

HMS RELENTLESS

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1950's SHIP'S LOGS

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INTRODUCTION

The information contained in the following pages has been transcribed directly from the official SHIP'S LOGs of HMS RELENTLESS which can be viewed at the National Archives in Kew.

In the main, these logs were completed by the Officer of the Watch (OOW) when the ship was at sea and by the Quartermaster (QM) when the ship was in harbour.

Each log, representing one calendar month, was completed in PENCIL, with no erasure allowed. Any errors were crossed out and the correct data entered, and each log was signed and dated by the Captain on a weekly basis.

There does not appear to be any strict rule regarding what goes in the logs. Some OOWs were diligent in completing the logs, some were not. The same is true of entries made by the QM.

Quite a few log entries have NOT been transcribed. When at sea, there are numerous entries regarding changes of course eg."a/c to avoid fishing vessels" and in harbour, many references to the Guard Boat or MOD Police patrols, or ships passing.

As is the way of things, many entries are abbreviated, have acronyms or are accepted Naval terms or expressions and these are shown 'as is'.

Ships names are shown in upper case eg. JUPITER or RFA OLMEDA.
Shore Establishments are styled as follows: HMS Mercury

Any data show in *italics* is information added to clarify or question the log entries, and entries shown in quotes are verbatim.

The status of transcribed Ship's Logs is as follows: **Do not exist** - **Done** - **Coming Soon**

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Post 1968	Do not exist												

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1951	Place / Position	Comments
		FIRST ENTRY Tuesday 10th July 1951 ADM/53/131036
10 Jul	PORTSMOUTH	No entries of note
11 Jul	Portsmouth	0800 Hands employed ammunition ship 1110 Tug MINION slipped with lighter 1155 Commodore boarded the ship – left ship 1300
12 Jul	Portsmouth	0745 Oiling lighters C605 & C26 + Tug C10 and C7 provision lighter alongside 0800 Hands employed provision ship 0905 BRITTANIC secured alongside with torpedo 1030-1045 Rear Admiral boarded ship (Eng) Slipped and proceeded to B Dock for Tilt Test. Secured 1335 1945 Draft joined. 2 Officers Stew 1 Cook(O) 1 Cook(S)
13 Jul Friday	Portsmouth	0555 No.2 Pump No.2 Boiler Room broken down. Repairs effected 0915 Carry out tilt test 2045 2 ratings joined ship from RNB Chatham
14 Jul Saturday	Portsmouth & Sea Areas	0900 Left A Lock proceeded to sea 0928 Fort Blockhouse abeam 0940 OSB abeam a/c Co 275° Sp 5 1231 Came to stbd anchor in 6 fathoms at 4 shackles 1250 Lowered whaler 1345 Clear lower deck of seaman 1355 Away motor boat and skimmers 1300 Hands piped to bathe 1330 Cleared water of bathers 1500 Clear lower deck raise anchor by hand 1620 Clear lower deck raise anchor by hand 1625 Tug VOLATILE alongside port Tug TID50 standing by 1635 Tug TID50 took tow wire for'd. 1640 Under tow 1700 OSB abeam 1708 Hands prep to enter harbour
15 Jul	Portsmouth	0930 Hands to Divisions 2230 Captain arrived on board
16 Jul	Portsmouth & Sea Areas	0915-1240 Ammunition lighter (NA63) alongside (port) 1308 Slip from NW WS 1324 Fort Blockhouse abeam 1524 Commence steering trials 1756 Commence steering trials (<i>Log signed by J W Pryce AB</i>) 1925 Fort Blockhouse abeam
17 Jul	Portsmouth	0835-1210 Ammunition lighter NA63 alongside 0845 REDPOLE shift berth 0900 D55 left harbour 0905 STARLING shift berth 0910 REDPOLE re-berthed for'd 0920 Captain's Requestmen and Defaulters to muster 1025-1145 Oil lighter C240 alongside port side

		<p>1030 Received 110 tons of FFO 1045-1142 8 Canadian officers on board 1545 Clear lower deck of seamen 1630 GABBARD slipped 1645 Re-berthed alongside LARGO BAY 1805 Captain returned on board 1810 7 drums of Acid arrived 1840 Two PO ERAs joined ship 1855-1925 Canadian Captain arrived</p>
18 Jul	Portsmouth & Sea Areas	<p>0800 Slipped and proceeded to sea 0930 Sighted FINNISTERE 1000 Full power trial commenced (<i>at 1100 had 306.4 revs</i>) 1400 Completed Full Power Trial. Commenced Aster Trials 1750 Anchored off Spithead 1755 MFV brought off Trials Party 2010 Completed MEDF trials 2025 Weighed anchor 2030 Commenced endurance trial 15 kts</p>
19 Jul	Portsmouth Sea Areas	<p>0030 Exercise seaboat 0344 Berry Hd 335° Start Pt 285° Position at 0800 50°17'48"N 04°40'0"W 1045 Lower Deck cleared for payment 1317 Completed Measured Mile run 1645 Mismusters for payment 1700 Portland Light House 042° 1707 Commenced CSA trials 1850 Entered Needles Channel 1854 Visibility decreased reduced speed. 1858 Stop ship. 1859 Going astern. 1907 Visibility returned 2030 Dropped anchor off Spithead Position at 2000 50°45'36"N 01°21'30"W</p>
20 Jul	Portsmouth & Sea Areas	<p>0800 Dressed ship masthead ensign 0830 Weighed anchor proceeded to sea 0945 Commenced Bofors Action firing 0955 Action Limbos crews closed up on quarterdeck 1025 Commenced full calibre 4" Gun Firing Trials 1135 Commenced Limbo Firing Trials 1420 Exercise man overboard 1913 Alongside SW TB</p>
21 Jul	Portsmouth	<p>1015 Received 210 tons of FFO 1400 Captain ashore</p>
22 Jul	Portsmouth	<p>~2100 Captain arrived on board</p>
23 Jul	Portsmouth & Sea Areas	<p>0800 Tug FORTITUDE secured to Port Side aft 0805 Slipped and proceeded to sea for Radio and CRBT Trials 1130-1150 Carried out Engine and Steering Manoeuvrability Trial 1800 Came to stbd anchor in No.7 Berth Spithead 1855-1900 Dockyard MFV 127 alongside port side aft</p>
24 Jul	Portsmouth & Sea Areas	<p>0810 Change anchorage 0846 Anchored in Stokes Bay 1149 Weigh and proceed. Co & Sp for entering harbour 1236 Alongside TETCOTT – Fountain Lake Jetty 1415 1st Lt Requestmen and Defaulters to muster</p>

		1945 One rating joined ship from RNB Chatham
25 Jul	Portsmouth	1005 Provisions boat alongside. 20 bags potatoes, 6 bags onions, 6 bags cabbage, 1 sack cheese, 1 sack blankets 1010 Naval stores came on board. Clear lower deck of seamen. In provisions 1050 Clear lower deck of seamen muster on the Foc'sl 2025 Dockyard Police placed Regulation Board aboard
26 Jul	Portsmouth & Sea Areas	0735 Two Captains arrived on board 0800 Slipped and proceeded to sea. 0822 Fort Blockhouse abeam 1425 Clear lower deck. Launched Life Raft 1449 Hands to bathe 1445 Hoisted Life Raft 1904 Fort Blockhouse 1930 Secured stbd side to SW TB 1940 MYNGS secured alongside
27 Jul Friday	Portsmouth	0745 Hands employed am Saturday Routine 1440-1510 First Lord of Admiralty on board
28 Jul	Portsmouth	0945-1150 Diving Boat secured alongside stbd side foc'sl
29 Jul	Portsmouth	AND JUST FOR A CHANGE, HERE IS THE FULL LOG 0805 Both watches of the hands fall in 0855 Cover guns 0910 Watchkeeper's libertymen fall in 0930 Pipe down 0930-1035 Diving Boat secured alongside stbd side foc'sl 1000 Libertymen fall in 1015 Up Spirits 1030 Hands of the mess for rum 1100 Duty part of the watch and stokers fire party to muster 1150 Cooks to the galley 1200 Hands to dinner Pm Captain went ashore 0015 Captain returned on board
30 Jul	Portsmouth	0830 MYNGS slipped and tug SPRITE secured alongside 0845 Slipped and shifted to NWW(S) 0920 Secured alongside CAPRICE. First leave party proceeded on leave 1000-1215 Ammunition lighter secured alongside 1148-1445 TF3 Captain (D) and staff arrived on board 1305 GRENVILLE secured alongside 1315 Captain returned aboard 1953 CONTEST secured alongside GRENVILLE <i>Berthed 4-up. CAPRICE, RELENTLESS, GRENVILLE, CONTEST</i> <i>Log signed X E Herrick, Commanding Officer</i>
31 Jul	Portsmouth	No entries
01 Aug	Portsmouth	No entries
02 Aug	Portsmouth	1102 Rear Admiral CinCs staff boarded ship 1130 CLD for payment 1211 Rear Admiral with CinCs staff left the ship
03 Aug	Portsmouth	1400-1600 Vernon Conference delegates aboard 1715 FINISTERRE left harbour
04 Aug	Portsmouth	0800-2047 Dress ship
05 Aug	Portsmouth	No entries
06 Aug	Portsmouth	No entries (<i>Log signed X E Herrick</i>)

07 Aug	Portsmouth	0925 Captain's Requestmen and Defaulters fall in 0930 CONTEST slipped from GRENVILLE
08 Aug	Portsmouth	0855 ANETT left harbour 0900 REDPOLE left harbour 0930 Shift ship with GRENVILLE 1020 Secured alongside GRENVILLE
09 Aug	Portsmouth	0820-1050 Ammunition vessel 'Howitzer' secured alongside 0826-1045 NA Lighter A33 secured 1350 STARLING secured alongside 1405 ANETT left harbour 1515 STARLING slipped
10 Aug	Portsmouth	0840 REDPOLE shifted berth under tugs 0850 COQUETTE and WELCOME shifted berth under tugs 0900 REDPOLE secured alongside BRECON 1615 CONTEST secured alongside
11 Aug	Portsmouth	0900 Hands employed transferring limbo projectiles from for'd HR to aft HR
12 Aug	Portsmouth	1000 Up spirits 1005 WAVE secured alongside REDPOLE
13 Aug	Portsmouth & Sea Areas	0900 CONTEST slipped and proceeded to sea 1000 Slip and proceed from NW Wall(S) on GRENVILLE 1014 Fort Blockhouse abeam 1024 OSB abeam 1051 Nab Tower abeam port 1230-1255 Commence high speed turning trials Co & Sp as req 1359 OSB abeam port 1412 Fort Blockhouse abeam 1426 Secured alongside GRENVILLE NW Wall (South) 1910 ANTIC entered harbour 2025 ML2223 left harbour <i>(Log signed 'for CO absent on leave'.</i>
14 Aug	Portsmouth	0723 ANTIC left harbour 0815-1000 Stores boat secured alongside 1400-1500 NAAFI boat secured alongside port side aft (ESSANAV) 1815 FINISTERRE entered harbour
15 Aug	Portsmouth	0745 Tug CAPABLE secured alongside port side 0830 Secured in lock 1030 Entered (No. 12) dry dock 1415 Controller Admiralty piped aboard 1500 Controller Admiralty piped ashore
16 Aug	Portsmouth	1130 CLD for payment 1240 Two ratings for RNH Haslar
17 Aug	Portsmouth	No entries
18 Aug	Portsmouth	No entries
19 Aug	Portsmouth	No entries
20 Aug	Portsmouth	1000-1055 Captain and Officers from HMS Dryad aboard
21 Aug	Portsmouth	No entries
22 Aug	Portsmouth	No entries
23 Aug	Portsmouth	1030 1 Rating returned from Haslar
24 Aug	Portsmouth	No entries
25 Aug	Portsmouth	No entries
26 Aug	Portsmouth	No entries
27 Aug	Portsmouth	No entries

28 Aug	Portsmouth	1020 Brow removed 1045 Left No. 12 dock 1100 Berthed alongside CHAPLET
29 Aug	Portsmouth	0820 Slipped from CHAPLET 0830 Ship secured alongside 0945 BARROSA secured alongside port side
30 Aug	Portsmouth	0745 Captain to Portland 1455 Lower deck cleared for payment
31 Aug	Portsmouth	1130 One rating discharged to RN Sick Quarters
01 Sep	Portsmouth	No entries
02 Sep	Portsmouth	1630 Midshipman MJ Reeder joined ship from THESEUS
03 Sep	Portsmouth	1245 One rating left ship for RNH Haslar
04 Sep	Portsmouth	1920 Draft. 1 rating
05 Sep	Portsmouth	No entries
06 Sep	Portsmouth	1115 Clear lower deck read Articles of War
07 Sep	Portsmouth	0815 Shifted berth with BARROSA to Southern Wall, 6 Berth 1555-1745 Commander "D" arrived on board
08 Sep	Portsmouth	1030 Messdeck rounds
09 Sep	Portsmouth	No entries
10 Sep	Portsmouth	No entries
11 Sep	Portsmouth	1220 One C PO SM drafted to RN Hospital 1500 One Ldg Cook joined ship
12 Sep	Portsmouth	1540 1 st Stbd watch to tea 1620 1 st Stbd watch to muster. Ship shifted berth to 'B' Lock 1620 Submarine ANDREW secured alongside
13 Sep	Portsmouth	0845 Slipped from B lock 1000 Secured alongside CAPRICE 1130 Hauled off CAPRICE 1200 Secured alongside FINISTERRE 1400-1600 Captain "D" and staff arrived on board 1700 GRENVILLE secured alongside port side
14 Sep	Portsmouth and Sea Areas	0755 Tugs secured alongside GRENVILLE 0805 Slip from FINISTERRE NW Wall (S) 0824 Fort Blockhouse abeam 0836 OSB 0841 Ship officially photographed at Spithead 0845 "Photographing" complete set course for Nab 1315 Fired 6 2" Rocket Flares 1420 Aircraft for calibration of Type 277 joined and commenced calibration 1555 a/c 355 Revolutions 200 (20 kts) 1723 Nab Tower abeam stbd 1745 For Exercise, 'Man overboard' 1806 Man recovered 1820 OSB abeam 1833 Fort Blockhouse abeam 1850 Secured alongside GRENVILLE NWW(S)
15 Sep	Portsmouth and Portland	0800 Slipped from GRENVILLE NW Wall (S) 0821 Fort Blockhouse abeam 0835 OSB abeam Co as req for leaving Spithead 0850 Commence working up to Full Power 0905 Nab tower abeam port 1006 Full power trial completed commence working down

		<p>1041 Received signal saying xxxxx available 1302 Trials parties disembarked 1330 Proceed in search of yacht 'Nimrod' in accordance with CinCs 151240Z 1615 'Nimrod' located 1910 Entered Portland harbour 1935 Secured to buoy 2115 One LSM joined ship C/MX 663422 2115 One Officer joined ship</p>
16 Sep	Portland	<p>0845 VANGUARD left harbour 1125-1155 Captain paid official call to Captain in Charge</p>
17 Sep	Portland and Exercise Areas	<p>0310 SCORPION left harbour 0805 Slipped and proceeded to Phoenix Unit 0845 approx Secured alongside Phoenix Unit stbd side to 0935 TF3 came aboard 1020 TRV3 secured alongside 1220 TF3 piped "off board" 1338-1550 Limbo trials commenced 1600 ZEPHYR entered harbour 1644 PORTCHESTER CASTLE entered harbour 1715 TRADEWIND entered harbour 1820 SCORPION entered harbour</p>
18 Sep	Portland	<p>"at 0830 the following ships left harbour SOLENT, SENTINEL, SEADEVIL, SUBTLE, SIRDAR, BURGMEAD BAY, TRADEWIND" "at 0900 ZEPHYR, PORTCHESTER CASTLE, P40, TIREE, CRANE 0930-0950 TRV3 secured alongside port side 1120 SCORPION left harbour 1600 One Boathook Pattern No. 78P lost overboard 1620 SENTINEL entered harbour 1650 CRANE entered harbour, L4037 entered harbour 1830 TINTAGEL CASTLE entered harbour 1840 SIRDAR entered harbour 1905 SEADEVIL entered harbour, 1915 SCYTHIAN 1935 TRADEWIND 1955 ZEPHYR and ZODIAC entered harbour 2000 BURGHEAD BAY entered harbour 2015 F259 2016 FLINT CASTLE 2023 PORTCHESTER CASTLE 2115 P40 entered harbour</p>
19 Sep	Portland and Exercise Areas	<p>0758 Slip from P1 Phoenix Unit 0815 Stbd torpedo discharged 20° angle 0816 Torpedo surfaced 0827 Port torpedo discharged 0828 Torpedo surfaced 0830 Exercise completed return to harbour 0841 Entered harbour by N ship channel 0855 Secured alongside P1 Phoenix Unit 1010 Secured tug and ammunition lighter alongside. Hands employed ammunition ship 1055 Secured water boat 'E.Barnaby' alongside 1130 Rear Admiral FOST left INDEFATIGABLE 1225 FLINT CASTLE entered harbour 1315 Lower deck cleared for ammunitioning 1400 MFV136 secured alongside ammunition lighter port side 1500 HM s/m SCYTHIAN entered harbour 1510 CRANE entered harbour 1520 HM s/m SIRDAR 1530 ZODIAC</p>

		<p>1540 MFV136 slipped 1545 SENTINEL and LEEDS CASTLE entered harbour 1555 Tug 'Tampion' secured alongside ammo lighter 1620 PORTCHESTER CASTLE 1640 SEADEVIL 1730 Ammunition lighter slipped</p>
20 Sep	Portland and Exercise Areas	<p>0717-0730 TRV3 secured alongside port side embarked 4 torpedoes 0752 Slip from P1 Phoenix Unit 0820 a/c 062 commence 1st torpedo run 0822 Stbd torpedo discharged 0822 torpedo surfaced 0826 Stopped due to feed water suction failure 0835 Commence 2nd torpedo run Co 268 Sp 18 0838 Port torpedo discharged 0838 torpedo surfaced 0843 Commence 3rd torpedo run 0844 2nd stbd torpedo discharged 0844 torpedo surfaced 0850 Commence 4th torpedo run 0852 2nd port torpedo discharged 0852 torpedo surfaced 0855 Return to harbour via E ship channel 0912 Secured alongside P1 Phoenix Unit 0930-1020 Water boat secured alongside 1300 Guard Call. Guard exercised on the Jetty 1315-1345 Secured TRV3 alongside 1405 P3002 entered harbour 1505 ZODIAC and ZEPHYR entered harbour 1510 CRANE, HM s/m SCYTHIAN 1515 TINTAGEL CASTLE, HM s/m SIRDAR 1520 FLINT CASTLE 1535 HM s/m SUBTLE 1540 HM s/m SEADEVIL, HELMSDALE 1730 BURGHEAD BAY entered harbour</p>
21 Sep	Portland and Exercise Areas	<p>0825-0924 Ships left harbour – SUBTLE, SEADEVIL, ZODIAC, LEEDS CASTLE, TRADEWIND, BIRCH BAY, TINGAGEL CASTLE, ZEPHYR, P41, P44, HELMSDALE 1145 Captain left ship to go the MAIDSTONE 1354 Slipped from P1 Phoenix Unit 1400 Left harbour by E ship channel 1403 Commenced 1st torpedo run 1408 1st stbd torpedo discharged and surfaced 1410 Commenced 2nd torpedo run 1415 1st port torpedo discharged and surfaced 1418 Commenced 3rd torpedo run 1423 2nd stbd torpedo discharged and surfaced 1428 Commenced 4th torpedo run 1432 2nd port torpedo discharged and surfaced 1455 Completed torpedo trials a/c 275 to enter harbour 1505 Entered Portland harbour by East Ship Channel 1515 Secured to P1 Phoenix Unit 1530 MYNGS and TINTAGEL CASTLE entered harbour 1540 HM subs SUBTLE and TRADEWIND entered harbour</p>
22 Sep	Portland	<p>0715 THESEUS and SCORPION entered harbour 0840 LARGO BAY left harbour 1215 LARGO BAY entered harbour 1240 MINOR 5 left harbour 1340 ZEPHYR entered harbour 2110-2125 10 small vessels entered harbour</p>
23 Sep	Portland	<p>0930 Hands to Divisions 1230 2 L/Sea + 6 Abs on draft to HMS Dryad</p>

		<p>1310 M225 RENALDO entered harbour 1700 RAMBLE, PINCHER, RATTLESNAKE entered harbour 1908 CHEERFUL and COCKATRICE entered harbour 1930 ZODIAC entered harbour</p>
24 Sep	Portland and Exercise Areas	<p>0135 Cleared lower deck of Seaman & Misc ratings 0235 Slipped and proceeded to safe anchorage 0250 Anchored in Weymouth Bay 8 shackles 0800 ZEPHYR entered harbour 0852 Weighed anchor Co & Sp for entering harbour 0910 Entered harbour by North ship channel 0918 Secured to D6 Buoy 1325 M1291 entered harbour 1310 One rating on draft 1400-1845 ships entered harbour SCORPION, M1783, PORTCHESTER CASTLE, ZEPHYR, ZODIAC, FLINT CASTLE, M46, TINTAGEL CASTLE, MYNGS, P3050, BURGHEAD BAY</p>
25 Sep	Portland and Exercise Areas	<p>0820 F423 shifted berth 0900 THESEUS left harbour 0915 NAAFI stores boat secured alongside 1045 Slipped from D6 buoy. Co & Sp as requisite for berthing alongside RFA BELGOL 1058 Secured alongside BELGOL 1330-1650 ships entered harbour BURGHEAD BAY, COCKATRICE, HEDINGHAM CASTLE, ZEPHYR, ZODIAC, RATTLESNAKE 1520 Slipped from RFA BELGOL and secured to D6 buoy by 2 bridles</p>
26 Sep	Portland and Exercise Areas	<p>0755 Slipped from D6 buoy 0805 Leave Portland harbour for torpedo trials 0814 Commence torpedo trials 0842 Four torpedo runs completed 0854 Entered Portland Harbour 0912 Secured alongside P1 Phoenix Unit 0915 FLINT CASTLE left harbour 1240-1700 ships left/entered harbour BRAMBLE, M11, M294, PINCHER ZEPHYR, FLINT CASTLE, P41, HEDINGHAM CASTLE, P40, ZODIAC, BURGHEAD BAY, MYNGS. 1435-1525 FOTS(sic - FOST) aboard 1715 TRIUMPH and GRENVILLE anchored in Weymouth bay</p>
27 Sep	Portland and Exercise Areas	<p>0800 Slip and proceed for torpedo trials 0809 Leave Portland Harbour 0814 Commence torpedo trials 0847 Four torpedo runs completed 0855 Enter Portland Harbour 0915 Secure alongside P1 Phoenix Unit 1010 Secured water boat alongside 1126 Slipped from P1 Phoenix Unit 1134 Secured alongside P1 Phoenix Unit having holed starboard bow 1225 Slipped from P1 Phoenix Unit. Two tugs pull ship off 1232 Slip tugs, Co & Sp as necessary to secure to D6 Buoy 1254 Secured to D6 buoy, 2 bridles 1310 HMS Dryad draft returned aboard</p>
28 Sep	Portland and Exercise Areas	<p>0845 Slip and proceed, leave harbour by N ship channel 0838 Commence three torpedo firing runs 0905 Torpedo firing completed</p>

		Position at 1200 50°28'N 01°58.5'S 1500 Anchor in M1 berth 3 shackles 1510 Weigh and proceed to ICP 1530 Alongside FLINT CASTLE ICP 1650 Ammunition lighter secured alongside
29 Sep	Portland	0720-1030 Secured ammunition lighter alongside 1140-1205 SM2 arrived on board
30 Sep	Portland	0930 Hands to Divisions
01 Oct	Portland	Alongside at P1 Phoenix Unit 1130-1250 Captain of HMS Osprey on board 1530 CLD hands muster for cigarette coupons 1550 Football teams fall in
02 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	1450 Limbo firing complete 1510 Slip from P1 Unit proceed to D6 buoy 1530 Secured to D6 buoy
03 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0800-0910 Weighed for torpedo trials.
04 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	Moored at D6 buoy 0732 Water boat FRESHTARN secured alongside 0830 MSB hoisted inboard 1440 Skimmer hoisted outboard 1510 MSB hoisted outboard 1615 LSM M Garragan drafted to RNB Portsmouth
05 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0735-0820 Water boat 'FRESHTARN' alongside
06 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0800 BROADSWORD entered harbour 0805-0945 Water boat alongside 1230 APOLLO entered harbour
07 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0930 Hands to Divisions
08 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0830 Slip from D6 buoy 0845 Secure to P1 Phoenix Unit 1430 APOLLO left harbour 1520 LEEDS CASTLE entered harbour 1545 Slipped P1 Phoenix Unit 1605 Secured D6 buoy
09 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0755 BRIDPORT left harbour 0823 Slipped from D6 buoy 0830 Leave Portland Harbour for runs over Sound Range sp 12 0900-0925 Hands to Action Stations 1134 Fire reported in No.2 Boiler Room 1143 Fire extinguished 1455 Sound Range runs completed. Commence Asdic trials on submerged target 1555 Asdic trials completed enter Portland Harbour by ESC 1605 Secured to A3 buoy
10 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0745 Turning whaler's falls end for end 1420 Water boat secured alongside 1700 TACITURN entered harbour
11 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0750 Slip from A3 buoy proceed to sea for torpedo trials and Sound Range runs 0810 Worked up to 30 knots for firing two torpedoes

		0830 Completed torpedo runs. Commence SR runs 0920 Completed SR runs. Enter Portland harbour 0940 Secured to A3 buoy 1130-1155 Water boat secured alongside 1530 Lower deck cleared for payment 1830 RECLAIM entered harbour
12 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0830 Slip from A3 buoy proceed to sea for Asdic Trials 1018 Commence ASP2 with TRADEWIND 1209 Submarine surfaced. Completed ASP2 1255 Submarine dived. Commence ASP2 with TRADEWIND 1350 Stopped engines. Tapped hulls 1352 Submarine surfaced 1430 Commenced Asdic trials on triplane target 1510 Completed trials Co & Sp for entering Portland Harbour 1530 Secure to D6 buoy 1940 1 AB escorted on board 1945 AB Burton placed under open arrest 2000 Captain of LOCH VEYATIE arrived onboard
13 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0840-0925 Water boat FRESHTARN alongside 1050 1 L/Sea discharged to RNH 1100-1125 Captain's Rounds
14 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0930 Hands to Divisions 1000 INDEFATIGABLE left harbour
15 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0735-0755 TRV3 secured alongside 0755-0835 Water boat FRESHTARN secured alongside 0918 Slip from D6 buoy 0931 Commence torpedo trials 0946 Torpedo firing completed. TRV alongside 1020 Co & Sp as req for testing Asdic. Exercised Bathythermograph 1154 Commenced ASP2 with AURIGA in Areas EN and ES 1213 Completed ASP2. AURIGA surface. Ship stopped 1306 Commenced ASP2 with AURIGA 1404 AURIGA surfaced. ASP2 completed. Ship stopped 1420 Commenced ASP8 with s/m AURIGA in Areas E, N and S 1440 Ship stopped. Exercise completed. Submarine surfaced 1510 Commenced Asdic trials on triplane target 1555 Completed Asdic trials. Co & Sp for entering Portland Harbour 1645 Secured alongside RFA BELGOL 1710 MYNGS secured alongside
16 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0730 Six Midshipmen join ship for the day from MAIDSTONE 0745 Slip from RFA BELGOL a OCP. MYNGS held off 0806 Anchored at M1 0828 Weigh for torpedo firing in Weymouth Bay 0839 Commence torpedo firing 0952 Commence ASP2 with SEADEVIL in Areas EN & ES 11?? Stopped engines. Tapped hulls. Fired 3 charges 1150 s/m SEADEVIL surfaced 1237 Commenced ASP9 with SEADEVIL in area EN & ES 1455 SEADEVIL surfaced on completion of ASP9 1600 Came to D6 buoy- 2 bridles 1625-1645 TRV secured alongside embarked two torpedoes 1630 Six Midshipmen leave ship for MAIDSTONE
17 Oct	Portland and Exercise	0755 Slip from D6 buoy for torpedo firing

	Areas	0806 Proceed through N ship channel 0817-0830 Commence torpedo runs 0907 Alongside P1 Unit 0920-0955 Water boat alongside 1130 WELFARE entered harbour
18 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0757 Slip from P1 for torpedo firing 0807 Passed through N ship channel 0810 Commence torpedo runs 0910 Secured to buoy 0930-1030 Water boat alongside 1020-1125 'HOWITZER' ammunition lighter secured alongside port side 1530 Cleared lower deck, Warrant No.2 read 1710 STARLING entered harbour
19 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0758 Slip from C2 buoy for torpedo firing 0812 Pass through E ship channel 0816-0834 Commence torpedo runs 0855 Stopped in vicinity of A/S triplane target 1100 Co & Sp as req for Asdic trials on triplane target 1320 Proceed to DG range off Weymouth 1450 Work up to 30 knots 1455 DG runs completed return to Portland Harbour 1515 Secure to C2 buoy
20 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0730-0815 Water boat alongside 1100-1130 Captain's Rounds 1600 Shift into night clothing
21 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0930 Hands to Divisions. Rig Church 1000 Church service in forward seamen's messdeck 1035 Captain's upper deck rounds 1455 HELMSDALE entered harbour 2020 Midshipman(E) Bowen joined ship from PERSEUS
22 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0900 SM2 boarded ship 0916 Slip from C2 buoy 0922 Passed through E ship channel 0926 Commence runs on triplane target 1005 Disengage from triplane target commence Serial (2) CO & Sp as req for PCA 10 1214 Serial 2 completed 1300 Ship stopped in Church Hope cove, preparatory to transferring SM2 to s/m SLEUTH 1315 SM2 transferred to s/m SLEUTH by whaler 1355 a/c 105° Zig Zag 30° either side of MLA carrying out SMX10 with s/m SLEUTH area E,N 1430 Exercise completed
23 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0800 Slipped from C2 buoy to sea 0905 Returned to harbour, VIPs boarded ship. Ship proceeded to sea 0930 Cleared harbour 0945 carried out a/s attacks on Triplane Target 0958 Completed attack. Co & Sp as requisite for ASP with TRADEWIND 1130 Completed ASP. Surfaced submarine 1200 Passed through E ship channel Co as req for coming to C2 buoy 1210 Secured to C2 buoy
24 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0813 HARBINGER secured alongside 0820-0910 Water boat secured alongside

		1515 Football teams fall in
25 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0915 Captain left ship for Londonderry 1525 Rugby teams fall in 1645 INDEFATIGABLE entered harbour 1700-1800 Secured ammunition lighter alongside. Duty watch employed ammunition ship
26 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0902 Slip from C2 buoy 0913 Pass through E ship channel 0914 Commence selfnoise trials 0935 Stopped in vicinity of DG range 0950 Carry out selfnoise ranging run in South part of Area " B " at speeds from 6 knots – 27 knots 1030 Commence runs on estimate position of triplane target 1145 Triplane trials completed. Ship stopped in vicinity of dan buoy 1245 Ship secured to C2 buoy
27 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0938-1027 Water boat secured alongside
28 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	2230 ZODIAC entered harbour
29 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0926 SAVAGE entered harbour 1600 MARVEL and PLUTO entered harbour 1700 ULSTER entered harbour 1900 One commissioned ordnance officer joined ship 1930 One L/Sig joined ship
30 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0745-0945 Water boat secured alongside 1014 Slip from C2 buoy 1024 Pass through E ship channel 1040 Co & Sp as requisite for runs on Triplane Target 1310 Asdic trials completed 1331 Come to C2 buoy - two bridles 1600 PLUTO entered harbour 1620 MARVEL entered harbour 2050 AB Freeman placed under close arrest
31 Oct	Portland and Exercise Areas	0828 Slip from C2 buoy 0839 Pass through N ship channel 0943 Commence ASP6 1150 Stopped 1230 Co & Sp as requisite for ASP with S/m SEADEVIL 1332 Stopped engines 1524 Pass through N ship channel 1545 Secured alongside SAVAGE at OCP 1945 One Ldg Rate joined ship
01 Nov		No entries
02 Nov **	Portland and Exercise Areas	0829 Slip from C2 buoy. Co & Sp as requisite for leaving harbour 0943 In vicinity of R/V 140° Shambles 8. Closing submarine on starboard beam 1002 Commenced ASP7 1105 Limbo, ACR and A/S plot Action Crews closed up 1130 Fire two light Limbo patterns at buoy 1140 ASP7 completed – s/m SEA SCOUT surfaced Position at 1200 50°23.5'N 2°4'

		1423 Enter Needles Channel 1625 Fort Blockhouse 1630 Alongside South Railway Jetty
03 Nov **	Portsmouth	0700-1030 Secured ammunition lighter alongside. Port side 0735 L4037 entered harbour 0745 TRAFALGAR entered harbour wearing Rear Admiral i/c Reserve Fleet Flag (1600) Captain proceeded on shore to RNH Haslar
04 Nov **	Portsmouth	No entries
05 Nov **	Portsmouth	0750 Secured tugs port side Ship moved from South Railway berth to No. 9 Dry Dock
06 Nov	Portsmouth	0840 Escort & offender left ship for Portsmouth Detention Quarters 0940 Escort & offender returned on board 1245 1 Petty Officer S/M left for Haslar Hospital 1325 Clear lower deck of seamen. One Warrant read. One offender discharged to DQs
		** Data taken from ADM/53/131036 for JULY 1951
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