

REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, BREAKING UP, ETC.

Ship's Name ~~SS~~MS "STAN WOOLAWAY" Gross tons 278 Date of Build 12-1955
 Casualty notice 30.3.67. Owners' 5.4.67.
 sent to Owners 10.5.67. Reply 11.5.67. Owners W. Woolaway & Sons Ltd.

Details of classification

+ 100A1	+ LMC 5,64
coasting service between Bristol Channel and River Thames	
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Details of casualty

This ship foundered in Mortehoe Bay, in lat. 51 11 57N., long. 4 13W. and has been declared a total loss.
 The owners concur.

Date of casualty 13th March, 1967.

224/3/67
STAN WOOLAWAY (dredger).—Ifracombe Radio, Mar. 13.—Following received from British motor sand suction dredger Wm. Woolaway:
 At 4 4 p.m., G.M.T., addressed Mayday (distress signal): Standing by motor sand suction dredger Stan Woolaway, AWND, in badly listing condition Mortehoe Bay. Please call Appledore lifeboat.
 At 4 16 p.m., G.M.T.: Picked up all the crew of the Stan Woolaway, safe and well, cancel Mayday. Derelict in position three miles west of Bull Point.
 At 5 13 p.m., G.M.T.: Approximate position of Stan Woolaway at 5 5 p.m., G.M.T., half a mile west of Bull Point Lighthouse. Floating with bow showing, stern completely submerged, slowly sinking; drifting in easterly direction at about two knots.

2218/3/67
STAN WOOLAWAY (dredger).—Ifracombe Radio, Mar. 17.—Following received from British motor sand suction dredger Wm. Woolaway at 11 30 a.m., G.M.T.: Motor sand suction dredger Stan Woolaway lifeboat washed up on rocks in Rockham Bay. Wreck of Stan Woolaway 251 deg., true, 0.8 mile from Bull Point Lighthouse. Think the Trinity House vessel searching too far out yesterday afternoon, nothing visible of wreck. Feel sure estimated position of Stan Woolaway correct as diesel oil was coming to surface after vessel foundered. (See issue of Mar. 15.)
 Cardiff, Mar. 17.—Motor sand suction dredger Stan Woolaway located by Trinity House vessel and buoyed; lying on side, covered with 24 ft. at low water spring tides. Sea bed irregular and depth low water surrounding 50 ft., indicating vessel on rock formation or bank. Position 6.2 cables 270 deg. Bull Point Lighthouse; not a danger to navigation.—Salvage Association's Surveyors.

2215/3/67
STAN WOOLAWAY (dredger).—Ifracombe Radio, Mar. 13.—Following received from Coastguard, Hartland Point, at 6 55 p.m., G.M.T.: "Lifeboat 70001 and Appledore lifeboat at scene of motor sand suction dredger Stan Woolaway. Vessel in 80 ft. of water and stern appears to be resting on bottom with bow showing only." Lifeboats report position as lat. 51 12 12 N., long. 4 12 54 W. This position is 290 deg. 1,150 yards from Bull Point on the 10-fathom line. (See issue of Mar. 14.)
 London, Mar. 13.—Motor sand suction dredger Stan Woolaway sank to-day in Mortehoe Bay, said a spokesman for the Appledore lifeboat station to-night. She had developed a serious list when her cargo shifted. The crew of the dredger were picked up by motor sand suction dredger Wm. Woolaway with the assistance of a lifeboat from Appledore. The Wm. Woolaway has returned to Bideford harbour and the lifeboat is on her way back to Appledore.
 Ifracombe Radio, Mar. 14.—Following received from Dutch salvage steamer Octopus, PGLX, at 8 15 a.m., G.M.T.: No sign of motor sand suction dredger Stan Woolaway off Bull Point except oil patches; am proceeding Land's End.
 Following received from British motor vessel Colston at 4 37 p.m., G.M.T.: Passed position of wreck of Stan Woolaway half an hour ago and no sign of her now.

2225/3/66
STAN WOOLAWAY (dredger).—London, Mar. 23.—A Notice to Mariners issued by the Corporation of Trinity House, dated London, Mar. 21, states: The wreck of motor sand suction dredger Stan Woolaway, which lies sunk in lat. 51 11 57 N., long. 4 13 W., has been marked by a green conical wreck buoy about 315 deg. 300 ft. from the wreck. Mariners are warned to give the wreck and the buoy a wide berth, particularly as dispersal operations with explosives may be conducted at any time without further notice. Notice is hereby given to all concerned in the ship and cargo that the Corporation of Trinity House have taken possession of the wreck under Sections 530 and 531 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, and that nothing may be taken therefrom without permission. (See issue of Mar. 18.)

Suggested record "FOUNDERED 3,67"

Date of Committee

FRIDAY 19 MAY 1967

Minute

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