

# PEREGRINE

IMO No: 9228150 BULKER 2001 / 28647 GT

## COMPANY:

Eagle Shipping International (USA)  
LLC, USA

## YARD INFORMATION:

Oshima Shipbuilding Co Ltd  
(Japan) 10306

## DEMOLITION:



Lyttelton (N.Z) 24/8/2009 © A. Calvert (S. Wiedner collection)

**2016:** Sold to Aksoy Denizcilik, Turkey. **Renamed AKSON SARA.**

**2019:** Sold to undisclosed buyers. **Renamed HONMON.**

**2023:** **Renamed MATTHEW.** Interdicted and stormed by soldiers of the Irish Army Ranger Wing on 26 September 2023 after refusing to stop for the Irish Naval Service's. **MATTHEW** known as **MV HONMON** until shortly before the incident had been monitored for weeks based on information from the United States Drug Enforcement Administration  
The raid resulted in the seizure of 2,253 kilograms (4,967 lb) of South American cocaine, worth approximately €157 million, the largest drugs seizure in Irish history.



**Named MATTHEW** arrested at Cork (Ireland) 25/9/2025 © H. Wiedner (S. Wiedner collection)

**BASIC DATA:**

GT: 28647  
 DWT: 50895  
 Loa: 189.99  
 Bmd: 32.26  
 Draft: 11.92  
 Engine: 1x oil MAN-B&W 6S50MC-C  
 Power: 9480 kW  
 Speed: 14.0 kn  
 Cranes: 4x30t

**OWNER & FLAG HISTORY:**

MATTHEW since 01/08/2023  
 HONMON since 01/11/2019  
 AKSON SARA since 01/04/2016  
 PEREGRINE since 01/07/2005  
 SEA BEAUTY during 2001  
 Flag Date of record Source  
 Panama since 01/04/2016  
 Marshall Islands since 01/07/2005  
 Bahamas during 2001  
 Registered owner Date of record Source  
 MATTHEW MARITIME INC since 10/08/2023  
 SEAWIN MARINE CO LTD since 06/11/2019  
 AKSON SHIPPING SA during 04/2016  
 SEA STAR CHAMPION SA since 23/04/2001  
 SYNERGY MARINE COPENHAGEN AS during 2001  
 Ship manager Date of record Source  
 MATTHEW MARITIME INC since 10/08/2023  
 WT SHIP MANAGEMENT CO LTD since 05/02/2023  
 SEAWIN MARINE CO LTD since 05/02/2023  
 COSCO WALLEM SHIP MANAGEMENT since 07/01/2020  
 AKSON DENIZCILIK TIC LTD STI during 04/2016  
 V SHIPS USA LLC since 08/08/2005  
 EAGLE SHIPPING INTL USA LLC since 01/07/2005  
 ELMIRA SHIPPING & TRADING SA during 2001

**NAME HISTORY:**

SEA BEAUTY	2001-05	Sea Star Champion SA, Bahamas
PEREGRINE	2005-16	Sea Star Champion SA, Marshall Islands
AKSON SARA	2016-19	Akson Shipping SA, Panama
HONMON	2019-23	Seawin Marine Co Ltd, Panama
MATTHEW	2023-	Matthew Maritime Inc, Panama

**GENERAL VESSEL INFORMATION:**

2005:



## Elmira set to profit big on handy sales

A Greek shipping company has secured a massive deal to sell six handymax bulkers.

17 March 2005 15:22 GMT *UPDATED 17 March 2005 15:22 GMT*

By **Yiota Gousas, Athens**

Elmira Shipping of Greece is taking advantage of the high bulker prices with a sale of six ships en bloc to undisclosed interests.

2016:

**TradeWinds**  
The Global Shipping News Source

## Eagle Bulk Shipping confirms bulker disposals

Published 11 May 2016,

Eagle Bulk Shipping has confirmed the disposal of three of its bulkers for little more than scrap value.

The Gary Vogel-led shipowner said it had disposed of the 50,000-dwt Peregrine (built 2001) for \$2.7m and had agreed to sell the 50,000-dwt Harrier and Falcon (both built 2001) for \$6.5m net after brokerage commissions.

2019:

**Splash**  
247.com

## Turkish owner Aksoy Denizcilik cuts bulker fleet in two



Hans Thaulow · November 13, 2019

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Brokers tell *Splash* that Aksoy Denizcilik's \$2.7 m investment from April 2016 has payed off in style. A couple of years ago the Turkish company added the 50,000 dwt *Peregrine* (built 2001), now named [Akson Sara](#).

The same ship is now reported sold for \$6.7m after being in the shop window for over a year.

2023:



**WIKIPEDIA**  
The Free Encyclopedia

MV *Matthew*, a Panamanian-flagged, nominally Marshalllese-owned bulk carrier, was interdicted and stormed by soldiers of the Irish Army Ranger Wing on 26 September 2023 after refusing to stop for the Irish Naval Service's LÉ *William Butler Yeats*. *Matthew*, known as MV *Honmon* until shortly before the incident, had been monitored for weeks based on information from the United States Drug Enforcement Administration as relayed through the Maritime Analysis and Operations Centre—Narcotics, and had apparently attempted to rendezvous with the Irish trawler *Castlemore* before *Castlemore* became trapped in a sandbank and *Matthew* experienced engine trouble. After *Matthew* moved erratically toward *William Butler Yeats*, the latter fired warning shots and Rangers took *Matthew* by force from a helicopter. The raid resulted in the seizure of 2,253 kilograms (4,967 lb) of South American cocaine, worth approximately €157 million, the largest drugs seizure in Irish history. At least nine arrests ensued, with one person subsequently released.

MV *Honmon*, a 190-metre-long (620 ft) bulk carrier built in 2001,<sup>[1]</sup> with a clean slate from port states in the preceding 20 years,<sup>[2]</sup> was bought by new owners in the summer of 2023.<sup>[3]</sup> After a trip through the South China Sea,<sup>[3]</sup> its owners changed its name to *Matthew* on 1 August.<sup>[2]</sup> On 10 August, ownership was transferred from Seawin Marine to Matthew Maritime of the Marshall Islands,<sup>[2]</sup> which intelligence analysts began to suspect was a shell company.<sup>[4]</sup> United States, French, and Dutch agencies, among others, monitored the ship's activities in the Caribbean.<sup>[4]</sup> On 18<sup>[2]</sup> or 19 August,<sup>[1]</sup> it departed Curaçao with a stated destination of Gdańsk, Poland, apparently picking up cargo in Georgetown, Guyana, along the way.<sup>[1]</sup> In this time, the United States Drug Enforcement Administration notified the Garda Síochána's National Drugs and Organised Crime Bureau of the impending cocaine shipment through the Maritime Analysis and Operations Centre—Narcotics.<sup>[4]</sup>

Meanwhile, on 22 September, two men, both apparently not from Ireland<sup>[4]</sup> and not familiar with boats,<sup>[5]</sup> bought *Castlemore*, a fishing trawler, for perhaps €200,000 cash.<sup>[5][3]</sup> According to *TheJournal.ie*, "the men got on board telling anyone that would listen to them that they were on their way to a fishing village in Devon on the south west coast of Britain".<sup>[4]</sup>

([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Interdiction\\_of\\_MV\\_Matthew](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Interdiction_of_MV_Matthew))

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