

КАНОНЕРСКАЯ ЛОДКА

CHOKAI

IJN GUNBOAT 1888

1:700

Тактико-технические характеристики:

 Displacement:
 624 t

 Length:
 47,0 m

 Beam:
 8,2 m

 Draught:
 2,95 m

Propulsion: reciprocating steam engine

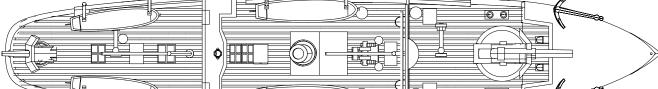
2 shafts, 2 boilers 1 140 л. с.

Speed: 11,7 ys.
Range: 60 tons coal

Complement: 104

Armament: 1 x 210 mm (8 in) guns

1 x 120 mm (4.7 in) guns 2 x 25 mm (0.98 in) Nordenfelt guns



Chokai was captained by Lieutenant Commander Kamimura Hikonojo from October 1893 to June 1894. Chokai saw combat service in the First Sino-Japanese War under the command of Lieutenant Commander Togo Masamichi, patrolling between Korea, Dairen and played a role at the Battle of Weihaiwei. On the night of 5 February, Chokai participated in a night operation with Atago, in which the gunboats made a feint attack on the north entrance to the harbor as a diversion while torpedo boats attacked from the east entrance, sinking the Chinese battleship Dingyuan

and damaging the cruiser Laiyuan. After the surrender of China, Atago and Chokai remained at Weihaihei as part of the Japanese occupation force.

On 21 March 1898, Chokai was re-designated as a secondclass gunboat, and was used for coastal survey and patrol duties. During the Boxer Rebellion, she was assigned to patrol off the Taku Forts.

During the Russo-Japanese War, Chokai assisted in the Siege of Port Arthur. During the third attempt to sink old freighters in an attempt to block the entrance to Port Arthur harbor, Chokai was present as one of the escorts. On a shore bombardment mission on 26 May 1904 to support the Japanese Second Army at the Battle of Nanshan (together with the cruiser Tsukushi), Chokai came under fire, and her captain, Lieutenant Commander Hayashi Michio was killed. He was replaced by Lieutenant Commander Hirose Katsuhiko, the older brother of the famed war-hero Takeo Hirose, who commanded Chokai through the end of the war, including the Invasion of Sakhalin towards the end of the war.

Chokai was removed from active combat status on 1 April

1908, and was used as a training vessel at the Sasebo Naval District. She was removed from the navy list and transferred to the Home Ministry on 1 December 1911 for use as a police boat in Kobe Harbor. She was subsequently demilitarized and sold for scrap in 1912.



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