

## **BANDS – Bank and Savill Line**



### **Bank Line's MV Willowbank Built 1980**

**(The last ship Built for Bank Line)**

**18,236 GRT, 16,511 DWT – LOA/BM 171m/20.5m**

**6 Cyl B&W Diesel developing 20,460 BHP**

Built in 1980 for the Bank & Savill Liner Service (BANDS), by Smith's Dock, Middlesborough. This BANDS Service was a joint venture between Bank Line and Shaw Savill and Albion Line. The main route was between US Gulf Ports and Australia and New Zealand. Initially, three container vessels were engaged on this route which lasted 4 years. The itinerary was later changed to a California – Australasia Liner Service.

In 1989 the vessel was renamed California Star and operated by Blue Star Ship Management until sold in 1996 to Pacific International Lines (PIL) Singapore and renamed Sea Elegance. There then followed several changes in her ownership, with her finally going for demolition at Alang in 2009.