

3 missing after tugboat capsizes in Clyde

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GLASGOW, Scotland -- Heavy fog hampered the search Thursday for missing crew members of a Scottish tugboat that capsized in the River Clyde. The Flying Phantom capsized and sank Wednesday evening after escorting the Red Jasmine, a large container ship, into Glasgow, The Scotsman reported. One man swam to shore but the captain and two other crew members disappeared. As boats of all sizes searched the river Thursday, officials acknowledged they were likely to find dead bodies. "At midnight, the water was just two degrees above freezing. It's probably not much more above that now," Ian Plater, sector manager for Clyde Coastguard, said. "We've far exceeded the survival time of anybody that was in the water last night. But with search and rescue we never say never." Brian Aitchison, the survivor, spent the night in a hospital but was reported to be in good condition. Friends and colleagues described the captain of the Flying Phantom, Stephen Humphries, as an experienced seaman.

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