

U-BOATS IN THE BAHAMAS

Naval, Merchant, Aviation, and Civilian Vessel Movements in the Region During The Second World War, 1939 to 1945

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medicine, etc. to Axis submarines during the war? Did Axis submarines plan or expect to receive support from any parties on shore or afloat in the region on a voluntary basis during the conflict? Finally the author will attempt to list all personnel sunk, stranded, cast adrift, killed, survived and repatriated through the region during the war A special narrative will focus on the human stories of over 400 landed in the Bahamas or Turks & Caicos; the stories of locals who assisted and guided them and An analysis, with hands-on research and photographs, of where and how victims were buried on the islands (for example 3 dead from ATHELQUEEN and 1 from O. A. KNUDSEN in Abaco). A sub-plot includes diplomatic intrigue and international overtures with regards to the HRH Duke of Windsor (former King Edward VII) and his wife Wallis Simpson, responsible for survivors in Nassau. By Capt. Eric Troels Wiberg, Esq. Island Books (www.islandbooks.biz) 12 Merrill Road Norwalk, CT 06851-3906 USA Tel: 1 (203) 840 8453 / Cel: 1 (203) 856 9677 www.uboatsbahamas.com BAHAMAS AT WAR: A Chronology 1939 - 1945 Credits / Insert 1- All entries under "Notes" which begin with this specific format: "At 05.37 hours on 10 Mar, 1943, the Virginia Sinclair (Master Fred Charles Vosloh) in convoy KG-123...." Are to the credit of and copyright Mr. Gudmundur Helgason of www.uboat.net 2- All entries beginning with "Under The X. Master...." Have been provided by Capt. Arthur Moore in his seminal work "A Careless Word ... A Needless Sinking. A History of the Staggering Losses Suffered By the U.S. Merchant Marine, Both in Ships and Personnel, During World War II" United States Merchant Marine Academy press, American Merchant Marine Museum (1990) ASIN: B000QXNUSU New York, NY, T. Horodysky, usmm.org 27 Westbrook Way, Eugene, OR 97405 - <http://www.usmm.org/moore.html> 3- All lists of ships in convoy which read "HALVOR (Br)" are from the work of Arnold Hague - The Allied Convoy System 1939 - 1945 Its Organization, Defence and Operation (ISBN: 1861761473 / 1-86176-147-3) , Hague, Arnold, Chatham Publishing, London, 2000. Website for "The Arnold Hague Convoy Database" is <http://www.convoyweb.org.uk/hague/index.html> 4- Ms. Siri Holm Lawson of www.warsailors.com deserves immense credit as does 5- Mr. Cristiano D'Adamo of www.regiamarina.net The National Archives of the Bahamas, UK and US have provided much original documentation. Interviews with survivors Roggles, Heald, Alexiou have given first-hand accounts. Dr. Tim Rothsfluss of San Salvador has gleaned first-hand accounts as David Ralph, editor of the "Abaconian." Other credits are given with specific reference to the author and or source (ie "Kelshall, p31 for "The U-Boat War in the Caribbean" - and can be matched with the bibliography. But this research is still in very rough form and formal credit has not been possible for every citation at this early stage.