

Vessel	Deck Log	Action Report	War Diary	Squadron	Date(s)	Entry
PT-459			X		6-4-1943	459 unloaded from SS <i>River White</i> at Swansea
PT-459			X		6-6-1943	To Plymouth
PT-459			X		6-7-1943	To Portland
PT-459			X		6-16-1943	Underway with medical cases
PT-459			X		6-22-1943	Departed base for Mason Line as messenger boat
PT-459	1			30	3-18-1944	List of persons attached to <i>PT-459</i> starts 18 March 1944
PT-459			X		6-10-1944	Patrol Mason Line. ... <i>PT 459</i> acting as a water ambulance in transferring wounded from the beach to a hospital ship."
PT-459			X		6-27-1944	..."proceeded to an area near Cap de la Hague on an assignment to locate an enemy shore battery. The patrol was a success as both boats attracted fire and the batteries (sic) positions were reported accurately to the U.S.S. <i>Shubrick</i> permitting ship fore to destroy them. "
PT-459	1			30	8-1-1944	Moored at West Pen, Coastal Forces Base, Portland, England.
PT-459	1			30	8-7-1944	Assigned with <i>PT-457 & 460</i> ..."Mission to seek and destroy enemy vessels off Le Harve (sic), France"... "2332 Arrive on station off French Coast approximately 49°45'N 00°10'E. Lay to on station"
PT-459	1			30	8-8-1944	"0000 Laying to in company with <i>USS PTs 457 & 460</i> off French Coast approximately 49°45'N 00°10'E. 0225 received orders by radio from <i>HMS Frigate 555</i> to investigate target. Went to general quarters. Underway on course 070°(T). 0246 Sighted four unidentified vessels. Formed right echelon and made a starboard run. Commenced firing. 0251 Proceeded away from enemy boats. Received hull and engine damage from action. Enemy shell holed starboard side of engine room 2 feet from waterline and pierce exhaust stacks on starboard engine. Received no personnel casualties. Expended 1000 rounds of .50 cal. ammunition 50 rounds of 20mm ammunition and 88 rounds of 40mm ammunition. 0327 On station lying to. 0640 Underway for Portsmouth, England. Ste course 326°(T) speed 16 knots 1200 RPM on two engines Port and Center. 1020 Reduced speed. Various courses and speeds used to enter harbor" ...
PT-459			X		8-8-1944	<i>PT 457, 459, 460</i> "were vectored by <i>HMS Retalick</i> (K-555) toward and an enemy target about tow miles off Cap d'Antifer, France. The boats attacked four (4) probable "R" boats and apparently inflicted damage on two of them. "
PT-459			X		8-8-1944	With <i>457 & 460</i> "vectored by <i>HMS Retalick</i> (K-555) toward 4 probable R-boats, which targets were closed to 400-500 yards at 42 knots -- this speed being cut to 30 knots as the division in column astern circled the enemy and engaged her. <i>PT 459</i> suffered a shell hit in her engine room and was ordered to withdraw with <i>PTs 457 and 460</i> covering her. <i>PTs 457 & 460</i> then returned to the attack in echelon, closing the enemy to 300 yards and forcing the enemy craft to reverse course and withdraw to an enemy held harbor. As a result of numerous 40MM., 37 MM., 20MM. and .50 caliber hits on these craft, two were considered to have been badly damaged."
PT-459	1			30	8-9-1944	..."1915 Underway for patrol area assigned off French Coast" ... On station of Le Havre.
PT-459	1			30	8-10-1944	To Portsmouth @ 20 knots, 1000 RPM
PT-459	1			30	8-22-1944	To Poole. Pilot required to enter harbor! Unloaded ammunition and pyrotechnics.

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PT-459	1			30	8-24-1944	Loaded ammunition and pyrotechnics at Poole. To Portsmouth with Pilot Boat.
PT-459	1			30	8-25-1944	Cradle borne for repairs to bottom, frames 22-27 on portside broken, one bilge stringer broken.
PT-459	1			30	9-6-1944	Splashed. Torpedoes loaded.
PT-459	1			30	9-15-1944	Refrigerator repairs
PT-459	1			30	9-18-1944	To Cherbourg
PT-459	1			30	9-19-1944	Patrol station 5 miles off Cherbourg; seek and destroy enemy shipping & return by daylight
PT-459	1			30	9-20-1944	0747 return to Cherbourg 1900 return to station
PT-459	1			30	9-21-1944	0713 return to Cherbourg 1320 return to Portland
PT-459	1			30	9-28-1944	0905 to Cherbourg. 1900 To patrol station 'Trout' (same as before -- 5 miles off harbor entrance)
PT-459	1			30	9-29-1944	0715 return to Cherbourg 1900 Return to 'Trout' 2005 returned to Cherbourg because of weather
PT-459	1			30	9-30-1944	Cherbourg. Final entry
PT-459	2			30	10-1-1944	Cherbourg.
PT-459	2			30	10-2-1944	1010 To Aromanches with Captain Clark, USN as passenger. 1745 to Omaha Beachhead. 1748 went aground on "uncharted sand bar". 1752 drifted off. Moored to LST. Port propeller damaged on sand bar. 1910 entered west entrance, beach head breakwater, Omaha beach head. Moored alongside <i>USS President Warfield</i> .
PT-459	2			30	10-3-1944	0803 Retrieved Capt Clark from <i>Warfield</i> for Cherbourg. 1325 to Portland.
PT-459	2			30	10-9-1944	Engine # 883347 removed for shop overhaul.
PT-459	2			30	10-13-1944	Hauled to replace propellers
PT-459	2			30	10-16-1944	1832 splashed with 3 new propellers
PT-459	2			30	10-22-1944	To Cherbourg, then Le Havre
PT-459	2			30	10-25-1944	1053 Underway to patrol station 49°30'00"M 00°02'00". 1735 to Le Havre
PT-459	2			30	10-27-1944	1105 underway for Portland. 1130 returned to Cherbourg because of weather
PT-459	2			30	10-29-1944	To Portland
PT-459	2			30	11-6-1944	To Cherbourg
PT-459	2			30	11-11-1944	To Le Havre
PT-459	2			30	11-12-1944	Dates following to 12.2.44: Move among Southampton, Le Havre and Cherbourg harbors; sounded Seine.
PT-459	2			30	12-2-1944	Struck at mooring at Le Havre by <i>ST-715</i> & <i>ST-780</i> . Frames 25 and 30 starboard broken and planking stove in by way of those frames, Bulkhead forward engine room broken. One man to hospital, Le Havre
PT-459	2			30	12-6-1944	To Cherbourg
PT-459	2			30	12-18-1944	Test firing at targets off Cherbourg
PT-459	2			30	12-19-1944	Hauled Cherbourg to repair damage
PT-459	2			30	12-26-1944	Splashed. 1330 proceed to vicinity of Bouy#9 to pick up survivors. None found "amid debris"
PT-459	2			30	12-28-1944	Hauled and splashed for "repairs to hull".
PT-459	2			30	12-31-1944	Cherbourg. Last entry

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PT-459	3			30	1-1-1945	Cherbourg
PT-459	3			30	1-2-1945	Dates following to 2.3.45 Misc movement in and around harbor & to Le Havre On mooring bouys at Cherbourg harbor entrance "on alert"
PT-459	3			30	2-3-1945	Hauled Cherbourg
PT-459	3			30	2-14-1945	Splashed. To Le Havre.
PT-459	3			30	2-15-1945	Dates following to 2/22/45: Shifted RN & USN personnel among ships in harbor.
PT-459	3			30	2-23-1945	Transported Admiral Wilkes & others to New Haven.
PT-459	3			30	2-27-1945	To Cherbourg See Action Report
PT-459			X		2-27-1945	With <i>PT-456, PT-457 & PT-461</i> ..." Enemy force consisted of two LCM's. 4. RESULTS: It is believed one of the landing craft was sunk. The second disappeared, although the area was searched thoroughly. No bodies were recovered. ¶Until further evidence appears, it is a matter of conjecture as to whether the two craft were enemy or escapees from the Channel Islands. That they did not stop when challenged or fired upon immediately indicates hostile nature; that they never returned fire and appeared to be Allied LCM's raised doubt. At any rate, they were in a prohibited area, and Lt. (jg) Boone made the correct decision in not risking his crew and unarmored boats in coming alongside the craft. It is of note that the targets could not be picked up by either shore or afloat radar. "
PT-459	3			30	2-28-1945	Dates following to 3/3/045: On patrol off Cherbourg
PT-459	3			30	3-31-1945	Last entry
PT-459	4			30	4-1-1945	Cherbourg
PT-459	4			30	4-2-1945	Dates following to 4/10/45: On patrol off Cherbourg
PT-459			X		4-10-1945	With 458: ..."assigned to regular PT Chanel Island partol station off cape de la Huage, France, with orders to prevent any attempt on the harbor or shipping of Cherbourg"... "Enemy forces consisted of one armed trawler and one possible "E" boat." ... [Note: Known to the Germans as 'S-boot's they were known to Americans as "E-Boats", the German equivalent of PT-Boats.] ... "At 0610 <i>PT-459</i> reported engine casualty. It was decided that <i>PT-458</i> would contact enemy alone" ...
PT-459	4			30	4-11-1945	0012 Underway in company with <i>PT-458</i> to investigate enemy ships. ..."0610 Stopped to investigate reported engine casualty. Engines would not maintain high speed. Cause unknown. <i>PT-458</i> proceeded independently. 0630 Got underway to rondedezvous (sic) with <i>PT 459</i> . 0639 Joined <i>PT 459</i> in vicinity of 270°(T) Cap Flameanville 2 miles. Set course at 000°(T) speed 20. 0700 Taken under fire by shore batteries from Aldernay. Commended evasive tactics. 0720 Shore batteries ceased fire - no damage or casualties." .. Returned to Cherbourg.
PT-459	4			30	4-12-1945	On patrol off Cherbourg
PT-459	4			30	4-13-1945	Hauled Cherbourg
PT-459	4			30	4-20-1945	Splashed Cherbourg
PT-459	4			30	4-23-1945	Isle Chausey

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PT-459	4			30	4-25-1945	Granville
PT-459	4			30	4-27-1945	..."2121 Got underway for Cancale Bay." ... "2208 Anchored 600 yrds Pte. Del al Chane 250°T. 2311 Fired on by small arms from vicinity of Pte.de la Chaine. 2312 Set General Quarters. Area of fire covered by 50 cal guns. 2318 Got underway having cut anchor loose. No casualties minor damage." Returned to Grande Rade Cancale.
PT-459	4			30	4-28-1945	Dates following to 5/21/45: Patrol
PT-459	4			30	5-22-1945	..."1045 Took on board as deck cargo one jeep." ... "1315 Got underway for Plymouth, England in company with PT's 456(OTC), 457, 458 (1st Div); 459, 460, 461"... Moved from Plymouth to Saltash.
PT-459	4			30	5-23-1945	Jeep removed by crane.
PT-459	4			30	5-24-1945	Dates following to 6/6/45: Saltash in port
PT-459	4			30	6-7-1945	..."0942 Positioned in cradle. 0951 Cradle borne. 0953 Commenced hoisting. 1010 Completed hoisting positioned in cradle on main deck of <i>USS LST 59</i> . Pursuant to COMPHIBSUKAY Speedletter, Serial 0574 of 4 June 1945 reported to COMLST 59 as supercargo for transportation to the United States. Struck colors.
PT-459	4			30	6-15-1945	<i>USS LST 59</i> departs Plymouth for Norfolk VA
PT-459	4			30	6-30-1945	Cradle borne on board <i>USS LST 59</i> en route for Norfolk. Last entry
PT-459	5			30	7-1-1945	Cradle borne on board <i>USS LST 59</i> en route for Norfolk. First entry
PT-459	5			30	7-2-1945	"Cradleborne on <i>USS LST 59</i> moored at Pier #4 NOB Norfolk, Virginia. 0800 Mustered crew at quarters; no absentees. 1245 <i>USS LST 59</i> underway for Navy Yard, New York."
PT-459	5			30	7-4-1945	Splashed at Navy Yard.
PT-459	5			30	7-9-1945	0845 Underway for Fyfe's shipyard, Glenwood Landing, LI, New York
PT-459	5			30	7-24-1945	Cradleborne on marine railroad, Fyfe's
PT-459	5			30	9-20-1945	Splashed
PT-459	5			30	9-21-1945	In tow of Tug for Navy Yard
PT-459	5			30	9-28-1945	Crew transferred
PT-459	5			30	9-30-1945	"Moored starboard side to at Pier G, Navy Yard, New York. 0800 Mustered crew on station; no absentees." Last entry
PT-459	6			30	10-1-1945	BNY
PT-459	6			30	11-15-1945	"Moored starboard side to at Berth #21, Navy Yard, New York. Mustered crew at quarters; no absentees. 1050 Pursuant to Commandant Navy Yard New York LTR PT459/53-1(B) of 15 November 1945 <i>PT 459</i> in company with all boats of Squadron 30 was decommissioned." Last entry

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