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Ships in Focus

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“Kowloon Venture”



(Chris Finney)

A stunning image of a worn-out old Hong Kong lady, somewhat typical of the 1960s, the “**Kowloon Venture**”, pictured arriving at Thevenard, South Australia, on 6th March 1969, presumably to load grain. She was a standard “B” type with an engine that was manufactured in 1942 and was then rebuilt by North-Eastern Marine Engineering Co (1938) Ltd at Wallsend

Originally delivered for MoWT as “**Empire Prospect**”, 7331 GRT, with a Triple expansion engine giving a service speed of 10.5 knots. Built 1945 by Shipbuilding Corp Ltd, Newcastle, and placed under Evan Thomas Radcliffe & Co., management. Sold in 1947 to Panmarine Shipping Co Ltd (Goulandris Bros Ltd) London, and renamed “**Ronald M Scobie**”. Sold 1954 to Bahia Salinas Cia Vaviera SA, registered Monrovia and renamed “**Plover**”, re-registered Andros in 1964. In 1965 sold to Kowloon Carriers Inc., (Wah Kwong & Co (HK) Ltd,) Monrovia, and renamed “**Kowloon Venture**”.

Sold for demolition in 1969 and broken up by Tung Ho Steel Enterprise Corp at Kaohsiung 5/1969

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