

# Ocean Joss

## Ships in Focus

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# “North Devon”



**Armonikos (ex-North Devon)**

(Ron Mapplebeck)

The sleek looking motor ship “**North Devon**”, 7905 GRT, built in 1958 by Bartram and Sons Ltd, Sunderland for North Shipping Company Ltd (Hugh Roberts and Son Ltd., Newcastle, as managers).

In 1964 North SS Co Ltd., was taken over by Common Brothers and the ship was placed under their management. In 1967 the vessel was sold to Argo Cia. Maritima S.A, placed under the Monrovia flag and renamed **Armonikos**, in 1971 she passed to Cypriot interests but retained same name, sailing under house colors of **Empros Lines**. She was again sold in 1977 to Greeks and renamed **Panagios**. The vessel sustained substantial fire damage in October 1978 whilst at Drapetozona, and following a short period of layup, was sent for demolition at Split in June 1979.

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