

Name of memorial: Formby-Coningbeg Memorial

Inventory No. 401

Place: Adelphi Quay, Waterford City

Address and map reference: Adelphi Quay, Waterford City, Co. Waterford. Map reference: S 611 124

Position: On the quay opposite the Tower Hotel.

Description and dimensions: Height 360cms, width (base) 90cms (each)

Recorded by: Michael Dolan, April, 2007.

Text: **S. S. FORMBY**

1917

(Emblem of the Clyde Shipping Company)

**ON DECEMBER 15TH 1917, AS THE S.S. FORMBY
SAILED FROM LIVERPOOL ON HER LAST HOMEWARD
VOYAGE BEFORE CHRISTMAS, NO DOUBT THE CREW
OF HER SISTER SHIP WISHED HER 'GOOD LUCK,
SEE YOU ON THE MALL'. SADLY, THIS WAS NOT TO BE
AS THE STEAMER WAS TORPEDOED OFF THE WICKLOW
COAST & SANK IN MINUTES. THERE WAS NO WARNING
& WERE NO SURVIVORS. ONLY ONE BODY, THAT OF
ANNIE O'CALLAGHAN THE STEWARDESS, WAS RECOVERED
OFF THE PEMBROKESHIRE COAST. ON BOARD WERE
37 CREW & 2 PASSENGERS. THESE WERE MERCHANT
SEAMEN ENGAGED IN PEACEFUL TRADING BETWEEN
WATERFORD & LIVERPOOL BRINGING ESSENTIAL
SUPPLIES OF FOOD & GOODS BETWEEN BOTH COUNTRIES.**

CHARLES MINARDS	MASTER
ARCHIBALD GILLIES	1ST MATE
JAMES RANKIN	2ND MATE
MAURICE BUTLER	CARPENTER
WILLIAM FORTUNE	SEAMAN
EDWARD BURKE	SEAMAN
THOMAS KEATING	SEAMAN
JOHN HURLEY	SEAMAN
THOMAS COFFEY	SEAMAN
JAMES CLAWSON	SEAMAN
JOHN BURNS	SEAMAN
PATRICK DOYLE	SEAMAN
JOHN MOIR	1ST ENGINEER
WILLIAM LUMLEY	2ND ENGINEER
JOHN LEMMON	3RD ENGINEER
THOMAS CONDON	FIREMAN
WALTER HENNEBRY	FIREMAN
JOHN WALSH	FIREMAN
PATRICK COOKE	FIREMAN
GEORGE CARPENDALE	FIREMAN

WILLIAM CONNOLLY	FIREMAN
RICHARD MURPHY	FIREMAN
JOHN KIELY	FIREMAN
MAURICE HENNEBRY	DONKEYMAN
EDWARD HENNESSY	WINCHMAN
GEORGE SINCLAIR	STEWARD
JAMES MORRISSEY	COOK
ANNIE O'CALLAGHAN	STEWARDESS
CHRISTOPHER CONNOR	GUNNER
DANIEL COUTTS	GUNNER
JOHN HAYES	CATTLEMAN
MARTIN EUSTACE	CATTLEMAN
JAMES MANNING	CATTLEMAN
JOHN McGRATH	CATTLEMAN
DAN O'CONNELL	CATTLEMAN
JOHN O'BRIEN	CATTLEMAN
JERMIAH O'SULLIVAN	CATTLEMAN
MICHAEL O'BRIEN	PASSENGER
JAMES WHITE	PASSENGER

S. S. CONINGBEG

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THE S.S. CONINGBEG SAILED, HOMEWARD BOUND FROM LIVERPOOL, 2 DAYS AFTER HER SISTER SHIP THE FORMBY. ON BOARD WAS A CREW OF 40 WITH 4 PASSENGERS. THE STEAMER WAS TORPEDOED OFF THE EAST COAST BY THE SAME U-BOAT WITH NO WARNING & ALL WERE LOST. THERE WERE HARROWING SCENES ON THE WATERFORD QUAY SIDE AS WOMEN & CHILDREN WAITED IN THE WET & COLD OF WINTER FOR NEWS OF LOVED ONES. IT WAS AFTER CHRISTMAS BEFORE THE SINKINGS WERE CONFIRMED, WITH THE TOTAL LOSS OF 83 LIVES. THIS WAS THE WORST DISASTER TO BEFALL WATERFORD THIS CENTURY.

JOSEPH LUMLEY	MASTER
DONALD LIVINGSTONE	1ST MATE
NEIL McMULLAN	2ND MATE
PATRICK HENNESSY	CARPENTER
MICHAEL BARRY	SEAMAN
STEPHEN WHITTY	SEAMAN
WILLIAM CAHILL	SEAMAN
PATRICK WALSH	SEAMAN
THOMAS GRIFFEN	SEAMAN
NICHOLAS HUGHES	SEAMAN
LAURENCE COMERFORD	SEAMAN
MICHAEL PHELAN	SEAMAN
WILLIAM H. JOHNSON	1ST ENGINEER
ANDREW O'BEIRNE	2ND ENGINEER
JOHN CHESTNUTT	3RD ENGINEER

JOHN McCARTHY,	FIREMAN
MICHAEL McCARTHY	FIREMAN
RICHARD KEHOE	FIREMAN
EDWARD HUNT	FIREMAN
DANIEL CLEARY	FIREMAN
WILLIAM DOWER	FIREMAN
JAMES WALL	FIREMAN
PATRICK WALL	FIREMAN
PATRICK CULLEN	FIREMAN
JAMES KEANE	FIREMAN
THOMAS WIXTED	DONKEYMAN
JOHN SULLIVAN	WINCHMAN
HUGH TREACY	STEWARD
WILLIAM BARNES	COOK
ELIZABETH PHELAN	STEWARDESS
JOHN CHAPPELL	GUNNER
FRANCIS BISACRE	GUNNER
PATRICK BROWNE	CATTLEMAN
EDWARD MEYLER	CATTLEMAN
THOMAS MEANEY	CATTLEMAN
KIERAN GRANT	CATTLEMAN
WALTER CULLEN	CATTLEMAN
THOMAS PENDER	CATTLEMAN
THOMAS DOBBYN	CATTLEMAN
PATRICK QUINLAN	CATTLEMAN
DENNIS McCARTHY	PASSENGER
JOSEPH BROSNAN	PASSENGER
MICHAEL CROTTY	PASSENGER
JAMES PHELAN	PASSENGER

Ar dheis láimh Dé go raibh a n-anamacha uile