

## The Year 1964 – Timeline & Shipmates

(Updated in Jun 2022 to include more ship's movement info from Deck Logs.)

CO: William Bischof, CDR; 12 Jul 62 – Jul 64

XO: Richard D. Gilham, LCDR; Apr 63 – Jul 64

New CO: William Zimmerman, CDR; Jul 64 – May 65

New XO: Benny (Ricky) Jo Ricardo, LCDR; Jul 64 – Mar 66

Officers (rank shown is highest while onboard):

William Brockett, LTJG	John Rabel, LTJG
John Ervin, LTJG	Rex Rambo, LTJG
Richard Gregory, LTJG	William Robinson, LTJG
William Hansen, LTJG	Donald Roller, LTJG
Harold Harden, LTJG	Theodore Sadamoto, LTJG
John Holas, LTJG	John Slater, LTJG
Keith Johnson, LTJG	Henry Swan, LTJG
Patrick McManus, LTJG	William Tarver, LTJG
Bruce Neiner, LTJG	Kenneth Taylor, LTJG
Robert Newton, LTJG	Vene Vrooman, LTJG

### 1964 USS COLLETT Timeline

Legend:

DBD = "20th Century Day by Day" book.

DL = 1964 Deck Log (can be viewed at [catalog.archives.gov](http://catalog.archives.gov)) *DL entries were added in May 2022*

PD = 1964 Personnel Diary (a USN document) via Frank Olderr.

Events:

++ **Jan 1964** ++ *ref: catalog.archives.gov – 172751293 (Search for this 9-digit number to view Jan DL entries.)*

COLLETT is in WESTPAC. Starts month at Yokosuka; ends at Hong Kong, BCC.

\*Operations during the month: independent & with USS Taluga (AO-62). – per DL.

01 Jan – Still in Yokosuka, Japan. – per Frank Olderr, Jim Bodge, & John Douglas.

03 Jan – 1600 Pursuant to orders of the Commanding Officer, Olderr, F.J., ETN2, USN, in charge of 2 men left the ship to report to Senior Shore Patrol Officer, Yokosuka, Japan for temporary additional duty. – per DL.

04 Jan – 0125 The Shore Patrol Detail returned to the ship having completed temporary additional duty. – per DL.

06 Jan – \*Underway [at 1459 per DL]. – per John Douglas.

\*1515 Lost steering control momentarily, electrical load shifted to No. 2 Generator. 1545 Secured the Special Sea Detail, set the regular underway watch, Condition IV. Set course 195, speed 15 knots for Ops area Charlie. [A duplicate 6 Jan page follows the 6 Jan page in the archives.gov copy in 2022.] – per DL.

07 Jan – \*Surface shoot. [0900-1045 per DL] – per Frank Olderr & John Douglas.

\*This gunnery practice takes place 60 miles from Yokosuka; at 1200 enroute Hong Kong. – per John Douglas.

\*1537 Crash boat (PB-2) alongside to pick up observers. – per DL.

08 Jan – Calm seas. – per John Douglas.

09 Jan – \*0914 Commenced receiving fuel. 0950 Fueling completed. All lines and hoses clear. – per DL.

\*Refuel from AO on our port side, fuel oil spills on portside & motor whaleboat, deck force spends all day cleaning the mess. – per John Douglas.

12 Jan – Arrive Hong Kong [moored starboard side to USS McMorris (DE-1036) to Buoy B-28 at 0851per DL]; the colony is under water hours so COLLETT gives 2500 to 4000 gallons fresh water each day to help. – per John Douglas.

13-31 Jan – Hong Kong Station Ship. – per Frank Olderr, John Douglas & Art Wigand.

15 Jan – 1800 held in-port emergency drill. 1810 Secured from drill. – per DL.

17 Jan – 0945 Lost electrical power due to accidental closing of steam valve to No. 1 Generator. 0950 Brought Boiler No. 2 on line. Secured Boiler No. 1. Regained electrical power. – per DL.

18 Jan – An EN lacerated his right temple. Cleaned and sutured by corpsman. Returned to duty. – per DL.

28 Jan – 0855 Four nurses from the British Red Cross came aboard for blood donations. 1128 The nurses departed the ship. – per DL

--- 29 Jan – *Successful test of Saturn rocket (an American 3-stage rocket developed for the Apollo program).* – per DBD.

++ **Feb 1964** ++ *ref: catalog.archives.gov – 172751423 (Search for this 9-digit number to view Feb DL entries)*

COLLETT is in WESTPAC. Starts month at Hong Kong; ends underway, southwest coast of Taiwan.

\*Operations during the month: independent & with USS Oriskany (CVA-34), USS Mahan (DLG-11), USS Ingersoll (DD-652), USS Tillamook (ATA-192), USS Shelton (DD-790), USS Blue (DD-744), USS Passumpsic (AO-107), USS Diachenko (APD-123), USS Galveston (CLG-3). – per DL.

01-06 Feb – Hong Kong Station Ship. – per Frank Olderr, John Douglas & Art Wigand.

07 Feb – Underway [at 1001 per DL] to rendezvous with bird farm; one of her cans broke down & COLLETT has to take her place. – per John Douglas.

08 Feb – Underway; rendezvous with USS ORISKANY (CVA-34) & join their screen [TG 77.5 per DL]; will be with her until USS KING (DLG-10) is repaired & back on station. – per John Douglas.

09 Feb – \*1405 Set Flight Quarters. 1415 Secured Flight Quarters. 1506 Stationed Refueling Detail. 1530 Alongside USS Oriskany. 1547 Commenced refueling. 1606 Secured refueling. 1619 All lines clear. 1931 An SN received a 1-1/2 inch laceration of the scalp when a porthole cover fell and struck him on the head. Treatment by corpsman. Disposition: returned to duty. – per DL.

\*Underway with carrier; released at [2112 per DL]. – per John Douglas.

10 Feb – Underway; enroute Okinawa by ourselves at 25 knots; seas rough. – per John Douglas.

11 Feb – Arrive Buckner Bay at 1715 [1645 per DL] & stay overnight. – per John Douglas.

12-13 Feb – Underway for Yokosuka at 20 knots in rough seas. – per John Douglas.

12 Feb – Get underway [at 0624 per DL]. – per PD.

13 Feb – Condition of Readiness IV and Material Condition YOKE (modified) are set. Boilers No. 1 and 3 are on the line. – per DL.

14 Feb – Arrive Yokosuka at 0900 [moored at 0750 per DL]; get ship ready for Change of Command of DESDIV 92. – per John Douglas.

17 Feb – 2227 During a basketball game on the base, an ENS sustained injury to his left knee. Treated by Naval hospital. (Returned to the ship 20 Feb.) – per DL.

18 Feb – 2006 A BT received a flesh wound in the forehead when a drift pin being driven from a flange by another BT struck him. Treatment by Naval hospital. Disposition: returned to duty. – per DL.

20 Feb – 0852 Commenced receiving ammo. 0948 Secured receiving ammo after receiving 225 rounds of SPDN and 130 AAC. Off loaded empty brass. – per DL.

22 Feb – \*Underway [at 0902 per DL]; fire practice torpedo; enroute to Okinawa for Operation Back Pack. – per John Douglas.

\*COLLETT participated as a unit of the Naval Gunfire Support of the Joint Exercise BACK PACK. – per 1964 version of History of USS COLLETT which is shown on the History page of the usscollett.com website.

\*1115 Set the ASW Attack Team “A.” 1238 Exercised at GQ. 1401 Fired exercise torpedo. 1513 Set Attack Team “B.” 1632 Set Attack Team “A”. 1749 Secured the Attack Team. – per DL.

23 Feb – Underway; running with rough seas; deck force can’t work on main deck. – per John Douglas.

24 Feb – \*1030 Visibility decreased to 1000 yards due to fog and heavy rain. 1051 Visibility increased to normal. – per DL.  
\*Arrive Okinawa 1630, anchor 3-1/2 miles out [at anchorage T-2 in 22 fathoms of water with 100 fathoms of chain on deck to the starboard anchor – per DL]; over 40 ships in Buckner Bay. – per John Douglas.

25 Feb – Underway [at 0830 per DL] enroute to Kaohsiung, Taiwan; seas rough. – per John Douglas.

26 Feb – Arrive Kaohsiung [moored at 1429 per DL]. – per John Douglas.

27 Feb – Underway [at 1527 per DL]; heading south along coast of Taiwan. – per Frank Olderr.

++ **Mar 1964** ++ *ref: catalog.archives.gov – 172751543 (Search for this 9-digit number to view Mar DL entries)*

COLLETT is in WESTPAC. Starts month underway, southwest coast of Taiwan; ends underway in Taiwan Strait.

\*Operations during the month: independent & with USS Hornet (CVS-12), USS Galveston (CLG-3), USS Mt. Baker (AE-4), USS Taluga (AO-62), USS Providence (CLG-6), USS Iwo Jima (LPH-2), USS Paul Revere (APA-248), USS Vega (AF-59), USS Eldorado (AGC-11), USS Calvert (APA-32), USS Merrick (AKA-97), USS Caster (AKS-1), USS Shelton (DD-790), USS Blue (DD-744), USS Endurance (MSO-435) [a mine sweeper], USS Kitty Hawk (CVA-63), USS Perkins (DD-877), USS Uhlmann (DD-687), USS Tolavana (AO-64), USS Isbell (DD-869). – per DL.

[The Jan & Feb Deck Logs were typed, but later Logs were handwritten.]

01-14 Mar – At sea. – per Doug Gealy’s journal.

01 Mar – 00-04 [shorthand for the 0000-0400 watch] Conducting a broad weave in ASW Screening Station 2000 yards ahead of USS Galveston. 0703 Detached to proceed to Fire Support Area II. 0737 c/c to close USS Hornet for helo transfer. – per DL.

02-07 Mar – Off the southern coast of Taiwan performing many assigned tasks as part of Exercise Backpack. – per DL.

04 Mar – Hootenanny & picnic on fantail for all hands. – per Frank Olderr.  
07 Mar – 1302 Moored port side to USS Paul Revere, anchored in anchorage B-5 for refueling [location not given in DL, but probably Kaohsiung]. 1325 Commenced refueling. 1451 Completed refueling. 1508 Underway.  
08 Mar – Underway [in the Philippine Sea; rendezvous at 0229 with TG 44.4 per DL] including USS KITTY HAWK (CVA-63). – per Frank Olderr.  
09 Mar – 1833 Gained sonar contact bearing 018, distance 3,000 yards. 1835 Stationed Sonar Attack Team. 1848 Contact evaluated as non-submarine. – per DL.  
10 Mar – 0930 Set Flight Quarters. 0945 Helo overhead for transfer of mail. 0947 Helo is clear of ship. 1810 On station for Plane Guard Station 1B. 1856 Stationed Plane Guard Detail. 2236 Secured Plane Guard Detail. – per DL.  
--- 10 Mar – *An RB-66 S reconn bomber shot down over E. Germany.* – per DBD.  
11 Mar – 0734 Maneuvering to take Lifeguard Station 1000 yards astern of AO-64. 0800 On station. 0801 Set the Lifeguard Detail. 0832 Secured the Lifeguard Detail. Stationed Refueling Detail. 0846 Commenced approach to starboard side of oiler. 0858 Received first fuel hose. 0902 Commenced receiving fuel. 0929 Completed receiving fuel. 0938 All lines and hoses clear. 0939 Secured the Refueling Detail. – per DL.  
14 Mar – 0809 Moored port side to P.O.L. Pier, Subic Bay, P.I. 1020 Underway to change berths. 1044 Moored to DD-790 in a nest of 3 destroyers in Berth 11, Rivera Point, Subic Bay. – per DL.  
15 Mar – 2320 An RD fell in the forward head and cut his forehead. Transported to Naval hospital for treatment. (He was returned the following day for duty.) – per DL.  
20 Mar – Get underway enroute Kaohsiung, Taiwan [at 1554 per DL]. – per PD.  
21 Mar – 00-04 Steaming in company with USS Isbell. – per DL.  
22 Mar – 0905 Moored starboard side USS Ingersoll in a nest of 3 destroyers at Kaohsiung. – per DL.  
25 Mar – \*Get underway. [at 1108 to Patrol Station S-4 per DL] – per PD.  
\*1300 Commenced test of ship's wash-down system. 1336 Completed test of wash-down system. Test satisfactory. 1447 Maneuvering on various courses at 8 knots off west coast of Taiwan to avoid heavy weather. – per DL.  
26 Mar – 1313 Proceeding to take station in lee of Peng-Hu Islands. 1423 Proceeding through Pa-Chao Shui-Tau channel. 1615 Remaining in lee of Peng-Hu Islands. – per DL.  
27 Mar – 1741 Moored starboard side to USS Isbell at Buoys 21 and 22 at Kaohsiung. – per DL.  
30 Mar – Get underway [at 1008 per DL]. [for Patrol Area S-5 as a unit of TG 72.1 per DL] – per PD.

++ **Apr 1964** ++ *ref: catalog.archives.gov – 172751671 (Search for this 9-digit number to view Apr DL entries)*  
COLLETT is in WESTPAC. Starts month underway in Taiwan Strait; ends at Yokosuka – per DL.  
\*Operations during the month: independent. – per DL.

01-03 Apr – Underway; Formosa Patrol. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10.  
01 Apr – 00-04 Steaming independently as TU 72.1.5 in Taiwan Strait. Base course 200, base speed 8 knots. Boilers No. 1 and 4 are on the line, the plant is split. Condition of Readiness III and Material Condition YOKE set. Conducted various drills during the day [like most days]. – per DL.  
02 Apr – 2250 Visibility decreased to 700 yards. Set fog watch. – per DL.  
03 Apr – 0135 Visibility increased to 6 miles. Secured fog watch. 0756 Visibility decreased to 500 yards due to fog. Commenced sounding fog signals and stationed lookouts in the eyes of the ship. 1426 Visibility increased to 7 miles. Stopped sounding fog signals. Secured the fog lookouts. – per DL.  
04 Apr – 00-04 Enroute from Patrol Station S-5 to Kaohsiung, Taiwan. 0931 Moored to USS Edson (DD-946). 1010 Commenced refueling from fuel barge. 1123 Completed refueling. 1412 Underway for Yokosuka, Japan. – per DL.  
08 Apr – Arrive Yokosuka [moored port side to USS O'Brien (DD-725) in a nest of 4 destroyers at 0750 per DL]. – per Frank Olderr.  
08 -30 Apr – At Yokosuka. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy's journal.  
--- 08 Apr – *First Gemini spacecraft orbits earth.* – per DBD.  
23 Apr – 1340 Commenced loading torpedoes. 1355 Completed loading torpedoes, having received 6. – per DL.  
24 Apr – 1205 Floating crane (FAY30-1) came alongside to starboard. 1335 Floating crane got underway having completed loading 38,500 pounds of weight on the fantail to be used as balance for dry docking. 1355 Underway to Dry Dock No.2. 1425 Bow over sill of dock. 1430 Stern passed over sill. 1500 Caisson in place. 1548 Resting on keel blocks. Condition of Readiness VI. – per DL.  
\*Dry dock was required to patch hole on starboard side of hull. – per Frank Olderr.  
\*The hole was caused by rusting of hull plates under pumps in the After Engine room; it was discovered by Chief Parker. – per Richard Gregory.  
26 Apr – 1950 While descending ladder into compartment C-205 CL, an SA slipped and wrenched his left ankle. He was taken to the Naval hospital and treated for a severe sprain of his ankle. – per DL.  
28 Apr – 1000 During loading acetylene bottles from the dock to the ship, an SF dropped a bottle on left foot. X-ray result negative for fracture. Disposition: no duty for 2 days. 1500 Commenced flooding dry dock. 1555 Ship clear of keel blocks.

1601 Inspection complete for watertight integrity. 1718 Stern passed over sill. 1730 Bow passed over sill. 1801 Moored port side to Berth 6. – per DL.

29 Apr – 0903 Commenced diving operations to check sonar dome. 0955 Completed diving operations. – per DL.

30 Apr – 2055 An RD cut his left wrist while whittling wood. He was taken to the Navy hospital for treatment then returned to the ship.

++ **May 1964** ++ *ref: catalog.archives.gov – 172751797 (Search for this 9-digit number to view May DL entries)*

COLLETT is in WESTPAC. Starts month at Yokosuka; ends underway off Manila, P.I.

\*Operations during the month: independent & USS Preble (DLG-15), USS Kitty Hawk (CVA-63), USS Turner Joy (DD-951), HMS Victorious (R-38), HMS Parramatta (F-05), HMS Yarra (F-07), USS Kennebec (AO-36), USS Samuel N Moore (DD-747), USS Duncan (DDR-874), USS Prairie (AD-15), USS Ticonderoga (CVA-14), USS Picking (DD-685), USS Hassayampa (AO-145). – per DL.

01-08 May – Upkeep continues.

01 May – 00-04 Still Moored at Yokosuka, Japan. Receiving miscellaneous services from the pier. Condition of Readiness VI. – per DL.

--- 02 May – *Viet Cong sink USNS CARD in Saigon with explosives (but was refloated later).* – per usni.org.

05 May – 0740 Mustered the crew at foul weather parade. Absentees: none. – per DL.

06 May – 1740 Sounding and Security watch reports Forward Diesel flooding. Command Duty Officer reports flooding under control. 1830 Space dewatered. Commenced investigation of casualties. – per DL.

09-11 May – Underway; ASW exercise. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy's journal.

09 May – 0837 Underway for sea as a unit of TG 77.4. 1210 Exercised the crew at GQ. Set Condition 1AS. 1214 Conducted ASW exercises. 1315 Secured from General Quarters. 1428 Stationed Sonar Attack Team. 1625 Secured the Sonar Attack Team. – per DL.

10 May – 0737 Stationed Sonar Attack Team Bravo. Maneuvering on various courses at various speeds while conducting ASW exercises. 0910 Secured the Sonar Attack Team. 1107 Commenced ECM tracking exercise. 1300 Secured from ECM tracking exercise. 1538 Fired one MK 44-1 exercise torpedo at a US submarine. 1558 Fired plaster-loaded exercise hedgehogs at a US submarine. 1630 Secured the Sonar Attack Team. – per DL.

11 May – 0636 Formed a two-carrier nuclear defense formation (including a British carrier and 2 British frigates) with a circular screen. 1456 Detached to proceed to Yokosuka. Set course 250, speed 20 knots. 1957 Moored port side to Harbormaster Pier, Yokosuka. 2016 Commenced loading ammo. 2025 Completed loading ammo having loaded 27 rounds of window projectiles. – per DL.

12 May – 0728 Underway. – per DL.

13 May – 0814 Maneuvering on various courses and speed while conducting firing exercises. 0842 Completed exercise. Set Material Condition YOKE. 0848 Secured for General Quarters. Ammo expended: one round window projectile with one round SPDF with no casualties. [There were several more firing exercises during the day.] – per DL.

14 May – 1100 An FN received a laceration of the scalp when his wrench slipped and hit him. Treatment administered by corpsman. Disposition: returned to duty. 1321 Rendezvous with TG 77.4, consisting of USS Kitty Hawk and a DDR and DLG. – per DL.

15 May – 0738 Anchored at Yokosuka. 1641 Underway. 2044 CIC tracking exercises as target ship with USS Prairie. 2206 Completed tracking exercise. – per DL.

16 May – 0715 Anchored at Shimoda. 1300 Commenced visiting hours. 1600 Secured from general visiting. – per DL.

16-18 May – \*COLLETT visits Shimoda, Japan to take part in the Black Ship Festival commemorating Commodore Perry's visit in 1853. – per 1964 version of History of USS COLLETT which is shown on the History page of the usscollett.com website.

\*COLLETT participated in the Black Ship Festival at Shimoda, Japan. – per Jim Bodge, Frank Olderr, Ed Arnolds & Doug Gealy's journal. (See **NOTE 7** below)

18 May – \*0900 Commenced general visiting. 1130 Completed general visiting. 1300 Commenced general visiting. 1530 Completed general visiting. – per DL.

\*Get underway. [at 1703 per DL] – per PD.

20 May – Approx. 1530 Moored at Buckner Bay. 1737 Commenced fueling from Naval Fuel Depot, White Beach, Okinawa. 1837 Fueling completed. – per DL.

21 May – Get underway [at 0628 per DL]. – per PD.

24 May – 1150 Rendezvous with TG 77.5. 1300 Received first fuel hose from USS Kennebec. 1325 Fueling completed. 1415 Stationed the Helo Detail. 1420 Mail transfer completed. 1913 In Destroyer Life Guard Station 2400-5000 yards in the wake of USS Ticonderoga. 1954 Secured from Flight Operations. 1340 Received first fuel hose from starboard side of USS Ticonderoga. 1356 Fueling completed. – per DL.

26 May – 0813 Stationed the Refueling Detail. 0854 Completed refueling from USS Hassayampa. – per DL.

27 May – 1326 Commenced approach on port side of USS Ticonderoga. 1355 Completed fueling. – per DL.

28 May – \*1153 Detached from TG 77.5. – per DL.

\*COLLETT arrives in Subic Bay, PI [anchored at 1428 per DL] for the SEATO Operation Ligtas. – per 1964 version of History of USS COLLETT which is shown on the History page of the usscollett.com website.

--- 29 May – *Soviets announce use of spy satellites.* – per DBD.

30 May – \*Enroute to Manila P.I. and at Manila. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10.

\*Underway from [0550 per DL] to [1419 per DL]. – per Doug Gealy's journal.

31 May – \*0555 Underway. – per DL.

\*Enroute Buckner Bay; Carrier operations [with USS Ticonderoga per DL]. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy's journal.

\*1215 While in his bunk, a TN accidentally slipped his right great toe into a fan and received a laceration. Treated by corpsman. Disposition: returned to duty. 1717 Flight Quarters for helo mail transfer. 1720 Helo over fantail. 1723 Transfer complete. 1825 Stationed Plane Guard Detail. 2105 Secured Plane Guard Detail. – per DL

++ **Jun 1964** ++ *ref: catalog.archives.gov – 172751925 (Search for this 9-digit number to view Jun DL entries)*

COLLETT is in WESTPAC. Starts month underway; ends at Okinawa – per DL.

\*Operations during the month: independent & with USS Ticonderoga (CVA-14), USS Picking (DD-685), USS Pollux (AKS-4), USS Mispillion (AO-105), USS Berkley (DDG-15), USS Kennebec (AO-36), USS Constellation (CVA-64), USS Shelton (DD-790), USS Blue (DD-744), USS Fechteler (DD-870), USS Bellatrix (AF-62), USS Gridley (DDG-21), USS Turner Joy (DD-951), USS Preston (DD-795). – per DL.

01-08 Jun – Enroute Buckner Bay; Carrier operations. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy's journal.

01 Jun – 00-04 Underway with TG 490.4 composed of USS Ticonderoga and another DD. – per DL.

05 Jun – 1800 Detached from TG 490.4 to proceed independently. – per DL.

06 Jun – 1755 Visibility reduced to 2 miles. Commenced sounding fog signals. 1926 Ceased sounding fog signals. – per DL.

08 Jun – At Buckner Bay (for refuel) [arrive at 0624, depart 0839 per DL] – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy's journal.

09 Jun – 1340 Commenced conducting engineering casualty control drills. 1528 Completed engineering casualty control drills. – per DL.

10 Jun – At Yokosuka [moored at 1000 per DL]. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy's journal.

13 Jun – 1400 An SA cut his right thumb while washing dishes in the galley. Treated by corpsman. Disposition: returned to duty. – per DL.

16 Jun – Get underway [at 0757 per DL]. – per PD.

17 Jun – 1700 An RM received a laceration of his left fourth finger when he caught it on a piece of metal while opening a hatch. Treated by corpsman. Disposition: returned to duty. – per DL.

18 Jun – At Naha, Okinawa [moored at 1601 per DL]; Refuel. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy's journal.

19 Jun – Get underway [at 0824 per DL]. – per PD.

22 Jun – 0732 Rendezvous with TG 77.6 which consists of USS Constellation and 3 other destroyers. 1433 Sighted a US submarine 12 miles away snorkeling. 1514 Set the Sonar Attack Team and commenced ASW competitive exercise. 1631 Completed exercise. [More exercises followed.] 1936 Submarine detached from exercises. – per DL.

23 Jun – 1706 to 1713 Replenished from an AF. – per DL.

25 Jun – 1724 to 1741 Refueled from an AO. – per DL.

28 Jun – \*0753 Detached from TG 77.6 in company with DesDiv 92 to proceed to Yokosuka. Collett takes Station 3 of a 3-ship column formation [which was later changed to a diamond formation]. – per DL.

\*Enroute Vietnam & [later to Yokosuka]. – per Doug Gealy's journal. (See **NOTE 6** below)

30 Jun – \*At Buckner Bay, Okinawa [moored at 2114 per DL]; Refuel. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10.

\*2132 CDR Zimmerman reported onboard for duty as Commanding officer. – per DL.

++ **Jul 1964** ++ *ref: catalog.archives.gov – 172752053 (Search for this 9-digit number to view Jul DL entries)*

COLLETT is in WESTPAC. Starts month at Okinawa; ends underway off east coast of Australia.

\*Operations during the month: independent & with US Shelton (DD-790), USS Blue (DD-744), USS Frank Knox (DDR-742). – per DL.

01 Jul – \*At Buckner Bay, Okinawa. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10.

\*Get underway [at 0627 per DL]. – per PD.

02 Jul – Drills, exercises, and tests this day included engineering casualty control, smoke screen, abandon ship, tactical maneuvering, rudder performance. – per DL.

03 Jul – 0919 Moored to USS Shelton in a nest of 2 destroyers, starboard side to USS Delta (AR-9) at flag berth 6 at Yokosuka. – per DL.

05 Jul – 2005 While visiting onboard USS Blue, an SN received injuries to his left foot by a falling 5" projectile casing. Transferred to Naval hospital for treatment and observation. – per DL.

07 Jul – 1030 CDR Zimmerman relieved CDR Bischof as Commanding Officer of USS Collett. – per DL.  
 08 Jul – 0740 Mustered the crew at foul weather parade. Absentees: none. – per DL.  
 10 Jul – 0020 An FN attached to USS Blue entered Forward Engineerroom and was challenged. He appeared to be inebriated and he claimed to be conducting a security check with 3 others under orders from his CO. He was returned to his ship where the OOD and CDO could not vouch for the man's actions. A search of the ship was conducted. No other unauthorized personnel were found. – per DL.  
 13 Jul. – 1602 LCDR Ricardo reported on board for duty as Executive Officer of the USS Collett. – per DL.  
 18 Jul – \*Depart Yokosuka [at 1020 per DL] for Guam. – per POD of 17 Jul.  
 \*1800 Secured No. 1 Boiler due to insufficient feed water supply. Cross connected with No. 3 Boiler on the line. – per DL.  
 \*Enroute Apra Harbor, Guam [in company with USS Blue per DL]. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10.  
 19 Jul – Plan of the Day (shown on the History page of the usscollett.com website). – from Carl Rotola.  
 20 Jul – 1346 While proceeding to his GQ station, an RM struck his right knee. Treatment by the corpsman. Disposition: light duty. – per DL.  
 21 Jul – \*Arrive at Apra Harbor, Guam [at 1539 per DL]. Refuel [took on 80,452 gallons per DL]. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy's journal.  
 \*1645 LCDR Gillham detached from ship. – per DL.  
 22 Jul – \*0746 Commenced taking on fresh water, received 0758 gallons. 0805 Commenced receiving fuel, received 4,600 gallons. 1048 Get underway. – per DL.  
 \*Enroute Cairns, Australia. [in company with the USS Blue and USS Frank Knox per DL] – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy's journal.  
 23 Jul – \*Pollywog day for 35 Royal Shellbacks. – per Frank Olderr.  
 \*Plan of the Day (shown on the History page of usscollett.com). – from Carl Rotola.  
 24 Jul – \*00-04 Steaming in company with USS Blue and USS Frank Knox. – per DL.  
 \*A rough day for 208 Lowly Pollywogs. – per Frank Olderr & Doug Gealy's journal.  
 \*Cross equator: Lat. 00 degrees 00 min, Lon. 151 degrees 16.2 min. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10.  
 \*Plan of the Day (shown on the History page of usscollett.com). – from Carl Rotola.  
 \*1230 His Majesty Neptunus Rex accompanied by the Royal Court, came aboard to initiate newcomers to his realm. 1600 His Majesty, Neptunus Rex, and the Royal Court departed the ship, having initialed 208 new shellbacks. 1700 Assumed Station 1 of a diamond formation. – per DL.  
 27 Jul – Steaming in company with DesDiv 92 in the Coral Sea. This ship is in Station No. 2 of a four-ship formation. Guide is USS Shelton in Station No. 1. Course 226, speed 13 knots. Condition of Readiness IV and Material Condition YOKE are set. – per DL.  
 28 Jul – \*Arrive Cairns, Australia. [0950 Anchored in 4 fathoms of water, mud bottom. With 45 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor. 1139 Underway to enter harbor. 1255 Moored starboard side to USS Shelton at Berth 10. 1505 Commenced fueling from the pier. 1820 Fueling complete. Received 101,360 gallons. 1834 Underway to shift berths. 1852 Moored port side to berth No. 3. – per DL] – per Frank Olderr.  
 \*The purpose of the stop was to refuel. – per Richard Gregory.  
 29 Jul – \*Underway for Brisbane, Australia [at 0813 per DL]. – per Frank Olderr.  
 \*1300 Went to GQ. Conducted various drills. 1531 Secured from drills. – per DL.  
 30 Jul – Underway for Brisbane in company with USS Shelton. 1430 While chopping cabbage in the galley, an FTGSN received incised left thumb and index finger. Treated by corpsman. Disposition: light duty. – per DL.  
 31 Jul – \*At Brisbane. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy's journal.  
 \*0933 Moored port side to USS Shelton at Berth "C" fuel pier. 1510 Secured receiving fuel, received 57,098 gallons. 1525 Underway to shift berths. 1535 Followed Brisbane River to Dalgety's Wharf No. 3 [in 2022, Dalgety's Wharf is mentioned as a former wharf in the Bulimba Reach of the Brisbane River per wikipedia.org.]. 1635 Moored starboard side to USS Shelton at Wharf No. 3. – per DL.  
 \*Our port visit to Brisbane required us to go 4 miles upriver. – per Richard Gregory

++ **Aug 1964** ++ ref: [catalog.archives.gov](http://catalog.archives.gov) – 172752183 (*Search for this 9-digit number to view Aug DL entries*)

COLLETT is in the South Pacific, then returns to USA. Starts month at Brisbane; Australia; ends at Long Beach Naval Station.

\*Operations during the month: independent & with USS Shelton (DD-790), Frank Knox (DDR-742), USS Blue (DD-744). – per DL.

01-04 Aug – At Brisbane, Australia, for R&R and Goodwill. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy's journal.  
 01 Aug – Moored starboard side to USS Shelton at Dalgety's Wharf No. 3 in Brisbane. 1300 Commenced general visiting. 1600 Secured general visiting. – per DL.  
 --- 02 Aug – *PT boats from N. Vietnam fire on USS MADDOX in Tonkin Gulf.* – per DBD.  
 04-06 Aug – Enroute Sydney, Australia. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy's journal.  
 04 Aug – \*Depart Brisbane. – per Frank Olderr.

\*1404 Starboard anchor fouled with No. 6 chock of USS Shelton. Anchor chain parted at first detachable link, and anchor dropped in 38 feet of water. 1412 Commenced maneuvering to moor starboard side to Shelton. 1424 Commenced recovery of anchor. 1500 Two enlisted men dive to search for anchor. 1630 Completed recovering anchor. Recovered divers. 1739 Underway. 2209 OOD took the conn, speed 13 knots. – per DL.

06-10 Aug – \*At Sydney. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy’s journal.

\*We arrive for the Coral Sea Festival, celebrating the indecisive WWII battle [4-8 May, 1942] where US Navy turned back the Japanese invasion fleet headed to Port Moresby & Australia. – per Richard Gregory.

06 Aug – 00-04 Steaming in company with USS Shelton enroute to Sydney, Australia. This ship is in Station No. 2 of a column formation at double standard distance. 0110 Sighted USS Blue and USS Frank Knox bearing 176, distance 15 miles. 0615 Blue and Knox made rendezvous with this formation and fell astern. 0715 Maneuvered to take Station No. 2 of a four – ship column formation at standard distance. 0853 Moored at Fitting Out wharf, Royal Australian Naval Base in Sydney. 1800 While removing a steamline valve, an FN sprained the little finger of this right hand and suffered first degree burns of the right arm. Disposition: treated by Division Doctor and returned to duty. – per DL.

07 Aug – The History page of the usscollett.com website includes a newspaper clipping with photos and an article about this event.

--- 07 Aug – *Tonkin Gulf resolution passes in US House & Senate.* – per DBD.

09 Aug – 1300 Commenced general visiting. 1600 Secured general visiting. – per DL.

10-16 Aug – Enroute Pago Pago, American Samoa. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy’s journal.

\*Underway in the company of several soaring Albatross all the way to Pago Pago. – per Frank Olderr.

Collett also identified an island along the way that was not on the maps used in CIC. – per John Bauman.

10 Aug – \*Get underway [at 1357 per DL]. – per PD.

13 Aug – 1315 Exercised crew at GQ. 1356 Fired 8 7.2 inch plaster-load projectiles. 1457 Set Material Condition YOKE. 1504 Secured from GQ. 2300 Lost Bathythermograph and 900 feet of cable while making routine test drop. Cause: unknown. –per DL.

15 Aug – 0000 Set all clocks back 24 hours [more formally, done at 2400] to confirm to +12 (“Y”) time zone. 0833 Held Man Overboard Drill. 0926 Secured from Man Overboard Drill. 1145 Conducted a battle problem. 1302 Battle problem completed. – per DL

16 Aug – \*0425 USS Frank Knox & USS Blue joined formation. 1446 Moored starboard side to USS Shelton to pier at Pago Pago, American Samoa. 1534 received USS Blue alongside to port. – per DL.

\*Our stop was required because of COLLETT’s short legs (limited range). – per Richard Gregory.

17-23 Aug – Enroute Pearl Harbor, HI. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy’s journal.

17 Aug – 0355 Commenced fueling from Goat Island Wharf, Pago Pago. Draft: forward 12’ 10”, aft 12’ 4”. 1345 Fueling completed, received 111,552 gallons. Draft: forward 14’, aft 13’ 8”. 1500 Underway for Pearl Harbor. – per DL.

18 Aug – Steaming in company with USS Blue. 1815 BT drop completed. Traces not good. 1825 c/s to 12 knots for BT drop. 1830 BT drop completed. c/s to 17 knots– per DL.

19 Aug – 2233 Acquired sonar contact bearing 160 at 5,300 yards. Set Sonar Attack Team “A”. c/c 160. 2235 Maneuvering on various course at 17 knots to investigate. 2300 Evaluated contact as non-submarine. – per DL.

21 Aug – 1640 Sighted 2 Soviet missile-tracking ships. – per DL.

22 Aug – 1000 Commenced Captain’s inspection of messing and berthing. 1105 Completed inspection.

23-25 Aug – At Pearl Harbor. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy’s journal.

23 Aug – 1219 Moored starboard side to USS Blue at Pier M-3, Pearl Harbor. 1221 An SN was working with a hammer when the head became loose, hitting him in the head and lacerating his chin and upper lip. Treatment by corpsman.

Disposition: returned to duty. – per DL.

25 Aug – \*0400 A GM was delivered onboard by HASP [police] having been assaulted and robbed while on liberty. – per DL.

\*Get underway for Long Beach, CA. [at 1420 per DL] – per PD.

27 Aug – 1546 Maneuvering at various speeds while conducting pre-repair sea trials for observing party. – per DL.

28 Aug – 1330 Went to GQ. Set Material Condition ZEBRA. 1412 Commenced VTF fuse tests. 1545 Tests completed. Ammo expended: 19 rounds 5”/38 cal VTF with 20 rounds full service smokeless, and 1 round short charge powder cartridges with no casualties. – per DL.

30 Aug – Steaming in company with DesDiv 92 composed of USS Shelton, USS Blue, USS Frank Knox, and this ship in the North Pacific in route to Long Beach CA. – per DL.

31 Aug – At Long Beach Naval Station. [1055 Moored starboard side to USS Blue at Pier 15 per DL] – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy’s journal.

++ **Sep 1964** ++ ref: [catalog.archives.gov](http://catalog.archives.gov) – 172752315 (*Search for this 9-digit number to view Sep DL entries*)

COLLETT is based in Long Beach. Starts month at Long Beach Naval Station; ends at Long Beach Naval Shipyard.

\*Operations during the month: none. – per DL.

01-30 Sep – \*At Long Beach, CA [for an overhaul]. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10 & Doug Gealy’s journal.

\*This was a one million dollar major overhaul (a lot of money for the time); it took about three months, much of it in dry dock. The crew & officers, except for the Chief Engineer, are moved [for a time] to billets ashore or sent to training. – per Richard Gregory.

01 Sep – 00-04 Moored starboard side to USS Blue at Pier No. 15, Long Beach Naval Station.  
02 Sep – 0855 Underway. Maneuvering to shift berths. 0917 Moored port side to USS Buck, Pier 2, Berth 21, Long Beach Naval Shipyard. 1820 Fire reported in galley. Exercised In-port Emergency Party. 1825 Fire reported out. – per DL.  
04 Sep – 1100 Mustered crew on pier for Commanding Officer's Inspection. 1140 Secured from inspection. – per DL.  
08 Sep – 0820 Underway for an explosive anchorage. 0906 Anchored in Explosive Anchorage No. 43. Received ammo lighter alongside to starboard. 0945 Commenced of loading ammo. 1153 Received report of an injury to an MM who received contusion and multiple abraded wounds to right hand while working on No. 2 Emergency Fire Pump. Treatment by corpsman. 1438 Underway for Long Beach Naval Shipyard. 1523 Moored. – per DL.  
11 Sep – 1315 Commenced Captain's zone inspection. 1955 Secured from Captain's zone inspection. – per DL.  
14 Sep – 1817 While opening a crate of meat in the galley, an SA received a 1/4 inch laceration of the back of his hand when a crate band struck him. Corpsman treated with a suture. Disposition: returned to duty. – per DL.  
20 Sep – 1940 Held inport emergency fire drill. 1955 Secured from drill. – per DL.  
21 Sep – 1014 An RD while offloading electronic gear, had some fall striking him on the chest. X-rays were taken on the USS Haven. Results: negative. Disposition: returned to duty. – per DL.  
--- 24 Sep – *First Minuteman II ICBM tested.* – per DBD.  
26 Sep – 1945 While testing navigational lights on the navigation bridge, an EM stumbled and fell in bilges on port wing, where grates had been removed for work, injuring his left arm. 2205 After he complained of pain, he was sent to USS Haven for observation. Returned to ship and restored to duty. – per DL.  
--- 27 Sep – *Warren Commission inquiry finished.* – per DBD.  
30 Sep – 1745 Underway for Dry Dock No. 2. 1800 Stern passed over sill. 1823 Caisson in place. 1830 Commenced pumping water out of dry dock. 2015 Resting on keel blocks. – per DL.

++ **Oct 1964** ++ ref: [catalog.archives.gov](http://catalog.archives.gov) – 172752415 (*Search for this 9-digit number to view Oct DL entries*)  
COLLETT is based at Long Beach. Starts month at Long Beach Naval Shipyard; ends at Long Beach Naval Shipyard – per DL.

\*Operations during the month: none. – per DL.

01-31 Oct – At [Naval Shipyard,] Long Beach, CA. – per Doug Gealy's journal.  
01 Oct – In Dry Dock No. 2 at Long Beach Naval Shipyard. –per DL.  
08 Oct – 1815 Held fire drill. 1825 Secured from fire drill. – per DL.  
--- 16 Oct – *Communist China explodes their first atomic bomb.* – per DBD.  
--- 17 Oct – *Brezhnev replaces Khrushchev as Soviet Premier.* – per DBD.  
27 Oct – 0100 Shore Patrol reports that two Ensigns are in hospital as a result of an automobile accident. The hospital reports one is in good condition, the other in critical condition. – per DL.  
31 Oct – 0720 Flooding commenced in dry dock. 1334 Stern passed over sill. 1351 Moored starboard side to Berth 23, Pier No. 2 US Naval Shipyard, Long Beach, CA. – per DL.

++ **Nov 1964** ++ ref: [catalog.archives.gov](http://catalog.archives.gov) – 172752481 (*Search for this 9-digit number to view Nov DL entries*)  
COLLETT is based at Long Beach. Starts month at Long Beach Naval Shipyard; ends at Long Beach Naval Shipyard.  
\*Operations during the month: independent. – per DL.

01-30 Nov – At Long Beach, CA – per Doug Gealy's journal.  
01 Nov – Moored starboard side to Berth 23, Pier 2 of Long Beach Naval Shipyard. – per DL.  
07 Nov – 0900 Floating crane YD-171 came along side to port and offloaded Mount 51. YD-171 returned Mount 51 and cast off to port. – per DL.  
08 Nov – 2100 An SN [on liberty] received at a hospital in Long Beach. Dead upon arrival from stab wounds. – per DL.  
09 Nov – 0215 Secured electrical power from pier while installing circuit breakers for fire pumps on main switchboard. 0515 Restored electrical power from pier. – per DL.  
13 Nov – 1300 mustered crew on the pier for Captains inspection of personnel. 1410 Secured from inspection. – per DL.  
24 Nov – Material Condition YOKE (modified) and Condition of Readiness VI are set. – per DL.  
27 Nov – 1805 Commenced fueling from YO 223. 2200 Fueling completed. Received 127,848 gallons. – per DL.  
30 Nov – 0830 Underway for machinery sea trials, sonar tests, and steering gear. 1248 Fire reported in Radar Annex Room. Went to GQ. Set Condition ZEBRA. 1311 Fire extinguished. Set Condition YOKE. 1315 Secured from GQ. 1713 Moored port side to Berth 23, Pier 2 Naval Shipyard. – per DL.

++ **Dec 1964** ++ ref: [catalog.archives.gov](http://catalog.archives.gov) – 172752545 (*Search for this 9-digit number to view Dec DL entries*)  
COLLETT is based at Long Beach. Starts month at Long Beach Naval Shipyard; ends at Long Beach Naval Shipyard.



\*Operations during the month: independent. – per DL.

02 Dec – \*Get underway [at 0830 per DL] for sea trial with yard personnel. – per PD.

\*1437 Moored. – per DL.

03 Dec – 0640 Commenced receiving fresh water. 0740 Secured receiving water. Received 5,128 gallons. – per DL.

04 Dec – Commenced taking on fresh water. 0734 Secured taking on water. Received 3153 gallons. 0908 Secured fires under No. 3 Boiler. 0930 Commenced receiving electrical power from the pier. 1051 Secured fires under No. 1 boiler.

08 Dec – 1515 Motor whaleboat returned aboard and placed in the skids. 1700 Commenced receiving fuel from YO. 1745 Secured from receiving fuel. Received 40,234 gallons. – per DL.

09 Dec – \*Get underway [at 0830 for an Ops area per DL]. – per PD.

\*During the day in the Ops area, conducted mechanical VDS evaluation, ship vibration tests. 1926 Moored. – per DL.

10 Dec – 0706 Get underway. 0827 Conducted antenna radiation pattern derivations. 1859 Completed derivations. 2007 Moored port side to USS Hubbard at Berth 21. – per DL.

11 Dec – 0825 Underway for VDS electronics trials. 1059 Anchored at Isthmus Cove, Santa Catalina Island, CA. 1507 Underway. 1659 Moored at Long Beach. – per DL.

15 Dec – \*Get underway [at 0829 per DL]. – per PD.

\*Underway; VDS (Variable Depth Sonar) trials. – per Art Wigand in Apr 10.

\*1014 Anchored in Isthmus Cove, Santa Barbara Island. 1316 Underway for an Ops area for VDS sea trials. 1618 Completed VDS trials. 1804-1834 Sonar bearing calibration tests. 1914 Moored at Long Beach. – per DL

16 Dec – 0741 Underway. 0827 Anchored in area K-4, restricted anchorage for explosives, outer harbor of San Pedro Bay. 0920 Commenced loading ammo from Barge YFN-659. 1020-1110 Loading torpedoes from “Mike” boat. 1540 Completed handling ammo. 1604 Anchors aweigh. 1646 Moored at Long Beach Naval Shipyard. – per DL.

18 Dec – 1235 YD-223 came alongside to port. 1307 Commenced taking on fuel. 1425 Secured taking on fuel. Received 48,054 gallons. – per DL.

19 Dec – Engineering plant is cold iron. – per DL.

26 Dec – An SA received a 1-1/2 inch cut on his right temple when he slipped and hit his head on knife edge of watertight door leading to compartment A-205L. Treatment administered by Medical dept. on USS Topeka. Cut required 7 stitches. Returned to duty. – per DL.

28 Dec – 1355 An SN was taken to USS Haven by ambulance after a seizure while lying in his rack. 1525 The SN was returned aboard. – per DL.

31 Dec – 00-04 Moored starboard side to Pier 1, Berth 12 Long Beach Naval Shipyard. Engineering plant is cold iron. Material Condition YOKE (modified) and Condition of Readiness VI are set. 1000 Made daily inspection of magazines. Conditions normal. – per DL.

**NOTE 1:** Where a “Get underway” entry per PD agrees with an “Underway” entry per a shipmate, the entry per PD is omitted in this timeline.

**NOTE 2:** Jerry Grubb remembers when Operation Back Pack was over; COLLETT & all the other ships involved steamed into Manila Bay; we were thinking we were going to have some liberty but the mayor of Manila said no, the sailors would destroy Manila.

**NOTE 3:** Per Chuck Kiesling in 2010, there were 130 shipmates on board for the entire year of 1964, however, per the PD, 381 shipmates served for some time during the year.

**NOTE 4:** In 1964, COLLETT served a tour of duty as Station Ship Hong Kong British Crown Colony, from 12 January to 6 February. This job is complex in that the crew provided the services of a regular Naval Base for the other members of the SEVENTH Fleet while they visit Hong Kong. The services included the collection and distribution of mail, providing a motion picture exchange, permanent Shore Patrol and handling overall liaison for visiting U.S Naval ships. She also participated in the Hong Kong softball association in games against local teams. Even though COLLETT is a comparatively small ship, she contributed 80,000 gallons of fresh water to the drought stricken city. 48 members of the crew donated blood to the local chapter of the Red Cross. In addition, several tours of both Hong Kong and the New Territories were taken by the crew. In February, COLLETT participated in Exercise BACK PACK – a joint assault exercise of Chinese [Taiwanese] and American forces on the island fortress of Taiwan. All in all, we steamed 11,664 miles, used 746,414 gallons of fresh water, and burned 864,441 gallons of fuel oil - per Carl Rotola’s copy of CDR Bischof’s Familygram which is shown on the History page of the usscollett.com website.

**NOTE 5:** Per U L Gutierrez in Aug 11, during a refueling stop at Buckner Bay, the mayor of the town told our Captain that we were not wanted in downtown. It was off-limits to COLLETT sailors because the last time we were there we made a mess of things. (Per the timeline, we made 7 stops in Buckner Bay in 1964; this stop was probably in June or July.)

**NOTE 6:** Off the coast of Vietnam in 1964:

\*Lin Morgan recalls that we stayed well off the coast and out of sight of land which is why it didn't make much of an impression on us –blue water is blue water.

\* Bob Boyett recalls we did plane guard for a carrier off the coast of Vietnam for about 3 weeks in early 64 but did no shore bombardment in 1964. [Bob left the ship before the 1965 WESTPAC deployment.]

\*Per John Frederici in 2014: "I also don't recall any gunfire action until we returned to Westpac in 1965. I recall our being Station Ship in Hong Kong in Jan 64 when I was a mess cook in the scullery and my duties were to do what Mary Sue told us to do. Our 'Taiwan Patrol' in Jul 64 was spent in the Tonkin Gulf at Condition 3 until relieved on station by TURNER JOY and MADDOX, but, as usual, we snipes had no idea what was going on or where we were.

\* Also see Timeline entries per Doug Gealy for Jun & Jul above.

**NOTE 7:** As related by John Sewall's "The Logbook of the Captain's Clerk: Adventures in the China Seas" (1905), two centuries after the Dutch were permitted trading privileges at Nagasaki, in July 1853 four ships of the US East India Squadron arrived at Shimoda Japan. Commodore Matthew Perry, a brother of Oliver Perry, delivered President Millard Fillmore's letter (in Dutch, Chinese, and English) to two imperial princes. The letter demanded the opening of Japan to commerce and diplomatic relations. Perry returned in 1854 with 9 black ships. After negotiations, the agreement was signed 31 March 1854. (Shimoda is about 20 miles south of present day Yokosuka on the Muira peninsula.)

**NOTE 8:** Also on the usscollett.com website for 1964:

\*See Photos by, for, or via: Ed Arnholds, Ken Bailey, Bob Boyett, Clarence Forbes, John Fowler, Doug Gealy, U. L. Gutierrez, Mike Kipper, Joe Kozerski, Larry Lamberth, Lin Morgan, Frank Olderr, Bill Robinson, Robert Rusho, John Slater, Glenn Williams.

\*See History by, for, or via: William Bischof, Mike Kipper, James Koranda, Joe Kozerski, Earl Mayer, Lin Morgan, Frank Olderr, Pat Manion, Carl Rotola.

\* See Stories by: Richard Gregory.

## 1964 USS COLLETT Shipmates

The following list includes information from USN Personnel Diaries & other publicly available sources.

Entries marked with (d) are known (or strongly suspected) to be deceased; such entries have not been updated since 2020. Names marked with (?) are suspected of being misspelled. The rate or rank given for a shipmate is highest he attained while onboard.

To learn more (or offer a correction) about an entry, e-mail olderr730@yahoo.com. To protect the privacy of shipmates, they will be told of your enquiry but will choose if they wish to respond directly to you.

Abolins, Evald - EM2 (d)	Kellogg, Frederick J - IC3
Adams, David C - ETR2	Kerr, Roger H - IC3 (d)
Adams, James G - SM3	Kight, Silas D - IC2
Agulto, Nicholas - CS1 (d)	Kimball, Willie E - SA/SR (d)
Airheart, Willie A - DC2 (d)	King, John H - BT2
Aiuto, Nicholas E - MM2 (d)	Kipper, Michael T - SM3 (d)
Albert, Paul T - MM3 (d)	Kirchenwitz, Darrel E - MM3 (d)
Alexander, Charles L - ST1(d)	Kitch, Jacob B - SA (d)
Alfano, Michael A - SA (d)	Kitch, Thomas R - FA (d)
Anderson, Arthur G - MM2 (d)	Kocin, James F - EM3
Anderson, Robert R - GMG1 (d)	Kolb, Leroy - SKC (d)
Apker, John C - BT1 (d)	Kolesar, Francis J - MM3 (d)
Arellano, Fabio R - SN	Koranda, James R - FN/SN (d)
Armstrong, James R - ETR2 (d)	Kozerski, Joseph A - BM2
Arnholds, Edward C - ETR2	Kray, Richard J - QM3 (d)
Aronson, Gustve E - SK3 (d)	Kutchera, Albert F - BT2
Bacon, James L - BT3 (d)	LaCoss, Harrison A - EM2 (d)
Bacon, "W" Newton - BT3	Lamberth, Larry W - STGSN
Bailey, Kenneth L - RD3	Lancaster, Charles N - SFP2 (d)
Balan, Felicito N - TN (d)	Lang, James W - EN2 (d)

Ball, James A - IC2	Largen, Robert D - MM3/BT3
Barber, Melvin H - SM3 (d)	Latham, Billy J - RD3/RD1
Baron, David R - RM2 (d)	Lazetera, Gary P - SN (d)
Barr, David R - EN1 (d)	Leavell, Morris - CS3 (d)
Barrett, Robert W - SK3	Leftwich, Frankie L - TM3 (d)
Bartleson, Jerry L - FN (d)	Lewis, James F - FN/YN3
Bass, Ernest L - BT3 (d)	Linardos, Anthony H - TMSN (d)
Bates, Richard A - SN	Lindsay, David H - FTG2
Bauman, John B - ETR3	Locker, Luther M - BT3 (d)
Baxter, David F - SFM2	Louis, F L - FN (d)
Baxter, Franklin E - SFM2	Louis, Herman J - FN (d)
Baxter, William C - MM2 (d)	Ludrick, Jess E - MM2 (d)
Beitzel, Thomas A - BT3 (d)	
Berardi, Joseph P - FTG3 (d)	Macuse, Florencio P - MM2/MMFN (d)
Berger, Michael D - MM3	Madden, Frank E - RD1/RDC (d)
Berroth, Thomas E - SM2 (d)	Magdaleno, Ramon - SA (d)
Birk, Arthur P - TM2	Manion, Patrick O - RM3
Bischof, William W - CDR (CO) (d)	Markus, Dale G - MM1 (d)
Bishop, Hobson C - BT1 (d)	Marsh, Robert G - MM3 (d)
Black, Roger L - FA (d)	Marshall, David J - RM3
Bodge, James O - EM2 (d)	Martin, Charles B - BT3 (d)
Bojarski, Alexander - GMG1 (d)	Martin, Leyman A - SHSN (d)
Bollinger, Freddie C - FA	Maw, Junior B - GMG1/GMG2 (d)
Bond, Michael S - FN (d)	May, Michael J - SN
Boone, Joseph N - EM2	Mayer, Earl F - SK3
Bowker, Christopher P - RM3 (d)	McClellan James W - MM2 (d)
Boyett, Robert L - RM1	McClenaghan, Carl L - SN (d)
Boyles, Clarence W - BT1 (d)	McCombs, Douglas A - SFM2 (d)
Brazel, Walter R - MMC (d)	McDaniel, Jerry M - SH3
Breault, James J - MM3 (d)	McGrath, Robert W - MM2
Brien, Ronald L - RM1 (d)	McLaughlin, Michael R - RM3
Brockett, William A - LTJG (d)	McManus, Patrick B - LTJG
Brokish Joseph S - EM2	Meers, Benny L - STCS (d)
Brotkouski, Thomas W - SA/GMG1 (d)	Merseburgh, Oliver A - SN/FN/BT3
Brownlee, James A - ETR2 (d)	Millichamp, John S - FTG3 (d)
Brunette, Anthime E - EN3	Millsaps, Herbert W - MM3
Bryan, Robert G - YN2 (d)	Morgan, Lindsey R - YN3
Bulau, Howard E - BT3	Morris, Franklin W - FTG3 (d)
Burm, Thomas C - IC2	Moss, William J - FTG3 (d)
	Mueller, Russell G - SN (d)
Caballero, Ramon G - RDSN	Murphy, Ralph I - BT1 (d)
Cagle, James A - SD1 (d)	Musquiz, Armando - EMC (d)
Callanan, Ronald L - BT2 (d)	
Canada, Roy E - SF1 (d)	Navarro, John W - GMG2
Canady, James T - SN	Nazworth, Tom - BT1 (d)
Capezza, Alfonso R - FN (d)	Neiner, Bruce R - LTJG
Carlson, Gustav H - BT2 (d)	Nesselrode, Ray M - MMCS
Carpenter, Robert C - SA (d)	Neugebauer, Eddie J - QM2 (d)
Chance, Jerry L - SN	Nevarez, John - RD3 (d)
Charbonneau, John E - SN (d)	Newton, Robert C - LTJG (d)
Christie, Walter J - FA	Nord, Eugene E - RD3
Clark, Leonard B - QMCA (d)	Novoa, Alvin - SN/SR (d)
Clark, William L - BTCS (d)	
Clemen, David A - SN	Olderr, Frank J - ETN2
Clemons, Harry V - IC1 (d)	Ontiveros, Eduardo - SN
Cleveland, James B - MM3 (d)	
Colvin, Steven - MMFN (d)	Parker, Keith L - CS3/CSSR (d)

Conrad, Edward E - RD3 (d)	Parker, Thomas F - MMC/ENS
Cook, Dennis E - SH3	Parker, Victor R - MM3 (d)
Coomer, David T - GMG2	Parks, Kenneth N - GMSN (d)
Cooper, Omar E - SF1 (d)	Patterson, Wiburn C - BT1 (d)
Corcino, Juan S - SFP2	Pennell, James L - BM3
Corrales, Fred A - EM1 (d)	Phares, Hubert W - FN
Correia, Arthur R - BMC (d)	Pittman, David - SM1 (d)
Cox, Tony L - SN (d)	Porter, Jon M - EN3 (d)
Crabtree, Jimmie L - SN (d)	Post, Walter M - ETRSN/ET1
Craig, Donald L - RD2	Powell, David G - MM3/MM1
Craine, William M - FTC (d)	Powers, Robert L - FTG2
Crostwaite, Hal F - SK3 (d)	Price, Ronald W - BT2 (d)
Crump, Jimmie R - MM3 (d)	Prior, Randy R - SKSN (d)
Cruz, Antonio D - TN/SK2 (d)	Purdon, Charles B - TM2
Daniel, Victor C - BM3 (d)	Raab, John E - GMG3
Dasher, Harry J - QM2	Rabel, John B - LTJG
Daugherty, William E - FTGSN	Radtke, Warren H - BT3/EN3 (d)
Davis, Richard K - MM1 (d)	Rambo, Rex H - LTJG
Deguia, Ernesto E - SD3 (d)	Ramer, Rex J - FN
DelaCruz, Alfredo M - TN	Rhodes, Christopher C - EM3 (d)
Demoss, Billy G - RM3	Ricardo, Benny J - LCDR (XO) (d)
Denihan, John J - GMG1 (d)	Rich, Douglas C - BT3 (d)
Diaz, Daniel - BT3 (d)	Riskin, Mark J - EN2
Dickey, William M - FN (d)	Rivette, William R - PC3 (d)
Dillon, Terrence L - RM2	Robinson, Jimmie A - SN (d)
Dodge, Dale L - FA/FR (d)	Robinson, William T - LTJG
Douglas, John M - BM3	Rogers, Jerry L - ETR3 (d)
Drath, Allen W - RD3 (d)	Roller, Donald G - LTJG (d)
	Ross, Charlie B - SKSN (d)
Eakes, Glenn A - BMSN	Ross, Donald J - EM1 (d)
Easterday, Harold L - SA/FN (d)	Ross, Willis A - SH2 (d)
Edge, Larry K - FTM1 (d)	Rotola, Carl G - YNSN
Edwards, Carl L - GMG3 (d)	Rowe, Lonnie E - SN
Eggeman, Paul D - SK2	Roy, Michael R - EM3
Ehnot, Joseph E - BT3 (d)	Ruiz, Norberto A - SD2 (d)
Ellis, Peter W - RM3 (d)	Rusho, Robert P - SN
Engle, Floyd F - GMG1	Ryes, Ronald - BT2
Erickson, Robert A - BT3	Rydberg, Leon C - RM3
Ervin, John W - LTJG	Ryman, Robert F - SH3
Esberger, Edward J - SK2 (d)	Rynearson, Dale L - RD3 (d)
Estacio, Renato E - TN (d)	
	Sabalza, Joel B - DK2/DK1 (d)
Fear, Edwyn A - RM3 (d)	Sadamoto, Theodore K - LTJG
Feller, Richard A - RMSN	Salinas, Al D - SHCA (d)
Fenn, Richard L - BT2 (d)	Schell, Norman L - BM1 (d)
Finton, Larry D - GMG3 (d)	Scheurer, Allan - MM1 (d)
Fischer, Paul K - RD2 (d)	Schmidt, Richard J - BTFN (d)
Fontenot, Murry L - CS3 (d)	Schonefeld, Fredrick - PC3/SN
Forbes, Clarence H - RM3 (d)	Scott, Robert E - FA/FR (d)
Fowler, John W - RMSN	Scully, Frank - HMSN (d)
Fox, David L - MR3 (d)	Sellers, Phillip W - BT2 (d)
Fox, Don T - SN	Shattuck, Chris L - FTG3 (d)
Frederici, John M - EMFN/EM1	Shiflet, Craig D - SN/SR (d)
Frey, John H - GMG2 (d)	Shiflet, Gary - SN (d)
	Shove, Lyndon L - MR2 (d)
Gaddy, Chester O - SN	Sizer, Malcolm A - BT3 (d)

Gealy, Lyle D - STG2	Skaar, Gary R - BT3
German, Lowell D - SN (d)	Slater, John W - LTJG
Giampietro, Robert A - RM3	Slayton, Jimmy T - IC3 (d)
Gillham, Richard D - LCDR (XO) (d)	Smith, George D - CS2 (d)
Glasgow, Robert L - CSC (d)	Smith, Lawrence C - GMG3 (d)
Gonzales, Raymond L - TN/FA/SA (d)	Smith, Robert C - SN
Good, Ronald C - TM3 (d)	Smith, Roger L - SN (d)
Gorman, John D - FTGSN (d)	Smith, Thomas W - BT1 (d)
Graham, Robert W - BM3 (d)	Soltys, John E - SN (d)
Gray, John J - EM2 (d)	Sonnenberg, Richard - MM2 (d)
Green, William T - PN2 (d)	Soriano, Rudolfo - TN
Greene, Joe E - MM1 (d)	Soucier, Walter J - BTFN (d)
Gregory, Richard S - LTJG	Souki, Harold S - MMC (d)
Grubb, Jerry L - DK3	Sparks, George A - PC3 (d)
Guilbo, Robert M - BT2 (d)	Spencer, Charles S - ETR2
Gunn, Charles L - RMCA (d)	Sponholz, Grant N - RM2
Guthrie, Adrian J - SA (d)	Statz, Daniel W - FA/FR (d)
Gutierrez, Uvaldo L - SN	Stewart, James R - SN (d)
	Stomberg, Joseph L - SOG2
Hall, Warren J - SOG3 (d)	Striplin, Lloyd E - SN
Hamelund, Ronald K - BT2 (d)	Strysko, Alexander T - RDC (d)
Hamilton, Herman W - MM1 (d)	Swan, Henry - LTJG (d)
Hammons, Billy L - FN (d)	Swartz, Ronald P - SM2 (d)
Hands, Robert C - SN	Sykes, Murray D - BT3 (d)
Hansen, William L - LTJG (d)	
Harden, Harold E - LTJG	Tarver, William A - LTJG (d)
Harlan, Harry M - SFP2 (d)	Taylor, Kenneth R - LTJG
Harrington, Clifford E - YN1 (d)	Teegarden, Leslie E - RM3 (d)
Helton, Glen R - EM2 (d)	Tercenio, Rogelio E - TN/SD3
Henderson, David C - BT2 (d)	Terramorse, Louis E - FTG2 (d)
Henehan, Daniel - SN (d)	Terry, Delbert E - MM2 (d)
Hernandez, Leon - FA/SN/CS3 (d)	Thomas, Kenneth L - DK3
Herndon, Kenneth D - BM3 (d)	Thomson Douglas G - RD3 (d)
Herrera, Dominador A - SKC (d)	Tobin, Lorenzo - GMG1 (d)
Hines, James E - RD2	Tomlinson, Thomas L - RD3
Hively, Bobby L - SH3	Touchstone, Arthur T - EM3 (d)
Hoagland, Gerald M - STC (b)	Tranzillo, Robert - SH3
Hockensmith, William O - BM1 (d)	Turner, Theophalus - MM2/MMFN (d)
Holas, John - LTJG	
Holcomb, Max R - RM3	Vaught, Jon M - GMG3 (d)
Holmgren, Thomas J - FN	Vicars, Michael B - FN (d)
Hooks, Andrew R - BTCA (d)	Vick, Henry L - RD3
Hoover, George A - BM2 (d)	Vrooman, Vene V - LTJG (d)
Houser, Richard L - SN (d)	
Howard, Robert O - SN (d)	Waggoner, George A - CSC (d)
Howard, Wymon - TM1	Walker, Gary A - RD2 (d)
Hulsey, Bobby G - RM1 (d)	Wallingford, Jerry L - MM3 (d)
Humphrey, Allen W - RD2	Walsh, Leo P - TM3 (d)
	Ward, Thomas E - SM2
Ison, Bayani T - HM1	Wessels, Royal C - STG2
	Westfield, James F - SN (d)
Jackson, Johnny J - QM2 (d)	Whaley, John R - BT3 (d)
Jacobs, Joseph - TM3	White, Eugene V - SMC (d)
Jaquest, William E - SN	Wigand Arthur F - STG2
Jenkins, Michael E - BT3 (d)	Wilder, Paul J - RD2 (d)
Johnson, James R - QM2	Williams, Gerald F - MM3 (d)
Johnson, Keith A - LTJG	Williams, Glenn P - BMSN

Johnson, Richard D - MM3 (d)	Williams, Kenneth W - STG2
Johnson, Wilmer E - EM3	Windsor, Robert E - SA
Jones, Glen V - BM2 (d)	Winter, Anthony W - FA/SN
Jones, Milton D - MM2 (d)	Wolfe, Fredrick W - SA (d)
Jordan, Julius - SN (d)	Wood, Thomas L - RD1
	Wyatt, Joseph J - SM2
Kajioka, Kazuyuki - EM1 (d)	
Kamphues, James J - SN (d)	Zeller, Gustav - GMG3 (d)
Keesey, William H - RD3 (d)	Zimmerman, Robert F - SN
	Zimmermann, William R - CDR (CO) (d)