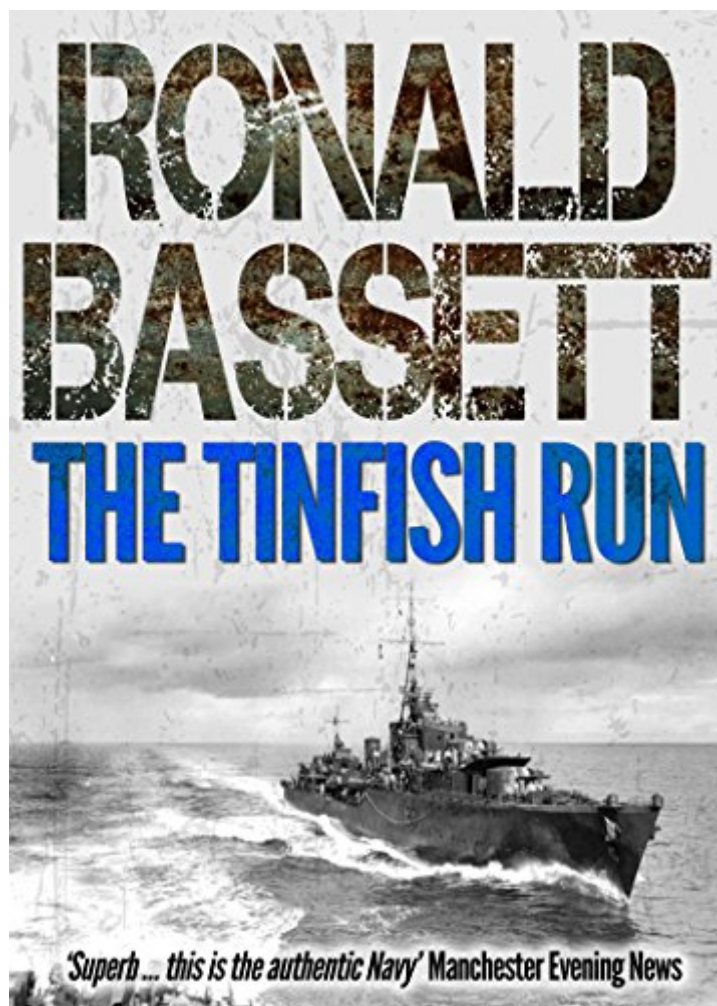




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Excellent nautical action tale. Deadly chess match above and below the sea. Grim and unforgiving story of British destroyer on the Murmansk run. Loaded with details and vivid characters. I'll read more by this author.

I enjoyed it

Life aboard a Royal Navy destroyer during WWII from the perspective of a lower rating and his shipmates.

Served RN in the 60s this depiction of life on the lower deck is as true as anything I have ever read previously. Will definitely read the rest of the trilogy.

The book is interesting and gives a historical insight to the submarine experience during WWII. It is a good read for history buffs.

I enjoyed this book very much. I am a WWII buff so it was an interesting read. Only problem I have is the English slang is hard to follow.

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