

# John Winchester Long 1891 – 1918

23.02.1918 Killed Age: 26  
 Mercantile Marine Mem Part V,  
 Tower Hill, London



LONG, Smn. John. S.S. "Polandia" (Liver-<sup>26</sup>  
<sup>14</sup>pool). Presumed drowned 10th March, 1917.  
 Age 23. Born at Limerick.

LONG, A.B. John Winchester. S.S. "Birchleaf"<sup>14</sup>  
 (London). Killed, as a result of an attack by an  
 enemy submarine, 23rd Feb., 1918. Age 26.  
<sup>3</sup> Son of Henry Winchester Long and the late  
 Laura Jane Long; husband of Laura Long, of  
 Pondfield Cottages, Tiptree, Essex. Born at  
 Westminster, London.

LONG, Bosn. Michael. S.S. "Gredon" (Cardif)<sup>14</sup>  
 Drowned, as a result of an attack by an  
 enemy submarine, 8th Oct., 1917. Age 42. Son  
 of Margaret Long (née Crowley), of Leemount  
 Station, Carrigrohane, Cork, and the late John  
 Long.

Sailor John Wright and Able Seaman John  
 Winchester Long both drowned. RFA  
 Birchleaf was attacked and damaged by a  
 German Submarine U91-

## Mercantile Marine War Medal

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The **Mercantile Marine War Medal** was awarded by the Board of Trade of the United Kingdom to members of the Merchant Navy for one or more voyages through a war or danger zone during the course of World War I.<sup>[1]</sup>

### Description [edit]

- A circular, bronze medal, 1.42 inches in diameter. The obverse has a bareheaded effigy of King George V, facing left, with the legend: GEORGIUS V BRITT : OMN : REX ET IND : IMP :
- The reverse shows a merchant ship ploughing her way through stormy seas, an enemy submarine sinking and a sailing vessel in the background. The base of the reverse has the inscription FOR \* WAR \* SERVICE / MERCANTILE MARINE / \* 1914 - 1918 \* in three lines. Around the edge of the rim is a laurel wreath.
- The ribbon is 1.25 inches wide and is coloured green, white (thin middle stripe), and red (represent starboard and port running lights with the masthead steaming light in the centre).

### See also [edit]

- Transport Medal

### References [edit]

- ADF site ↗
  - Veterans Affairs Canada site ↗
  - NZDF site ↗
1. <sup>^</sup> Medal Yearbook 2007 p.175



Kapitanleutenant Alfred von Glasenapp - while enroute in ballast from Milford Haven to Oran and was beached she was later re-floated and sent for repairs. The submarine fired a torpedo and with gunfire hit the submarine. The Master was taken prisoner.

Born	Parents & Siblings at Home	Locations	Marriage / Other	Jobs / Rank
2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 1891 Westminster  <b>Siblings</b> 1873 Marion half-sister 1883 Rose Mary 4Q 1884 Ettie Camelia 1887 Alice M 3Q1888 Henry Oswald 2Q1891 John Winchester 18.04.1894 Richard Edward 3Q1897 Clara Josephine Violet 1902 Ada Mayblossom half-sister / niece?	Henry Winchester & Laura Jane (second marriage for Henry)  <b>1891</b> 1 brother 2 sisters  <b>1901</b> 1 brother 1 sister + father at mother's brother's Battersea.  <b>1911</b> 1 brother 2 sisters and 1 half-sister + mother William Long of the correct age and trade was in the workhouse St. George Hanover Square, the family had lived in this area for a prolonged period. He re-appeared living with railwayman son Richard in Kensal Rise in 1928. Richard lived around this area until 1964.  <b>1928</b> Laura Jane Cooper dies reg. Lambeth  <b>1929</b> Henry Winchester Long dies	<b>1892-94</b> 36 Vincent Street, Westminster / 34 Vincent Street / 35 Page Street <b>1898</b> Tufton Street, Whitechapel & Lambeth <b>1900-01</b> 171 Wandsworth Road, South Lambeth (baptism) <b>1901</b> Battersea, father and 3 children with maternal uncle <b>1901</b> brother Henry Oswald at Industrial School Ship, Mount Edgcombe, Devon <b>1901</b> Ettie with maternal grandmother Westminster <b>1901</b> where is mother Laura Jane & Clara? <b>1901</b> Laura Sach nr the Oak with parents <b>1911</b> Laura Sach New Barn Cottage, Nr The Oak, Tiptree (in May household as sister) <b>1911</b> father in St George Hanover Square workhouse? <b>1911</b> mother, Ettie, Henry Oswald, Clara, Ada at 18 Commercial Road, Lambeth <b>1918</b> Laura (wife) Pondfield Cottages, Rookery Lane, Tiptree <b>1928/29</b> father & Richard at 27 Ravensworth Road, Kensal Rise	25.06.1871 father married Alice Cresswell.  <b>1883?</b> father married Laura Jane Babb <b>1915</b> mother Laura Jane Long (widow!) married John William Cooper  12.08.1916 John married Laura Sach sister of Matilda Annie wife of William Wood Lewis.  <b>05.10.1915</b> born Phyllis Annie Sach Dec. 1917 Violet Long born and died reg. Lexden  3Q1919 Laura married Alfred David Mansfield of Smythe's Green.  A child Lily was born in 3Q1921 and died by September. Laura died 1Q1922.	Henry W Long machinist / carpenter / joiner / cabinet maker  <b>1901</b> Alice Sach packer at jam factory  <b>1911</b> Laura Sach printing <b>1911</b> James May brother-in-law jam factory hand <b>1911</b> where is John? At sea? Harwich? Most likely on the coastal trade  <b>1918</b> Able Seaman SS Birchleaf  07.12.1917 Brother Henry Oswald 1 <sup>st</sup> stoker HMS Pembroke died of disease. June 1970, it is believed brother Richard died in Kent.