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Queen Mother launches new lifeboat-

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~~/~~ Caithness-- Arriving at Thurso to perform the christening ceremony of the new lifeboat "Dunnet Head", Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother first inspected a Guard of Honour.

And Her Majesty praised the work of the Thurso lifeboat station, which had saved more than 500 lives since its inception- 96 years ago.

Later, ~~Her Majesty~~ the Queen Mother went for a sail in the new ~~£35,000~~ vessel, which ^{cost £35,000 and} was provided by the Civil Service Lifeboat Fund. The boat contains several modern features, including an enclosed wheelhouse, which should prove a boon in wintry gales.

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