MAT's Maritime Themed Crossword

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Clues Across

- 5. Spring flower; OR requisitioned train ship mined about 15km north of Dieppe on 17/03/1945. (8)
- 7. & 13. Organisation protecting and caring for historic monuments in one of the Home Countries. (7) & (8)

Clues Down

- 1. Chalk rocks off the Isle of Wight, notorious for causing wrecks. (7)
- 2. Small fishes, being a mainstay catch for a south coast fishing port from mid-16th to the mid-20th century. (9)
- 3. Very steep. (5)

Clues Across

- 9. South African currency. (4)
- 10. The shore of a body of water. (5)
- 12. Aberdeenshire River (3)
- 14. Additional (5)
- 15. Limestone peninsula in Dorset; OR a major harbour at Weymouth. (8)
- 18. Traditional RN ration. (3)
- 19. Type of small sailing vessel. (4)
- 21. A measure of 18 across. (3)
- 22. One of the nebulae in the Milky Way. (5)
- A reference mark or point, an example being one established at Malin Head and another derived at Newlyn. (5)
- 25. Essential part of a helicopter; OR rotating part of an electric motor. (5)
- 27. Emergency (1), (1), (1).
- 28. Biblical vessel (3)
- 29. Word often used to describe a large sailing vessel. (4)
- 30. A friend (5)
- 32. Typography styles. (5)
- Female name; OR British built Norwegian cargo steamship torpedoed on 24/01/1918. (4)
- 35. Animal featured extensively in the Great War. (5)
- Formerly canvas, now usually terylene or nylon, shaped for a vessel propellant. (4)
- 38. Military or naval flag or standard (6)
- 42. Small town in Sangli District, India; OR British cargo steamer torpedoed on 2/07/1918. (7)
- 45. Naval weapon of war. (7)
- 46. Paper folding craft. (7)
- One half of Danish–Dutch popular singing duo of the late 1950s and early 1960s; OR British Drifter, built 1904, requisitioned as a Patrol Drifter in the First World war, believed mined on 2/08/1917. (4)
- 51. South coast village with yachting marina; OR where parents erected a memorial in a local church for their son & crew. (6)
- 52. A sediment obstruction across an estuary. (3)
- 55. Another name for a cobble stone. (4)
- 56. Fast, manoeuvrable naval ship used, inter alia, for escort. (9)
- 58. Type of sailing vessel; OR anti-submarine vessel in WW2. (5)
- 59. Name given to nine Church of England churches in this area east of Salisbury; OR wooden, subsequently copper sheathed Merchant Sailing Ship, built 1823 at Chepstow, wrecked 11/10/1836 at Blackgang Chine, Isle of Wight. Three survivors from 28 on board. (9)

Clues Down

- 4. In which World War was the Silver War Badge awarded? (5)
- 5. Irish county with town of same name; OR a British steamship sunk south of Selsey on 17/04/1917. (7)
- Absorbent material for incontinence; OR name of a WW2 operation out of the answer to 41 down. (6)
- Village in the borough of Hartlepool; OR steamship sunk on 22/02/1917 SE from Dartmouth. (8)
- The UK's only identified submerged Mesolithic occupation site.
 (8) & (5)
- 11. Apparent intersection of the sky and the earth. (5)
- Steam driven hospital ship beached 23/03/1917, then used as ammunition hulk then rebuilt as a cruise ship until 1933. (8)
- 17. Part of a corporate statement; OR an important assignment.
- Believed to mean a marsh or a lake at a reedy place, an example being in Cheshire; OR requisitioned steamer/collier torpedoed on 28/10/1917 south of the Isle of Wight. (9)
- 20. Conflict (3) and one of the _____ of the Round Table (6); OR steamship sunk at Watcombe Bay, Isle of Wight on 24/03/1918.
- 23. Essential device to evacuate water from a hold. (4)
- 26. Device for tightening ropes, chains etc (6)
- 28. Distinctive quality generated, for example, by a person. (4)
- 31. Depart. (2)
- 33. Metal with atomic number 47. (6)
- 36. Type of sailing vessel. (8)
- South coast city port operated by the Americans for part of the Second World War. (11)
- 40. Tide when there is least difference between high and low water. (4)
- 41. Cargo vessels usually towed. (6)
- Port city, former coaling station for steamships, and recently a war zone. (4)
- 44. Ridge on the back of the answer to 37 across. (7)
- 47. Commander or first officer of a ship. (6)
- 48. You might need to do this if short of drinking water at sea. (6)
- 49. One half of the structure used pre-radar by ship's lookout. (4)
- 50. Abbreviation for a naval rating in the deck department of a merchant vessel. (1), (1)
- 53. An object or image worshipped as the representation of a deity or God. (4)
- 54. Part of article of clothing; OR pre-Dreadnought battleship sunk as block ship at southerly entrance to answer to 18 across. (4)
- 55. Term used in 19th and early 20th centuries pre-wireless when arriving at port to report identity of another vessel which was observed at sea. (4)
- 57. A digit! (3)