

USS Bushnell AS-2

Movement of Ship Information 1939

(from various sources, mostly Ancestry/Fold3 ship's records)

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_Sumner_\(AGS-5\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USS_Sumner_(AGS-5))

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(mostly compiled from Ship's Muster Rolls & Lists, Deck Logs and Reports not available att)

9 January 1939 to 4 March 1939 In Port at Norfolk, VA,

For maintainance availibility, provisioning, and training. Numerous crew changes.

4 March 1939 Sailing from Norfolk, VA for Guantanamo Bay, Cuba

Ship's Complement: 213 Enlisted, Unknown Number of Officers

List of Enlisted passengers embarked:

1 PhM2c

1 Sea1c

List of non-enlisted passengers embarked:

(4 Hydro Eng), bound for 1939 Survey Area, South Pacific Is.

2 Asst Hydrographic Survey Engineer

1 Assoc Hydrographic Survey Engineer

1 Junior Hydrographic Survey Engineer

2 Ch Clk, bound for San Diego, CA

1 Rdo Eng'r, bound for Guantanamo Bay, Cuba

<https://www.fold3.com/image/302938284>

10 March 1939 Sailing from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba for Panama Canal Zone

List of non-enlisted passengers embarked:

4 Hydro Eng, bound for 1939 Survey Area, South Pacific Is.

2 Ch Clk, bound for San Diego, CA

16 March 1939 Sailing from Panama Canal Zone for San Diego, CA

List of non-enlisted passengers embarked:

4 Hydro Eng, bound for 1939 Survey Area, South Pacific Is.

2 Ch Clk, bound for San Diego, CA

1 Tech Asst, Scripps Inst., bound for San Diego, CA

31 March 1939 Quarterly Ship's Complement Recapitulation: 196 Enlisted, Unknown Officers, Enlisted Operating Allowance 195.

1 April 1939 Sailing from San Diego, CA for Pearl Harbor, T.H.

10 Enlisted passengers embarked

List of non-enlisted passengers embarked:

4 Hydro Eng, bound for 1939 Survey Area, South Pacific Is.

1 Ichthyologist, bound for 1939 Survey Area, South Pacific Is.

17 April 1939 Sailing from Pearl Harbor, T.H. for 1939 Survey Area

List of non-enlisted passengers embarked:

4 Hydro Eng, bound for 1939 Survey Area, South Pacific Is.

1 Ichthyologist, bound for 1939 Survey Area, South Pacific Is.

9 June 1939 Sailing from Ofu, Manus Islands for Naval Station, Tutuila, American Samoa, via Tau and Rose Islands

List of non-enlisted passengers embarked:

4 Hydro Eng, bound for 1939 Survey Area, South Pacific Is.

1 Ichthyologist, bound for 1939 Survey Area, South Pacific Is.

2 Enlisted passengers embarked:

1 RM2c

1 PhM2c

9 June 1939 Sailing from Naval Station, American Samoa for Ofu, Manus Islands

List of enlisted passengers embarked:

1 SC2c

1 CPhM (PA)

1 PhM3c

1 RM1c

13 June 1939 Sailing from Naval Station, American Samoa for Tau Island, Rose Island, and return to Naval Station, Tutuila, American Samoa **[Ed note: This was a Party Cruise]**

All bound for Tau Island, Manus Group for Flag Day ceremonies on 14 June 1939, and return to Naval Station, Tutuila, American Samoa, via Rose Island. **Passage authorized by BuNav.**

List of Enlisted passengers embarked:

1 BndMstr (PA)

24 American Samoan musicians and Seamen, various ranks and rates

1 USMC First Sergeant

List of Non-Enlisted passengers embarked:

4 Hydro Eng, bound for 1939 Survey Area, South Pacific Is.

1 Ichthyologist, bound for 1939 Survey Area, South Pacific Is.

35 Officers, Officers Wives, Officer's children, American Samoan Servants, ChNurse, ChPhrm, ChJustice, Banker's wife, Asst Hydro Eng's wife, Supt of Education and wife, Official Interpreter.

23 June 1939 Sailing from Tau Island, Manus Group for Naval Station, Tutuila, American Samoa

List of Enlisted passengers embarked:

1 F2c

And presumably all other passengers embarked on 13 June 1939 voyage (Enlisted and Non-Enlisted, Officers, etc.)

Month Ending 30 June 1939 **Crew Accident Casualties:**

1 QM1c Injured, transferred to hospital, Tutuila

1 Sea1c Injured, transferred to Pearl Harbor, T.H., via Tutuila

1 Sea1c Died, CoD Drowning, In Line of Duty, no misconduct.

30 June 1939 Quarterly Ship's Complement Recapitulation: 192 Enlisted, Unknown Officers, Enlisted Operating Allowance 195.

19 July 1939 Sailing from **Canton Island, via Enderbury Island**, for Pearl Harbor, T.H.

List of Non-Enlisted passengers embarked:

4 Hydro Eng, Regularly attached to this vessel

1 Ichthyologist, Regularly attached to this vessel

2 Employees of Pan American Airways, carried as patients to PH:

1 Carpenter

1 Storekeeper

10 August 1939 Sailing from Navy Yard, Pearl Harbor, T.H. for 1939 Survey Area, South Pacific Islands

List of non-enlisted passengers embarked:

4 Hydro Eng, bound for 1939 Survey Area, South Pacific Is

No Ichthyologist

28 August, 25-28 September 1939 In port, Naval Station, Tutuila, American Samoa

30 September 1939 Quarterly Ship's Complement Recapitulation: 195 Enlisted, Unknown Officers, Enlisted Operating Allowance 195.

2 & 24 October 1939 In port, Naval Station, Tutuila, American Samoa

21 November 1939 In port, Naval Station, Tutuila, American Samoa

9 December 1939 Sailing from **McKean Island** for Navy Yard, Pearl Harbor, T.H.

List of non-enlisted passengers embarked:

1 Messman (Negro), An employee of Matson Navigation Co., as a patient. Transferred from rendezvous with SS Waipio at McKean Island for Honolulu, T.H..

4 Hydro Eng, Regularly attached to this vessel

18-28 December 1939 In port, Navy Yard, Pearl Harbor, T.H.

31 December 1939 Quarterly Ship's Complement Recapitulation: 192 Enlisted, Unknown Officers, Enlisted Operating Allowance 195.

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December 1939 to March 4 1940 In port, Navy Yard, Pearl Harbor, T.H.

4 March 1940 Sailing from Navy Yard, Pearl Harbor, T.H. for San Diego, CA

List of Enlisted passengers embarked:

8 USMC

1 USCG Sea1c

21 March 1940 Sailing from San Diego, CA for Panama Canal Zone

List of non-enlisted passengers embarked:

4 Hydro Eng, bound for 1940 Survey Area, Venezuela

31 March 1940 Quarterly Ship's Complement Recapitulation: 210 Enlisted, Unknown Officers, Enlisted Operating Allowance 195.

2 April 1940 Sailing from Panama Canal Zone for La Guaira, Venezuela

List of non-enlisted passengers embarked:

4 Hydro Eng, bound for 1940 Survey Area, off Venezuela

8 April 1940 Sailing from La Guaira, Venezuela for Willemstad, Curacao, N.W.I.

No changes since last reports

List of non-enlisted passengers embarked:

4 Hydro Eng, bound for 1940 Survey Area, off Venezuela

15 April 1940 Sailing from Willemstad, Curacao, N.W.I. for Survey area

List of non-enlisted passengers embarked:

4 Hydro Eng, bound for 1940 Survey Area, off Venezuela

1 Ensign, Venezuelan Navy

