the effort, the ship is refloated.	LPH= Landing Platform Helicopter
897	27/Jan/76	While anchored in Augusta Bay, Sicily, the USS Spiegel Grove (LSD-32) is struck on the bow and starboard quarter by the Panamanian merchant vessel Honesty which had dragged anchor during winds of 50 knots.	LPD= Landing Ship Dock

898	13/Feb/76	The USS Iwo Jima (LPH-2) experiences a boiler casualty while participating in a "Rum Punch" exercise in the Caribbean. The casualty limits the ship's speed to 15 knots and half power. An embarked Royal Netherlands Marine Unit was airlifted to Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, and the helicopter carrier got underway for New Orleans.	
899	29/Feb/76	The USS New Orleans (LPH-11), crossing from the western Pacific to San Diego, California, suffers vibrations at speeds above ten knots. It is discovered that one blade is missing from the four-bladed screw. On 2 March it alters course from California to Hawaii as the damage impedes its progress.	LPH= Landing Platform Helicopter
900	29/Feb/76	The USS Sellers (DDG-11) conducted an emergency underway at Iskenderun, Turkey, as heavy weather made its position at the NATO fuel pier untenable. The destroyer suffered some scraping and minor damage along the main deck but was able to clear without injuries to crew or damage below the waterline.	DDG=Destroyer. Guided Missile
901	21/Mar/76	The British iron ore carrier Cape Ortegalis hit by a rocket, believed to be fired by a Japanese defence force aircraft during an exercise.	
902	30/Mar/76	The USS Elmer Montgomery (FF-1082) suffers a fire in a storeroom while in port at Norfolk, Virginia. The ship's crew with assistance from the USS Mitscher(DDG-35) and the base fire department extinguish the fire. No personnel are injured and the damage is minor.	FF=Frigate DDG=Destroyer Guided Missile
903	16/Apr/76	The USS Albany (CG-10) experiences a nuclear weapons incident -- Dull Sword -- when during handling of TALOS nuclear warhead trainers a top-side hoist fails as the ship is finishing repairs and upkeep at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Virginia. On 4 May 1976 a TALOS safety working group convenes aboard the Albany to observe and evaluate modifications made to the hoist as a result of the accident.	CG= Cruiser Guided Missile
904	01/May/76	Early May -- a Norwegian fishing vessel in international waters off Murmansk snags a Soviet nuclear-powered attack submarine's fin at about 450 feet below the surface. The Soviet boat surfaced and the fisherman could see the Soviet crewmen cutting at the entangling cables with hammer and chisels. The submarine was later towed toward Murmansk by Soviet rescue ships.	
905	01/May/76	In May fuel oil leaks into the lower level of the ballistic missile magazine aboard the USS Proteus (AS-19) while the ship is in Apra Harbour, Guam. According to the Navy, the leak was detected by magazine personnel and stopped.	AS= Submarine Tender

906	01/May/76	The Sixth Fleet flagship USS Little Rock (CG-4) experiences a casualty in the main engine lube oil system in the Tyrrhenian Sea. On 2 May it enters Naples for repairs.	CG= Cruiser Guided Missile
907	02/May/76	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Warspite suffers a fire in a diesel generating room while berthed in Royal Seaforth Dock, Crosby on the Mersey, U.K., injuring three. The Ministry of Defence says "There is absolutely no nuclear hazard." Originally it is anticipated that its patrol would be delayed one week. However, in January 1979 it is reported that the fire was caused by a failure of a coupling on a lubricating oil pipe, which allowed oil to be sprayed over a diesel generator. And, that repairs were still believed to be continuing at a cost of £5,194,000 GBP. Wow, some cost!	
908	08/May/76	The USS Corry (DD-817) while sailing outbound on the Delaware River is struck on the starboard side by the West German merchantman Mormannia. The Corry suffers minor hull damage above the waterline with no personnel injuries.	DD=Destroyer.
909	31/May/76	The USS Vesole (DD-878) suffers a fire while moored alongside a pier at Taranto, Italy. It was started by a yard worker welding on the base of the Number 1 stack. Electrical cables were shorted and the destroyer's operational capability was affected. There were no injuries.	DD=Destroyer.
910	09/Jun/76	The USS Wabash (AOR-5) and USS Flint (AE-32) collide while conducting towing exercises about 900 nautical miles northwest of Hawaii. Both ships continue onward to a western Pacific deployment. AOR=Replenishment Oiler;	AE=Ammunition Ship
911	01/Jul/76	The Norwegian fishing trawler Sjoviksnags the bow of a Soviet November class nuclear-powered attack submarine and is dragged backward for about a mile in the Barents Sea north of the Soviet naval base at Murmansk. The submarine surfaces, cuts itself free, and proceeds on the surface toward Murmansk.	
912	02/Jul/76	A fire breaks out in the main engine room of the USS Kilauea (AE-26), while it is drydocked for overhaul at Richmond, Virginia.	AE=Ammunition Ship
913	11/Aug/76	The Royal Navy patrol vessel HMS Reward collides with the freighter Plainsman and sinks off the coast of Scotland. All 40 crewmen are rescued.	
914	25/Aug/76	The USS Conyngham (DDG-17) and USS Josephus Daniels (CG-27) are in a minor collision during "National Week 21" exercises in the western Mediterranean.	DDG=Destroyer Guided Missile CG=Cruiser Guided Missile

915	25/Aug/76	The USS Pollack (SSN-603) snags the nets of Japanese fishing boats in the eastern channel of the Tsushima Strait. Two boats cut away and abandon their nets. The Pollack suffers no major damage and there is no known damage to the fishing boats.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear
916	28/Aug/76	A Soviet Echo II class nuclear-powered cruise missile submarine strikes the USS Voge (FF-1047) with its sail on the port quarter below the helicopter hangar, about 150 miles southwest of Souda Bay, Crete. The submarine departs the area under its own power to the Kithera Anchorage off Greece escorted by Soviet ships. The Voge suffers split bulkheads, buckled plating, and a damaged propeller and is towed to Souda Bay by the Moinster (FF-1097) and Preserver (ARS-8). The submarine damages its sail. In September the Voge is towed to Toulon, France. On 7 September the U.S. State Department announces that the U.S. and Soviet Union had exchanged notes, each blaming the other for the collision.	FF= Frigate ARS=Rescue Salvage Ship;
917	01/Sep/76	The Turkish diesel submarine Dumlupinar and the freighter Fizik Vavilov collide in the Dardanelles, no reported casualties.	
918	14/Sep/76	The USS Raleigh (LPD-1) leaves Moorehead City, North Carolina, after a week's delay caused by inoperative feed pumps to participate in the "Teamwork" exercises off Norway. While crossing the Atlantic, the ship experiences further engineering problems, causing the ship to be diverted to Plymouth, U.K. The ship arrives 24 September for two weeks of repairs to the feed pumps before sailing on 9 October.	LPD= Landing Platform Dock
919	14/Sep/76	The USS Bordelon (DD-881) experiences steering control difficulties during refuelling and collides with the USS John F. Kennedy (CV-67) 75 miles northwest of Scapa Flow, Scotland, causing topside damage to the Bordelon and injuring six. Damage to the Kennedy is minor. The Bordelon proceeds to Plymouth, U.K., for repairs before going to the United States. The Navy subsequently decommissions the ship because repairs would be too expensive.	Destroyer.
920	20/Sep/76	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Mermaid and the minesweeper HMS Fittleton collide during the NATO exercise "Teamwork 76" in the North Sea. The Fittleton capsizes and sinks, killing 12.	
921	24/Sep/76	The Royal Navy Guided Missile destroyer HMS Glasgow suffers a fire while being fitted out at Swan Hunter Tyneside yard, Newcastle-Upon-Tyne, U.K., killing eight workmen.	

922	01/Oct/76	According to raw CIA intelligence reports, during October the launch compartment of a Soviet nuclear submarine of unknown class catches fire in the Atlantic. Three officers are reported killed. The submarine is able to return to port under its own power.	
923	08/Oct/76	A Japanese fishing vessel snags a Soviet Charlie class nuclear-powered cruise missile submarine off the Kamchatka Peninsula. The fishing boat is dragged backward until it reels in its nets and the submarine surfaces. The nets are cut to free the submarine.	
924	02/Nov/76	A major explosion takes place in a boiler of the USS Ponchatoula (AO-148) in port at Pearl Harbour, Hawaii. The explosion blows out the side and back wall of the Number 2 boiler.	AO= Fleet Oiler
925	19/Dec/76	A F-14 Tomcat aircraft misses a landing on the USS Enterprise (CVN-65), and its wingtip strikes two other aircraft on the flight deck before it veers out of control and crashes into the South China Sea.	CVN= Fleet Aircraft carrier Nuclear Powered
926	31/Dec/76	In 1976 a barge carrying 500-lb. bombs breaks away from the USS Detroit (AOE-4) and floats down the York River, Virginia. The barge was stopped after 30 minutes and no damage was reported.	AOE= Fast Combat Support Ship
927	31/Dec/76	According to raw CIA intelligence reports, during 1976 a sailor who had served on board a Soviet nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine of unknown class dies of "excessive exposure to radiation." He was exposed to radiation on board through his own negligence at least a year prior to his death and was in and out of hospitals before being permanently hospitalized in 1975.	
928	02/Jan/77	A Pakistani midget submarine is lost off Karachi, Pakistan, killing eight.	
929	02/Jan/77	The USS Mizar (T-AGOR-11) suffers a casualty to the port main propulsion drive shafting while en route to Karachi, Pakistan, to participate in Arabian Sea survey operations.	T-AGOR= Oceanographic Research Ship
930	12/Jan/77	The USS Franklin D. Roosevelt (CV-42) collides with the Liberian freighter Oceanusas the Roosevelt proceeds south through the Strait of Messina. Both ships are able to proceed to port under their own power.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
931	17/Jan/77	An LCM-6 landing boat from the USS Trenton (LPD-14) carrying more than 100 marines and sailors returning from liberty overturns in a collision with the Spanish freighter Urieain Barcelona harbour, Spain, killing 48.	LCM=Landing Craft Mechanised LPD=Landing Platform Dock
932	08/Feb/77	A fire breaks out in the engine room of the USS Preserver (ARS-8) near the Bahamas. The ship is towed by the USS Bowen (FF-1079) to Mayport, Florida, for repairs.	ARS=Rescue Salvage Ship FF=Frigate
933	08/Feb/77	A minor boiler explosion occurs aboard the USS Fanning(FF-1076) as the ship operates 15 miles from San Francisco, California, injuring three.	FF=Frigate

934	11/Feb/77	The USS Barnstable County (LST-1197) collides with the moored Liberian ship Pountenteswhile clearing berth under pilot control at Curaco, Netherlands Antilles, resulting in minor damage.	LST= Landing Ship Tank
935	20/Feb/77	The USS Ranger (CV-61) experiences a Class Alpha fire in the anchor machinery room while drydocked at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Washington.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
936	12/Mar/77	The USS Mauna Kea (AE-22) loses propulsion because of a mechanical failure in the Number 1 boiler while en route from Guam to Okinawa. It enters Apra harbour, Guam, the next day under tow.	AE= Ammunition Ship
937	16/Mar/77	The USS Manley (DD-940) suffers a flash-back in a mount during gunnery exercises off Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, injuring four. The mount is placed out of commission due to fire and water damage when a second powder casing explodes after the mount is evacuated.	DD= Destroyer
938	18/Mar/77	The USS Hepburn (FF-1055) suffers a Class Alpha fire caused by spontaneous combustion of refuse while off San Diego, California.	FF= Frigate
939	18/Mar/77	The Royal Navy coastal minesweeper HMS Maxton accidentally fires at the Royal Navy frigate HMS Achilles off the Scottish coast when live shells instead of blanks are used in a practice firing. Two shells hit and cause moderate damage to the Achilles.	
940	03/Mar/77	The USS Dyess (DD-880) suffers a wardroom fire apparently caused by arson while in port at Mayport, Florida. There is minor damage.	DD= Destroyer
941	24/Mar/77	An inquest records accidental death verdicts for three sailors who died in an engine room fire aboard the Royal Navy frigate HMS Ashanti.	
942	07/Apr/77	All nine ships in U.S. Navy Task Group 21.2 including the USS Independence (CV-62) suffer varying amounts of damage when they encounter a storm with 20-foot seas about 1,000 miles west of Rota, Spain. Some Independence planes land at Lajes Air Base in the Azores.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
943	20/Apr/77	The USS Independence (CV-62) and the USS Truckee (AO-147) collide in the Tyrrhenian Sea during underway replenishment when the Truckee loses steering control.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier AO=Fleet Oiler
944	14/May/77	The USS Neches (T-AO-183) runs aground in the inner anchorage at Port Suez, Egypt, while awaiting a pilot. It is refloated three days later following four failed attempts.	AO=Fleet Oiler
945	19/May/77	The USS Mizar (T-AGOR-11) suffers an engine room explosion and fire while west of Sumatra, Indonesia. The ship proceeds on one engine to Singapore for repairs.	T-AGOR= Oceanographic Research Ship
946	29/May/77	The USS Sampson (DDG-10) runs aground at the entrance to San Juan, Puerto Rico, but is cleared within an hour by the ship's engines and one tug. The sonar dome is slightly damaged.	DDG= Destroyer Guided Missile

947	06/Jun/77	Several U.S. Navy ships, including the USS California (CGN-36) and the USS El Paso (LKA-117), part their moorings and suffer minor damage during high winds in the Norfolk, Virginia, area.	CGN=Cruiser Guided Missile Nuclear Powered; LHA=Amphibious Cargo Ship
948	15/Jun/77	The USS Trippe (FF-1075) suffers damage to its sonar dome during a search and rescue operation for a crashed Kuwaiti helicopter in the Persian Gulf.	FF= Frigate
949	12/Jul/77	The USS Rich (DD-820) and the USS Caloosahatchee (AO-98) collide north of the U.S. Virgin Islands following underway replenishment when the Rich loses steering control, strikes the oiler's starboard bow, and then continues across the bow raking the Rich's port side. The Rich is escorted to Mayport, Florida.	DD=Destroyer AO=Fleet Oiler
950	20/Jul/77	The USS Direct (MSO-430) is badly damaged by a two-hour engine room fire about 120 miles southeast of Newport, Rhode Island, and is taken under tow to Newport where it arrives the next day.	MSO= Minesweeper
951	22/Jul/77	The USS Henry L. Stimson (SSBN-655) fouls the fishing nets of a Spanish trawler while undergoing refresher training in the Rota area off Spain.	SSBN= Submarine Nuclear Powered ICBM Launcher Polaris/Trident
952	06/Aug/77	A major Class Bravo fire occurs in the forward engine room of USS Hunley (AS-31) while the ship is part of the Atlantic Fleet. "The excellent response of the Duty Damage Control Party and action of other individuals on board limited the fire to the forward engine room and extinguished it 25 minutes from its start. Fire, smoke, and/or firefighting water damaged the Number 2 main engine, Numbers 1 and 2 main propulsion generators, Numbers 1 and 2 ship service generators, Numbers 1 and 2 low pressure air compressors, Number 2 force draft blower, Number 2 evaporator and salinity indicating system, plus runs of electrical cable in the vicinity of the fire. The forward switchboard, 1S, was grounded by firefighting water rendering the forward part of the ship without normal electrical power."	AS=Submarine Tender
953	23/Aug/77	While the USS Saratoga (CV-60) is en route to the Strait of Messina, an aerosol can explodes in the Number 2 incinerator of the ship, causing a fire which threatens the aircraft of Hangar Bay Number 2. According to the Navy, "The fast and professional reaction of the crew and the decision to call away GQ [General Quarters] can be directly credited for the successful handling of the potential disaster."	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
954	20/Sep/77	The USS Ray (SSN-653) strikes the bottom south of Sardinia, Italy, damaging its bow area. The Ray surfaces and proceeds to La Maddalena naval base on Sardinia escorted by the USS Grayling (SSN-646).	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear

955	29/Sep/77	The USS Archerfish (SSN-678) and USS Philadelphia (SSN-690) collide stern to stern at slow speeds at the Groton submarine base, Connecticut, with minor damage reported.	SSN Attack Submarine Nuclear
956	06/Oct/77	The USS Saratoga (CV-60) collides with the Austrian container ship Ville d'Orient in the Strait of Messina with no injuries and minor damage reported.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier
957	12/Oct/77	The USS Sealift Atlantic (T-AO-172) becomes dead in the water about 800 miles northeast of Puerto Rico after suffering a propeller casualty. On 15 October the ship is placed under tow by the USS Gear (T-ARS-34) headed toward Puerto Rico.	AO=Fleet Oiler; ARS=Rescue Salvage Ship
958	27/Oct/77	A seaman is acquitted of starting fires on the Royal Navy frigate HMS Gurkha.	
959	24/Nov/77	The Washington Post reports NATO sources believe that the Soviet Navy is experiencing trouble with its Yak-36 V/STOL aircraft after an incident where the flight deck of the Kiev assault ship was set on fire by one of the aircraft. The Kiev itself had only been at sea for two weeks since deployment to the Northern Fleet in Fall 1976.	
960	04/Dec/77	The USS W.S. Sims (FF-1059) loses power after a boiler casualty results in the loss of a generator during training 70 miles south of Bermuda. The frigate is able to get underway for Mayport, Florida, after the USS Ainsworth (FF-1090) rigs emergency power from alongside.	FF= Frigates
961	06/Dec/77	The USS Pintado (SSN-672) sustains damage to the top of its rudder in a minor collision with a South Korean Navy ship during exercises off Korea. The Pintado initiated emergency deep dive procedures when the surface ship turned toward the submarine at close range.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
962	31/Dec/77	Around 1977, according to a report in The Virginian-Pilot and The Ledger-Star, 40 to 50 gallons of primary coolant spill from the USS California (CGN-36) while the ship is in Norfolk, Virginia.	CGN= Cruiser Guided Missile Nuclear Powered
963	31/Dec/77	According to raw CIA intelligence reports, in 1977 a Soviet nuclear-powered submarine suffers an internal fire while in the Indian Ocean. The submarine is forced to surface in an attempt to fight the fire which takes several days to extinguish. A Soviet trawler subsequently tows the submarine to a port near Vladivostok.	
964	12/Dec/77	According to raw CIA intelligence reports, in 1977 about 12 Soviet naval officers serving on a nuclear-powered submarine in the Atlantic return to Leningrad via an Aeroflot flight from Canada. The reason for the return was not announced but it was known at the time that these officers were taken from a Soviet submarine in the Atlantic by a Soviet fishing trawler and subsequently transported to Canada where they boarded the plane. The CIA sources suggest this may have been a medical emergency connected with radiation exposure.	

965	31/Dec/77	Sometime during 1976-77, the Royal Navy nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine HMS Repulse suffers a fire, causing 200,000 pounds sterling damage.	
966	01/Jan/78	The French Navy escort vessel Duperreis pulled off by a tug after it runs aground in a storm off Brittany at night. The ship is towed into Brest, France.	
967	15/Jan/78	An A-7 Corsair II aircraft crashes upon landing aboard the USS Forrestal (CV-59) while the carrier operates about 50 miles off St. Augustine, Florida, killing one and injuring ten.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
968	18/Jan/78	The USS Cree (ATF-84) is struck by three Mark 82 bombs near a target ship during exercises by planes of the USS Enterprise (CVN-65) off San Diego, California. Two explosions close to the Cree cause flooding while a third lodges in the starboard side and is later defused by an explosives ordnance disposal team. The tug is taken in tow after damage control teams control the flooding.	ATF=Fleet Ocean Tug; CVN=Fleet Aircraft Carrier Nuclear Powered
969	27/Feb/78	The USS L.Y. Spear (AS-36) and the Liberian merchant ship Zephyros receive minor damage in a collision in the Mississippi River.	AS=Submarine Tender
970	01/Apr/78	The USS Sealift Mediterranean (T-AO-173) runs aground off Rondo Island, Indonesia, about 30 nautical miles off Sumatra's northwestern tip.	AO= Fleet Oiler
971	03/Apr/78	The USS Fort Snelling (LSD-30) and the USS Waccamaw (T-AO-109) receive structural damage in a collision north of Corsica, France, when the Waccamaw loses steering control during refuelling. Both proceed under their own power to Naples, Italy, for repairs.	LSD=Landing Ship Dock; AO=Feet Oiler
972	25/Apr/78	The USS Concord (AFS-5) is badly damaged by a fire in its cargo spaces while moored at Palma de Majorca, Spain. One hundred and five people are treated for smoke inhalation and minor burns.	AFS= Combat Stores Ship
973	03/May/78	The USS Dewey (DDG-45) suffers a fire which damages the missile fire control system while in port at Naples, Italy.	DDG= Destroyer Guided Missile
974	14/May/78	While surfacing in the western Pacific the USS Darter (SS-576) suffers flooding when about 45,000 pounds of seawater enter the engine room after a snorkel head valve fails. The USS Schofield (FFG-3) escorts the submarine toward Yokosuka, Japan. It arrives 19 May for repairs.	SS=Submarine FFG=Frigate Guided Missile
975	23/May/78	While workers are draining a piping system aboard the USS Puffer (SSN-652), radioactive water spills on the drydock surface at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Bremerton, Washington. A Navy spokesmen says that "less than 5 gallons" of slightly radioactive water spilled as the workers were draining the liquid into two five-gallon plastic containers, a routine operation. The spill, says the Navy, was due to the inattention of the personnel doing the draining. The water being drained reportedly was part of the submarine's secondary cooling	

		<p>system. The drydock drain was contaminated, but was closed before any spillage escaped into the sea. According to the Navy, no workers were contaminated. Shipyard employees disputed the Navy's account, saying that the spill was much bigger, about 100 gallons; that response to the spill was slow; and that several workers suffered skin contamination. These reports could not be verified. Subsequently a contaminated 15-by 20-foot section of drydock is jackhammered up, sealed in drums and shipped to a nuclear waste site in Hanford, Washington.</p>	
976	26/May/78	<p>About two cups of radioactive water leak from a pipe fitting aboard the USS Aspro (SSN-648) while the submarine is in the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Washington, when a worker fails to shut a valve tightly. According to the Navy, no personnel suffered skin exposure, but the worker detected a small spot of radioactivity on his pants, which was removed and disposed of as radioactive waste. No radioactivity escaped to the outside environment.</p>	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
977	31/May/78	<p>The USS Midway (CV-41) suffers a fire which originates in the exhaust ventilation system, quickly spreads through the 3A boiler uptakes on the second deck, and terminates in the main uptake space, while it is docked in Yokosuka, Japan. The cause of the fire is later thought to be welding in a vent system containing a fine oil mist which ignited and spread.</p>	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
978	16/Jun/78	<p>The propeller shaft of the USS Tullibee (SSN-597) snaps just outside the hull causing limited engine room flooding and loss of propulsion while it is submerged in the Mediterranean. The flooding is stopped by tightening the emergency packing on the propeller shaft. The submarine quickly surfaces and is assisted by other U.S. naval vessels. Subsequently it is towed to Rota, Spain, for repairs.</p>	SSN= AttackSubmarine Nuclear
979	19/Jul/78	<p>A helicopter crashes after striking the Royal Navy guided missile destroyer HMS Devonshire while executing a flyby of the ship during an air display off the U.K. This, I'll vouch for, was the reason why the pilot was sent [in shame] to HMS Mercury to be the XL = Executive Lieutenant, runner for the first lieutenant of the Establishment. See this section of the RN Comms Museum to recall the issues raised. Click here first <a href="https://www.commsmuseum.co.uk/dykes/mobfuneral/mobfuneral.htm">https://www.commsmuseum.co.uk/dykes/mobfuneral/mobfuneral.htm</a> and then scroll down[and a long way down] to a para which begins with " each document has many more pages". In the text in that section, you will see the story of the operational order 'XL' and why he lost his job at Mountbatten's Royal Ceremonial Funeral.</p>	

980	25/Jul/78	The USS Opportune(ARS-41) is struck by a dummy training round fired from a U.S. destroyer south of Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, while towing a target sled during gunnery exercises.	ARS=Rescue Salvage Ship
981	19/Aug/78	A Soviet Echo II class nuclear-powered cruise missile submarine is sighted dead in the water near Rockall Bank 140 miles northwest of Scotland after experiencing problems with her nuclear power plant. On 20 August a U.S. P-3 Orion aircraft observes the submarine under tow to the Soviet Union south of the Faroe Islands. The exact cause of the problem and the number of possible personnel casualties is unknown.	
982	21/Aug/78	While operating in the Mediterranean, the crew of the USS Forrestal (CV-59) is called to general quarters about noon due to widespread smoke reported on the third deck amidships. Shortly afterwards, burning boxes are discovered in a fourth deck storeroom. The fire is put out within ten minutes of the initial alarm.	Fleet Aircraft Carrier.
983	27/Sep/78	The USS Detector (MSO-429) suffers a fire in the main engine room ten miles south of New London, Connecticut, and is towed to Newport, Rhode Island.	MSO= Minesweeper
984	28/Sep/78	The USS General H.H. Arnold (T-AGM-9) is adrift for several hours about 300 nautical miles northwest of Adak, Alaska, in the Bering Sea after failure of the main reduction gear bearing.	AGM=Missile Range Instrumentation Ship
985	29/Sep/78	The USS Fairfax County (LST-1193) suffers extensive damage to its Number 3 engine room and second division berthing compartment in a major fire while en route to Naples, Italy. Two crewmembers are injured and the ship is placed in tow.	LST= Landing Ship Tank
986	19/Oct/78	The commander of the Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Oracle is reprimanded for allowing his ship to touch bottom during trials in the narrow Loch Fyne, Strathclyde, Scotland. The bump dented four torpedo tubes, but the hull remained intact and the submarine rose safely to the surface. The submarine was running deeper than usual to avoid a yacht on the surface, but failed to monitor how close it was to the bottom.	
987	31/Oct/78		
		The Royal Navy frigate HMS Minerva suffers an explosion.	
988	01/Nov/78	In November the Royal Navy fleet auxiliary RFA Hebe suffers a fire started by a crewmen while at the Gibraltar naval base.	
989	02/Nov/78	The Greek trawler Ayos Nikolaos sinks after colliding with a Turkish gunboat in the Mediterranean, killing one.	
990	20/Nov/78	The USS Coral Sea (CV-43) suffers a fire of unknown origin while moored at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Washington, which causes damage to the medical and dental spaces.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier

991	21/Nov/78	The USS Saratoga (CV-60) and the USS Waccamaw (T-AO-109) collide during refuelling operations 50 miles south of Crete, with only minor damage and no injuries.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier T-AO=Fleet Oiler
992	04/Dec/78	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Olympus dives too slowly and is struck by an unknown merchant ship in the Portland, U.K., exercise area.	
993	06/Dec/78	The USS Ranger (CV-61) experiences an explosion and flash fire during fleet exercises off Baja California which result in minor burns to nine crewmen.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
994	13/Dec/78	The Royal Navy helicopter carrier HMS Hermes is damaged by fire in a mess deck. Damage is not severe.	
995	17/Jan/79	A mechanic who helped to contain a steam burst after an explosion in the engine room aboard the Royal Navy nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine HMS Revenge wins the Queen's Gallantry Medal. He crawled along a foot-wide catwalk below a hot cloud of escaping high-pressure steam as he searched for the leak in the turbo-generator room.	
996	22/Jan/79	The USS Aylwin (FF-1081) suffers a disabling casualty and is towed to Charleston, South Carolina, by the USS Petrel (ASR-14).	FF=Frigate ASR= Submarine Rescue Ship
997	01/Feb/79	In February a fire breaks out in the forward boiler room of the USS Manley (DD-940) during preparation to get underway from Mayport, Florida. Twelve men are injured, one later dies and the cost is put at \$75 million. r	DD=Destroye
998	03/Feb/79	The USS Davidson (FF-1045) loses power after a brief fire puts out a boiler in the Philippine Sea. The frigate is towed to Subic Bay where it arrives five day later.	FF= Frigate
999	01/Mar/79	The French diesel submarine Marsouinis caught in the nets of the French trawler St. Blaise off Brittany. Neither vessel is damaged.	
1000	04/Mar/79	The USS Francis Marion (LPA-249) is holed above the waterline and receives structural damage when it is struck by the Greek bulk carrier Starlight near the entrance to Chesapeake Bay off Cape Henry, Virginia.	LPA=Landing Platform Amphibious
1001	07/Mar/79	The USS Alexander Hamilton (SSBN-617) becomes tangled in the nets of a Scottish fishing trawler in the sound of Jura off the west coast of Scotland. The Hamilton tows the trawler backward for about 45 minutes until the nets are cut. No injuries or serious damage result.	Submarine Nuclear propelled and ICBM Launchers Polaris and Trident.
1002	14/Mar/79	The USS Wainwright (CG-28) runs aground for six hours in Charleston harbour, South Carolina, near the Mount Pleasant Range.	Cruiser Guided Missile.
1003	28/Mar/79	The USS Independence (CV-62) experiences a brief control room fire in the Roosevelt Roads area off Puerto Rico. Thirty people suffer from minor smoke inhalation.	Fleet Aircraft Carrier.
1004	29/Mar/79	The USS Ranger (CV-61) suffers a main engine turbine casualty requiring extensive repair while training in the Subic Bay operations area off the Philippines.	Fleet Aircraft Carrier

1005	06/Apr/79	The USS Ranger (CV-61) sustains substantial damage in a collision with the Liberian tanker Fortune near the eastern approaches to the Strait of Malacca. There are no injuries and the Ranger heads toward Subic Bay while the tanker, holed in the port side from the main deck to the waterline, is towed to Singapore. On 20 April the Ranger voyages to Yokosuka, Japan, after completing interim repairs to her bow.	Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1006	09/Apr/79	Five fires set by an arsonist aboard the USS John F. Kennedy (CV-67) kill one shipyard worker and injure 34 other people while the carrier undergoes overhaul at Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Virginia.	Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1007	27/Apr/79	The USS Pargo (SSN-650) is briefly grounded while entering New London, Connecticut, harbour in heavy fog.	Attack Submarine Nuclear
1008	09/May/79	The USS Savannah (AOR-4) collides with the USS Forrestal (CV-59) after suffering a gyro casualty while servicing the Forrestal in the Caribbean. Both ships suffer minor damage with no personnel casualties.	AOR=Replenishment Oiler CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1009	11/May/79	Primary coolant water leaks from one of the two nuclear reactors aboard the USS Nimitz (CVN-68). A Navy spokesman says there was no release of radioactivity, no danger to the core, and no danger to the ship's crew. The ship was operating off the Virginia coast.	CVN=Fleet Aircraft Carrier Nuclear Powered
1010	14/May/79	The USS Cook (FF-1083) and the USS Mars (AFS-1) collide off Point Loma near San Diego, California, injuring seven.	FF=Frigate AFS=Combat Stores Ship
1011	24/May/79	The USS Andrew Jackson (SSBN-619) incurs slight damage to its rudder when it runs aground briefly while entering the New London, Connecticut, harbour in reduced visibility.	SSBN=Submarine Nuclear Powered ICBM Launcher Polaris/Trident
1012	26/May/79	The USS Gray's (FF-1054) living barge receives structural damage of over \$1,000,000 in a fire caused by arson while the ship is berthed at Todd Pacific Shipyard, Seattle, Washington.	FF=Frigate
1013	04/Jun/79	The USS George Washington Carver (SSBN-656) snags the nets of a Spanish fishing vessel and drags the boat through the water off Rota, Spain.	SSBN=Submarine Nuclear Powered ICBM Launcher Polaris/Trident
1014	04/Jun/79	The USS Woodrow Wilson (SSBN-624) runs aground in heavy fog at Race Rock while en route to New London, Connecticut. The submarine backs off and proceeds to port for inspection and damage assessment.	SSBN=Submarine Nuclear Powered ICBM Launcher Polaris/Trident
1015	05/Jun/79	Two fires break out aboard the USS John F. Kennedy (CV-67) at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Virginia, but cause no injuries or significant damage.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier

1016	12/Jun/79	A Mk 48 conventional torpedo jams between loading equipment and a bulkhead when a chain breaks on the loading mechanism allowing the torpedo to drop several feet aboard the USS Memphis (SSN-691) docked at the Norfolk Naval Station, Virginia. The torpedo is removed two days later. It did not have a triggering device, but Navy sources say had it exploded it easily could have sunk the submarine.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear
1017	20/Jun/79	The USS Hawkbill (SSN-666) reactor's primary coolant system develops a leak while the submarine is on manoeuvres in Hawaiian waters which lasts for four days. Originally the leak is about two gallons an hour, but by the time the submarine docks at Pearl Harbour, Hawaii, on 23 June, the leak has been reduced to three-quarters an hour. On 24 June it is stopped. The Navy says none of the water escaped, as it was captured and stored in tanks designed for such contingencies and that none of the crew was in danger. Supplemental coolant water was pumped in to prevent overheating. According to the Navy, "The leakage was caused by normal wear of inside parts of valves. Such leaks happen occasionally."	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear
1018	21/Jun/79	The USS Enterprise (CVN-65), under overhaul at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, sustains a two-hour Class Alpha fire in a catapult room, machine shop, and passageway.	CVN=Fleet Carrier Nuclear Powered
1019	26/Jun/79	The USS Forrestal (CV-59) suffers three minor fires while in Mayport, Florida. Arson is suspected.	CV=
1020	29/Jun/79	A steward is sentenced for setting fires aboard the Royal Navy frigate HMS Sirius while docked at Devonport, U.K.	
1021	03/Jul/79	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Onyx is freed from the fishing nets of a stationary trawler off Holy Island in the Firth of Clyde, Scotland.	
1022	03/Jul/79	While at Norfolk Naval Shipyard, a fire sweeps through two berthing spaces aboard the USS Iwo Jima (LPH-2), injuring five. A sailor is arrested on arson charges on 6 July.	LPH=Landing Platform Helicopter
1023	06/Jul/79	The USS Lexington (AVT-16) suffers a Class Alpha fire off Pensacola, Florida, and is dead in the water for over an hour when all boilers are shut down as a result.	AVT=Auxiliary Aircraft Transport
1024	12/Jul/79	The USS Sealift China Sea (T-AO-170) loses power over 150 nautical miles off Subic Bay, Philippines, as a result of an engine casualty. The USS Beaufort (ATS-2) is directed to rendezvous and render assistance.	T-AO=Fleet Oiler ATS=Salvage and Rescue Ship
1025	13/Jul/79	The USS Conyngham(DDG-17) suffers two minor fires on consecutive days in the First Division Berthing Compartment and the Anchor Windlass Room. An investigation leads to the arrest of an arsonist on 14 July, the day of the second fire.	DDG=Destroyer Guided Missile

1026	07/Aug/79	The USS Comte de Grasse (DD-974) incurs extensive smoke damage in a three-hour engine room fire while berthed at Norfolk, Virginia.	DD=Destroyer
1027	09/Aug/79	A fire, caused by a broken acetylene line, breaks out aboard the USS Midway (CV-41) while berthed at Yokosuka, Japan, killing one worker and injuring 17 sailors.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1028	19/Sep/79	The Dutch diesel submarine Tonijn experiences a fire in the port engine room and loses power while en route for Naples, Italy. The USS Harlan County (LST-1196) leaves Cartagena, Spain, to provide towing assistance to Gibraltar.	LST=Landing Ship Tank
1029	06/Nov/79	Two reserve officers are reprimanded after the Royal Navy coastal minesweeper HMS Alfriston runs aground.	
1030	16/Dec/79	Storm-force winds over southern England cause a giant crane at the Royal Navy Devonport dockyard to collapse. Thousands of pounds sterling damage to the Royal Navy frigates HMS Minerva and HMS Ambuscade result.	
1031	03/Jan/80	The Malaysian oil tanker Santo Prestige loses power and collides with the USS Milwaukee (AOR-2) moored at portside in Norfolk, Virginia. The collision results in a 40-by 15-foot gash in the hull of the Milwaukee.	AOR=Replenishment Oiler
1032	04/Jan/80	The USS Pecos (AO-65) collides with the moored USS Bradley (FF-1041) at Terminal Island, Los Angeles, California, injuring one, and causing minor damage to the Bradley and a two-foot hole in the Pecos.	AO=Fleet Oiler and Frigate
1033	16/Jan/80	The USS Okinawa (LPH-3) is placed in tow when it suffers an engineering casualty. The casualty is corrected on 18 January.	LPH=Landing Platform Helicopter
1034	05/Feb/80	The USS Inchon (LPH-12) collides with the USS Spiegel Grove (LSD-32) while refuelling in the Atlantic while en route to the Mediterranean Sea, with reportedly no injuries and only minor damage.	LPH Landing Platform Helicopter
1035	03/Mar/80	The USS William H. Standley (CG-32) sustains a ruptured tube casualty to the Number 1B boiler during exercises off the Strait of Hormuz and proceeds to the U.S. Navy Facility at Diego Garcia.	CH=Cruiser Guided Missile
1036	18/Apr/80	A Soviet Mirka class frigate collides with the Danish minesweeper Fyen in the Baltic Sea during Warsaw Pact exercises. The Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs protests the incident, but receives no formal reply.	
1037	05/May/80	Two West German Navy ships collide in the Mediterranean off Toulon, France; no injuries.	
1038	13/May/80	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Onyx runs aground in Portsmouth harbour, U.K. It takes a tug 20 minutes to pull the ship free.	
1039	04/Jun/80	A lieutenant on the Royal Navy frigate HMS Nubian is reprimanded for negligence following a collision with a Dutch ship.	

1040	26/Jun/80	The USS Constellation (CV-64) collides with a Bangladesh merchant ship in the Arabian Sea. The U.S. Navy says there was minor damage to both ships.	Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1041	08/Jul/80	The small Danish Home Guard cutter MHV 94 is rammed by the East German minesweeper Kometnine miles south of Gedser, Denmark, in the Baltic Sea. The collision causes severe damage to the front of the cutter. Denmark protests to East Germany over incident.	
1042	20/Jul/80	The USS Gurnard (SSN-662) spills 30 gallons of water containing radioactive material into San Diego Bay, California. A Navy spokesman says the leak occurred when a crewman of the Gurnard accidentally opened a valve allowing the water to escape. The spokesman said a water sample was taken and there was no increase in the general background radioactive level in the area where the spill happened.	Attack Submarine Nuclear
1043	26/Jul/80	The Royal Navy patrol boat HMS Sabre crashes at Alderney, Channel Islands, in the English Channel.	
1044	08/Aug/80	The USS Midway (CV-41) collides with the Panamanian merchant ship Cactus while transiting the passage between Palawan Island of the Philippines and the coast of Northern Borneo 450 nautical miles southwest of Subic Bay en route to Singapore. The Midway, the U.S. Navy says, sustained no serious damage although two U.S. sailors were killed, three were injured, and three F-4 Phantom aircraft parked on the flight deck were damaged.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1045	12/Aug/80	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Sovereign breaks down during routine tests in Plymouth Sound, U.K. According to the Royal Navy the breakdown was caused by a "minor mechanical defect." The submarine was towed back to Devonport, U.K.	

1046	21/Aug/80	A Soviet Echo class nuclear-powered submarine suffers a serious casualty and loses power about 85 miles off the east coast of Okinawa. At least nine crewmembers are believed to have died from a probable fire in the propulsion spaces. A Soviet freighter arrives to evacuate the crew and a tugboat is readied to tow the submarine to Vladivostok escorted by several warships. The next day Japan advises ships to avoid the area, citing possible radiation leaks and refuses to allow the submarine to pass through Japanese territorial waters unless Moscow guarantees there are no nuclear weapons aboard and no danger of radiation leaks. The Soviets initially refuse to guarantee the safety of the reactor and enter Japanese waters despite Japan's warnings. But on 24 August, Moscow acquiesces to Japan's demands concerning safety, and informs Japan there was no radioactive leakage or nuclear weapons on board. Subsequently, Japanese examination of air and water in the area reportedly finds evidence of radioactive contamination.	
1047	31/Aug/80	In late August some cracks in the USS Vulcan's (AR-5) outer hull which allow oil seepage are discovered. These are repaired while the ship is in Norfolk, Virginia, and afterward the ship sails for Norway.	AR=Repair Ship
1048	09/Sep/80	The USS Valdez (FF-1096) suffers a material failure to the ship's sole gyro compass following a departure from Antwerp, Belgium. The ship operates on magnetic compass only for the next six weeks, throughout exercise "Teamwork 80." This degrades the performance of weapons systems and satellite navigation, and makes refuelling at sea more complicated.	FF=Frigate
1049	01/Dec/80	In December the Royal Navy frigate HMS Amazon strikes a coral reef off Belize in the Caribbean.	
1050	01/Dec/80	In December, the Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Dreadnought suffers serious machinery damage -- reportedly cracks in the secondary cooling system -- which necessitate a complete reactor shutdown. This damage and troubles with scheduling a refit lead to a decision to retire the aging submarine.	
1051	03/Dec/80	During a test, about 150 gallons of low-level radioactive water leak from a faulty valve on the USS Hawkbill (SSN-666) undergoing overhaul at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Washington. Five workers receive low-level radioactive contamination. A Navy spokesman says they received a dose of radiation "less than that typically received by a chest X-ray."	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear

1052	03/Dec/80	The USS America (CV-66) and USS Caloosahatchee (AO-98) collide during an underway replenishment manoeuvre 250 miles east of Charleston, South Carolina, when the oiler loses rudder control. Despite an emergency breakaway, the America suffers minor damage to a catwalk, a storage compartment, and a flight deck safety net rail. But there are no injuries and both ships continue operations.	CV=Fleet Aircraft AO=Carrier and Fleet Oiler
1053	10/Jan/81	The USS Biddle (CG-34) and USS Raleigh (LPD-1) are slightly damaged when the Biddle strikes the moored Raleigh while approaching a pier in Norfolk, Virginia.	CG=Cruiser Guided Missile LPD=Landing Platform Dock
1054	23/Jan/81	The USS Birmingham (SSN-695) suffers a failed sonar dome while operating in the Mediterranean and is ordered into Gibraltar for damage assessment. On 30 January the ship is in Gibraltar for repairs.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear
1055	27/Jan/81	The USS Guam (LPH-9) suffers a minor fire of suspicious origin in an unoccupied compartment while in Norfolk, Virginia.	LPH=Landing Platform Helicopter
1056	28/Jan/81	The USS Sylvania (AFS-2) and USS Kalamazoo (AOR-6) collide amidships during underway replenishment in the Virginia Capes area with no serious damage.	AFS=Combat Stores Ship; AOR=Replenishment Oiler
1057	20/Feb/81	The USS Downes (FF-1070) is under tow by the USS Narragansett (T-ATF-167) from Diego Garcia to Subic Bay, Philippines, for repairs following casualties to both boilers. On 22 February the Downes is able to bring one boiler back into operation and continues to Subic Bay on its own power in company with the Narragansett.	FF=Frigate ATF=Fleet Ocean Tug
1058	21/Feb/81	The USS Okinawa (LPH-3) experiences a brief fire during training off San Clemente Island, California, but the ship continues its scheduled operations.	LPH=Landing Platform Helicopter
1059	03/Mar/81	The naval reserve destroyer USS Cone (DD-866) is temporarily grounded while departing Charleston, South Carolina. After being freed by a tug the Cone returns to Charleston for hull damage assessment.	DD=Destroyer
1060	19/Mar/81	The USS Yellowstone (AD-41) and the USS Robert A. Owens (DD-827) collide off Florida, causing extensive damage but no casualties.	AD=Destroyer Tender DD=Destroyer
1061	26/Mar/81	The USS Guardfish(SSN-612) touches ground while in the San Pedro Channel on the way to San Diego, California. There were no personnel injuries and an on-board inspection revealed no hull or equipment damage.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear
1062	03/Apr/81	A fire breaks out in the engine room of the USS Taluga(T-AO-62) while the ship is operating 80 miles west of San Diego, California. Two injured crew members are airlifted to San Diego by helicopter. The fire is extinguished and the Taluga proceeds to port.	T-AO=Fleet Oiler

1063	04/Apr/81	Workers at Coastal Drydock in New York (formerly Brooklyn Navy Yard) inadvertently cause a fire on the USS Aylwin (FF-1081) while welding. The frigate's Combat Information Centre is damaged.	FF= Frigate
1064	09/Apr/81	The USS George Washington (SSBN-598) collides with the 2,350-ton Japanese freighter Nissho Maru in the East China Sea about 110 miles south-southwest of Sasebo, Japan. As it is surfacing, it runs into the underside of the freighter, damages its hull and causes it to sink in approximately 15 minutes, killing two Japanese crewmen (13 others are rescued). The submarine suffers minor damage to a small section of its sail. The accident sparks a political furor in Japan, straining U.S.-Japanese relations a month before a meeting between Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki and President Ronald Reagan. The United States is criticized because it took over 24 hours to notify Japanese authorities; the submarine and a U.S. P-3 Orion aircraft overhead did not make a rescue attempt; and the submarine was operating so close to Japan, less than 20 miles outside the 12-mile limit. The U.S. Navy initially says the submarine surfaced but could not see any ship in distress due to fog and rain. On 11 April President Reagan and other U.S. officials express regret over the accident, make offers of compensation and reassure the Japanese there is no cause for worry about radioactive contamination, but refuse to say what the submarine was doing so close to Japan or whether it was armed with nuclear missiles. Over the next several months as the controversy continues, the U.S. Navy accepts responsibility to preclude lengthy litigation; is criticized for its preliminary report which says the submarine and Orion claimed not to have realized the freighter was sinking; and relieves and reprimands the commanding officer and officer of the deck of the submarine. On 31 August the Navy releases a final report which concludes the accident resulted from a highly coincidental set of circumstances, compounded by errors on the part of some members of the submarine crew.	SSBN= Submarine Nuclear Powered ICBM Launcher Polaris/Trident
1065	13/Apr/81	The USS William H. Bates (SSN-680) is reported to run into gillnets near the Hood Canal in Washington state.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
1066	27/Apr/81	The USS Manitowoc (LST-1180) and the USS Trenton (LPD-14) begin a five-day visit to Alexandria, Egypt. The USS Jack (SSN-605) also is in port. The Trenton and Jack suffer minor damage when the Jack, moored alongside, surges against the Trenton in a sea swell.	LST=Landing Ship Tank LPD=Landing Platform Dock SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear
1067	05/May/81	In May the Royal Navy Guided Missile destroyer HMS Glasgow collides with the Soviet cruiser Admiral Isakov in the Barents Sea. The Glasgow's captain reports the Soviet ship was manoeuvring dangerously.	

1068	26/May/81	A Marine EA-6B Prowler aircraft crashes while landing on the USS Nimitz (CVN-68) operating 70 miles off Jacksonville, Florida, killing 14 and injuring 48. The aircraft reportedly applied power as it was landing and then suddenly drifted to the right, running into parked aircraft, causing ammunition to explode, and starting numerous fires that took at least one hour to put out. Three F-14 Tomcats are destroyed and 16 other aircraft are damaged, and, overall, approximately \$100 million in damage results. The Nimitz returns to Norfolk, Virginia, for several days of repairs. The crash sparks a five-month debate between Representative Joseph P. Addabbo (D-NY) Chairman of the House Defence Appropriations Subcommittee and the Navy over whether drug use on board the carrier may have contributed to the crash.	CVN= Fleet Carrier Nuclear Powered
1069	01/Jun/81	The USS Nitro (AE-23) is badly damaged by a fire in the main machinery room while en route to Athens, Greece, 60 miles northeast of Souda Bay, Crete. It is taken under tow the next day by the USS Neosho (T-AO-143) for Souda Bay.	AE=Ammunition Ship AO=Fleet Oiler
1070	08/Jun/81	A Soviet Kondor class minesweeper suffered heavy damage when she was in a collision in international waters with a Danish naval oiler in the southern area of the Baltic Sea.	
1071	10/Jun/81	The USS Detroit (AOE-4) runs aground on a sandbar near Old Point Comfort, Hampton Roads, Virginia, as the ship is preparing to enter port at Norfolk. There are no injuries or apparent damage. The ship is refloated the next day after off-loading its fuel.	AOE=Fast Combat Support Ship
1072	29/Jun/81	The USS Dahlgren (DDG-43) suffers a two-hour fire in the radiomen's storeroom while in the Caribbean. The damage is light and the ship proceeds to Guadeloupe.	DDG= Destroyer Guided Missile
1073	14/Jul/81	The USS Coontz (DDG-40) accidentally fires a Harpoon anti-ship missile with a high-explosive warhead during a maintenance test about 70 miles from St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands. The missile impacts and is lost at sea.	DDG=Destroyer Guided Missile
1074	19/Jul/81	A U.S. Marine Corps Reserve CH-53 Sea Stallion helicopter crashes and burns while landing aboard the USS Guam (LPH-9) during training operations in the Atlantic 35 miles southeast of Moorehead City, North Carolina, killing four and injuring 11 other Marine and Navy personnel.	LPH= Landing Platform Helicopter
1075	06/Aug/81	Wardroom 1 of the USS Ranger (CV-61) catches fire, causing extensive damage while the ship is moored at Naval Air Station North Island, San Diego, California. Reportedly "reconstruction was monumental" and "communication problems extended into work-ups."	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier

1076	15/Aug/81	A fire on board the USS Independence (CV-62) while in overhaul at the Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Virginia, damages the air operations and carrier control approach spaces. There are no injuries.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1077	27/Aug/81	The USS Dallas (SSN-700) damages the lower portion of its rudder when it runs aground while approaching the Atlantic Underwater Test and Evaluation Centre site at Andros Island, Bahamas. The submarine works itself free after several hours and returns to New London, Connecticut, on the surface for repairs.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
1078	01/Sep/81	According to raw CIA intelligence reports, in September a Soviet nuclear submarine operating in the Baltic "underwent a series of strong and sudden physical shocks. An emergency was declared and ... crew members were sealed into the compartment in which they were standing duty. The submarine was no longer navigable following the shocks and was taken under tow. It was towed for a total of 36 hours but was actually only moved during darkness." The submarine was towed to Kaliningrad and "the sailors that had been sealed in the compartment were then flown to Riga and hospitalized." The CIA source reports all the sailors exhibited signs of terminal radiation sickness.	
1079	06/Sep/81	A landing A-7 II Corsair aircraft collides with a taxiing F-14 Tomcat fighter on the USS Kitty Hawk (CV-63) killing one crewman and injuring two others while the carrier is operating in the Indian Ocean. The A-7 is recovered and the F-14 crew ejects safely, but the F-14 rolls overboard.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier.
1080	17/Sep/81	A U.S. Marine Corps CH-53C Sea Stallion helicopter crashes while attempting to land on the USS Guadalcanal (LPH-7) during Sixth Fleet training exercises in the Mediterranean near Sardinia, Italy, killing all five crewmen.	LPH= Landing Platform Helicopter
1081	20/Sep/81	The USS Conyngham(DDG-17) runs aground momentarily while making a slow approach to the Mauritian coast causing minor damage to the sonar.	DDG= Destroyer Guided Missile
1082	20/Sep/81	The Philippine Navy frigate DatuKalantiawis forced aground by 127 miles per hour winds from Typhoon Clara while on anchor near Calayan Island, 340 miles north of Manila, with only 18 of 97 crew surviving.	
1083	24/Sep/81	The USS Guadalcanal (LPH-7) and the USS Waccamaw (T-AO-109) collide during underway replenishment south of Sardinia, Italy, causing minor damage but no injuries. Landing	LPH=Platform Helicopter T-AO=Fleet Oiler
1084	25/Sep/81	An Israeli missile boat runs aground on a Saudi Arabian reef in the Gulf of Eilat after its electrical system goes bad, knocking out its navigational equipment. The Saudis permit the Israelis to rescue the boat; 12 days later it is removed.	

1085	30/Sep/81	The USS Pegasus (PHM-1) collides with the USS Newport (LST-1179) while making an approach to connect for towing north of Cuba, causing minor damage.	PMH=Patrol Hydrofoil Missile LST=Landing Ship Tank
1086	07/Oct/81	The USS Inchon (LPH-12) suffers a boiler explosion while preparing to get underway from Norfolk, Virginia.	LPH= Landing Platform Helicopter
1087	13/Oct/81	The USS Waccamaw (T-AO-109) collides with the USS Raleigh (LPD-1) while the USS Detroit (AOE-4) is alongside. The ships are underway in the Mediterranean.	AO=Fleet Oiler LPD=Landing Platform Dock AOE=Fast Combat Support Ship
1088	17/Oct/81	The USS Waccamaw (T-AO-109) is struck by an 2/2/Italian tug in Cagliari, Sardinia, Italy, when the tug loses control while making an approach to aid in manoeuvring. The oiler is holed but no pollution results.	T-AO= Fleet Oiler
1089	21/Oct/81	The USS Cook (FF-1083) observes a Soviet Foxtrot class diesel-powered attack submarine under tow while conducting intelligence operations off Socotra Island in the Indian Ocean.	FF= Frigate

1090	27/Oct/81	<p>A Soviet Whiskey class diesel-powered attack submarine runs aground 10 kilometers from the Swedish naval base of Karlskrona, 300 miles south of Stockholm. The Swedish government alleges the submarine was engaged in illegal reconnaissance or mine-laying work and there was good reason to believe the vessel is carrying nuclear weapons. The Swedes demand an apology and an explanation. When the submarine captain is questioned he contends bad weather and a faulty compass led to the inadvertent intrusion into Swedish waters. But the Swedish authorities maintain that good navigation was necessary for the vessel to come this far into their waters. On 29 October a Soviet tug is turned back by Swedish warships and another unidentified submarine is spotted within Swedish waters and is pursued by Swedish antisubmarine warfare helicopters until it disappears. On 2 November the submarine is refloated by Swedish tugs to prevent heavy seas from battering the ship. On 5 November the Swedish government announces that the submarine probably has nuclear weapons aboard. Foreign Minister Ullsten says "it must be very embarrassing" to have this information released when the Soviets "have created the impression that they are more in favour than the United States" of arms control. On 6 November the submarine is returned to the Soviets. The same day the Swedish government expresses the view that previous Soviet proposals in regard to the Baltic as a "sea of peace" were no longer credible. Officials said the incident would affect Swedish attitudes toward Nordic nuclear-free-zone proposals from the Soviet Union. It is later reported on 6 May 1982 that the Soviet government had agreed to pay Swedish costs of \$212,000 arising from the incident.</p>	
1091	02/Nov/81	<p>At the Holy Loch naval base in Scotland a Poseidon submarine-launched ballistic missile is dropped 13 to 15 feet as it is moved aboard the submarine tender USS Holland (AS-32) after an error by the crane operator. The fall is arrested by a safety device, but critics suggest there was a serious chance that a conventional explosion could have taken place, dispersing radioactive material. This explosion could have occurred because the Poseidon warhead uses an unstable conventional high explosive called LX-09. Moreover, the Navy is upbraided for not immediately reporting the incident or notifying surrounding communities of possible danger. The U.S. Navy refuses to confirm or deny whether there were nuclear weapons on the missile and states "there was no damage done, no injuries occurred; there was no danger to personnel."</p>	

1092	03/Dec/81	An arresting wire breaks during the landing of an A-7 Corsair aircraft on the USS John F. Kennedy (CV-67) while operating in the Caribbean Sea, killing two men and injuring three. Four aircraft including the A-7 are damaged.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1093	10/Jan/82	The USS Mispillion (T-AO-105) and the civilian tanker Texas Trader, under Navy contract, collide during a routine fuel transfer in the Indian Ocean. There are no personnel injuries and no serious damage to either ship.	AO=Fleet Oiler
1094	16/Jan/82	Five U.S. Navy personnel die in a diving accident aboard the USS Grayback(SS-574) off the coast of Subic Bay, Philippines.	SS= Submarine
1095	01/Feb/82	In early February, the USS Seattle (AOE-3) is hit by a tugboat while getting underway from Craney Island, Norfolk, Virginia, causing extensive damage to equipment on the ship's aft end.	AOE= Fleet Combat Support Ship
1096	02/Feb/82	The USS Ponce (LPD-15) collides with the USS Fort Snelling (LSD-30) during a towing exercise which causes minor damage to the Ponce's port side, mainly to the accommodation ladder and flight deck catwalk. The two ships were en route to Portsmouth, U.K.	LPD=Landing Platform Dock LSD=Landing Ship Dock
1097	02/Feb/82	The South African Navy flagship the frigate President Kreuger collides with the naval supply ship Tafelberg during night manoeuvres in rough seas and gale force winds south of the Cape of Good Hope and sinks. Thirteen of her crew are reported missing and 177 sailors are saved.	
1098	01/Mar/82	In March both of the USS Inchon's (LPH-12) emergency diesel generators become inoperable during training in the Caribbean. The ship is unable to finish training. A portable emergency diesel generator is attached to the flight deck and the ship is escorted back to Norfolk, Virginia, by the USS Pensacola (LSD-38).	LPH=Landing Platform Helicopter LSD=Landing Ship Dock
1099	13/Mar/82	Fourteen aircraft from the carrier USS Forrestal (CV-59) are diverted to Homestead Air Force Base, Florida, after a boiler failure causes a "partial electrical failure" on the carrier. The ship was on exercises off Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1100	16/Mar/82	The USS Newport (LST-1179) suffers a Bravo Class fire in a main engineering space while anchored at Berbera, Somalia.	LST= Landing Ship Tank
1101	22/Mar/82	The USS Jacksonville (SSN-699) collides with the Turkish cargo ship the General Z. Dogan while running on the surface 25 miles east of Cape Charles, Virginia. Damage to the Jacksonville is reported as minor and characterized as "bumps and scrapes," while bow damage is reported on the General Z. Dogan.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear

1102	10/Apr/82	The West German built submarine Pisaqua, built for Venezuela, collides in the Danish Straits with a merchant ship as it is completing its sea trials. The ship is towed to Kiel, Germany.	
1103	19/Apr/82	The Irish fishing boat Sharelgacapsizes and sinks in the Irish Sea after being dragged by the Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Porpoise which had become entangled in the trawler's nets. The British government initially denies a submarine was in the area, and then admits responsibility two weeks later.	
1104	20/Apr/82	Seven people are injured in an explosion aboard the USS Garcia (FF-1040) which is being overhauled at General Shipyard in Boston, Massachusetts.	FF= Frigate
1105	20/Apr/82	The USS Brewton (FF-1086) suffers a casualty to its service diesel generator, curtailing the ship's participation in "Rimpac 82" exercises.	FF=Frigate
1106	25/Apr/82	The Argentine diesel submarine ex USN ARA Santa Fe was caught on the surface in South Georgia supplying troops stationed on the Island, part of the land grab of the Falkland Islands. It was immediately attacked by helicopters [number in brackets indication how many] from four ships HMS Endurance Ice Patrol Ship [2] HMS Antrim GMD [1], HMS Plymouth FF [1] and HMS Brilliant GMF [1] with cannon fire, depth charge, torpedo and antiship missiles. The boat was badly damaged/shot-up and unable to dive. The crew surrendered and went ashore to team up with the troops already stationed there. The Royal Marine Commando's landed there from the Tanker RFA Tidespring set off to attack these enemy units and whilst doing so HMS Antrim and HMS Plymouth softened up the enemy with naval gunfire from 4.5" guns. The Argentinians soon surrendered.	GMD=Guided Missile Destroyer FF=Frigate GMF=Guided Missile Frigate
1107	01/May/82	HMS Alacrity HMS Arrow HMS Glamorgan all slightly damaged in air attacks	

1108	02/May/82	<p>The Argentine light cruiser ARA General Belgrano, an ex USN warship with 8" guns, in company with modern guided missile destroyers sold to the Argentine by the British [Type 42], was threatening the Royal Navy surface fleet assembled off the Falkland Islands during the 1982 war between the two countries. Argentina had grabbed the Islands illegally and contrary to international law endorsed by the United Nations, claiming them as their possession which they called the Malvinas Island. The British amassed a seaborne amphibious attack on the Islands some 8000 miles south of the UK itself. In additions to naval surface units and a large army landed ashore, the British also deployed several submarines to the South Atlantic. One of them was the nuclear powered attack submarine [SSN] HMS Conqueror. She observed that the Belgrano had entered the internationally declared forbidden TEZ=Total Exclusion Zone designed to allow the navy to prosecute the war against Argentina without harassment from any hostile or neutral country. The Conqueror was ordered to sink the Argentine flagship which was successfully executed using conventional torpedoes. It also drove all other Argentine naval units from the area back to their home ports from which they never again ventured out of. 323 lives were lost when the cruiser sank. On that same day 2/May/82 an Argentine Ocean Tug ARA Alferes Sobral was spotted searching for the crew of a Canberra bomber shot down the same day over the TEZ. Two helicopters were despatched to intercept and fired 4 Sea Skua missiles badly damaging the tug, killing 8 with only 2 survivors. The Tug was allowed to creep back to its base as a writeoff.</p>	
1109	04/May/82	<p>Royal Navy guided missile destroyer HMS Sheffield sunk by guided air launched missile [Exocet] by Argentine air force plane, in war with Argentina for the Falklands Islands territory South Atlantic. 20 die from a crew of 270. Great Britain thoroughly defeated the South American state and kept her rightful ownership of the Islands.</p>	
1110	12/May/82	<p>Guided Missile Destroyer HMS Glasgow attacked by UXB damaging her enough to be sent home for repairs.</p>	

1111	21/May/82	The Frigate HMS Argonaut hit twice on this day by aerial bombing. The first damaged the superstructure including the 965 Radar bedstead where 2 men were killed and the second PM, put the ship out of action when a bomb penetrated the Seacat magazine exploding missiles causing immense damage to the boiler room losing propulsion and electrical power. 2 other bombs lodged in the ship as unexploded devices, taking a long time to make safe. She made it back home after the war and received a well deserved refit to put right her war damage assessed as moderate. Also on this day HMS Brilliant was attacked outside San Carlos waters by aerial cannon fire but only slightly damaged. She was active in several ways saving many lives from the Atlantic Conveyor after it was hit by two Exocets attacking and helped to cripple the Argentine submarine ARA Santa Fe, and with her most modern of weapons, Seawolf, shot down three attacking Argentine fast jets. HMS Ardent was badly damaged. HMS Broadsword was slightly damaged. HMS Antrim was badly damaged by UXB.	
1111 2		SEE END OF LIST FOR THE BRITISH TASK FORCE, SAILED 8000 MILES FROM THE UK TAKING EVERYTHING BUT THE KITCHEN SINK WITH THEM, TO CLAW BACK THE FALKLAND ISLANDS FROM A HOSTILE ENEMY FORCE ALREADY OCCUPYING THEM WHEN WE SAILED	
1112	08/May/82	The USS Chauvenet (T-AGS-29) runs hard aground on Dauisan Reef in the Cagayan Islands in the Sulu Sea while underway from Subic Bay, Philippines, to survey grounds in Indonesian waters. After 2%weeks of salvage efforts, the ship is refloated by U.S. Navy salvage teams and towed to the Ship Repair Facility in Subic Bay.	AGS=Surveying Ship
1113	15/May/82	Swedish coastal authorities report a Soviet destroyer or large frigate is on fire in the Baltic Sea, 22 miles off Latvia.	

1114	22/May/82	<p>The Battle of Seal Cove? The only sea battle of the 1982 Falklands War - the first battle of the Falklands, the one immediately before the Battle of Jutland was our biggest victory since the Battle of Trafalgar, and that is saying something! So what was this unstated [and as you'll find almost innocuous battle] of a consequence to the enemy but not to us the Royal Navy for which it was a failure with a lower case 'f'! When the Falkland Islands were invaded the Argentines requisitioned - sorry, blatantly stole - all the small craft [drifters, trawlers, small cargo vessels belonging to Falklands Islands Trading Company]. They used them to supply their troops spread around the Islands. One was spotted by our warships loaded to the gunwales enroute to do a drop off. Bring in HMS Yarmouth and HMS Brilliant. They were tasked to find and apprehend one such stolen vessel now bearing the Argentine name of ARA Monsunen loaded and enroute to feed and replenish ammunition in distant parts. With Yarmouth's 4.5" guns and Brilliant's Lynx helicopter with a thunderous cannon aboard they lose track of ARA Monsunen which beaches itself in a hide away gulf when the crew hides in a derelict hut overnight. The Brits give up the chase and return to San Carlos Waters. The crew revisit the beached Monsunen the next day and rejoin it ready to continue it's journey, but the propeller is fouled and they have to radio ahead to the HQ Base asking for assistance. A new stolen vessel arrives and tows the tug and on arrival their HQ all its cargo is transferred to the rescue ship which completed the journey to the Argentine troops base. The British thus lost the first and last war 1982 sea battle!</p>	
1115	22/May/82	<p>The USS Fletcher (DD-992) strikes the USS Towers (DDG- 9) and the USS Francis Hammond (FF-1067) causing minor damage while attempting to moor alongside the two ships in Subic Bay, Philippines.</p>	<p>DD=Destroyer  DDG=Destroyer  Guided Missile  FF=Frigate</p>

1116	23/May/82	<p>British Frigate HMS Antelope is attacked by 4 Argentine warplanes whilst on guard/patrol duties off the Falkland Islands. A 1000 lb hits the ship and lodged in the starboard side killing one man the bomb did not explode. The crew totalled 177 men. The aircraft was damage by small arms fire. The other 3 aircraft fared less well and were damage by Antelope's main weapons. One lost control and collided with the ship. One was shot down and the pilot killed just after his bomb was dropped, piercing the ships side but again it didn't explode. The army disposal experts were called in to defuse the two 1000 bombs. Both bombs were in an almost impossible position to allow access to the fuses. The two soldiers decided to use a small explosive device to disarm one of the bombs which unfortunately exploded killing one soldier and severely wounding the other. The blast crippled the ship and the commanding officer ordered an abandon ship. The C.O., Commander Nick Tobin RN, was the last to leave the ship and within five minutes of him doing so, the main missile magazine started to explode. Explosions continued throughout the night and the next morning she was still afloat. Her hull was shattered and her superstructure had literally melted into a great heap. Later that day her hull snapped into two parts and she sank. The wreck is protected in perpetuity. A Royal Marine in an amphibious craft from the British LPD [Landing Platform Dock "HMS Fearless"] rescued the 41 crew members who were not able for various reasons to abandon ships as their shipmates had done.</p>	
1117	24/May/82	<p>RFA Sir Galahad hit with 2 UXB. RFA Sr Lancelot badly damaged by UXB. RFA Sir Bedivere slightly damaged by glancing bomb.</p>	

1118	25/May/82	<p>Atlantic Conveyor hired from the Cunard Shipping Line as a roll on roll off cargo ship by the navy as a support ship carrying a treasure trove of 6 Wessex Helicopters, 4 Chinook Helicopters, 8 Fleet Air Arm Sea Harrier jet fighters, 6 RAF Harriers jet fighters - on arrival in the war area all 14 Harriers were off loaded to the two carriers and a Lynx Helicopter was frown from the Hermes and parked on the Atlantic Conveyor temporarily out of the way. She was hit by two air launched Exocet Missile with only 1 Chinook saved. Later on the 28th she was towed out to deep water and sunk. The loss of the Chinooks led to the Marines having to "yomp" their way on foot across the Falklands to fight in the final battle at Port Stanley. HMS Broadsword damaged by bomb. The guided missile destroyer HMS Coventry was bombed causing it to capsize and sink. The British were 8000 miles away from base in the UK, and the Argentine occupation forces were in their own back garden. 19 died in Coventry on that day from a crew of 330, and 1 sailor died many months later on the 03/29/1963 from a brain tumour brought on by injuries sustained during the attack.</p>	
1119	29/May/82	<p>British Wye hit by bomb which bounced off ship into sea without exploding</p>	
1120	08/Jun/82	<p>and the Falklands War at Bluff Cove and OTHER Air Strikes that day. A long drawn out very sad story, but abbreviated here. Two set of British Army soldiers [infantry men of the Welsh and Scots Guards] are held aboard two RFA's while their officers discuss and argue their tactics to move on to help defend a distant place. There is much misunderstanding amongst them but the ships need to be evacuated putting the soldiers ashore on nearby beaches in case they are attacked by Argentine low flying jets. The army are ordered off the ships in case that came to fruition. They refuse saying they will stay and sail at nightfall for their new assignment. Twice they disobey the order to vacate. British nuclear submarines are in position to monitor take-offs from Argentine airfields and duly warn of a large force taking off to attack. The message is acknowledged but not passed to the authority concerned. The Argentine air force attacks as feared with several planes, and bombs the two vessels RFA Sir Galahad and RFA Sir Tristram both LSL's. 50 soldiers are killed and 150 injured, some very badly burnt. Horrific scenes are witnessed which could have been avoided!</p> <p>Later in the day 8 Royal Marines from HMS Fearless died when their small LCU [Landing Craft Utility] was attacked and sunk.</p> <p>And finally that day HMS Plymouth was hit by 4x1000 lb</p>	<p>LSL=Landing Ship Logistics</p>

		<p>DUD bombs which injured a few ratings but caused a great deal of damage! The shock wave set off 1 depth charge on the flight deck awaiting loading onto the Wasp Helicopter.</p> <p>The overall losses materiel and personnel on that day are stunning.  58 killed - 50 Guardsmen and 8 Marines 150 wounded 1 landing ship lost 1 LCU sunk  1 helicopter written off 1 landing ship badly damaged 1 frigate damaged</p> <p>As the hard fought battles were won and lost, the winning of the war was enthusiastically celebrated and held in awe simply because of the logistic success of the operation over an 8000 mile distance, Bluff Cove remains for ever, a black mark for the British army's overall good performance and a stain on the characters and abilities of the Guards officers involved in the disobedience!</p>	
1121	11/Jun/82	The USS Seattle (AOE-3) and the USS Aylwin (FF-1081) collide when the Seattle loses steering control while refuelling the frigate during transit across the Atlantic to the Mediterranean.	AOE=Fast Combat Support Ship FF=Frigate
1122	12/Jun/82	The USS Bonefish (SS-582) suffers main engine casualties when all three main engine spaces are flooded while operating on the surface in the Pacific. No material damage or personnel injuries occur.	SS= Submarine
1123	12/Jun/82	The USS Cleveland (LPD-7) and the USS Ashtabula (AO- 51) collide in the Gulf of Thailand during underway replenishment. Damage is minor and there are no injuries	LPD=Landing Platform Dock AO=Fleet Oiler
1124	12/Jun/82	British guided missile destroyer HMS Glamorgan attacked by land launched missile [Exocet] from Falkland Islands capital Port Stanley. Glamorgan's crew was 471. The missile struck the ship aft on the port side destroying the hangar and the large Wessex helicopter in it. Fires were started but doused by the crew. However 13 died and 24 were injured.	DD= Destroyer
1125	17/Jun/82	Ten persons are injured when a 1,200-lb. steam valve ruptures aboard the USS Saratoga (CV-60), which is undergoing a Service Life Extension Programme overhaul in Philadelphia Naval Shipyard, Pennsylvania.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1126	20/Jun/82	A target hulk being towed by the USS Reclaimer (ARS-42) scrapes a Chinese tanker while the vessels are leaving Singapore. There are no injuries and damage is minor.	ARS= Auxiliary Rescue Ship

1127	12/Jul/82	The USS Seattle (AOE-3) suffers a "freak explosion" in the after portion of the ship while moored alongside a fuel pier at Porto Torres, Sardinia, Italy. A chemical reaction between fuel vapors and a chemical stored in one of the blast-torn spaces causes the explosion which damages the after steering compartment and Enlisted Dining Facility. The Seattle is able to get underway for Naples less than 12 hours after the general quarters alarm was first sounded.	AOE= Fast Combat Support Ship
1128	15/Jul/82	In mid-July the 30-foot yacht Fyfield Five is struck by an underwater object off the Tuskar Rock off Ireland and sinks. The owner Ken Roberts insists he was sunk by a submarine -- reportedly a periscope crashed up through the keel of his boat. The press is initially sceptical, but then a dockyard worker tells the Morning Star newspaper that the Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Opossum was having emergency repairs done to her conning tower in Portsmouth. The Ministry of Defence admits the Opossum was damaged in a collision at sea 400 miles west of Plymouth, U.K., on the day Robert's boat sank, but says this is well to the west of where Robert's vessel went down. The Ministry of Defence is unwilling or unable to provide details, but does not deny reports the Opossum was hit by a Soviet spy trawler.	
1129	00/Aug/82	A Royal Navy board is set up to investigate damage done to the Royal Navy nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine HMS Revenge's gearbox caused by the presence of a small, extraneous piece of metal as the submarine is nearing the end of a two-and-a-half-year major refit at Rosyth, Scotland. The damage delays the submarine's scheduled completion date.	
1130	21/Sep/82	The U.S. shrimp boat Howard M. operating in the Pacific off Washington State snags what may have been a Soviet submarine, according to the U.S. Department of Defence. The skipper of the boat Danny Parker reports he was dragged about a mile and a half until a cable snapped.	
1131	28/Sep/82	The USS Sam Houston (SSN-609) spills less than 50 gallons of low-level radioactive water during a test while it is in the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Bremerton, Washington, undergoing routine maintenance, according to the Navy. The spill was stopped, the water was contained within the ship, and no radioactivity was released to the environment. The submarine's reactor was not operating. Two individuals were in the area during the spill and one of these individuals received low- level radioactive contamination.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear

1132	29/Nov/82	The USS Thomas A. Edison (SSN-610) collides with the USS Leftwich (DD-984) in the South China Sea 40 miles east of Subic Bay, Philippines. The Edison was at periscope depth preparing to surface; it damaged its sail and sail planes, but there was no flooding. Both ships remain operational after the accident. DD=Destroyer	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear
1133	01/Dec/82	The Royal Navy SSN nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Spartan is caught in the nets of the English trawler Algrieoff Land's End, Cornwall, U.K., in the Celtic Sea. As the trawler is dragged forward the fishermen radio to shore, and several minutes later the submarine surfaces with the nets and tackle laying across the vessel. The nets, costing 7-8,000 pounds sterling, are cut free, and the submarine continues on its patrol.	
1134	31/Dec/82	In late 1982 the USS Permit (SSN-594), cruising on the surface, collides with the USS La Jolla (SSN-701), at periscope depth, while they are on sea trials about 30 miles off San Francisco. The Permit receives a ten-foot-long, three-foot-wide "scrape" in the paint on the keel, while the La Jolla suffers minor rudder damage.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear
1135	03/Jan/83	The USS Arkansas (CGN-41) collides with the Italian merchantman Megara Ilea in the Strait of Messina, and is "slightly damaged on the port side."	CGN=Cruiser Guided Missile Nuclear Powered
1136	19/Jan/83	The USS Kitty Hawk (CV-63) has a minor collision with the Canadian Maritime Forces Ship Yukon off the coast of Washington state. There are no personnel injuries or serious damage.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1137	10/Feb/83	In the Atlantic the USS Antrim (FFG-20) suffers a fire in the wardroom and Computer/Radar Electronics spaces after it is struck by a drone during live firing of the Phalanx self-defence close-in-weapon-system Gatling gun. A civilian instructor dies from burns caused by the ignition of residual fuel in the target drone.	FFG=Frigate Guided Missile
1138	25/Feb/83	The Royal Navy minehunter HMS Brocklesby and the coastal minesweeper HMS Nurton collide about two miles off Portland harbour, U.K., during routine exercises.	
1139	11/Mar/83	A Danish trawler catches a Danish submarine in its nets off Bornholm Island in the Baltic Sea.	
1140	15/Mar/83	About 15 miles south of the Danish island of Bornholm in the Baltic Sea, the West German fishing trawler Gertraudcatches a Soviet or Polish Whiskey class diesel-powered attack submarine in its nets. The trawler is surrounded by Warsaw Pact warships on manoeuvres in the area as the submarine surfaces so its the crew can cut the submarine free. The submarine resurmerges, leaving the trawler with a damaged net.	
1141	16/Mar/83	The USS Antrim (FFG-20) collides with the USS Flatley (FFG-21) 160 miles north of Puerto Rico during training exercises. Both received only superficial damage.	FFG=Frigate Guided Missile

1142	01/Apr/83	In April during an Indian Ocean deployment the USS Dale (CG-19) collides with the Royal Navy frigate HMS Ambascade. The Ambascade is laid up in Bombay during May while work on "new bow material" is carried out.	CG=Cruiser Guided Missile
1143	28/Apr/83	The USS Enterprise (CVN-65) runs aground within sight of the port of San Francisco, California, after eight months at sea; it is stranded for five hours until the tide and tugs pull it free.	CVN=Fleet Aircraft Carrier Nuclear Powered
1144	01/Jun/83	In June a Soviet Charlie class nuclear-powered cruise missile submarine sinks somewhere east of the Soviet naval base of Petropavlosk, near the southern tip of the Kamchatka peninsula in the Pacific. U.S. intelligence reports most or all of the 90-person crew are lost. The cause of the accident is not known, but the lack of radioactive contamination is said to indicate that the accident was probably due to mechanical failure, not a nuclear power plant accident. The submarine is salvaged by the Soviet Navy in early August 1983.	
1145	01/Jul/83	In July a gunnery computer malfunction causes the USS George Philip (FFG-12) to fire a 3-inch shell toward a Mexican merchant vessel during a drill about 40 miles off San Francisco, California. According to the Navy the round landed nine miles behind the merchant ship, but some George Philip crewmen say it actually landed just one mile behind the ship.	FFG= Frigate Guided Missile
1146	18/Jul/83	The USS Ranger (CV-61) collides with the USS Wichita (AOR-1) during refuelling 100 miles off San Diego, California. The Ranger's flight deck elevator is damaged, but no injuries are reported. The Wichita damages its refuelling capability. The port fuelling rigging is put out of commission, including the loss of all fuel hoses. Also part of the Wichita's aft superstructure is crushed on the starboard side.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier AOR=Fleet Replenishment Oiler
1147	19/Jul/83	The USS Texas (CGN-39) is holed above the waterline after hitting a quay while leaving the port of Brisbane, Australia.	CGN=Cruiser Guided Missile Nuclear Powered
1148	26/Jul/83	A West German reconnaissance ship collides with an East German naval vessel	
1149	01/Aug/83	In August the USS Davidson (FF-1045) suffers a Class Alpha fire while in the Pacific.	FF= Frigate
1150	18/Sep/83	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Conqueror suffers a fire while in drydock in Devonport, U.K., for a refit. No injuries are reported.	
1151	30/Sep/83	The Royal Navy assault ship HMS Fearless is slightly damaged in collision with a West German tanker.	
1152	26/Oct/83	The Brixham, U.K., trawler Esther Colleen is badly holed when it rams the Royal Navy frigate HMS Ambascade in heavy fog off Torbay, Devon, U.K. The frigate suffered minor damage.	

1153	26/Oct/83	A seaman is dismissed and jailed for starting a fire aboard the Royal Navy frigate HMS Penelope.	
1154	31/Oct/83	The USS McCloy (FF-1038) is towing a sonar array west of Bermuda when suddenly the cable goes slack. The next day a Soviet Victor III class nuclear-powered attack submarine is sighted motionless on the surface 282 miles west of Bermuda and 470 miles east of Charleston, South Carolina, by a U.S. P-3 Orion patrol aircraft. U.S. Navy officials believe that while the submarine was following the McCloy, the sonar array caught in the submarine's propeller. There is no indication of leaking radiation, according to a Navy spokesman. On 5 November the submarine is taken under tow by a Soviet salvage ship in the direction of the Cuban port of Cienfuegos. Further observation while the submarine is under tow leads the Navy to believe the damage is relatively minor and relates to the submarine's propeller.	FF= Frigate
1155	01/Nov/83	A fire breaks out aboard the USS Ranger (CV-61) while deployed in the North Arabian Sea, killing six and injuring 35. The fire is in one of the four main machinery spaces and reportedly is extinguished within an hour although there is one reflash which is extinguished. The vessel continues operations in the North Arabian Sea.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1156	17/Nov/83	The Soviet Krivak I class frigate Razyaschycollides with the USS Fife (DD-991) in the North Arabian Sea, causing minor damage to the Fife but no casualties. Reportedly the Razyaschyattempted to approach the USS Ranger (CV-61). When the Fife attempted to head off the Soviet ship, the two ships grazed hulls, leaving two 15-foot scrapes in the Fife's paint. Reports say the Soviet ship earlier narrowly had missed a collision with another U.S. vessel.	DD=Destroyer CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1157	22/Nov/83	The USS Kitty Hawk (CV-63) and the USS Wabash (AOR-5) have a minor collision during refuelling in Oakland, California.	CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier AOR=Fleet Replenishment Oiler
1158	27/Nov/83	The lead ship of the Soviet Slava class cruisers returns to the Black Sea after sustaining possible engine damage while on its maiden voyage to the Soviet Northern Fleet. The ship had left the Black Sea on 16 September.	
1159	10/Dec/83	The crew of the Royal Navy patrol boat HMS Vigilant is rescued after the vessel gets into difficulties off Northern Ireland.	
1160	19/Dec/83	The Trident submarine USS Florida (SSBN-728) is slightly damaged when it hits an unidentified object while submerged during sea trials in Long Island Sound. No one is injured and a Navy spokesman says he has no cost estimate on the damage.	SSBN= Submarine ICBM Trident Launcher Nuclear Powered

1161	31/Dec/83	In 1983 hull collision damage was repaired and the sonar dome rubber window was changed on the USS Leftwich (DD-984).	DD= Destroyer
1162	31/Dec/83	In 1983 extensive temporary sail repairs are accomplished on the USS Thomas A. Edison (SSN-610).	SSN= Attack submarine Nuclear Powered
1163	09/Jan/84	The USS Detroit (AOE-4) suffers a Class Bravo fire in the 1A1 Forced Draft Blower while moored at Souda Bay, Crete. Several crew members are treated for smoke inhalation.	AOE= Fast Combat Support Ship
1164	14/Feb/84	During attempts to move an assault craft to Radio Island, near Moorehead City, North Carolina, the USS Ponce (LPD-15) suffers a major casualty when her stern gate is damaged and eventually lost. The Ponce goes to Philadelphia Naval Shipyard for repairs.	LPD= Landing Platform Dock
1165	08/Mar/84	An unidentified submarine drags the Clogherhead, Ireland, trawler Oriel astern for two miles east of County Louth, Ireland. The skipper cuts the nets to free his boat. An official Irish Ministry of Transport inquiry takes place but its findings are never made public.	
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1167	21/Mar/84	The USS Kitty Hawk (CV-63) is struck during night operations by a surfacing Soviet Victor nuclear-powered attack submarine in the southern Sea of Japan, approximately 100 miles from mainland Japan, while en route to the Yellow Sea. The Kitty Hawk sustains a minor hole below the waterline in an aircraft fuel tank on the starboard side and continues normal operations. The Soviet vessel is observed dead in the water for a while with a dent across its aft deck. It is assisted by the Soviet Kara class cruiser Petropavlovsk and later is towed by a Soviet salvage vessel to the Vladivostok naval base. U.S. Navy officers say there was no evidence of nuclear leakage from the submarine. The Kitty Hawk had been taking part in joint U.S.-Korea "Team Spirit 84" exercises. The submarine had been following the Kitty Hawk carrier group with other surface ships for several days. Navy officials claim the carrier's escort ships deliberately broke contact with the submarine after simulating its destruction 15 times to begin a new phase in the exercise where the Kitty Hawk would use deception techniques to lose the trailing Soviet surface ships. The Soviet submarine apparently lost track of the Kitty Hawk and was surfacing to find it when the collision occurred.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier

1168	21/Mar/84	The Danish fishing boat Ane Kathrine is dragged under by the West German diesel submarine Simpson, which was on sea trials in the North Sea prior to delivery to Chile, killing three.	
1169	01/Apr/84	In April the USS Barbour County (LST-1195) runs aground on the Coronado strand in San Diego, California, but the ship is successfully extracted in less than 24 hours.	LST= Landing Ship Tank
1170	02/Apr/84	The Glasgow Herald reports the U.S. Navy at Holy Loch, Scotland admits that the paint on the USS Sam Rayburn (SSBN-635) was mildly radioactive when it returned from patrol in February 1984. The Navy says this is very low-level radioactivity, so low that it could not be detected by a geiger counter. Reports about the radiation had been circulating for a month, leading to claims that the Sam Rayburn had been in a collision sometime in the fall of 1983 which had caused the ship to leak or become contaminated with radiation. The Navy's statements serve to add to the controversy.	SSBN= Submarine ICBM Launcher Nuclear Powered
1171	02/Apr/84	At midday in the South China Sea the Soviet carrier Minsk fires eight signal flares at the USS Harold E. Holt (FF-1074) when the latter passes the Minsk's starboard side at a distance of 300 meters after disregarding a request from the Minsk to stand clear. Three flares strike the Holt but no one is injured. A U.S. Navy official acknowledges equal U.S. blame for the incident.	FF= Frigate
1172	12/Apr/84	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Plymouth collides with the West German frigate Braunschweig in heavy fog while taking part in NATO exercises in the Baltic Sea.	
1173	23/Apr/84	While getting underway from Norfolk, Virginia, the USS Kittiwake (ASR-13) backs down on the USS Bergall(SSN-667), causing damage to the Bergall's sonar dome and the Kittiwake's propeller. ASR=Submarine Rescue Ship;	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear
1174	17/May/84	A fire breaks out aboard the USS Guitarro(SSN-665) during a training exercise 65 miles northwest of San Diego, California, near San Clemente Island. Officials said that the fire originated in the submarine's battery well due to high heat from electrical discharge on one of the cells. A sailor making rounds discovered heat, steam, and a glow emitting from the battery well when he opened a well hatch. The submarine headed for port and the crew had the fire under control but still burning when the submarine arrived.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
1175	19/May/84	The Royal Navy Antarctic Ice Patrol Vessel HMSEndurance returns from Antarctica with a hole in its hull.	
1176	06/Jun/84	The USS Sumter (LST-1181) undergoes repairs to the starboard propeller shaft until 18 June at the Little Creek Amphibious Base, Virginia. Sections of the pitch control rod and hydraulic control components within the starboard shaft and propeller assembly are repaired..	LST= Landing Ship Tank

1177	11/Jun/84	During work-ups off the coast of North Carolina the USS Inchon (LPH-12) develops a leak in the fuel oil transfer system and returns to Norfolk, Virginia, for repairs.	LPH= Landing Platform Helicopter
1178	14/Jun/84	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Jupiter hits the London Bridge while attempting a U-turn in the Thames River after a City visit.	
1179	15/Jun/84	While operating in the Indian Ocean, a F-14 Tomcat aircraft from Fighter Squadron 33 crashes on the flight deck of the USS America (CV-66) in a Class Alpha accident causing more than \$500,000 in damage but no injuries.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1180	20/Jun/84	A Soviet Whiskey class diesel-powered attack submarine is trapped for three and a half hours in fishing wire of a Norwegian trawler in international waters in the North Sea. The submarine is freed only after surfacing and being aided by the Norwegian Coast Guard.	
1181	11/Aug/84	The USS Nathanael Greene (SSBN-636) reportedly loses her propeller in the Irish Sea. The submarine proceeds back to Holy Loch, Scotland, using its secondary propulsion system. Facilities at the U.S. base are unavailable, so the submarine is towed to the nearby British submarine base at Faslane, Scotland.	SSBN= Submarine ICBM Launcher Polaris/Trident Nuclear powered
1182	11/Aug/84	The Royal Navy large fleet tanker RFA Olwen is hit by a storm 700 miles northeast of the Falkland Islands, killing two.	
1183	14/Aug/84	An unidentified submarine drags the British trawler Joanne C. around the English Channel for three hours at night after becoming entangled in the trawler's nets eight miles off the U.K.'s southwest coast. When the boat radioed for help the Coast Guard told it to cut its nets as the Royal Navy did have a submarine in the area. The Ministry of Defence later says the only Royal Navy submarine in the area was 30 miles away and that no U.S. submarines were nearby, leading to speculation the submarine belongs to the Soviet Union or another Warsaw Pact nation. Yet on 15 September the skipper of the Joanne C. receives compensation of more than 2,000 pounds sterling from the Ministry of Defence, something the Ministry earlier said it would do if a Royal Navy ship was found to be at fault.	

1184	18/Aug/84	A fire reportedly breaks out on board a drydock at the Faslane Royal Navy nuclear submarine base in Scotland while the USS Nathanael Greene (SSBN-636) is in the dock for repairs. A U.K. Ministry of Defence official says the fire was caused by an electrical fault in a capstan motor which ignited a small quantity of canvas atop the motor. He denies the fire threatened the submarine, since it broke out in a sealed compartment some distance from the boat. A spokesman for the U.S. Navy confirms the submarine was not damaged, though he refuses to say whether the ship had nuclear weapons on board.	SSBN= Submarine ICBM Launcher Nuclear Powered
1185	10/Sep/84	Fire in the exhaust vent of the USS Ticonderoga (CG-47) injures 13 crew members and forces the vessel to return to its home base of Norfolk, Virginia, for repairs. The cause of the fire is unknown.	CG= Cruiser Guided Missile
1186	09/Sep/84	A Soviet Victor I class nuclear-powered attack submarine is badly damaged in a collision with a Soviet tanker in the Strait of Gibraltar. The submarine reportedly was travelling in the "noise shadow" of the tanker while exiting the Mediterranean Sea. Jane's Defence Weekly notes that the alternating layers of cold and warm water in the narrows of the Strait make it likely for a submarine "to encounter sudden thermal gradients which make her porpoise upwards," and this is thought to be the cause of the accident. The collision rips off the twin-hulled submarine's bow section, exposing the sonar and torpedo tube compartments. The submarine proceeds to the Soviet anchorage at Hammament, Tunisia, for emergency repairs, before returning to its homeport on the Kola peninsula in early October.	
1187	18/Sep/84	The Japanese shrimping boat Sumiyoshi Maru catches a submarine in its net in the Sea of Japan. The vessel is pulled backward until the 3-centimeter steel wire holding the net is cut. On 20 September a Soviet Golf II class diesel-powered ballistic missile submarine is sighted on the surface with white smoke coming out of its conning tower in the Sea of Japan, 380 miles west of Tokyo. Reports speculate the smoke comes from a fire started by an electrical overload caused by the snagging of the fishing boat's net. Over the next two days the submarine is attended by several Soviet ships, before proceeding toward Vladivostok under its own power on the 23 September.	
1188	21/Sep/84	The USS Jacksonville (SSN-699) collides with a Navy barge off Norfolk, Virginia, while travelling on the surface. The Jacksonville strikes the barge amidships and is reported to have caused minor damage to her bow.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered

1189	26/Sep/84	The USS Shasta (AE-33) collides with the USS Cleveland (LPD-7) during a practice replenishment at sea 30 miles west of Long Beach, California. Both ships sustain minor damage. The Shasta is able to continue normal operations.	AE=Ammunition Ship; LPD Landing Platform Dock
1190	19/Oct/84	The Royal Navy Guided Missile Destroyer HMS Glamorgan collides with the German frigate Bremen in a gale.	
1191	26/Oct/84	The USS John A. Moore (FFG-19) collides with the USS Ouellet (FF-1077) near Hawaii during "FleetEx 85-1" exercises in the Pacific, causing minor damage.	FFG=Frigate Guided Missile; FF=Frigate
1192	29/Oct/84	The USS Roanoke (AOR-7) is grounded just outside the entrance to Pearl Harbour, Hawaii, after suffering a steering casualty, but rides free eight hours later and returns to port.	AOR=Replenishment Oiler
1193	17/Dec/84	The USS Coral Sea (CV-43) suffers a minor engine room fire during overhaul at Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Virginia. The fire is extinguished in an hour with three men injured and \$6,000 damage to the vessel.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1194	31/Dec/84	In 1984 the USS Tattnell(DDG-19) suffers a major fire.	DDG= Destroyer Guided Missile
1195	31/Dec/84	In 1984 the USS Sterett(CG-31) has an emergency dry docking to repair the sonar dome rubber window, replace the inflatable shaft boots, repack the rudder posts, and do other various underwater hull work.	CG= Cruiser Guided Missile
1196	31/Dec/84	In 1984 the USS Beaufort (ATS-2) receives underwater hull, shafting, and controllable pitch propeller repairs for damage sustained as a result of a grounding.	ATS=Salvage and Rescue Ship
1197	31/Dec/84	In 1984 the USS Thomaston (LSD-28) has an emergency dry docking to accomplish underwater hull repairs sustained as a result of a grounding	LSD=Landing Ship Dock
1198	31/Dec/84	In 1984 the USS Ranger (CV-61) suffers two major fires.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1199	31/Dec/84	In 1984 ship repair contractors in Sasebo, Japan, accomplish \$288,965 of repair work on the USS Darter (SS-576) during an emergency 45-day dry docking to repair damages following a collision.	SS= Submarine
1200	05/Feb/85	The USS Ingersoll (DD-990) suffers a casualty to the port oil distribution box, requiring the ship to leave its battle group in the Indian Ocean.	DD= Destroyer

1201	11/Apr/85	The USS Coral Sea (CV-43) collides with the Ecuadorean tanker Napo during air operations 45 miles southwest of Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. A 30-foot hole in the carrier's bow is punched in, and some radar and communications equipment is damaged. The Coral Sea returns to drydock in Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Virginia. Eleven aircraft airborne at the time of the accident are diverted to Guantanamo Bay. The Napo is holed above the waterline and spills 7,600 barrels of oil before reaching Guantanamo for repairs. A formal investigation later blames the Commanding Officer of the Coral Sea for the incident, saying he "used poor judgment in electing to be absent from the bridge during the entire launch and recovery cycle ... with a Soviet vessel within 1,500 yards and with other vessels well within" the closest point of approach limits the captain had established.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1202	10/Jun/85	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine HMS Resolution is struck by the U.S. yacht Proud Mary off Cape Canaveral, Florida, in the early morning. The submarine suffers minor damage, but the yacht has to be towed back to port. The Resolution on its way to test-fire one of her Polaris missiles on the U.S. Navy's Atlantic Test Range after undergoing a major refit in Rosyth naval shipyard, Scotland.	
1203	22/Jul/85	A dive team embarks on board the USS Powhatan (T-ATF-166) to debauch the USS Boulder (LST-1190) in Chesapeake Bay.	ATF=Fleet Ocean Tug LST=Landing Ship Tank
1204	05/Aug/85	The Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Ark Royal is blown from its berth at Portland, U.K., by 50-mile-per-hour winds. No damage is done and two Navy tugs move the ship back into place.	
1205	01/Sep/85	In the Pacific, an H-46 helicopter crashes on board the USS Fife (DD-991) and slips off the deck, but is somehow held to the side by the Fife's crew. Nearby vessels provide assistance and no injuries occur.	DD= Destroyer
1206	01/Sep/85	In September the USS Darter (SS-576) collides with a Bahamanian merchant ship about 10 kilometers off Pusan, South Korea. The U.S. Navy says there were no injuries.	SS= Submarine
1207	25/Sep/85	The Soviet military training auxiliary ship Khasan collides with the Turkish fast attack craft Meltemin the Bosphorus, slicing it in two. There is thick fog at the time of the collision.	
1208	15/Oct/85	The USS Estocin (FFG-15) runs aground near Key West, Florida.	FFG= Frigate Guided Missile
1209	24/Oct/85	The USS Swordfish (SSN-579) suffers a propulsion casualty while operating as part of the U.S. Pacific Fleet.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered

1210	31/Oct/85	A Soviet minesweeper collides with a Swedish spy ship in the Baltic Sea.	
1211	02/Nov/85	The USS Enterprise (CVN-65) is grounded on Bishop's Rock shoal about 100 miles west of San Diego, California. Reports say the Enterprise sustains a 60-foot gash in the outer hull and damages one propeller. The Fleet Aircraft Carrier continues planned operations, taking part in the "ReadiEx 86-1" exercise before going into drydock on 27 November.	CVN= Fleet Aircraft Carrier Nuclear Powered
1212	04/Nov/85	The USS Caloosahatchee (AO-98) grounds on the Elizabeth River near Norfolk, Virginia, taking two days to refloat.	AO= Fleet Oiler
1213	17/Nov/85	The CH-46 vertical replenishment helicopter of the USS San Diego (AFS-6) crashes into a parked Marine Corps helicopter on board the USS Iwo Jima (LPH-2) during a night replenishment, killing one and injuring four personnel. AFS=Combat Stores Ship; LPH=Landing Platform Helicopter	
1214	25/Nov/85	The USS W.S. Sims (FF-1059) and USS Moosbrugger(DD-980) collide at sea in the Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, operating area.	FF= Frigate DD=Destroyer
1215	10/Dec/85	The USS Lockwood (FF-1064) collides with the Philippine merchant ship Santo Nino while crossing the UragaSuido outbound of traffic lanes at the entrance to Tokyo Bay, Japan. Damage includes a hole15-feet wide and 12-feet deep running 25 feet down the starboard side, with three crew injuries. The Santo Nino suffers damage above the waterline.	FF= Frigate
1216	31/Dec/85	The USS Narwhal (SSN-671) drifts for several hours in Palma Bay, Palma Majorca, Spain, after its mooring cable breaks on New Year's Eve.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
1211	31/Dec/85	In 1985 the USS Forrestal (CV-59) is discovered to have a reduction gear problem unrelated to its Service Life Extension Programme overhaul work (which finished 20 May). The defect forced the ship to return to her homeport of Mayport, Florida, with one propeller trailing to undergo repairs later in the year.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1218	13/Jan/86	A Japanese maritime patrol aircraft spots a Soviet Echo II class nuclear-powered cruise missile submarine under tow by a Soviet salvage ship about 280 miles northwest of Okinawa in the East China Sea, heading northward. The submarine evidently suffered a propulsion casualty.	
1219	29/Jan/86	The USS Ingersoll (DD-990) makes a heavy landing against the Canadian tug Provider at Esquimalt, British Columbia. Responsibility is charged to an inexperienced tug operator and to brisk winds. Damage to both vessels is minimal.	DD= Destroyer

1220	13/Mar/86	The USS Nathanael Greene (SSBN-636) runs aground in the Irish Sea, suffering external damage to its ballast tanks and rudder. A spokesman for the U.S. Navy says "There was no effect on the propulsion, no injuries and no damage to the Poseidon nuclear missiles." The submarine initially sails to Holy Loch, Scotland, under its own power for emergency repairs. It then leaves Scotland on 25 April and travels submerged to Charleston, South Carolina. The extent of the damage subsequently leads to a decision to decommission the vessel, partly in order to satisfy SALT II limitations.	SSBN= Submarine ICBM Launcher Poseidon Nuclear Powered
1221	22/Mar/86	The USS Secota(YTM-415) loses power and collides with the stern planes of the Trident submarine USS Georgia (SSBN-729) off Midway Island in the Pacific and sinks, just after completing a personnel transfer. Ten crew are rescued, but two drown. The Georgia is undamaged.	YTM=Medium Harbour Tug SSBN=Submarine ICBM Launcher Trident Nuclear Powered
1222	23/Mar/86	The USS Midway (CV-41) collides with a South Korean fishing boat in the Yellow Sea, damaging the boat but leaving the carrier unscathed.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1223	04/Apr/86	The Royal Navy Aircraft Carrier HMS Illustrious suffers an explosion and severe gearbox fire, costing some four million pounds sterling in repairs.	
1224	04/Apr/86	The USS William H. Standley (CG-32) suffers a main space fire in its Number 1 engine room during "Readiex 86-3" exercises, causing minor damage and no injuries. The Standley continues operations.	CG= Cruiser Guided Missile
1225	29/Apr/86	The USS Atlanta (SSN-712) runs aground in the Strait of Gibraltar, damaging sonar gear and puncturing a ballast tank in the bow section. Navy officials stress that no radiation leaked from the nuclear reactor and no crew members were injured. The vessel limps to Gibraltar for repairs, with water entering through holes in the ballast tank.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
1226	14/May/86	The Soviet Navy logistic support ship Berezina collides with the Soviet ship Capitan Sorokawhile proceeding into the Mediterranean near Istanbul, Turkey. The Berezina receives a breached hull to the waterline on the port side.	
1227	02/Jul/86	The USS Roanoke (AOR-7) collides with the Liberian oil tanker Mint Prosperity while steaming into Long Beach, California, in low visibility. The Roanoke sustains only minor damage to its bow and enters Naval Station Long Beach under its own power.	AOR= Replenishment Oiler
1228	29/Jul/86	A inquiry begins into a recent boiler fire aboard the Royal Navy frigate HMS Plymouth which killed one.	

1229	30/Jul/86	A U.S. Navy Sidewinder air-to-air missile hits the 30,000-ton tanker Western Sun carrying 26,000 barrels of oil 60 miles east of Norfolk, Virginia, leaving a reported two-to-three foot gash in the ship's superstructure. One report says the impact started several small fires. The Navy states that it was an inert missile used by an F-14 Tomcat fighter in an exercise within a designated warning area, and that a notice to ships of the exercise had been sent on 24 July.	
1230	31/Jul/86	In late July the USS Guitarro (SSN-665) reportedly suffers a minor mishap involving a shipboard valve while at sea. In response to inquiries the Navy says no serious equipment or safety problems occurred aboard the Guitarro.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered
1231	13/Aug/86	The USS Inchon (LPH-12) suffers a casualty to the ship's evaporators while underway for Moorehead City, North Carolina, causing the ship to return to Norfolk, Virginia, for two days of repairs.	LPH= Landing Platform Helicopter
1232	16/Aug/86	A freak wave crashes over the USS Carl Vinson (CVN-70) injuring one man and sweeping seven others into the Pacific Ocean. They were quickly rescued.	CVN= Fleet Carrier Nuclear Powered
1233	09/Sep/86	A CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter crashes into a CH-53 Sea Stallion helicopter on the flight deck of the USS Saipan (LHA-2) while operating off northern Norway during "Northern Wedding" exercises. The Sea Knight flips into the water, killing nine.	LHA=Amphibious Assault Ship General Purpose
1234	22/Sep/86	The USS Yellowstone (AD-41) collides with the USS Truckee (T-AO-147) during underway replenishment off Virginia. The Truckee has minor superstructure damage, while the Yellowstone sustains a two-foot gash in the hull on the port side.	AD=Destroyer Tender AO=Fleet Oiler
1235	03/Oct/86	A Soviet Yankee I class nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine suffers an explosion and fire in one of its missile tubes 480 miles east of Bermuda, killing at least three. General Secretary Gorbachev sends President Reagan a private communication regarding the accident in advance of the public announcement on 4 October, assuring him that there was no danger of nuclear explosion, radioactive contamination, or accidental launching of nuclear missiles. U.S. forces sample the air and water around the submarine and detect no radioactivity. The submarine sinks under tow on 6 October in 18,000 feet of water about 600 miles northeast of Bermuda. U.S. sources said that the explosion probably originated in the liquid fuel of one of the missiles.	

1236	31/Oct/86	In late October the USS Augusta (SSN-710) is damaged in an undersea collision while on a routine training patrol in the Atlantic. No crew members are injured and the submarine returns to Groton, Connecticut, for \$2.7 million worth of repairs by year's end. Reportedly, according to unnamed U.S. Defence Department sources, it is unclear whether the submarine struck the ocean floor or an underwater object, but there was no risk of the submarine sinking or danger to the nuclear reactor. A Defence Department spokesman refuses to comment on a CBS news report that the submarine "very possibly" collided with a Soviet submarine.	SSN= Attack Submarine Nuclear
1237	03/Nov/86	The USS Towers (DDG-9) hits the wharf in the Port of Cairns in northern Queensland, Australia, damaging the wharf.	DDG= Destroyer Guided Missile
1238	31/Dec/86	During Fiscal Year 1986 the USS William V. Pratt (DDG-44) runs aground while going from Naval Station Charleston, South Carolina, to Naval Weapons Station Charleston, South Carolina, causing \$1.3 million damage to her sonar domes.	DDG= Destroyer Guided Missile
1239	01/Jan/87	Sometime in the first half of January the Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Splendid loses its towed array sonar system during a close encounter with a Soviet submarine in the Barents Sea off Murmansk. Reportedly the submarine was a Soviet Typhoon class nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine. It is unclear whether the Soviet submarine severed the Splendid's tow-line accidentally or deliberately in an effort to obtain the sensitive technology. The submarine returns to Devonport, U.K., on 31 January.	
1240	13/Jan/87	The USS Berkeley (DDG-15) suffers a casualty to the forward sonar dome pressurization system, forcing the ship to reduce speed to 10 knots in heavy seas, and necessitating an unexpected stop in Guam to ascertain the level of damage and make temporary repairs.	DDG= Destroyer Guided Missile
1241	14/Jan/87	The USS William H. Standley (CG-32) sustains minor damage when several ammunition barges which had been secured alongside begin to break loose and pound the sides of the ship in heavy winds and high seas while the ship is anchored in San Francisco Bay, California. The barges are promptly secured, preventing significant damage or their becoming adrift in a crowded waterway.	CG= Cruiser Guided Missile
1242	22/Jan/87	The USS Ogden (LPD-5) suffers a Class Charlie fire.	LPD= Landing Platform Dock

1243	18/Feb/87	The Irish trawler Summer Morn is dragged backward for 10 to 20 miles for two and one half hours by a U.S. nuclear-powered submarine before it cuts its nets to free the submarine about 14 miles northwest of the Isle of Man in the Irish Sea. The trawler hauls in a submarine communications buoy stuck in its nets. The U.S. Defence Department confirms the submarine was American, but declines to say which submarine it was.	
1244	07/Apr/87	Two sailors are swept from the deck of the USS Ulysses S. Grant (SSBN-631) in rough seas three miles outside of the Portsmouth, New Hampshire, harbour; one is rescued but is pronounced dead and the other is lost at sea.	SSBN= Submarine ICBM Launcher Trident/ Polaris/Poseidon Nuclear =Powered
1245	21/Apr/87	The USS Richard L. Page (FFG-5) collides with and sinks the disabled fishing vessel Chickadee, which was under tow by another fishing boat, during a high-speed run in heavy fog off Virginia. The incident leads to calls for more drug testing of sailors, though no use on the Richard L. Page is ever uncovered.	FFG= Frigate Guided Missile
1246	25/Apr/87	The USS Daniel Boone (SSBN-629) goes aground in the St. James River at Newport News, Virginia, during sea trials following a \$115 million dollar overhaul. The grounding delays the ship's return to service.	SSBN= Submarine ICBM Launcher Trident Etc Nuclear Powered.
1247	29/Apr/87	The USS LaMoure County (LST-1194) collides with the USS Hermitage (LSD-34) about 300 miles off the Georgia coast while the ships are practicing a resupply exercise. The Hermitage sustains a five-foot hole in its bow stem above the waterline while the LaMoure County sustains superficial damage to its left side. The commanding officer of the LaMoure County is relieved pending an investigation of the accident.	LST=Landing Ship Tank LSD=Landing Ship Dock
1248	27/May/87	The USS Belleau Wood (LHA-3) suffers casualties to both boilers' super heater tubes.	LHA=Amphibious Assault Ship General Purpose
1249	03/Jun/87	The USS Patterson (FF-1061) returns to sea after suffering several small fires from efforts to restart a faulty generator while the ship is conducting drills in the Caribbean. The ship was towed to the Roosevelt Roads naval station, Puerto Rico, for one day of repairs. There were no injuries and no damage to the ship.	FF= Frigate
1250	15/Jun/87	The West German supply vessel Neckar is struck by 46 mm anti-missile and anti-ship gun shells reportedly fired from a Polish vessel while observing a Warsaw Pact exercise in the Bay of Gdansk, about 375 miles east of Kiel. Four shells strike the Neckar's starboard side and one lodges near its rear engine room. The ship springs a leak and fire breaks out, but damage is only minor. A West German Defence Ministry spokesman says "there are indications pointing to technical or human failure... There is no reason to think it was done deliberately."	



1251	25/Jun/87	The Royal Australian Navy ship Parramatta hits the wharf at the Port of Cairns, northern Queensland, Australia, damaging the wharf.	
1252	30/Jun/87	In late June or early July, the Trident submarine USS Nevada (SSBN-733) suffers a breakdown while conducting routine operations following the improper installation of a power transmission gear during a recent February to April maintenance stop at the Newport News shipyard, Virginia. The damage is estimated at several million dollars, and causes the Nevada to cancel a special call at its new home port of Bangor, Washington. In response to queries the Navy says "The safety of the ship and crew was never an issue and the ship is continuing its operations."	SSBN= Submarine ICBM Launcher Trident Nuclear Powered
1253	27/Jul/87	U.S. Navy planes conducting bombing practice at night near Okinawa hit the Malaysian freighter Pomex Saga, injuring one.	
1254	15/Aug/87	The Royal Australian Navy convenes a board of inquiry to discover why the diesel submarine Otamasubmerged during exercises off New South Wales, Australia, while two submariners were working outside the pressure hull. Both men were killed.	
1255	26/Aug/87	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Conqueror suffers a fire while at Devonport, U.K., for a four-month overhaul, damaging its engine room. The British Navy stresses that the fire was far from the submarine's nuclear reactors.	
1256	01/Oct/87	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine HMS Renown suffers a leak of reactor coolant during tests in the reactor compartment while at the Rosyth naval base, Scotland, for a refit. The Navy says it was a minor incident, "without any radiation hazard."	
1257	09/Nov/87	The Irish County Down trawler Angary is pulled along for a few seconds until its tackle snaps off at deck level, breaking a steel chain tested at 32 tons of stress, and disappears without a trace about 17 miles north of the Isle of Man in the Irish Sea. The fishermen suspect a submarine is responsible, but the U.K. Ministry of Defence says no British submarine was operating in the vicinity.	
1258	01/Dec/87	In December the West German Navy destroyer Moelders suffers a major fire while in the English Channel, returning from the Mediterranean. The fire originates in the galley and produces heavy, poisonous smoke which spreads through vents and cable conduits to a number of decks and compartments. It burns for several hours before being brought under control with the assistance of the frigate Niedersachsen which then tows the ship to its homeport of Wilhelmshaven.	

1259	26/Jan/88	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine [SSBN] HMS Resolution suffers an electrical malfunction while docked in Faslane, Scotland. The Observer newspaper claims that the malfunction shuts down the primary coolant pumps, almost leading to a core meltdown. And, that a crew member who was exposed to radiation had to be scrubbed down for 24 hours. The Ministry of Defence denies these stories, saying the submarine suffered a "minor electrical malfunction;" those that said the submarine's reactor could have melted down didn't know what they "are talking about;" and there had been "absolutely no danger to the crew or the general public."	
1260	12/Feb/88	The USS Yorktown (CG-48) and USS Caron (DD-970) are bumped by a Soviet destroyer and frigate, respectively, nine miles off the coast of the Crimean Peninsula in the Black Sea. The action came after the two U.S. ships entered the Soviet's 12-mile territorial water limit.	CG=Cruiser Guided Missile and Destroyer
1261	06/Mar/88	A West German diesel submarine collides with a Norwegian oil platform in the North Sea while taking part in an antisubmarine warfare exercise. The submarine collided with the anchor chain of the oil rig Oseberg B, and while trying to get loose struck the rig at 30 meters. The submarine manages to surface in about an hour and proceeds to Bergen, Norway, for inspection and repair.	
1262	24/Apr/88	The USS Bonefish (SS-582) suffers explosions and fire in its battery compartment during operations with the USS John F. Kennedy (CV-67) and the USS Carr (FFG-52) in the Caribbean, killing three. Submarine experts say that the most likely cause was the accumulation of hydrogen gas while the batteries were being recharged, which probably was ignited by a spark.	SS=Submarine CV=Fleet Aircraft Carrier FFG=Frigate Guided Missile]
1263	29/Apr/88	The USS Sam Houston (SSN-609) runs aground in Carr Inlet off the southeast tip of Fox Island in Puget Sound, Washington, while operating in shallow water to determine how quiet the vessel is in water. The submarine is freed the next day by four tugs and the USS Florikan (ASR-9) while the submarine's 142-man crew remains aboard. The submarine suffers minor damage to exterior hull equipment.	SSN=Attack Submarine Nuclear Powered ASR=Submarine Rescue Ship
1264	17/May/88	The Royal Navy nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Conqueror suffers a fire while docked in Gibraltar. The flames are quickly put out and do not affect the nuclear reactor.	

1265	01/Jun/88	In the first week of June the Royal Navy [SSN] nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Conqueror is accidentally hit by an unarmed training torpedo dropped by an antisubmarine warfare helicopter during exercises off the west coast of Scotland. The deck plating of the submarine is bent on impact and the submarine proceeds to the Faslane submarine base, Scotland, for repairs.	
1266	18/Jun/88	In mid-June the trawler Strantail has its nets torn to shreds by a submarine 18 miles north of Tory Island, Ireland. The submarine which bore no identification markings surfaced near the trawler and cleared itself of the remnants of the nets.	
1267	02/Jul/88	The Royal Navy [SSN] nuclear-powered attack submarine HMS Courageous collides with and sinks the privately chartered yacht Dalriada at night in the North Channel of the Irish Sea. The four persons on board the yacht are rescued by the Royal Navy frigate HMS Battleaxe 35 minutes later.	
1268	16/Jul/88	The 78-foot racing yacht Drum collides with the partially surfaced Royal Navy [SS] diesel submarine HMS Otus in the middle of the night as it makes its way around the Mull of Kintyre off the west coast of Scotland. The Drum suffers a serious gash on the port side, but is able to make it to Crinan, Scotland, at reduced speed. The Otus comes on the radio 20 minutes after the incident offering assistance.	
1269	17/Jul/88	A French navy Super Etendard fighter crashes into the French Aircraft Carrier Clemenceau during a night landing off Djibouti, killing the pilot.	
1270	23/Jul/88	The Japanese Defence Force diesel submarine Nadashi collides with the Japanese sport fishing boat Fuji Maru in Tokyo Bay, sinking the boat, killing 30 and causing a political furore over the submarine's lack of efforts to save drowning seamen.	
1271	02/Aug/88	The USS Constellation (CV-64) suffers an engine room fire which forces the carrier to cancel scheduled operations and return to port in San Diego, California. The fire, believed caused by a fuel oil leak, begins with an explosion in one of the ship's four engine rooms around noon and is finally extinguished about nine hours later after several subsequent explosions caused by heat from the initial fire. Twenty sailors suffer burns, bruises, and smoke inhalation.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1272	28/Aug/88	A Japanese freighter collides with a Peruvian navy diesel submarine off Peru, sinking the submarine and killing seven.	

1273	29/Aug/88	The USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN-69) collides with an anchored coal ship in Hampton Roads, Virginia, while entering the harbour to dock at Norfolk Naval Station, when wind and current push the carrier off course. Damage is minor to both ships.	CVN= Fleet Aircraft Carrier Nuclear Powered
1274	01/Sep/88	In September the Royal Navy Guided Missile destroyer HMS Southampton collides with the container vessel Torbay 70 kilometers north of the United Arab Emirates, injuring three aboard the destroyer.	
1275	03/Sep/88	The USS Berkeley (DDG-15) strikes the civilian tour boat Coralita while trying to dock in Cairns Harbour, northern Queensland, Australia, causing considerable internal damage to the Coralita.	DDG= Destroyer Guided Missile
1276	12/Sep/88	The Royal Navy frigate HMS Penelope collides with the Canadian naval support ship Preserver while participating in the NATO "Teamwork 88" exercise, suffering considerable damage.	
1277	12/Sep/88	The USS Boulder (LST-1190) runs aground off Norway during the NATO "Teamwork 88" exercise due to bad weather or uncharted underwater obstructions, causing some major scrapes and tears in the bottom of the hull.	LST= Landing Ship Tank
1278	15/Sep/88	In mid September a Belgian naval ship goes aground off Norway during the NATO "Teamwork 88" exercise due to bad weather or uncharted underwater obstructions.	
1279	15/Sep/88	In mid September a Canadian naval ship goes aground off Norway during the NATO "Teamwork 88" exercise due to bad weather or uncharted underwater obstructions.	
1280	22/Sep/88	An Exocet missile accidentally drops from the Royal Navy fleet auxiliary ship RFA Regent onto a barge as it is being unloaded in Plymouth Sound, U.K., almost hitting two men in the barge.	
1281	23/Oct/88	The USS Hayler (DD-997) collides with the West German Navy replenishment tanker Rhon while exercising in the North Sea. Both vessels take on water. The Hayler receives a gash on her starboard side and proceeds to Rosyth, Scotland, for emergency repairs.	DD= Destroyer
1282	01/Nov/88	In November, according to a Soviet press account, the Soviet nuclear-powered icebreaker Rossiia almost suffers a nuclear reactor meltdown when cooling fluid is accidentally released while the ship is in Murmansk. Emergency procedures prevent the core from overheating, averting a possible major accident.	
1283	09/Nov/88	The USS Towers (DDG-9) narrowly misses a Japanese helicopter patrol boat with a volley of exercise shells, while exercising off the Boso Peninsula southeast of Tokyo Bay, resulting in a political incident with the Japanese.	DDG= Destroyer Guided Missile

1284	30/Nov/88	A 20 mm cannon on an A-7 Corsair aircraft accidentally fires during maintenance setting six other aircraft ablaze aboard the USS Nimitz (CVN-68), operating in the Arabian Sea, killing one. The Nimitz continues operations.	CVN= Fleet Aircraft Carrier Nuclear Powered
1285	06/Dec/88	The Royal Navy diesel submarine HMS Ocelot is reported to return to the Clyde, Scotland, with a forward sonar dome ripped open. The Ministry of Defence denies the tearing is caused by a fishing trawl or cable, saying it was done by wave damage.	
1286	11/Dec/88	A U.S. F/A-18 Hornet aircraft from the USS Constellation (CV-64) accidentally strikes an Indian merchant ship with a unarmed Harpoon missile during training operations about 200 miles northwest of Honolulu, Hawaii, killing one. The missile confused a target hulk with the merchant ship which was in the exercise area.	CV= Fleet Aircraft Carrier
1287		Undated, but after 1964 when it was commissioned -The USS Von Steuben (SSBN-632) suffers a reactor scram while the diesel engine was disassembled for maintenance. Large amounts of electricity are needed for a reactor restart, and the battery is exhausted without restarting the reactor. The submarine wallows on the surface for at least several hours as the diesel motor is reassembled by flashlight.	SSBN= Submarine ICBM Launcher Trident Nuclear Powered
1288		Also undated but seemingly in the 1950's or early 1960's the USS Nautilus [SSN 571] suffered an involuntary reactor shut down which took 24 hours to overcome which she only had steerage way on the surface with her diesel engines.	SSN= Combat Submarine Nuclear Powered

1289 An exercise in power and tenacity of a nation which had to travel 8000 miles to go to war against an enemy already dug in on the day the first of the armada sailed, bound for the South Atlantic. However, many commented not least Major General Moore on the sheer skill of the Argentine Pilots, some going as far as to say that if the Argentine Navy and Army had been anywhere near as competitive, diligent and skillful as their fliers, with a proviso, the Argentine would have won the war hands down and their aerial skills were admired and envied taking into account that they were operating from home territory, very different from what we had to overcome!. Time after time they found and hit their targets with no wastage of munitions. That proviso was markedly obvious to all. They were forced to fly low on every sortie to avoid SAM's put up by the British assembled fleet and the British Harrier attack aircraft, still a potent weapon with expert and 100% diligent and skilled pilots, but far too few. By flying low MOST OF the enemies well aimed and released bombs ended up as UXB's for the drop time was inadequate to fuse the bomb. Had they had low level fuses from day one, then look out the British, but equally thank goodness they didn't? A great amount of our damaged shipping was due to 500to1000lb bombs falling and punching holes in our ships and also causing fires and damage control problems. Had they all exploded as intended, our ships would have littered the sea bed around the very area we were endeavouring to defend and reclaim. Of great note is the personal and sincere friendship of Simon Weston, horribly burned and disfigured in the attack on Bluff Cove with one of the pilots who targeted those LSL's full of waiting Guardsmen - Sir Galahad and Sir Tristram viz Carlos Cachon. All enmity is now forgotten and despite Simon's terrible medical traumas, all is now forgiven. Mind you, Simon cannot speak for all, and especially those who perished and the families left behind. They still suffer and remember the enemy, those like Carlos Cachon who was part of the murderous campaign to kill all in the 1982 task force, and very nearly achieved the evil goal of their perverse and evil leader General Galtieri. A defined usurper, murderer and sub human man.

The British Task Force was made up of the following units-

- a. Royal Navy ships and submarines = 43
- b. Royal Fleet Auxiliaries + RMAS = 24
- c. British Support mercantile ships co-opted = 44

#### Numbers Breakdown

- a.
  - 2 aircraft carriers with ski jumps
  - 2 landing platform docks [LPD]
  - 8 guided missile destroyers
  - 12 guided missile frigates
  - 2 conventional frigates
  - 5 nuclear attack submarines [SSN]
  - 1 diesel submarine [SSK]
  - 1 Ice Patrol ship
  - 2 Patrol ships
  - 2 Survey ships acting as ferrying the wounded to hospital ships for treatment
  1. Survey ship converted to small Hospital ship
  - 5 Mine sweepers
- b.
  - 10 Tankers/Oilers
  - 6 Logistic ships [LSL]
  - 5 Stores ships
  - 1 Helicopter Support Ship
  - 2 Royal Maritime Auxiliary Service ships
- c.
  - 7 Freighters
  - 15 Tankers
  - 8 Tugs/repair ships
  - 2 Luxury Liners/Cruise ships
  - 1 Cruise ship decked out as a Hospital ship
  - 7 Roll on roll off ferries [RORO]
  - 4 Container/cargo ships

#### Names Breakdown and fate!

- a.
  - HMS Hermes [Flag ship] Carrier
  - HMS Invincible Carrier
  - HMS Fearless LPD Note 1
  - HMS Intrepid LPD
  - HMS Bristol DDG
  - HMS Sheffield DDG Note 2
  - HMS Coventry DDG Note 3
  - HMS Glasgow DDG Note 4
  - HMS Cardiff DDG
  - HMS Exeter DDG
  - HMS Glamorgan DDG Note 5
  - HMS Antrim DDG Note 6
  - HMS Brilliant FFG Note 7
  - HMS Broadsword FFG Note 8
  - HMS Active FFG Note 9
  - HMS Alacrity FFG - sank
  - Transport ship ARA Isla de los Estados
  - HMS Antelope FFG Note 10

HMS Ardent FFG Note 11 HMS Avenger FFG HMS Arrow FFG Note 12  
HMS Andromeda FFG HMS Argonaut FFG Note 13 HMS Minerva FFG  
HMS Penelope FFG HMS Yarmouth FF HMS Plymouth FF Note 14

## NOTES

1. Mobile units of this ship bombed and sunk
2. Sunk as the result of an air launched Exocet attack
3. Capsized and sunk as the result of aerial bombing
4. Hit by an unexploded bomb and an early withdrawal from the action
5. Struck by a land launched Exocet and badly damaged
6. Hit by bomb causing major damage
7. Hit by concentrated cannon fire but minor damage
8. Hit by cannon fire and later bombed - moderate damage
9. Sank an enemy support ship later bombed and strafed-Helo damaged!
10. Sunk as the result of a failed bomb disposal attempt by 2 brave men.
11. Sunk by aerial bombing
12. Hit by cannon fire - minor damage
13. Badly damaged by aerial bombing
14. Major damage because of un-exploded bombs x 4 in No

## To Continue with ships names and fates

HMS Endurance Ice Patrol Ship and first to report the Argentine attack  
HMS Leeds Castle Coastal Patrol Note 15  
HMS Dumbarton Castle Coastal Patrol Note 15  
HMS Conqueror SSN Note 16  
HMS Courageous SSN  
HMS Onyx SSK Note 17  
HMS Valiant SSN Note 18  
HMS Spartan SSN Note 18  
HMS Splendid SSN Note 18  
HMS Hecla Survey Vessel - Survey Ship converted in Gibraltar to Small Hospital Ship in support of main acting Hospital ship SS Uganda HMS Herald - Survey Ship Note 19 HMS Hydra - Survey Ship Note 19

## NOTES

15. Despatch boats carry mail to Task Force to and from Ascension Islands
16. Sank General Belgrano inside TEZ
17. Ran aground - moderate damage
18. Nuclear's in surveillance role - close by mainland coast reporting on early aircraft movements from various enemy airfields. Valiant had minor damage when an aborted attack plane jettisoned its bombs close by before landing back in base.
19. Ferry boats conveying sick and wounded to the 2 hospital ships Uganda and Hecla

HMS Cordelia -Mine Countermeasures Squadron [MCM]  
HMS Farnella - MCM HMS Junella - MCM HMS Northella - MCM HMS Pict - MCM  
RFA Olna Tanker TK RFA Olmeda TK  
RFA Tidespring TK - landed Marine commando's onto South Georgia  
RFA Tidepool TK  
RFA Blue Rover  
RFA Apple Leaf TK  
RFA Bramble Leaf TK  
RFA Plum Leaf TK  
RFA Bay Leaf TK  
RFA Pear LeafTK  
RFA Sir Bedivere - Landing Ship Logistic - LSL  
RFA Sir Galahad LSL  
RFA Sir Geraint LSL  
RFA Sir Lancelot LSL  
RFA Sir Percival LSL  
RFA Sir Tristram LSL  
RFA Regent Supply Ship - SS  
RFA Resource SS  
RFA Fort Austin SS  
RFA Fort Grange SS  
RFA Stromness SS-aerial attack and minor damage!  
RFA Engadine - Helicopter Support Ship - HS RMAS Typhoon - Royal Maritime  
Auxiliary Service RMAS Goosander - Royal Maritime Auxiliary Service

All of the following are civilians ships Co-opted into Service

Luxury Liner Queen Elizabeth 2 - used as Troop Ship  
Luxury Liner Canberra - used as Troop Ship  
SS Uganda - Used as Large Hospital Ship  
Baltic Ferry Roll On Roll Off Ferry - RORO  
Europic Ferry - RORO  
Nordic Ferry - RORO  
Norland - RORO  
Rangatira - RORO - sailed after cease fire!  
St Edmunds - RORO  
Tor Caledonia - RORO - arrived 2 days before cease fire  
Contender Bezant - arrived after cease fire purchased post war as RFA Argus.  
Astronomer - Container Cargo Ship - CCS - arrived after cease fire  
Atlantic Conveyor - CCS - CUNARD ship  
Atlantic Causeway - CCS - CUNARD ship  
M.V. Myrmidon - CCS - arrived after the cease fire  
Avelona Star - Freighter - FR - arrived after cease fire  
Gelestport - FR -arrived day before cease fire  
Laertes - FR - arrived after cease fire  
Lycaon - FR  
Saxonia - FR

Strathewe - FR - arrived after cease fire  
 St Helena - FR - arrived after case fire  
 Alvega - Civilian Tanker - CT  
 Anco Charger - CT  
 Balder London - CT  
 British Avon - CT  
 British Dart - CT  
 British Esk - CT  
 British Tamar - CT  
 British Tay - CT  
 British Test - CT  
 British Trent - CT  
 British Wye - CT - hit by bomb minor damage  
 Eburna - CT  
 Fort Toronto - CT  
 G.A. Walker - CT  
 Scottish Eagle - CT  
 British Enterprise - Tugs/Repair Ship - TRS Iris  
 - TRS Irishman - TRS  
 Salvageman - TRS - the largest most powerful tug on British books  
 Stena Inspector - TRS - purchased after war as RFA Diligence  
 Stena Seaspread - TRS - repaired over 50 ships in deep water including many war ships  
 vital to the prosecution of the war. Hailed as the super star of all co-opted ships for the  
 war.  
 Wimey[No, not Wimpey!] Seahorse - TRS Yorkshireman - TRS.

If we have missed any vessel off our list or any information is wrong or missing, please contact the Museum Curator/Webmaster and state your desire for a correction. When doing so please state the date of occurrence and we will add it here in this section called the ADDENDUM. If you don't know that data or are unsure if will appear in the Addendum as 'unknown'. Thank you.

#### ADDENDUM

1. 16 Nov 62 a Helicopter from HMS Hermes loses all power at 1000 feet and autorotates into a rough sea and sinks almost immediately. It is carrying a crew of two with three passengers, the noble Lord, Lord Windlesham, the hon. Member for Loughborough (Mr. Cronin), and an R.A.F. officer, Squadron Leader Stott, from the ship to the R.N. Air Station, Brawdy. The politicians one from the Lords and one from the Commons were on a met the fleet visit based in Hermes. The MP, Mr Cronin and the two crew members were rescued by another Helicopter from Hermes but sadly Lord Windlesham's body was not found, and Squadron Leader Stott was found unconscious and shortly afterwards died.
2. 19 Nov 62 a high pressure steam pipe fractures in a boiler room aboard the carrier HMS Centaur during the morning watch at 0530 killing one officer and four ratings.