

Objective: Through the process of elimination, identify all possible destroyers that could be a match for the unknown shipwreck at San Clemente Island.

Known Facts About Shipwreck		Comments
Class:	Fletcher	Only Fletcher Class Destroyers are listed.
Bridge:	Square	Only square bridge models are listed.
Mast:	Single	All tripod mast destroyers must be eliminated from list.
Torpedo Mounts:	2	All quad-40mm modified models must be eliminated from list.
Sink Date:	Jun-76	Sink date is confirmed by Mk 71 documentation as either 22, 23 or 29 of Jun-76.
Sunk by:	USS HULL DD-945	Confirmed by multiple eyewitnesses.

Sunk (Target)	Sunk (Wartime)	Transferred	Sold/Scrapped	Display Ship	DD Number	Ship Name	Reported Fate
	1		1		518	Brownson	Sunk 12/26/43, by dive bombers off Cape Gloucester, New Britain
		1			519	Daly	Sold to North American Smelting Corp., Wilmington, DE.
		1			520	Isherwood	Transferred to Peru. Returned from Peru 1/15/74. Scrapped 1981.
	1				521	Kimberly	Transferred to Taiwan. Decommissioned.
	1				522	Luce	Sunk 05/04/45, by suicide plane.
	1		1		526	Abner Read	Sunk 11/01/44, by suicide plane.
	1				527	Ammen	Sold 03/21/61 to National Metal and Steel Corp. Scrapped.
	1	1			528	Mullany	Transferred to Taiwan. Sunk for a fish habitat on or around 11/1/2001.
1	1				529	Bush	Sunk 04/06/45, by suicide plane.
			1		530	Trathen	Sunk as target. Target 11/73.
		1			531	Hazelwood	Sold to Union Minerals and Iron Company of NYC.
			1		532	Heermann	Transferred to Argentina. Decommissioned 1982.
	1				533	Hoel	Sunk 10/25/44, by Naval gunfire in Leyte Gulf.
			1		534	McCord	Sold 01/02/74 to Southern Scrap Material Co. LTD. Scrapped.
			1		535	Miller	Sold 7/29/74 to Union Metals & Iron Company, New York.
			1		536	Owen	Sold 11/27/73 to Zidell Explorations Inc., Portland, Ore. Scrapped.
				1	537	The Sullivans	On display at Buffalo Naval Park, Buffalo, New York, since 1977.
1			1		538	Stephen Potter	Sold 11/27/72 to Zidell Explorations Inc., Portland, Ore. Scrapped.
		1			539	Tingey	Sunk as target 5/1/66 off San Clemente Island
		1			540	Twining	Transferred to Taiwan. Decommissioned 7/16/99.
		1			541	Yarnall	Transferred tp Taiwan. Decommissioned 10/16/99.
		1			544	Boyd	Transferred to Turkey. Scrapped.
		1			545	Bradford	Transferred to Greece. Decommissioned in 1981.
		1			546	Brown	Transferred to Greece. Decommissioned in 1981.
		1			547	Cowell	Transferred to Argentina. Sold in 1982.
			1		554	Franks	Sold 08/27/73 to Zidell Explorations Inc. Scrapped.
		1			555	Haggard	Scrapped 03/46.
	1				556	Halley	Transferred to Brazil.
	1		1		557	Johnston	Sunk 10/25/44, by Naval gunfire, Philippines.
	1				558	Laws	Sold 12/03/73 to American Ship Dismantlers Inc. Scrapped.
	1				559	Longshaw	Sunk by Naval gunfire and torpedoes off Okinawa.
	1				560	Morrison	Sunk 05/03/45, by suicide plane.
		1			561	Pritchett	Transferred to Italy. Scrapped.
1					562	Robinson	Sunk as target off Va capes.
1					563	Ross	Sunk as target off Puerto Rico.
1					564	Rowe	Sunk as target off Puerto Rico 2/23/78.
			1		565	Smalley	Sold to Portsmouth Salvage Co. Scrapped.
1					566	Stoddard	Sunk as target 07/22/97 off Hawaii.
			1		567	Watts	Sold 8/16/75 to General Metals.
			1		568	Wren	Sold 9/30/75 to North American Smelting Company.
		1			581	Charrette	Transferred to Greece. Now museum ship at Navy base on Poros Island.
		1			582	Conner	Transferred to Greece, broken up in 1/98.
	1		1		583	Hall	Transferred to Greece. Scrapped in 1997.
1					584	Halligan	Sunk 03/26/45, by a mine, off Okinawa.
			1		585	Haraden	Sunk as target 11/73.
1					586	Newcomb	Sold and Scrapped 10/47.
1					587	Bell	Sunk as target 5/11/1975.
			1		588	Burns	Sunk as target 6/20/1974 or 9/20/1974.
			1		589	Izard	Sold 04/02/70 to National Metal and Steel Co. Scrapped.
	1				590	Paul Hamilton	Sold 04/02/70 to National Metal and Steel Co. Scrapped.
			1		591	Twiggs	Sunk 06/16/45 by aircraft torpedo, off Okinawa.
			1		594	Hart	Sold 12/03/73 to Zidell Explorations Inc. Scrapped.
			1		595	Metcalf	Sold on 06/06/72 to Union Minerals and Alloys Corp. Scrapped.
		1			596	Shields	Transferred to Brazil. Sold by Brazil 7/1/90.
			1		597	Wiley	Sold 04/02/70 to National Metal and Steel Co. Scrapped.
			1		629	Abbot	Sold 7/31/75.
			1		630	Braine	Transferred to Argentina. Sunk as target 11/7/83 by Exocet missile.
			1		631	Erben	Transferred to Korea. Used as stationary training vessel. Since scrapped.
			1		642	Hale	Transferred to Columbia. Still active, but barely.
			1		643	Sigourney	Sold 7/31/75.
			1		644	Stembel	Transferred to Argentina. Scrapped 1982.
1					649	Albert W. Grant	Sold 05/30/72 to Levin Metals Corp. Scrapped.
			1		650	Caperton	Decommissioned In Philidelphia. Sunk as target in the mid 80's
1					651	Cogswell	Transferred to Turkey. Scrapped in 1980.
			1		652	Ingersoll	Target ship at the Pacific Missile Range, Point Mugu. Sunk as target 5/19/74.
			1		653	Knapp	Sold 08/27/73 to Zidell Explorations Inc. Scrapped.
			1		654	Bearss	Sold on 4/14/76 to Union Metals & Iron Co., NYC.
		1			655	John Hood	Sold 4/12/76.
1		1			656	Van Valkenburgh	Transferred to Turkey. Scrapped in 1973.
			1		657	Charles J. Badger	Transferred to Chile 05/10/74. Scrapped.
			1		658	Colahan	Sunk as target 12/18/66 by aircraft off Southern Calif.
			1		659	Dashiell	Sold 9/21/75 to North American Smelting Corp.
				1	660	Blard	Sold 12/03/73 to American Ship Dismantlers Inc. Scrapped.
			1		661	Kidd	Memorial ship, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.
		1			662	Bennion	Sold 05/30/72 to Levin Metals Corp. Scrapped.
			1		663	Heywood L. Edwards	Transferred to Japan. Scrapped in Korea.
			1		664	Richard P. Leary	Transferred to Japan. Scrapped in Korea.
			1		665	Bryant	Sold to Luria Bros. 4/76.
			1		666	Black	Sold 02/17/71 to Chou's Iron and Steel Co. Inc. Scrapped.
			1		667	Chauncey	Sold 01/02/74 to Southern Scrap Material Co. LTD. Scrapped.
		1			668	Clarence K. Bronson	Transferred to Turkey. Decommissioned for scrapping in late 1973.
			1		669	Cotten	Sold for scrap 08/01/75.
			1		670	Dortch	Transferred to Argentina. Scrapped in 1977.
			1		671	Gatling	Sold 2/22/77 to Luria Brothers.
			1		672	Healy	Sold 4/12/77 to Luria Brothers.
			1		673	Hickox	Transferred to Korea. Scrapped in 1989.
			1		674	Hunt	Sold 8/14/75 to Consolidated Steel Corporation, Brownsville, TX.
			1		675	Lewis Hancock	Transferred to Brazil. Scrapped in 1989.
			1		676	Marshall	Sold 07/7/70 to Zidell Explorations Inc. Scrapped.
			1		677	McDermut	Sold 01/04/66 to National Metal and Steel Co. Scrapped.
		1			678	McGowan	Transferred to Spain. Decommissioned 11/15/88.
			1		679	McNair	Sold 8/29/75 to Ships Inc., Camden, NJ.
1					680	Melvin	Sold to Trebor Marine Corp on 8/14/75.
1					681	Hopewell	Sunk as target 02/11/72 off San Clemente Island.
1					682	Porterfield	Sunk as target in 1976.
			1		683	Stockham	Sunk as target off Puerto Rico on 2/17/77.
1					684	Wedderburn	Sold 12/16/71 to Chou's Iron and Steel Co. Inc. Scrapped.
			1		685	Picking	Sunk as target in 1978.
		1			686	Halsey Powell	Transferred to Korea. Sold 1/15/82.
			1		687	Uhlmann	Sold to Zidell Explorations on 04/09/74. Scrapped.
			1		688	Remey	Sold 8/29/75 to Ships, Inc.
		1			689	Wadleigh	Transferred to Chile. Decommissioned in 1983.
			1		690	Norman Scott	Sold 12/03/73 to American Ship Dismantlers Inc. Scrapped.
			1		691	Mertz	Sold 12/16/71 to Chou's Iron and Steel Co. LTD. Scrapped.
1				1	792	Callaghan	Sunk 07/28/45, by suicide plane, Okinawa.
		1			793	Cassin Young	Museum/Memorial ship at Boston, MA
			1		794	Irwin	Transferred to Brazil. Scrapped 1978.
			1		795	Preston	Transferred to Turkey. Scrapped 1981.
			1		796	Benham	Transferred to Peru. Scrapped 1980.
			1		797	Cushing	Transferred to Brazil 08/01/73.
			1		798	Monssen	Sold 10/21/63 to Union Minerals and Alloys Corp. Scrapped.
			1		799	Jarvis	Transferred to Spain. Scrapped 1988.
			1		800	Porter	Sold for scrap 3/21/1974.
	1				801	Colhoun	Sunk by Japanese planes near Okinawa, 4/6/1945.
			1		802	Gregory	Sunk off San Clemente Island 03/04/71.
	1				803	Little	Sunk 05/03/45, by suicide plane, Okinawa.
			1		804	Rooks	Transferred to Chile. Disposed of by Chile in 1983.
<b>Total Sunk (Target)</b>	<b>Total Sunk (Wartime)</b>	<b>Total Transferred</b>	<b>Total Sold/Scrapped</b>	<b>Total Display Ship</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>Total number of Square Bridge Fletcher Class Destroyers</b>	

Sunk (Target)	Sunk (Wartime)	Transferred	Sold/Scrapped	Display Ship	DD Number	Ship Name	Reported Fate	Mast Type
1					530	Trathen	Sunk as target. Target 11/73.	Tripod
1					539	Tingey	Sunk as target 5/1/66 off San Clemente Island	Single
1					562	Robinson	Sunk as target off Va capes.	Tripod
1					563	Ross	Sunk as target off Puerto Rico.	Tripod
1					564	Rowe	Sunk as target off Puerto Rico 2/23/78.	Tripod
1					566	Stoddard	Sunk as target 07/22/97 off Hawaii.	Tripod
1					585	Haraden	Sunk as target 11/73.	Single
1					587	Bell	Sunk as target 5/11/1975.	Single
1					588	Burns	Sunk as target 6/20/1974 or 9/20/1974.	Single
1					650	Caperton	Decommissioned In Philidelphia. Sunk as target in the mid 80's	Tripod
1					652	Ingersoll	Target ship at the Pacific Missile Range, Point Mugu. Sunk as target 5/19/74.	Tripod
1					658	Colahan	Sunk as target 12/18/66 by aircraft off Southern Calif.	Tripod
1					681	Hopewell	Sunk as target 02/11/72 off San Clemente Island.	Tripod
1					682	Porterfield	Sunk as target in 1976.	Tripod
1					683	Stockham	Sunk as target off Puerto Rico on 2/17/77.	Tripod
1					685	Picking	Sunk as target in 1978.	Tripod
1					802	Gregory	Sunk off San Clemente Island 03/04/71.	Tripod
					<b>17</b>	<b>Total number of Square Bridge Fletcher Class Destroyers sunk as targets</b>		

Sunk (Target)	Sunk (Wartime)	Transferred	Sold/Scrapped	Display Ship	DD Number	Ship Name	Reported Fate	Mast Type	Reason for Elimination
1					539	Tingey	Sunk as target 5/1/66 off San Clemente Island	Single	Sink date. Tingey was a quad-40mm modified model.
1					585	Haraden	Sunk as target 11/73.	Single	Newspaper article/photo confirm Haraden still afloat in Sept. 1977.
1					587	Bell	Sunk as target 5/11/1975.	Single	Sink date. Ship sunk by MK-82 bombs delivered by A-7 Aircraft.
1					588	Burns	Sunk as target 6/20/1974 or 9/20/1974.	Single	
					<b>4</b>	<b>Total number of Square Bridge Fletcher Class Destroyers with single masts sunk as targets</b>			

Sunk (Target)	Sunk (Wartime)	Transferred	Sold/Scrapped	Display Ship	DD Number	Ship Name	Reported Fate	Mast Type	Final Comments
1					588	Burns	Sunk as target 6/20/1974 or 9/20/1974.	Single	California State Lands Commission lists sink date as June 30, 1976.
					<b>1</b>	<b>Total number of Square Bridge Fletcher Class Destroyers with single masts sunk as targets (not yet eliminated)</b>			