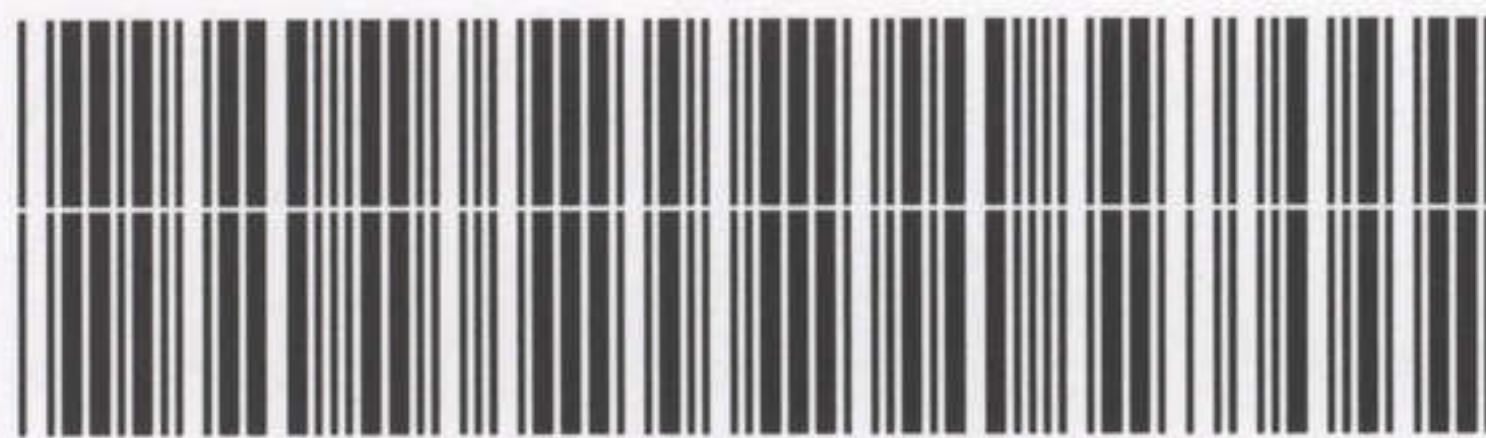


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To THE SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD, MELBOURNE THROUGH N.O.I.C. NEW GUINEA

Subject REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1945  
Submitted in accordance with C.N.O. 97/43 and C.C.N.O. 19/45.  
From 1st to 6th September the ship was alongside at Madang.

On Sunday 2nd September the ship proceeded Karkar Island returning to Madang P.M. that day.

At 1100K 6th September the ship proceeded to Hollandia. Anchoring at night, the ship secured alongside in Hollandia at 1513I 9th September. An electrical defect became apparent as I secured.

From 9th to 15th September the ship remained in Hollandia effecting repairs to voltage control regulator on Port main engine. Superficial damage to wiring was also repaired.

At 0500I on 15th September the ship proceeded to Madang. Anchoring by night, the ship secured alongside in Madang 2235K 17th September.

On Saturday 22nd September the ship proceeded to M.L. Repair Base, Alexishafen where a 100 hour main engine routine was carried out. The ship returned to Madang P.M. 24th September.

At 1430K 25th September the ship proceeded Jacquinot Bay.

The ship secured alongside in Finschafen 0740K 26th September.

Proceeding at 1230K 27th September, the ship secured alongside in Jacquinot Bay 1215K 28th September.

From thence until the end of the month the ship was secured alongside at Jacquinot Bay.

Health and morale of the ship's company remains very satisfactory.

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EFFICIENCY REPORT.

Main engines - Very satisfactory.  
A/S Engines & equipment - Very satisfactory.  
Batteries - Satisfactory.  
Guns - New .50 cal. Colt Browning not yet tested.  
All other guns satisfactory.  
Hull - In sound condition.

MONTHLY FIGURES.

Distance steamed during month - 1400 miles  
Hours under way " " - 139 hours  
" " " on one engine - NIL  
Average speed for month - 10 knots.  
Gallons of fuel expended - 1500 gals.  
" " " " per hour - 11 gals.  
Total hours under way since  
commissioning - 742 hours.  
Date of Commissioning - 11th December, 1944.

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DATE 1st September 1945

TO The Secretary, Naval Board, through N.O.I.C. New Guinea.

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From 1st to 13th August undergoing 500 hour overhaul at M.L. Repair Base, Alexishafen. Some defects were also made good. The work at the Base was carried out in an efficient and expeditious manner.

On Thursday 9th August engine trials were carried out off Othilien Passage.

Proceeded A.M. 13th August to Madang to embark ammunition and stores.

At 1500K 16th August proceeded out of Madang Harbour to dump faulty ammunition.

Proceeded A.M. 26th August to Karkar Is. for fresh stores for Madang N.B.H.Q., returning P.M. the same day.

Since arriving from Alexishafen, except for the Karkar passage, ship remained alongside in Madang.

Health and morale of the ship's company remains very satisfactory.

### Efficiency Report.

- Main Engines — Very satisfactory
- A/S Engines & Equipment — Very satisfactory
- Batteries — Satisfactory
- Guns — New 50 cal Browning not yet tested  
All other guns satisfactory
- Hull — In sound condition.

### Naval Stores

Some difficulty is found in obtaining Naval Stores, especially in the Turpentine and painting oil lines.

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Monthly Figures

Distance steamed during month - 80 miles  
 Hours under way " " - 12 hours  
 Hours " " on one engine - 11 1/2 hours  
 Average speed for month - 8 knots.  
 Gallons of fuel expended during month - 260 gals.  
 " " " " per hour - 8 gals.  
 Total hours under way since  
 Date of commissioning - 603 hours  
 " " " " - 11.12.44

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From COMMANDING OFFICER, H.M.A. M.L.1355.

Date 14th June, 1945.

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To THE SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD, NAVY OFFICE, MELBOURNE.  
30 JUN 1945 (Through Naval Officer-in-charge, New Guinea)

INIT. Subject REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - MAY 1945.



Submitted in accordance with C.C.N.O.97/43 and Navy Office letter No.059439 of 27th October 1944, the following Report of Proceedings for the information of the Naval Board.

From 1st to 10th May, the ship was secured alongside at M.L.Repair Base, Brisbane, whilst preparations were being made for the ship's departure to Madang.

At 0945K 11th May the ship proceeded to sea with the Port Gunnery Officer for gun trials in Moreton Bay; returning at 1515K. The guns performed unsatisfactorily.

From 12th to 14th May the ship was secured alongside at M.L.Repair Base.

At 1015K 15th May the ship proceeded to sea with the Port Gunnery Officer for gun trials in Moreton Bay, returning at 1430K. Guns performed satisfactorily.

At 1200K 16th May the ship proceeded to sea with M.L.1341 in company, to Advanced Fairmile Base, Bribie Island, to act as A/S Guard Ship; arriving there at 1500K. At 1700K the ship weighed anchor and proceeded on orders back to M.L.Repair Base; securing alongside at 2005K.

At 1000K 17th May the ship proceeded to Watts & Wright's shipyard in the Brisbane River. Thence, taking M.L.1323 in tow proceeded to South Brisbane Ship Repair Wharf, where at 1330K tow was slipped and the vessel proceeded back to M.L.Repair Base.

At 1540K the ship was slipped for inspection of under-water fittings. These were found to be in a satisfactory condition.

At 1415K 18th May the ship was unslipped.

At 1515K 19th May the ship slipped and proceeded on passage to Madang.

The ship secured alongside at Gladstone at 0800K 21st May for fuel, water and provisions.

Slipping at 0630K 22nd May the ship proceeded to Mackay securing alongside at 1010K 23rd May.

The ship proceeded to Townsville at 0745K 24th May; securing alongside at Townsville at 0610K 25th May for fuel, water and provisions.

From this time to the end of the month the ship was secured alongside at Hynes Wharf at Townsville where several minor defects were remedied. 100 hour engine routine was also carried out.

Since leaving Brisbane en route to Madang the vessel has performed very satisfactorily and handled well in a heavy sea-way.

The health and morale of the Ship's Company is of a very high standard.

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Monthly Figures.

Distance steamed during month..... 1070 miles.  
Hours under way " " ..... 119 hours.  
Average distance per ton of fuel..... 300 miles.  
Total distance steamed since commissioning.... 2346 miles.  
At an average speed of..... 8.5 knots.  
Hours under way since commissioning..... 276 hours.

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COMMANDING OFFICER  
*J. J. Miller*  
H.M.A. No. 1355  
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Date 4th April, 1945.  
To THE SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD, NAVY OFFICE, MELBOURNE.  
(Through Naval Officer-in-Charge, New Guinea.)  
Subject REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - MARCH, 1945.

Submitted for the information of the Naval Board in accordance with C.C.N.O.97/43 and Navy Office letter No.059439 of 27th October 1944, the following Report of Proceedings for month of March, 1945.

2. From 1st March to 7th March, seven days working up exercises were carried out in Moreton Bay. From 8th March to 31st March, the ship was secured alongside M.L. Repair Base whilst work was effected on defects.

3. Distance steamed during month - 520 miles  
Hours under way - 65½ hours  
Average distance per ton of fuel - 250 miles  
Total distance steamed since commissioning - 800 miles  
At average speed of 8½ knots  
Total hours under way since commissioning - 97½ hours.

*F. G. Miller*  
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Lieutenant, R.A.N.R.  
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