# A/CDR William Boiston, Royal Navy

# **Transcription of Service information from Flimsies**

8th December 1915

Mr Wm R Boiston has served as Art. Eng on board HMS Pembroke under my command from the 20th November 1915 to the 8th Day of December 1915

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#### 12th February 1918

Mr Wm R Boiston has served as Artificer Engineer on board HMS Cleopatra under my command from the 9th day of December 1915 to the ``the day of February 1918, during which period he has conducted himself to my entire satisfaction

Captain HMS Cleopatra

#### 9th August 1918

Mr W R Boiston has served as Artificer Engineer on board HMS Beagle from the period 6th February 1918 to 18th June 1918, during which period he has conducted himself to my entire satisfaction. A capable officer. Recommended for Mate "E".

(H J Egerton, Lieut. in Command)

#### 3 December 1918

HMS Beagle. Mr W R Boiston, Artificer Engineer from June 19th to December 4th 1918 has conducted himself entirely to my satisfaction. A very capable officer, zealous, and strongly recommanded for promotion to Mate "E".

(A G W Wyatt, Lieut. in Command)

(J B Sparks, Captain "D")

## 8th January 1919

William R Boiston has served as Artificer Engineer on board HMS Beagle under my command from the 5th day of December 1918 to the 5th Day of January 1919 during which period he has conducted himself entirely to my satisfaction

..... Lieutenant in Command

... Sparks Captain HMS Hecla

## 12th February 1920

Mr W R Boiston has served as Artificer Engineer on board HMS Beagle under my command from the 14th day of September 1919 to the 25th day of February 1920 during which period he has conducted himself to my entire satisfaction

Lt Cdr RN

Captain (D) Nore Reserve Flotilla

10 April 1921

HMS Centurian. Mr W R Boiston, Warrant Engineer from 3rd December 1919 to 10th April 1921, has conducted himself with diligence and knowledge and very much to my satisfaction.

(H Heard, Captain)

25th April 1921

William R Boiston has served as Warrant Engineer on board HMS Centurion under my command from the 11th day of April 1921 to the 24th April 1921 during which period has had conducted himself - ......ponly

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Captain HMS Centurian

## 8 December 1921

HMS Pembroke. Mr W R Boiston, Warrant Engineer from 24th April 1921, to 22nd November 1921, has conducted himself to my entire satisfaction. A capable, zealous and reliable officer.

(A R Emdin, Eng. Rear-Admiral, Staff of C.in.C. The Nore

3 October 1922

HMS Royal Oak. Mr W R Boiston, Warrant Engineer, from 17th November 1921 to 3rd October 1922, has conducted himself to my entire satisfaction. A capable and reliable officer in all respects.

(F W Hall Thompson, Captain)

25 April 1924

HMS Royal Sovereign. Mr W R Boiston, Warrant Engineer from 3rd October 1922, to 24th April 1924, has conducted himself to my satisfaction. A capable and efficient officer.

(LT Napier, Captain)

## 30 April 1925

HMS Royal Sovereign. Mr W R Boiston, Warrant Engineer from 25th April 1924 to 7 April 1925 has conducted himself to my entire satisfaction. A zealous and capable officer deserving of advancement.

(B Collard, Captain)

#### 7 September 1925

Mr William R Boiston DSM has served as Wt Engr on board HMS Pembroke under my command from the 8th day of April 1925 to the 7th day of September 1925 during which he has conducted himself to my entire satisfaction

... Sanders, Engineer Rear Admiral

#### 30th September 1925

Mr William R Boiston DSM has served as Warrant Engineer on board HMS Diomede under my command from the 8th day of September 1925 to the 30th day of September 1925 during which ha has conducted himself to my satisfaction

A.... Captain HMS Diomede

#### 20th October 1925

Mr William R Boiston DSM has served at Warrant Engineer on board HMS Diomede under my command from the 1st day of October 1925 to the 20th day of October during which period he has conducted himself to my satisfaction

James Ritchie., Captain HMS Diomede

## 19 April 1926

HMS Diomede. Mr W R Boiston, Commissioned Engineer, from 10th August 1926 to 24th January 1927 has conducted himself greatly to my satisfaction. Zealous and hardworking.

J C W Swabey, Commodore)

## 10th August 1926

Mr William R Boiston DSM has served as Cd Engineer on board HMS Dunedin under my command from the 17th day of April 1926 to the 9th day of August 1926 during which period he has conducted himself entirely to my satisfaction

Alister Beal, Commodore HMS Dunedin

## 24 January 1927

Mr William R Boiston DSM has served as Commid Engineer on board HMS Dunedin under my command from the 10th day of August 1926 to the 24th day of January 1927 during which period he has conducted himself entirely to my satisfaction

..... Swabey, Commodore HMS Dunedin

#### 11 October 1927

HMS Dunedin. Mr W R Boiston, Commissioned Engineer from 26th January 1927 to 10th October 1927, has conducted himself to my satisfaction. A hardworking and concientious officer.

(J.T.M. Ritchie)

#### 24 October 1927

Mr WR Boiston DSM has served at Cmd. Engr on board HMS Dunedin under my command from the 11th day of October 1927 to the 26th day of October 1927 during which period he has conducted himself to my satisfaction

**Lionel Wells** 

Captain HMS Dunedin

#### 18th May 1928

HMS Dunedin. Mr W R Boiston, Commissioned Engineer. From 25th October 1927 to 18th May 1928, has conducted himself to my entire satisfaction. A zealous and energetic officer.

(G.H.W. Swabey, Commodore)

## 17th July 1928

Borne for FS Leave from 17th July till 25th September 1928

William R Boiston DSM has served as Cmd Eng on HMS Diomede under my command from the 18th day of May 1928 to the 16th day of July 1928 during which period he has conducted himself to my satisfaction.

Lionel Wells, Captain HMS Diomede

## 22 October 1928

HMS Pembroke. Mr W R Boiston, Commissioned Engineer, from 26th September 1928 to 21st October 1928, entirely to my satisfaction. A very able Officer.

(H.I. Summerford, Eng. Rear-Admiral.

1st May 1929

HMS Tempest. Mr W R Boiston, Commissioned Engineer. From 22nd October 1928 to 1st May 1929, has conducted himself entirely to my satisfaction. Recommended for advancement.

(W.D. Lambert, Lieut. Commander)

6th August 1929

Mr William R Boiston has served as Engineer Officer on board HMS Tempest under my command from the first day of May 1929 to the second day of August 1929 during which period he has conducted himself entirely to my satisfaction

Commodore HMS Pembroke

27 October 1930

HMS Tempest. Mr W R Boiston, Commissioned Engineer. From 2nd August 1929 to 27th October 1930, has conducted himself to my entire satisfaction. His department has always been clean and efficient. A keen and zealous officer.

(E. Eastwick Field, Lieut. Commander)

27 April 1931

HMS Volunteer. Mr W R Boiston, Commissioned Engineer., from 11th November 1930 to 27th April 1931, has conducted himself to my satisfaction. A reliable Engineer Officer.

(R S Jolly, Lieut. Commander)

27th May 1931

Mr William Rochester Boiston has served as Commissioned Engineer on board HMS "Comus" ("Volunteer") from the 28th day of April 1931 to the 27th day of May 1931 during which period he has conducted himself to my entire satisfaction (under 3 months)

Captain HMS Broke

17 October 1931

Malcolm (Veteren) Veteran. Mr W R Boiston, Commissioned Engineer. From 18th August 1931 to 17th October 1931, has conducted himself to my satisfaction. Capable and zealous.

(C.C. Dobson, Capt. (D)).

7th December 1931

W Boiston has served as Cd Engineer in HMS "Malcolm" (Veteran" under my command from the 17th October 1931 to the 20th day of November 1931 during which period he has conducted himself to my entire satisfaction

Whitworth, Captain (D) "Malcolm"

12th February 1932

Mr WR Boiston DSM has served as Cmmd Eng. on board HMS Veteran under my command from the 20th day of November 1931 to the 14th day of December 1931 during which period he has conducted himself to my satisfaction a capable Commissioned Engineer Officer

Robert Dalby, Captain HMS Veteran

26th February 1932

Mr WR Boiston has served as Commd Engineer and Lieutenant (E) in HMS Pembroke, under my command from the 15th day of December 1931 to the 14th day of February 1932 during which period he has conducted himself to my satisfaction.

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**Engineer Rear Admiral** 

Commondore HMS Pembroke

28th July 1932

HMS Anthony. Mr W R Boiston, Lieutenant (E). From 14th March 1932 to 19th July 1932, has conducted himself to my entire satisfaction. A hardworking, thoroughly reliable Officer.

(K L Campbell, Lieut. Commander) HSM Antonly \*in Reserve)

13 February 1934

HMS Anthony. Mr W R Boiston, Lieutenant (E). From 19th July 1932 to 13th February 1934, has conducted himself to my satisfaction. A very loyal and hardworking Engineer Officer

(J. McCoy, Lieut. Commander)

26 November 1934

HMS Pembroke. Mr W R Boiston, Lieutenant (E). From 23rd March 1934 to 22nd November 1934 has conducted himself to my entire satisfaction. A very capable and loyal Engineer Officer, also has carried out his duties in connection to trials of machinery with tact, zeal and ability

(G P Start, Engineer Rear-Admiral)

7th December 1934

This is to certify that Lieutenant IE) WR Boiston DSM has served as Officer i/c Stokers 2nd class training in Mechanical Training Establishment (Pembroke add) under my command from the 23rd day of November 1934 to the 7th day of December 1934 during which period has have conducted himself to my satisfaction

**Engineer Captain MET Chatham** 

13th February 1934

Mr William Rochester Boiston has served as Lieutenant E on board HMS Anthony under my command from the 19th day of July 1932 to the 13th day of February 1934 during which period he has conducted himself to my satisfaction. A very loyal and hardworking Engineer Officer

Captain HMS Anthony

10th August 1935

Lieutenant (E) William R Boiston DSM has served as Oficer i/c tecchnical training of Stokers 2nd class in MET Pembroke under my command from the 8th day of December 1934 to the 9th day of August 1935 during which period he has conducted himself entirely to my satisfaction

HL Harvey, Engineer Captain MTE Chatham

26 May 1936

HMS Marshal Soult. Mr W R Boiston, Lieutenant (E). From 10th August 1935 to 26th May 1936, has conduction himself to my satisfaction. Is keen, cheerful and competent in all his work.

(J.S. Hammill, Commander)

(J. Tovey, Rear-Admiral)

31 August 1936

HMS Marshal Soult. Lieutenant (E) W R Boiston. 27.5.36-31.8.36. To my entire satisfaction.

(J C Annesley, Captain)

25 October 1937

HMS Marshal Soult. Lieutenant (E) W R Boiston. 1.9.36 - 20.10.37. Entirely to my satisfaction. He has carried out the duties of Engineer Officer with marked ability and maintained his department in a high state of efficiency despite a shortage of complement. A popular messmate.

(James, Commander)

30 January 1940

W R Boiston has served as Lieutenact (E) Retd in HMS Pembroke under my command from the 18th day of July 1939 to the 22nd day of January 1940 during which period he has conducted himself to my satisfaction

Captain of Dockyard, HMS Pembroke

27 May 1940

HMS Campbell. Lieutenant (E) W R Boiston. December 1939- June 1940. To my entire satisfaction. This officer has organized and maintained his department in an efficient manner.

(Robert Aubrey, Lieut. Commander)

15th June 1940

Mr W R Boiston has served as Lieutenance (E) HMS Pembroke under my command from the 4th day of May 1940 to the 4th day of June 1940 during which period he has conducted himself satisfactorily

Engineer Rear Admiral, HMS Pembroke

14 October 1940

MTE Chatham. Lieutenant (E) W R Boiston June 1940-October 1940. Entirely to my satisfaction. A loyal, capable and energetic officer who has carried out his duties in training ratings in Leading Stokers courses with zest and ability

(J Ronson, Engineer Commander, MTE)

1st October 1943

Lt Cdr WR Boiston (E) RN has served as damage control school under my command from the 27th day of September 1943 to the 1st day of October 1943 during which period he has conducted himself

Captain RN Damage control school

30th November 1944

Mr William Rochester Boiston has served a A/Commander (E) RN on board HMCS Stadacona under my command from the 31st day of January 1944 to the 30th day of November 1944, during which period he has conducted himself to my entire satisfaction. Since taking over the MTE this officer has done a great deal to ......its morale and efficiency

A/Captain RCN, Commanding Officer HMCS Stadacona

3rd July 1945

William Rochester Boiston has served as Acting Commander(E) RN on board HMCS Stadacona under my command from the 1st day of December 1944 to the 3rd day of July 1945 during which period he has conducted himself to my entire satisfaction. A capable officer who has carried out his duties in the most satisfactory manner

A/Captain RCMVR, Command Officer, HMCS Stadacona