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These 4 photos were taken by the Auckland War Memorial Museum Staff in January 2021.

The flag was made by the internees on Motuihe in secret while preparing to escape. Von Luckner always flew a German Navy ensign on his boats, no matter how small, to show that he was still part of the German Navy and not a spy. The flag is made from a bedsheet belonging to cadet Ernst Klohn and was sent to him by his grandmother during the war as she was worried there were no bedsheets in New Zealand. Presumably she embroidered his initials on the corner of the sheet. The intricate eagle design was painted with paint stolen from the farmer's store shed.



Von Luckner's pocket sextant. *Photo by Auckland War Memorial Museum Tamaki Paenga Hira ref*1961.29 36223



Photo by Fiona Alexander. This instrument was made by von Zatorski from hinges, a mirror, a penny, a safety razor and a brass fuel tank from the primus stove. The cover is on the left.

The above instruments were used to navigate to the Kermadecs during the escape from Motuihe.