

Royal Navy

Command

In Northwood, London:^[1]

- Commander-in-Chief, Fleet: Admiral [Sir John Fieldhouse](#)
- Commander Task Group 324.3 and Flag Officer Submarines: [Vice-Admiral](#) Peter G. M. Herbert

In the South Atlantic:

- Commander Task Group 317.8 (Carrier/Battle Group) and Flag Officer, First Flotilla: [Rear-Admiral J. 'Sandy' Woodward](#) (HMS *Hermes*)
- Commander Task Group 317.0 (Amphibious Task Group) and Commodore Amphibious Warfare: [Commodore](#) Mike Clapp (HMS *Fearless*)

[Centaur-class aircraft carrier](#) - V/STOL carrier

- [HMS Hermes](#) - [Flagship](#) (†3) 2 SHAR pilots
 - Captain Lin Middleton RN (Linley E Middleton)
 - [706 Naval Air Squadron](#) (4 [Sea Kings](#))^[2]
 - [800 Naval Air Squadron](#) (12 [BAE Sea Harriers](#))
 - part [809 Naval Air Squadron](#) (4 [BAE Sea Harriers](#))
 - [826 Naval Air Squadron](#) (12 [Sea King HAS.5](#))^[2]
 - [846 Naval Air Squadron](#) (6 [Sea King HC.4](#))^[2]

[Invincible class aircraft carriers](#)

- [HMS Invincible](#) (†3) 2 SHAR pilots
 - Captain [Jeremy J. Black](#) RN
 - [801 Naval Air Squadron](#) (8 [BAE Sea Harriers](#)) - Lieutenant-Commander 'Sharkey' Ward RN
 - part [809 Naval Air Squadron](#) (4 [BAE Sea Harriers](#))
 - [820 Naval Air Squadron](#) (10 [Sea King HAS.5](#))^[2]

[Landing Platform Docks](#)

- [HMS Fearless](#) (†6)
 - Commodore Mike Clapp RN + Captain Jeremy Larken RN (E S J Larken)
 - 4 [LCU](#) (Foxtrot One to Four), 100 troops or one [Main Battle Tank](#). *LCU Foxtrot Four*, bombed and sunk in the [Choiseul Sound](#) by A-4B *Skyhawks*
 - 4 [LCVP](#) (Foxtrot Five to Eight), 25 troops or a Land Rover with trailer.
 - flight deck for 4 [Sea King HC.4](#) (not embarked)
- [HMS Intrepid](#)
 - Captain Peter Dingemans RN (P G V Dingemans)
 - 4 [LCU](#) (Tango One to Four)
 - 4 [LCVP](#) (Tango Five to Eight)
 - flight deck for 4 [Sea King HC.4](#) (not embarked)

Type 82 destroyer

- [HMS Bristol](#)
 - Captain Alan Grose RN (A Grose)

Type 42 destroyers

- [HMS Sheffield](#) - set on fire by an [Aérospatiale AM39 Exocet \(Air-to-Surface\) Anti-ship missile](#) launched from a [Dassault Super Étendard](#) May 4, (†20) - *Fatal Damage* (sank on May 10)
 - Captain [Sam Salt](#) RN (J F T G Salt)
- [HMS Coventry](#) - sunk on May 25 by three bombs from a Douglas A-4B Skyhawk (†19+1) - *Fatal Damage*
 - Captain [David Hart Dyke](#) RN
- [HMS Glasgow](#) - hit by unexploded bomb from a [Douglas A-4B Skyhawk](#) May 12, withdrawn from war - *Moderate Damage*
 - Captain Paul Hoddinott RN (A P Hoddinott)
- [HMS Cardiff](#)
 - Capt. Mike G.T. Harris
- [HMS Exeter](#)
 - Capt. Hugh M. Balfour

County class destroyers

- [HMS Glamorgan](#) - hit by an [Aérospatiale MM38 Exocet \(Surface-to-Surface\) Anti-ship missile](#) on June 11 (†14) - *Major Damage*
 - Capt. Mike E. Barrow
- [HMS Antrim](#) - hit by unexploded bomb from an [IAI Dagger](#) - *Major Damage*
 - Capt. Brian G. Young

Type 22 frigates

- [HMS Brilliant](#) - hit by [IAI Dagger](#) cannon fire - *Minor Damage*
 - Capt. John F. Coward
- [HMS Broadsword](#) - hit by [IAI Dagger](#) cannon fire, later damaged by bomb from [Douglas A-4B Skyhawk](#) - *Moderate Damage*
 - Capt. William R. Canning

Type 21 frigates

- [HMS Active](#)
 - Cdr. Paul C.B. Canter
- [HMS Alacrity](#) - sank Argentine transport ship [ARA Isla de Los Estados](#). Slightly damaged by bomb. Lynx helicopter damaged by return fire from armed coaster [ARA Monsunen](#).
 - Cdr. Chris J.S. Craig
- [HMS Antelope](#) - sank May 24 due to unsuccessful defusing attempt of unexploded bombs from [Douglas A-4B Skyhawks](#) (†2) - *Fatal Damage*
 - Cdr. Nicholas Tobin
- [HMS Ardent](#) - sank May 21 by bombs from [IAI Daggers](#) and [Douglas A-4Q Skyhawks](#) (†22) - *Fatal Damage*
 - Cdr. Alan West (Later [Admiral Sir Alan West](#), [First Sea Lord](#) 2002 - 2006)
- [HMS Ambuscade](#)
 - Cdr. Peter J. Mosse

- [HMS Avenger](#)
 - Capt. Hugo M. White
- [HMS Arrow](#) - hit by [IAI Dagger](#) cannon fire - *Minor Damage*
 - Cdr. Paul J. Bootherstone

[Leander class frigates](#)

- [HMS Andromeda](#)
 - Capt. [James L. Weatherall](#)
- [HMS Argonaut](#) - hit by [Aermacchi MB.339A](#) cannon/rocket and unexploded bombs from [Douglas A-4B Skyhawks](#) (†2) - *Major Damage*^[31]
 - Capt. Christopher H. Layman
- [HMS Minerva](#)
 - Cdr. S.H.G. Johnston
- [HMS Penelope](#)
 - Cdr. P.V. Rickard

[Rothesay class frigates](#)

- [HMS Yarmouth](#)
 - Cdr. Anthony Morton
- [HMS Plymouth](#) - unexploded bombs from [IAI Daggers](#) - *Major Damage*
 - Capt. David Pentreath
- [HMS Endurance](#)
 - Captain Nick Barker RN (Nicholas J Barker)

[Castle class patrol vessels](#)

As despatch vessels, carrying mail between the Task Force and Ascension Island.

- [HMS Leeds Castle](#)
- [HMS Dumbarton Castle](#)

[Churchill class submarines](#)

- [HMS Conqueror](#) - sank the [ARA General Belgrano](#)
 - Cdr. Christopher L. Wreford-Brown
- [HMS Courageous](#)
 - Cdr. Rupert T.N. Best

[Oberon class submarines](#)

- [HMS Onyx](#) - ran aground - *Moderate Damage*
 - Lt-Cdr. A. O. Johnson

[Valiant class submarines](#)

- [HMS Valiant](#) - Argentine fighters returning from an aborted mission jettisoned bombs nearby - *Minor Damage*^[41]
 - Cdr. Tom M. Le Marchand

Swiftsure class submarines

- [HMS Spartan](#)
 - Cdr. J.B. Taylor
- [HMS Splendid](#)
 - Cdr. [Roger C. Lane-Nott](#)

Hecla class survey vessels

2,744 t, used as casualty ferries (hospital ships)

- [HMS Hecla](#)
 - Captain Geoff Hope RN (G L Hope)
- [HMS Herald](#)
 - Commander Robert Halliday RN (R I C Halliday)
- [HMS Hydra](#)
 - Commander Richard Campbell RN (R J Campbell)

Trawler/[Minesweepers](#) - *Minesweeper Auxiliary (MSA)* [11th MCM Squadron](#)

Civilian trawlers converted to Extra-Deep Armed Team Sweep (EDATS) with some extempore acoustic and sonar equipment. They were manned by Royal Naval personnel, mainly from [1st MCM Squadron](#) based at Rosyth. All five minesweepers were involved in clearing two minefields off Port Stanley.

- [HMS Cordella](#) 1,238 GRT^[5]
 - Lt-Cdr Martyn Holloway
- [HMS Farnella](#) 1,207 GRT^[5]
 - Lt Bob Bishop
- [HMS Junella](#) 1,615 GRT^[5]
 - Lt-Cdr Mark Rowledge
- [HMS Northella](#) 1,238 GRT^[5]
 - Lt-Cdr Jeremy Greenop
- [HMS Pict](#) 1,478 GRT^[5]
 - Lt-Cdr David Garwood

Royal Fleet Auxiliary

Tankers

- [RFA Olna \(A123\)](#) 36,000 t
 - J.A. Bailey
- [RFA Olmeda \(A124\)](#) 36,000 t
 - G.P. Overbury
- [RFA Tidespring \(A75\)](#) 27,400 t
 - S. Redmond
- [RFA Tidepool \(A76\)](#) 27,400 t
 - J.W. Gaffrey
- [RFA Blue Rover \(A270\)](#) 11,522 t
 - D.A. Reynolds
- [RFA Appleleaf \(A79\)](#) 40,870 t
 - G.P.A. McDougall
- [RFA Brambleleaf \(A81\)](#) 40,000 t
 - M.S.J. Farley

- [RFA Bayleaf \(A109\)](#) 40,000 t
 - A.E.T. Hunter
- [RFA Plumleaf \(A78\)](#) 25,790 t
 - R.W.M. Wallace
- [RFA Pearleaf \(A77\)](#) 25,790 t
 - J. McCulloch

Landing Ship Logistic

- [RFA Sir Bedivere \(L3004\)](#) - bombed by [Douglas A-4B Skyhawk](#) - *Minor Damage*
 - P.J. McCarthy
- [RFA Sir Galahad \(L3005\)](#) - bombed on May 24 and June 8 by [Douglas A-4B Skyhawks](#) (*sunk by torpedo on June 21 and declared a war grave*) (†48) - *Fatal Damage*
 - Paul J.G. Roberts
- [RFA Sir Geraint \(L3027\)](#)
 - D.E. Lawrence
- [RFA Sir Lancelot \(L3029\)](#) - damaged by unexploded bombs from [Douglas A-4B Skyhawks](#)
 - Christopher A. Purtcher-Wydenbruck
- [RFA Sir Percivale \(L3036\)](#)
 - A.F. Pitt
- [RFA Sir Tristram \(L3505\)](#) - bombed June 8 by [Douglas A-4B Skyhawks](#) (†2) - *Major Damage*
 - G.R. Green

Supply ships

- [RFA Regent \(A486\)](#) 22,890 t
 - J. Logan
- [RFA Resource \(A480\)](#) 22,890 t
 - B.A. Seymour
- [RFA Fort Austin \(A386\)](#) 23,600 t
 - Commodore Sam Dunlop RFA (S C Dunlop)
- [RFA Fort Grange \(A385\)](#) 23,600 t
 - D.G.M. Averill
- [RFA Stromness \(A344\)](#) 16,792 t - attacked by A-4C on May 24 - *Minor Damage*
 - J.B. Dickinson

Helicopter support ship

- [RFA Engadine \(K08\)](#) 9,000 t
 - D.F. Freeman