

Ocean Joss

Ships in Focus

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“Adele Beam”



(Gordy Ross, courtesy Flotilla-Australia)

A ship with a long history of service. 1926 to 1970, 46 years.

Above can be seen the “**Mundalla**”, 3018 GRT, in Adelaide Steamship’s livery. A steel motorship built 1926 by Burmeister & Wain, Copenhagen for the Adelaide Steamship Company of Australia. Her dimensions were LOA 98.1 x 14.1m Beam. Originally launched as “**Mundoo**”, but quickly reregistered as “**Mundalla**” because of another vessel bearing the name “**Mundoo**”.

She joined the ASCL fleet and served continuously until 1954 when she was laid-up for a short period but was soon recommissioned and sold to Hines Metals Ltd, who resold her to Southern Shipping of Vila, (now in modern-day Vanuatu), in December of 1959. She was engaged in foreign trading until 1962 when sold to Far East interests and renamed “**Adele Beam**”. She served in this capacity until 1970 but was renamed by the then owners as “**Perola**” in 1965 and transferred her to the Panama registry. eventually sent for demolition in 1970.

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