

Patrick Joseph MOONEY 1910 - 1959

Details of his RNR service 1932 - 1939

He underwent training for 42 days at the P depot and Vindictive (possibly in the Portsmouth area) and received a free issue of kit. He seems to have done an air gunnery course (A.G. on his record of service) and received a gratuity of £2. Some correspondence is recorded about his despatch to Portsmouth, which apparently shouldn't have taken place.

In February 1935, his third year in the RNR, he did a further 28 days training at the C depot and received another clothing allowance of 21s 11d and a further gratuity of £4. He also seems to have done a one day air gunnery cruise.

His final period of training was in his fifth year in the RNR. This time he went to the C depot and Pembroke (Encounter) for a period of 28 days altogether. He returned to Hull afterwards from Blythe. He received another clothing allowance, this time for 13s 6d, and a gratuity of £4. He was awarded a 1st Good Conduct Badge (G.S.B.). They were awarded after 4, 8 and 12 years' service from the age of 18. They are the chevrons that are worn on the left upper arm of square rig (bell bottom) uniforms.

A man enlisted in the RNR continued his normal approved occupation but received some pay and training from the RNR. Merchant Navy voyages were recorded on their RNR record of service and not the usual MN record.