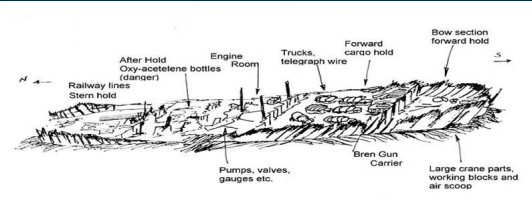


## USAT Meigs

Army transport ship of 430.7 feet and 12568 ton gross The largest ship in the Harbour during the Japanese raids made her a prime target for the attacking Japanese aircraft.

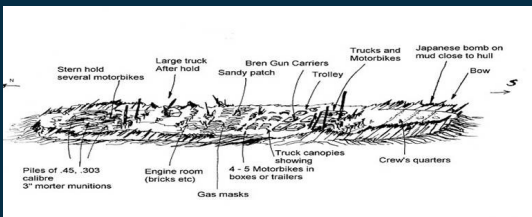
Lightly armed and loaded with ammunitions and equipment she was an easy target and was attacked repeatedly throughout the raids.



Hit by many large bombs and repeated machine gunning from fighter aircraft the vessel caught fire before sinking. The mast of the Meigs could be seen sticking out of the water and was a popular swimming destination for many years until the wreck was salvaged to the water line by the Fujita Salvage Company around 1960 leaving all cargo lying on the bottom for all divers to enjoy.

## USS Mauna Loa

A merchant ship of 410 feet long and laying at anchor on the morning of the Japanese attacks the vessel was hit by two bombs that went through an open hatch, starting fires and breaking her back causing the vessel to sink.



The wreck was salvaged to the water line by the Fujita Salvage Company, leaving interesting wreckage on the site including trucks, motorbikes and Bren gun carriers.

For more information on Darwin Wrecks or the Dive Club please visit us on the Web at:  
[www.dsac.com.au](http://www.dsac.com.au)



### Local Not for Profit Diving Club

New members are always welcome

THE CLUB Meets every Thursday night from 17:30 hrs  
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- The Darwin Sub-Aqua Club has a long-standing history of over 50 years, providing services to individuals interested in SCUBA diving in and around the Darwin area.
- The club owns a boat, 2 compressors, and several cylinders available for hire to members for club dives.
- Darwin Harbour and nearby reefs have much to offer.
- The club regularly dives the wartime and Cyclone Tracy wrecks, as well as the artificial reefs and wrecks located in the harbor, Lee Point, and Fenton Patches.
- All dives are scheduled according to neap tides.
- Overseas diving excursions are organized, encompassing destinations such as Papua New Guinea, the Philippines, Vanuatu, the Solomon Islands, and Truk Lagoon.