1.1 NARVIK -- WARSPITE WEIGHS IN

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Background: After Warburton-Lee's attack, the Admiralty resolved to destroy the remainder of the German destroyers penned up at Narvik. They launched the battleship Warspite and a strong destroyer force against the cut-off Germans.

Forces: Royal Navy Vice-Admiral, lock	Division 1	Warspite	(Warspite)		
Vice-Admiral Jock Whitworth Kriegsmarine	Division 2	lcarus Foxhound Hero	("I" Class flag)) ("F" Class) ("H" Class)		
	Division 3	Bedouin Punjabi Eskimo	"(Tribal" Class flag) "(Tribal" Class) "(Tribal" Class)		
	Division 4	Cossack Kimberly Forester	"(Tribal" Class flag) ("K" Class) ("F" Class)		
Kriegsmarine Captain Erich Bey	Division 1	Wolfgang Zenker Hans Ludemann Bernd von Arnim Erich Giese Georg Thiele	(Type 34A flag) (Type 36) (Type 34A) (Type 34A) (Type 34)		
	Division 2	Hermann Kunne	(Туре 36)		
	Division 3	Erich Koellner	(Type 34A)		

Set-up:

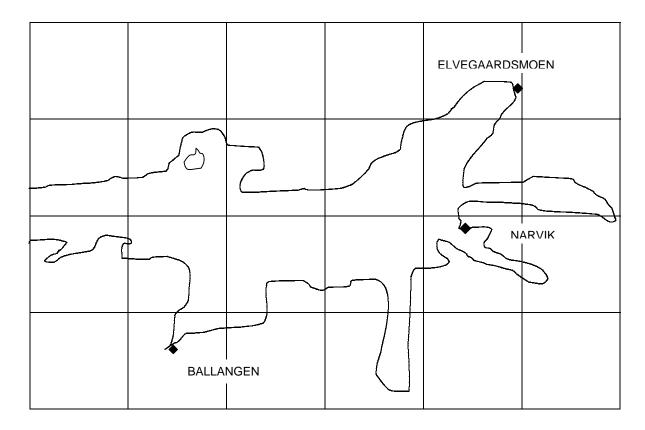
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 The playing area is restricted by land. The main channel of the fjord has a north-south width of 8 inches and an east-west length of 40 inches. The west end of this area is the British friendly edge. The harbor of Narvik is a circle of water 4 inches in diameter situated at the middle of the east end of the fjord so that there is a 2 inch opening between it and the fjord. A small spit of land projects 1 inch into the fjord on its south side 11 inches from the west edge. This spit will block east-west line of sight.

German Division 1 begins in the harbor of Narvik. German Division 2 begins 20 inches from the west edge, in the middle of the fjord. German Division 3 begins on the east side of the small spit of land.

British Division 1 is on a course of 090, on the west edge, in the middle of the fjord. British Division 2 begins 4 inches ahead of Division 1, in line ahead, on a course of 090. British Division 3 is on a course of 090, 2 inches south of Division 2 and 3 inches ahead of Division 1. British Division 4 is on a course of 090, 2 inches north of Division 2 and 3 inches ahead of Division 1.

Alternate Set-up:

Use masking tape or yarn laid on the playing surface to create the coastline of the fjord, referring to the map below. The map presumed that a 4 by 6 foot playing surface is being used. Each square on the map corresponds to a foot of surface area on the playing surface.



Victory Conditions:

- a) The German player gets 2 points for each British destroyer sunk or left dead in the water. The German player wins automatically if the Warspite sunk or left dead in the water.
- b) The British player gets 1 victory point for each German destroyer sunk or left dead in the water.

Special Rules:

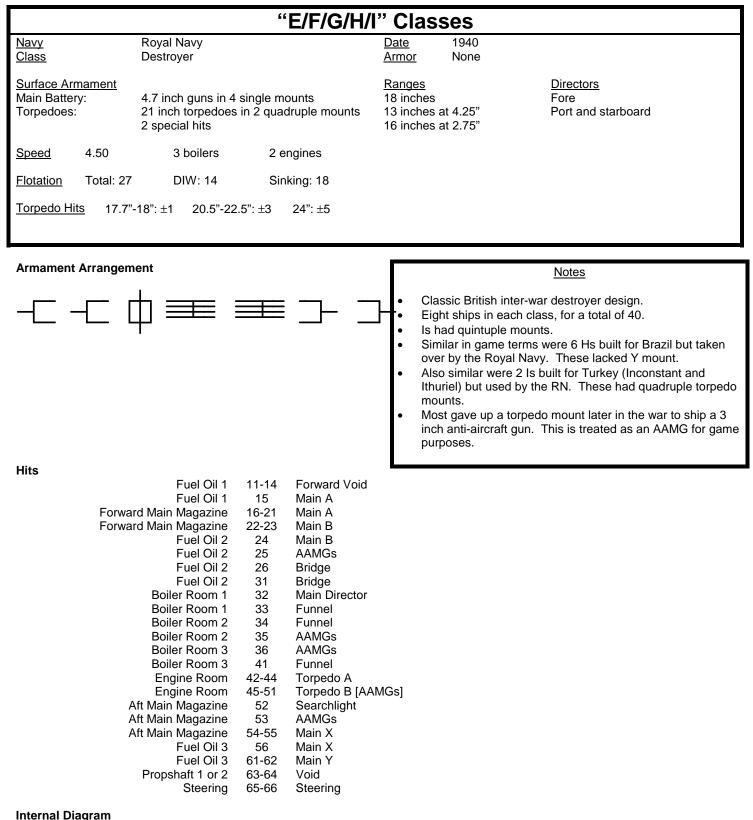
- 1. The German ships have unrepaired damage from their previous engagement and have also expended some torpedoes.
 - Optionally, use the damage actually inflicted and torpedoes used in the previous scenario.
 - Ludemann: A gunmount out, A torpedo mount fired.
 - von Arnim: limited to 4.00 inches speed.
 - Koellner: maximum speed of 1.00 inch.
 - Giese: in Narvik harbor trying to repair machinery, roll 2D6 each turn for a **3** or less to repair, can join Division 1 when repaired.
 - Thiele: in Narvik harbor trying to repair machinery, roll 2D6 each turn for a 4 or less to repair, can join Division 1 when repaired, maximum speed 2.50 inches, guns and torpedoes in local control.
 - von Roeder is a static battery in Narvik harbor with only her forward guns operational.
- 2. German torpedoes at this stage of the war were afflicted by bad depth-keeping mechanisms and magnetic exploders unreliable in Arctic waters. All German torpedo fire receives a -9 modifier (-6 against the Warspite).
- 3. All German destroyers are low on ammunition. A German destroyer will run out of ammunition if it rolls a **90** or higher (or pulls any red chit first) on a gunnery to hit die roll.
- 4. The Warspite's main battery has only armor-piercing rounds, which are relatively ineffective against unarmored targets. These only damage the locations they hit, with no additional damage. They are considered to have a power factor of **4**.
- 5. The British have a spotting aircraft present to spot gunfire for Warspite. It will also reveal the presence of all German ships, even if they are out of the line of sight of British ships.
- 6. The Tribals have their original gun armament of 4 twin 4.7 inch mounts.
- 7. The visibility base is **15** and the gunnery modifier is **-3** -- day with some low mist.

Outcome: A furious close-range action developed between the German and British destroyers. Cossack sustained significant gunfire damage and Eskimo lost her bows to a torpedo. The British sank Koellner outright and severely damaged most of the other German destroyers. These were scuttled by their crews as they ran out of ammunition. The German naval presence at Narvik had been entirely wiped out, but the German land forces were ultimately successful in their efforts to hold against an Allied counter-landing.

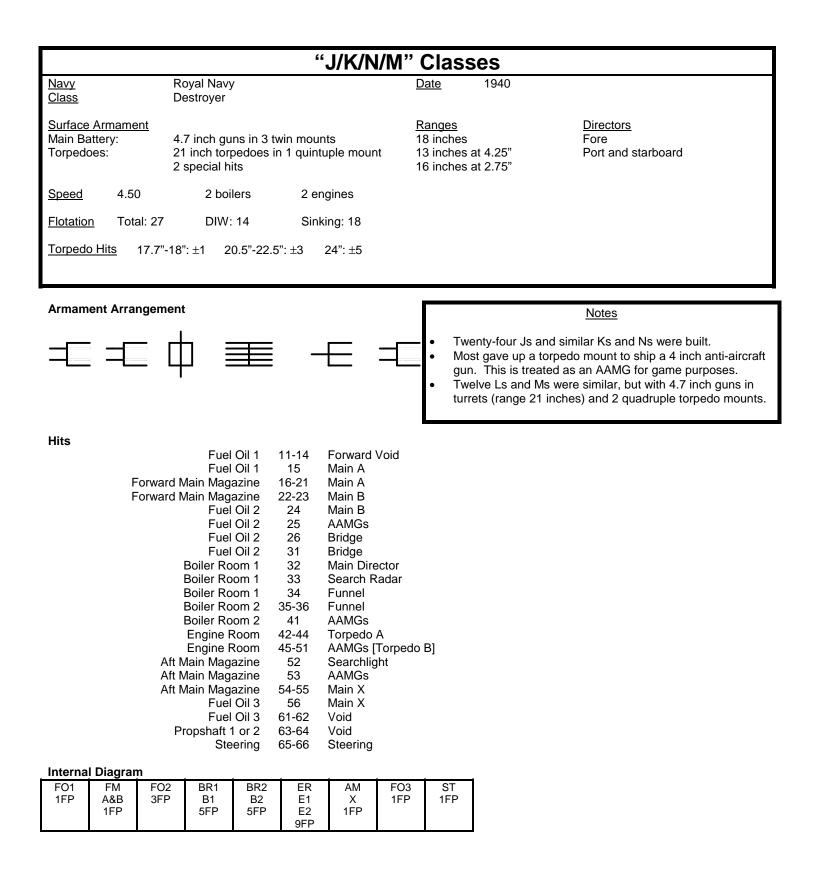
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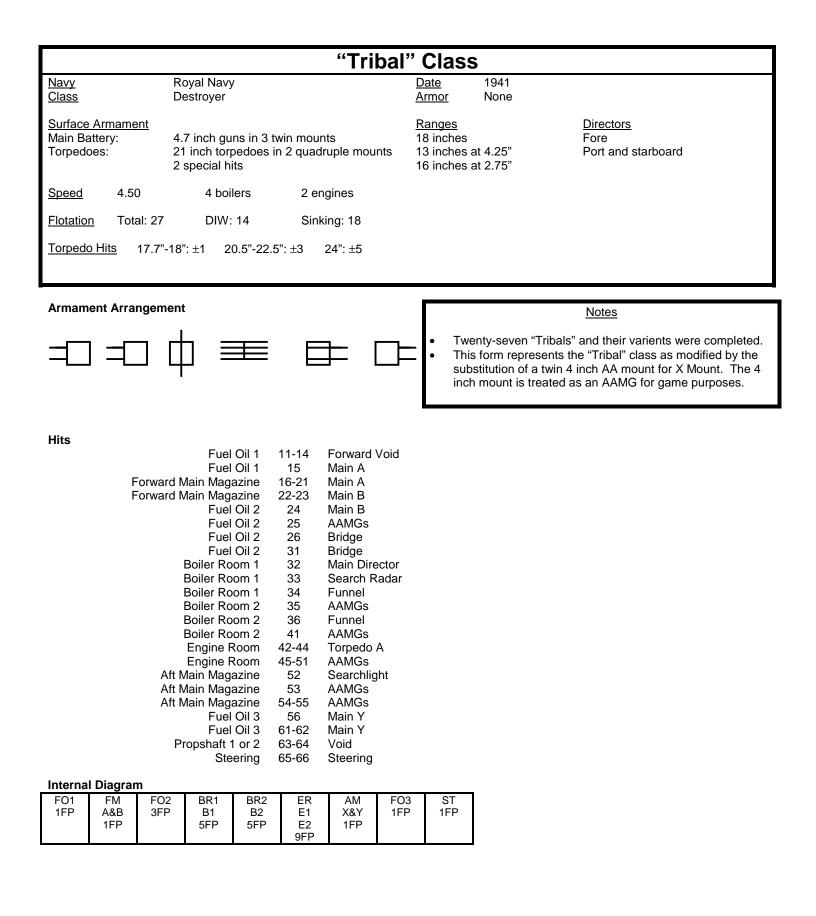
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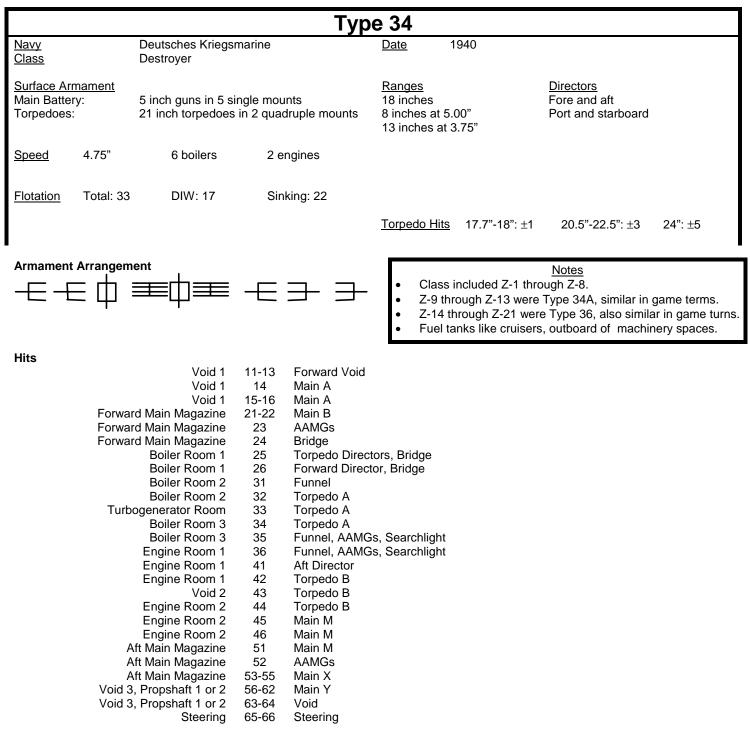


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V1	FM A	BR1 B1,B2	BR2 B3,B4	TR	BR3 B5,B6	ER1 E1	V2	ER2 E2	AM MXY	V3	ST
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