

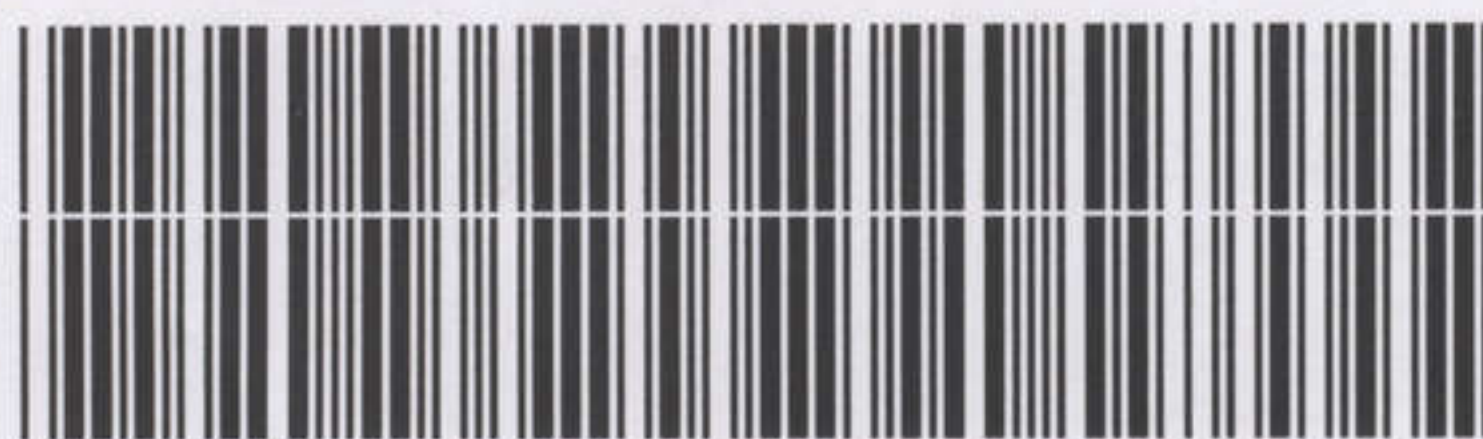
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[Harbour Defence Motor Launch] HDML 1352

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S.O.C.C. This vessel was paid off on 31 October (vide Decree 10138 Nov)
but has apparently been recommissioned, temporarily at least. *WPM 25/2*

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Commanding Officer, M.L. 1352.

14th. February, 1946.

PM/CMP.

Commanding Officer, H.M.A.S. "Leeuwin II", KEANE'S POINT. (Copy to Secretary, Naval Board.)
REPORT ON PROCEEDINGS FOR MONTH OF JANUARY, 1946

Submitted:

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- 5th. Jan. 0800 Left depot for special duty - HMS "Anson".
2015 Returned to Depot.
 - 6th. " 1715 Left Depot special duty HMS "Anson"
2000 returned to Depot.
 - 9th. " 0900 Left Depot with Allied Works Council for Garden Island
1730 Returned to Depot.
 - 10th. " 0930 Left Depot for Rottnest Island.
1730 Returned to Depot.
 - 21st. " 0800 Left Depot for Special Duty HMS King George V.
1620 Returned to Depot.
 - 24th. " 0855 Left Depot for Rottnest Island.
1230 Returned to Depot.
 - 25th. " 0645 Left Depot for Rockingham and Garden Island.
1845 returned to Depot.
 - 29th. " 1100 Left Depot for Rottnest. Returned to Fish Markets
at 0830 on 23th. January, '46.
 - 29th. " 1800 Left for Rottnest Island. Returned to Depot
at 1700 on 30th. January.

Hours under way during month	.	.	.	47 hours (approx.)
Distance run during month	.	.	.	564 miles

P.M. Andreas.
Lieut. RANVR.
COMMANDING OFFICER.

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FROM : THE COMMANDING OFFICER - H.M.A. M.L. 1352.
DATE : 2 NOVEMBER 1945.
TO : THE SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD, MELBOURNE (Through N.O.I.C. Fremantle.)
(Copy direct to The Secretary, Naval Board.)
SUBJECT : REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - M.L. 1352 - OCTOBER 1945.

Submitted :

M.L. 1352 had no operational commitments during the month of October and remained berthed at M.L. Base Fremantle.

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2. The vessel commenced procedure for "paying off" on Monday October 15th and by Monday 22nd all armament and ammunition had been returned to A.S.O. Fremantle.

3. As this vessel is being temporarily retained as a "work-boat" at Fremantle sufficient Naval Stores have been retained on board to facilitate operation in this capacity. The residue have been returned to N.S.O. Fremantle. All loan clothing and mess-traps have been returned to V.S.O. Fremantle.

4. The vessel was "paid off" p.m. Wednesday 31st after inspection by Commanding Officer of H.M.A.S. "Leeuwin", and Ship's Company discharged to H.M.A.S. "Leeuwin" for disposal.

Distance steamed during October.	Nil miles.
Distance steamed since commissioning.	4520 miles.
Hours under way since commissioning.	530 hours.
Engine hours as at 2400H 31st October.	

Port.	568 hours.
Stbd.	550 hours.

Bob Hewitt
LIEUTENANT R.A.N.R.
for COMMANDING OFFICER.

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REPORT OF PROCEEDING FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1945
FROM COMMANDING OFFICER - H.M.A.M.L. 1352
DATED 2nd OCTOBER, 1945.



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The Secretary,
NAVAL BOARD.

Submitted for the information of the
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H.M. [signature]

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COMMODORE, R.A.N.
NAVAL OFFICER-IN-CHARGE

Naval Staff Office,
FREMANTLE.
12 th October, 1945.

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REPORT OF PROCEEDING FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1945
FROM COMMANDING OFFICER - H.M.A.M.L. 1352
DATED 2nd OCTOBER, 1945.

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COMMODORE, R.A.N.

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Naval Staff Office,
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12th October, 1945.

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FROM : THE COMMANDING OFFICER - H.M.A.M.L. 1352.
DATE : 2ND OCTOBER 1945.
TO : THE SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD, MELBOURNE. (Through N.O.I.C. Fremantle.)
(Copy direct to The Secretary, Naval Board.)
SUBJECT : MONTHLY REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1945.

Submitted :-

1. In accordance with G.C.N.O. 97/45 the following report of proceedings of M.L. 1352 for September 1945.
2. Due to cancellation of operational commitments M.L. 1352 remained in harbour from 1st to 30th of September.
3. Vessel was slipped a.m. 17th September to remove a line fouling the starboard propeller.
4. Health and morale of the Ship's Company during September has been good.

Distance steamed during September.	3 miles.
Distance steamed since commissioning.	4520 miles.
Hours under way during September.	2 hours.
Hours under way since commissioning.	530 hours.
Engine hours as at 2400H/30th September.	Port. 567 hours.
	Stbd. 549 hours.

COMMANDING OFFICER

W. Douglas Baker
LIEUTENANT N.A.M.L. 1352
COMMANDING OFFICER.

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Commanding Officer H.M.A. M.L.1352 Report of Proceedings
dated 3rd September 1945



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COMMODORE R.A.N.
NAVAL OFFICER-IN-CHARGE
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The Secretary,

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NAVAL OFFICER-IN-CHARGE
COMMODORE R.A.N.

Naval Staff Office,
FREMANTLE, W.A.,
25th September 1945

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FROM : THE COMMANDING OFFICER - H.M.A.M.L. 1352.

DATE : 3RD SEPTEMBER 1945.

TO : THE SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD, MELBOURNE (Through W.O.I.C. Fremantle.)
(Copy Direct to The Secretary, Naval Board.)

SUBJECT : REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - M.L. 1352 AUGUST 1945.

1. In accordance with C.C.N.O. 97/45 the following report of proceedings of M.L. 1352 for August 1945.
2. 0815H/1st Proceeded to Hall Bank Buoy and assumed A/S Guard Ship duties. Returned to harbour when relieved by M.L. 815 at 0845/2nd.
3. 2nd, 3rd, 4th in harbour.
4. 0815H/5th Proceeded to Hall Bank Buoy and relieved M.L. 824 on A/S Guard Ship duties. Returned to harbour on relief 0845H/6th.
5. 6th in harbour.
6. 0815H/7th Proceeded to Hall Bank Buoy and relieved M.L. 1340 on A/S Guard Ship duties. At 1200H returned to harbour with defective generator.
7. 8th, 9th in harbour.
8. 0815H/10th Proceeded to Hall Bank and assumed A/S Guard Ship duties. Owing to unfavourable weather conditions returned to harbour and remained at immediate notice.
9. 0815H/13th. Proceeded to Hall Bank and assumed A/S Guard duties. Returned to harbour on relief at 0845H/14th.
10. 14th in harbour.
11. 15th in harbour at immediate notice.
12. 16th in harbour.
13. 17th proceeded to Hall Bank and assumed A/S Guard duties. Returned to harbour on relief 0845/18th.
14. 19th - 22nd in harbour.
15. 23rd in harbour at immediate notice.
16. 24th in harbour.
17. 0815H/25th Proceeded to Hall Bank and assumed A/S Guard duties. 2100H returned to harbour owing to bad weather. Ship at immediate notice till 0815H/26th.
18. 26th, 27th and 28th in harbour.
19. 0815H/29th Proceeded to Hall Bank Buoy and assumed A/S Guard duties. Relieved at 0815H/30th by M.L. 824 and returned to harbour.
20. Health and morale of the Ship's Company during August has been good.

Distance steamed during August.	110 miles.
Distance steamed since commissioning	4517 miles.
Hours under way during August.	14 hours.
Hours under way since commissioning.	528 hours.
Engine hours as at 2400H/31st August.	
Port.	561 hours.
Stbd.	546 hours.



COMMANDING OFFICER
[Signature]
H.M.A. M.L. 1352
LIEUTENANT R.A.N.R.
COMMANDING OFFICER

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FROM : THE COMMANDING OFFICER - H.M.A.M.L. 1352.
DATE : 2ND AUGUST 1945.
TO : THE SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD, MELBOURNE (Through N.O.I.C.
Fremantle) (Copy to The Secretary, Naval Board.)
SUBJECT : REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS M.L. 1352 - JULY 1945.

Submitted :

In accordance with C.G.N.O. 97/45 the following report
of proceedings of M.L. 1352 for July 1945.

2. 1st - 2nd In harbour.
3. 0830H/3rd Slipped and proceeded to vicinity of Hall Bank Buoy, transferred S.O.M.Ls to M.L. 815. Then carried out A/A and surface shoot. On completion returned to harbour.
4. 1530H/4th Slipped and proceeded to Hall Bank Buoy released sea-birds and returned to harbour.
5. 5th - 9th In harbour.
6. 0930H/10th Embarked S.O.M.Ls and Flotilla officers and proceeded to Rottnest Is. to investigate anchorages. On completion returned to harbour.
7. 11th - 14th In harbour.
8. 0815H/15th Proceeded to Hall Bank Buoy and assumed A/S guard ship duties. Owing to unfavourable weather returned to harbour P.M. and remained at immediate notice. At 0600H/16th proceeded to Gage Roads and carried out A/S sweeps in Company with M.Ls 815, 812. Returned to harbour 1900H.
9. 17th In harbour.
10. 0815H/18th Proceeded to Hall Bank Buoy and took over A/S guard ship duties from M.L. 815. Relieved by M.L. 1340 0830H/19th. Returned to harbour.
11. 0825H/20th Proceeded to Hall Bank Buoy and relieved M.L. 1340 on A/S guard ship duties. P.M. carried out A/S sweeps in Gage Roads. On relief returned to harbour 0800H/21st.
12. 0815H/23rd Proceeded to Hall Bank Buoy and assumed A/S guard ship duties. Returned to harbour on relief 0835H/24th.
13. 25th In harbour.
14. 1530H/26th Proceeded in company with M.L. 824 to a position 011 deg. Rottnest Light 5 miles and carried out search for damaged target. This was unsuccessful and the M.Ls returned to harbour at dusk.
15. 0815H/27th Proceeded to same position and continued search for target in company with M.L. 826. The target was located by M.L. 826 about noon and towed into harbour. At 1400H assumed A/S guard ship duties at Hall Bank Buoy. Returned to harbour on relief 0845H/28th.
16. 0815H/29th Proceeded to Hall Bank Buoy and relieved M.L. 1340 on A/S guard ship duties. Returned to harbour on relief 0830H/30th.
17. 0645H/31st Proceeded to a position approx. 6 miles due North of Rottnest Island Light. Rendezvoused with H.M. Submarine "TURPIN" and escorted her into Fremantle harbour arriving at 1355H.



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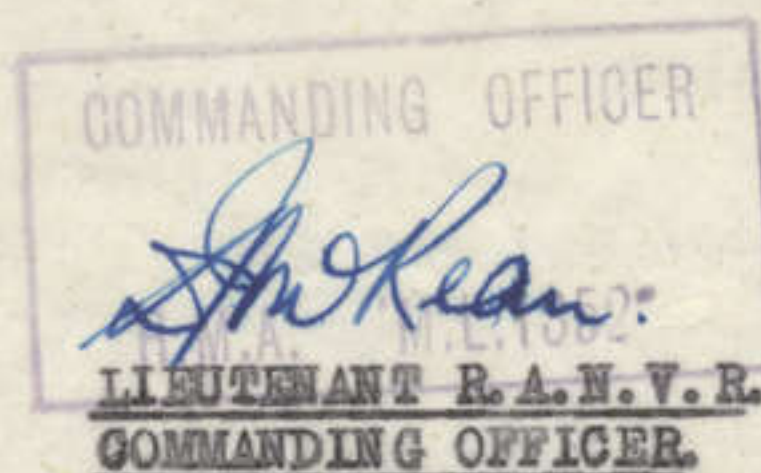
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18. The health of the Ship's Company during July has been good and considerable improvement in morale has been evident, this improvement has been due to the ship becoming operational again.

Distance steamed during July. 720 miles.
Distance steamed since commissioning. 4497 miles.
Hours under way during July. 90 hours.
Hours under way since commissioning. 514 hours.

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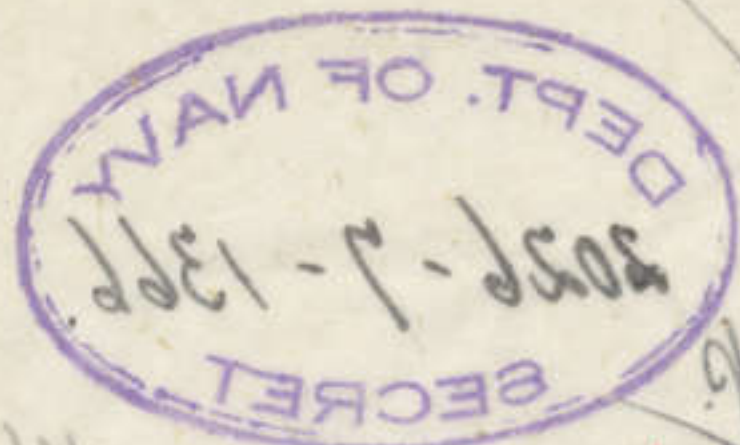
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April, May, and June '45.

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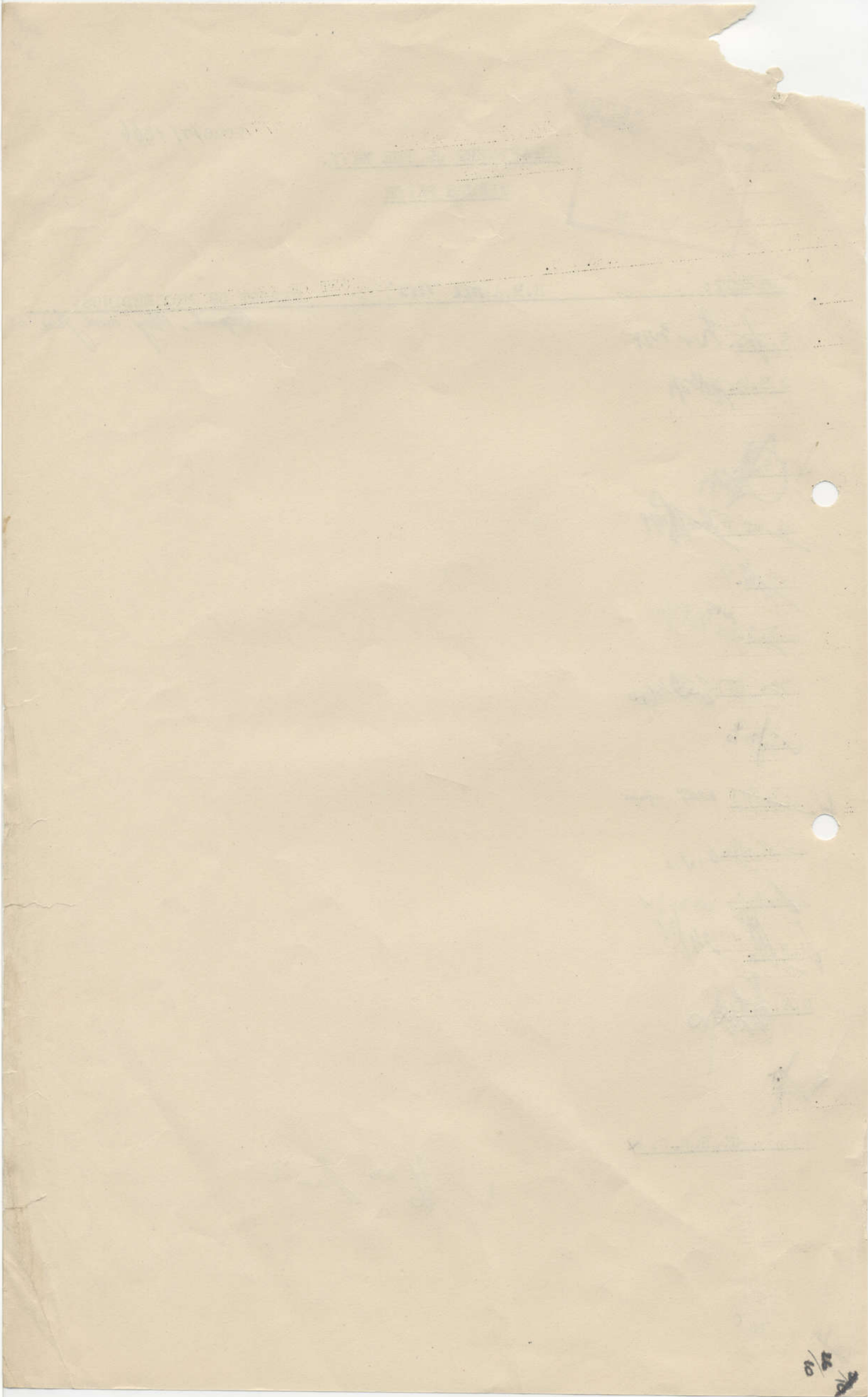
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NAVAL BOARD.

REPORTS OF PROCEEDINGS - M.L. 1352
APRIL, MAY, JUNE - 1945.

Submitted for the information of the
Naval Board.

2. These reports have been withheld pending discussion regarding the availability of the H.D.M.L.'s at this Port. Remarks on this subject are the subject of separate correspondence.

C. L. 28/2

COMMODORE, R.A.N.,
NAVAL OFFICER-IN-CHARGE.

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FROM : THE COMMANDING OFFICER - M.L. 1352.
DATE : 2ND JULY 1945.
TO : THE SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD, MELBOURNE. (Through NOIC. Fremantle)
(Copy to The Secretary, Naval Board.)
SUBJECT : REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS ML 1352. - JUNE 1945.

Submitted :

The following report of proceedings of ML 1352 for the month of June 1945.

2. ✓ AM June 1st ML 1352 was slipped at the ML Base slip for shaft inspection and unslipped PM. the same day.

3. ✓ On 4th, ML 1352 was slipped again at the ML Base and work commenced by Base Staff renewing the starboard intermediate and stern tube bearings. ✓ This work continued until Saturday 16th when the vessel was unslipped and satisfactorily carried out basin trials in Fremantle harbour.

4. During the refit period the Asdic unit from ML 1352 was transferred to ML 815 and as there are no spare units available ML 1352 was non-operational for the remainder of the month of June.

The health of the Ship's Company during June has been good and the moral satisfactory.

Distance steamed during June.	21 miles.
Distance steamed since commissioning.	3777 miles.
Hours under way during June.	3 hours.
Hours under way since commissioning.	424 hours.

COMMANDING OFFICER

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H.M.A. "M.L.1352"

LIEUTENANT R.A.N.R.
COMMANDING OFFICER.



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DATE : 2ND JUNE, 1945.
TO : THE SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD, MELBOURNE. (THROUGH NOIC.FREMANTLE)
(Copy to The Secretary, Naval Board)
SUBJECT : REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF M.L.1352 - MAY 1945.

Submitted:

The following report of proceedings of M.L. 1352 for month of May, 1945.

2. At 1345H May 1st, M.L.1352 slipped and proceeded to Gage Roads where she relieved M.L. 824 on A/S Patrol. At 1545 the supercharger on the starboard motor broke down and the patrol was maintained on one motor until 1750 when because of adverse weather M.L. 1352 was ordered to return to harbour.
3. May 2, 3 and 4 were spent in harbour.
4. On 5th May after having a supercharger unit from M.L. 1340 fitted to the starboard motor, M.L. 1352 carried out basin trials. During these trials the intermediate bearing on the port shaft overheated and the shaft began vibrating badly.
5. May 6th was spent in harbour and on 7 M.L. 1352 was slipped at the M.L. Base for inspection and unslipped on the 8th May. May 9th was spent in harbour and at 1200H/10th, M.L. 1352 proceeded to sea and relieved M.L. 812 on Standby Patrol at Hall Bank. M.L. 815 took over the patrol at 0845 on 11th, M.L. 1352 returned to base.
6. At 0930H on 12th, M.L. 1352 took over the Standby Patrol from M.L. 812 who returned to harbour for repairs. At 1215 the same day, M.L. 812 resumed the patrol and M.L. 1352 returned to harbour and secured M.L. Base at 1255. The 13th May, was spent in harbour.
7. At 0900H/14 M.L. 1352 assumed Standby Patrol at Hall Bank. At 1600H/14 M.L. 1352 weighed and proceeded to carry out a continuous A/S Patrol which was maintained until 0930/15 when, after being relieved by 812, M.L.1352 returned to harbour.
8. May 16th was spent in harbour.
9. At 0845/17, M.L. 1352 relieved M.L. 812 on continuous A/S Patrol in Gage Roads. At 1620/17 A/S watch was ceased and M.L. 1352 reverted to Standby vessel, anchoring at Hall Bank until relieved by M.L. 826 at 0830 on the 18th. M.L.1352 returned to Base and secured at 0945H.
10. M.L. 1352 was in harbour on the 19th and took over Standby Patrol at 0840H on the 20th. After being relieved by M.L. 815 at 0830/21st, M.L. 1352 returned to Base and secured at 0855H.
11. From May 21st to 25th, M.L. 1352 was on the slip at the M.L. Base during which time the port intermediate, stern tube and "A" Bracket bearings were all renewed and port shaft alignment rechecked.
12. M.L. 1352 was unslipped at 1600H/25 and spent Saturday 26th in harbour. At 0845/27 M.L. 1352 relieved M.L. 824 on Standby Patrol. At 0900/28, M.L. 1352 weighed and proceeded to sea in company with H.M.A.S. "GYMPIE", M.L. 815, 812 and 824 to carry out surface shoot. At 1108, M.L. 1352 opened fire with both 50 calibre and 20 m/m guns at approximately 1000 yards range. Cease fire was ordered at 1115H and the ships in company returned to harbour; M.L. 1352 secured alongside M.L. Base at 1221H.

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13. At 1330/28, M.L. 1352 was slipped for inspection and it was found that the port motor was out of line and would have to be reseated. The vessel was unslipped at 1650 the same day and work commenced on the re-alignment of the port motor and propeller shaft.

14. During May the health of the Ship's Company has been good but a slight undercurrent of dissatisfaction has been noticed amongst the crew. This I consider has been caused by the amount of time spent under refit. Since arriving in Fremantle on January 18th, 1945, M.L. 1352 has spent only 84 hours under way.

Distance steamed during May.	374 miles.
Distance steamed since commissioning.	3756 miles.
Hours under way during May.	40 hours.
Hours under way since commissioning.	421 hours.

COMMANDING OFFICER

Edward H. Cheung
H.M.A. M.L.1352

LIEUTENANT R. A. N. R.

COMMANDING OFFICER - H.M.A.M.L. 1352.



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FROM : THE COMMANDING OFFICER, H.D.M.L. 1352.
DATE : 4TH MAY, 1945.
TO : THE SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD, MELBOURNE.
SUBJECT : MONTHLY REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS H.D.M.L.1352 FOR APRIL 1945.

Submitted :-

The following report of proceedings of M.L. 1352 for the month of April, 1945.

2. At 0930/16th M.L. 1352 slipped from M.L. Base and proceeded to Gage Roads for engine trials which were satisfactory completed, returning to harbour at 1310H the same day.

3. On Wednesday, April 25th, M.L. 1352 in company with M.L. 826, 812 and 824 proceeded to sea to carry out a practice surface shoot with H.M.A.S "KATOOMBA". At 1050H M.L. 1352 engaged the target at approximately 1000 yards firing 300 rounds from the forward twin Browning. The practice concluded at 1135H and M.L. 1352 returned to harbour and berthed at the M.L. Base at 1245H.

4. During April the health of the Ship's Company has been good and the morale high. The Motor Mechanic and one A.B. were despatched on long leave.

Distance steamed during April.	126 miles.
Distance steamed since commissioning.	3382 miles.
Hours under way during April.	9 hours.
Hours under way since commissioning.	381 hours.

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H.M.A. "M.L.1352"

LIEUTENANT R.A.N.R.
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FROM : THE COMMANDING OFFICER - H.M.A.M.L. 1352.

DATE : 2ND JUNE, 1945.

TO : THE SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD, MELBOURNE. (THROUGH ROIC. FREMANTLE)
(Copy to The Secretary, Naval Board)

SUBJECT : REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF M.L. 1352 - MAY 1945.

Submitted:

The following report of proceedings of M.L. 1352 for month of May, 1945.

2. At 1345H May 1st, M.L. 1352 slipped and proceeded to Gage Roads where she relieved M.L. 824 on A/S Patrol. At 1545 the supercharger on the starboard motor broke down and the patrol was maintained on one motor until 1750 when because of adverse weather M.L. 1352 was ordered to return to harbour.
3. May 2, 3 and 4 were spent in harbour.
4. On 5th May after having a supercharger unit from M.L. 1340 fitted to the starboard motor, M.L. 1352 carried out basin trials. During these trials the intermediate bearing on the port shaft overheated and the shaft began vibrating badly.
5. May 6th was spent in harbour and on 7 M.L. 1352 was slipped at the M.L. Base for inspection and unslipped on the 8th May. May 9th was spent in harbour and at 1200H/10th, M.L. 1352 proceeded to sea and relieved M.L. 812 on Standby Patrol at Hall Bank. M.L. 815 took over the patrol at 0845 on 11th, M.L. 1352 returned to base.
6. At 0930H on 12th, M.L. 1352 took over the Standby Patrol from M.L. 812 who returned to harbour for repairs. At 1215 the same day, M.L. 812 resumed the patrol and M.L. 1352 returned to harbour and secured M.L. Base at 1255. The 13th May, was spent in harbour.
7. At 0900H/14 M.L. 1352 assumed Standby Patrol at Hall Bank. At 1600H/14 M.L. 1352 weighed and proceeded to carry out a continuous A/S Patrol which was maintained until 0930/15 when, after being relieved by 812, M.L. 1352 returned to harbour.
8. May 16th was spent in harbour.
9. At 0845/17, M.L. 1352 relieved M.L. 812 on continuous A/S Patrol in Gage Roads. At 1620/17 A/S watch was ceased and M.L. 1352 reverted to Standby vessel, anchoring at Hall Bank until relieved by M.L. 826 at 0830 on the 18th. M.L. 1352 returned to Base and secured at 0945H.
10. M.L. 1352 was in harbour on the 19th and took over Standby Patrol at 0840H on the 20th. After being relieved by M.L. 815 at 0630/21st, M.L. 1352 returned to Base and secured at 0855H.
11. From May 21st to 25th, M.L. 1352 was on the slip at the M.L. Base during which time the port intermediate, stern tube and "A" Bracket bearings were all renewed and port shaft alignment rechecked.
12. M.L. 1352 was unslipped at 1600H/25 and spent Saturday 26th in harbour. At 0845/27 M.L. 1352 relieved M.L. 824 on Standby Patrol. At 0900/28, M.L. 1352 weighed and proceeded to sea in company with H.M.A.S. "GYMPIE", M.L. 815, 812 and 824 to carry out surface shoot. At 1108, M.L. 1352 opened fire with both 50 calibre and 20 m/m guns at approximately 1000 yards range. Cease fire was ordered at 1115H and the ships in company returned to harbour; M.L. 1352 secured alongside M.L. Base at 1221H.

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13. At 1330/28, H.M.L. 1352 was slipped for inspection and it was found that the port motor was out of line and would have to be re-seated. The vessel was unslipped at 1650 the same day and work commenced on the re-alignment of the port motor and propeller shaft.

14. During May the health of the Ship's Company has been good but a slight undercurrent or dissatisfaction has been noticed amongst the crew. This I consider has been caused by the amount of time spent under repair. Since arriving in Fremantle on January 18th, 1945, H.M.L. 1352 has spent only 84 hours under way.

Distance steamed during May.	374 miles.
Distance steamed since commissioning.	3756 miles.
Hours under way during May.	40 hours.
Hours under way since commissioning.	421 hours.

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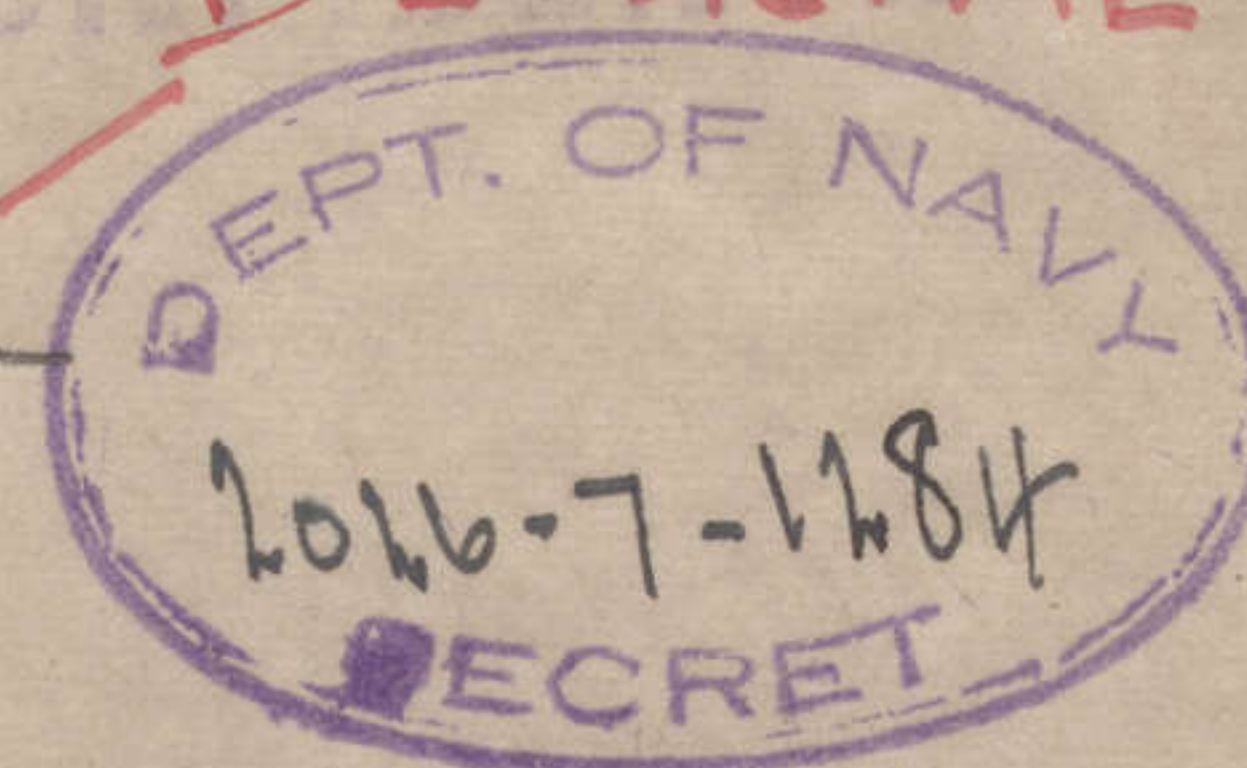
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H.D.M.L. 1352 - MARCH 1945.



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The Secretary,
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Mr. H. H. H. H.

Submitted for the information of
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FROM: THE COMMANDING OFFICER, H.M.A. H.D.M.L.1352

DATE: 6th April, 1945.

TO : THE SECRETARY, NAVAL BOARD (Through N.O.I.C. Fremantle)
(Copy to: The Secretary, Naval Board.)

SUBJECT: MONTHLY REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS : H.D.M.L.1352 : MARCH, 1945

Submitted:

The following report of proceedings of M.L.1352 for the month of March, 1945.

2. During March M.L.1352 has been undergoing refit. The work commenced in February on the realignment of the main engines, and renewal of steering chains is now nearing completion. Other outstanding defects were completed by 20th March.

3. The health of the ship's company during the month has been good, and the morale high.

Distance steamed during March	Nil.
Distance steamed since commissioning	3256 miles
Hours under way during March	Nil
Hours under way since commissioning	372 hours

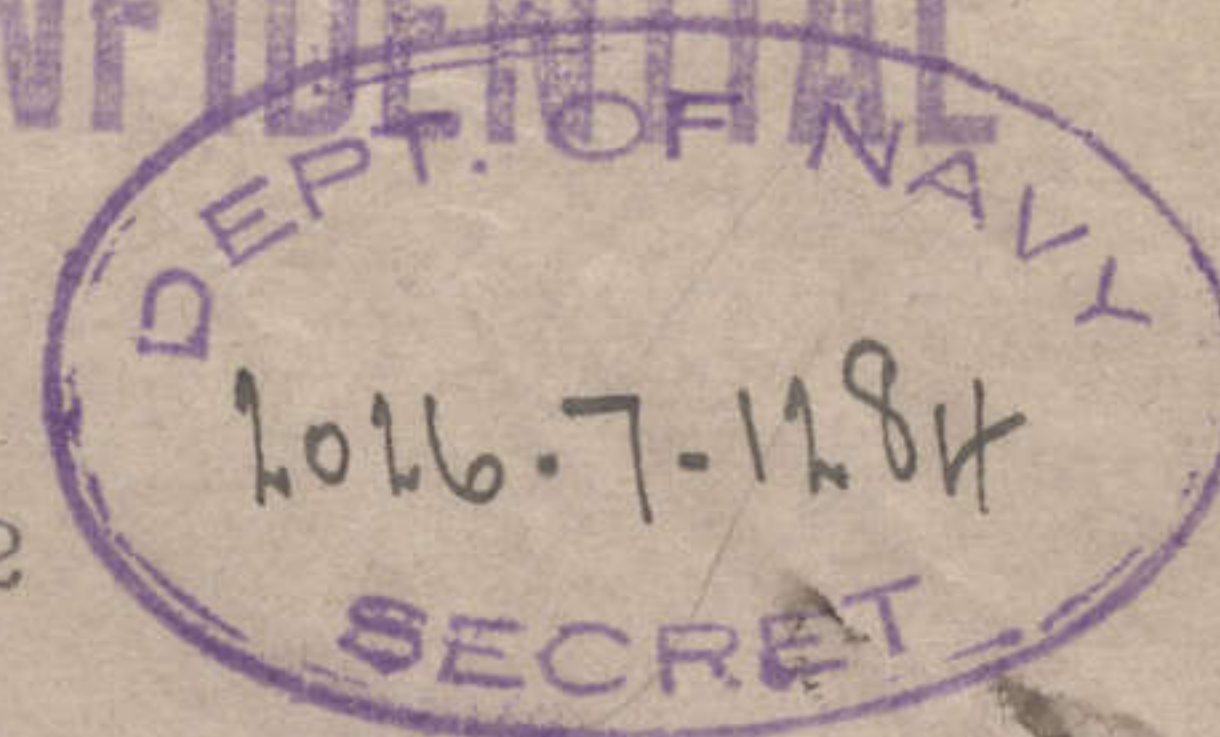
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REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS H.D.M.L. 1352
MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1945.

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The Secretary,
NAVAL BOARD.

Submitted for the consideration of the
Naval Board.

2. With reference to paragraph 5 of the
report, action has been taken to hasten the re-alignment
of the engines by the firm concerned.

C. S. J. J.
COMMODORE, R.A.N.,
NAVAL OFFICER-IN-CHARGE.

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From THE COMMANDING OFFICER, H.M.A. "HDML.1352".
Date 2nd March, 1945. Reference No. SOML.25
To The Secretary, Naval Board.
Subject MONTHLY REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS - HDML.1352 - FEBRUARY, 1945

Submitted:

The following report of proceedings of M.L.1352 for the month of February, 1945.

2. At 0430H/4 M.L.1352 proceeded in company with M.L.824, M.L.815, and M.L.1340 to Gage Roads where M.L.1352 carried out a continuous patrol outside the entrance to the harbour.

3. At 1420H/5 M.L.1352 returned to harbour and berthed at the M.L. Base at 1445H.

✓ 4. Between February 7th and 20th M.L.1352 was on the slip at the M.L. Base, during which time both propellor shafts were withdrawn, bearings renewed and new supercharger chains fitted to both motors.

5. The ship was unslipped on 20th and work commenced on the re-alignment of the engines, which had not been completed by the 28th February.

6. The health of the ship's company during February has been satisfactory and the morale high. Advantage was taken of the refit period for half the ship's company to be despatched on long leave.

Distance steamed during month	290 miles
Distance steamed since commissioning	3256 miles
Hours under way during month	35 hours
Hours under way since commissioning	372 hours
Fuel consumption for month	210 gallons

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H.M.A. "M.L.1352"

Sub-Lieutenant R.A.N.R.
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