

Flying Task	Mission						
Base & Aircraft	Lydd, G-MCGU (AW189)						
Callsign	Rescue 163						
Sortie Date	Wednesday, 24th November 2021						
Times	Pre Warned	Time Alerted	On Scene	Off Scene	Off Task		
	- : -	13:02	13:25	15:10	17:45		
	Rotor Start	Take Off	Land On	Rotor Stop	Retasked	Depart	Arrive
	13:10	13:15	15:20	15:25	- : -	EGMD	EGMD
	Day	100% (2 hrs 15 mins)					
	Night	0%					
	Landings	1					
	Response						
	Status	No Delay					
	Duration	13 mins					
Durations	Total Rotors	2 hrs 15 mins					
	Total Flying	2 hrs 5 mins					
Tasking Details	Alerted by	UK Rescue					
	Subject of SAR Action	Missing Person Search					
	Type of Sortie	Maritime					
	MCA Number						
	ARCC Number	505478					
	Local Incident	234/21					
Delay							
Narrative	<p>SAR 234/21.. R163 tasked to multiple PIW having become separated from a small inflatable boat whilst transiting the English Channel from France. The search area was across French and British waters with multiple French CG/Lifeboats surface assets on scene. A French CG helicopter - Rescue GW - was also involved in the mission.</p> <p>After approximately one hour of searching, R163 spotted multiple PIW. Due to the casualties being in the immediate vicinity of the French surface vessels, individual smoke grenades were fired alongside each individual to direct French surface vessels to casualty locations. These were then promptly recovered by CG/Lifeboat vessels. This proved to be a more expeditious method than attempting to winch each casualty. A total of five casualties were located by R163 and all were recovered by French assets. All casualties were submerged or face down and appeared to be unconscious . R163 RTB for fuel and further tasking instructions.</p>						
Fuel Details	Departure Load	1050 lbs					
	Total Uplift	lbs					
	Arrival Load	lbs					
	Total Burn	- lbs					
	Burn Rate	- lbs/hr					
Crew Training	Name Captain	General Handling, Search Patterns (2), Take off, circuit & landing					
	Name Co-Pilot	General Handling, Take off, circuit & landing, Search Patterns (2)					
	Name Winch Operator	Search Patterns (2)					
	Name Winch Paramedic	Radar/FLIR Approaches (2)					
Weather	Wind Direction	020					
	Wind Speed	02: Light Breeze - 4 to 6 knots					
	Outside Air Temp	8° C					
	Visibility	07: 10km to 20km					
	Sea State	01: Calm Rippled					
	Cloud Cover	NSC: No (nil) significant cloud (none below 5,000 ft and no TCU or CB)					
	Cloud Base						
	Significant Phenomena						

Search	Types of Search	Sector, Visual, FLIR
	Search Area Co-ordinates	N51 09.90 E001 43.41
	Percent Searched	75%
	Position of Incident	51° 10.29 N 1° 50.20 E
	Casualty Located Time	14:40 hrs
	Casualty Located Position	51° 10.29 N 1° 50.20 E
Rescue	Means of Rescue	N/A
	Casualty Details	
	Distress Signal	
	First Contact - Range	
	First Contact - Altitude	
	Equipment Expended	
	On Scene Commander	
	Persons Rescued	0
Persons Assisted	5	
Flight Outcome	Stood Down On Scene	
ARCC Incident	505478	
iSAR Flight ID	185052	

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