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**Operation
Enduring Freedom**

EVENTS, INCIDENTS & OPERATIONS

Boek over Willem Barentsz bijna klaar

KATWIJK - In mei moet het verschijnen: een boek over de Nederlandse walvisvaart en dus ook de Willem Barentsz, het schip waarop menig IJmuidenaar heeft gewerkt. Gelet op de titel 'Katwijkers op de Walvisvaart', schrijft de Katwijker Willem van der Plas het boek vanuit Katwijks perspectief. Niettemin zal het veel IJmuidense componenten hebben omdat de Willem Barentsz hier vaak is geweest. Bovendien worden er ruim honderd foto's uit particulier bezit in opgenomen, die nooit eerder zijn gepubliceerd.

Het plan een boek over de walvisvaart te schrijven is ontstaan in november 1998, toen in Katwijk een tentoonstelling over Katwijkers op de walvisvaart was te zien. De grote man achter deze tentoonstelling was de Katwijker Willem van der Plas. Dankzij een gift en de belangeloze medewerking van fotografe B. Huisken werden van de tentoonstelling twee boeken met in totaal 550 grotendeels particuliere foto's gemaakt.

Na de tentoonstelling kwamen er zoveel gegevens boven dat het idee werd geboren om met dit materiaal een volledige geschiedenis over de Katwijkers te schrijven van de walvisvaart vanaf de 16de eeuw. Dat boek, waaraan een aantal deskundigen op het gebied van de walvisvaart meewerkt, is nu bijna klaar. Het boek verschijnt in mei. Wie belangstelling heeft voor de voorintekening kan zich wenden tot kan zich tot 31 januari wenden tot kantoorboekhandel Van den Berg, Achterweg 12 2223 BE Katwijk, telefoon 071-4030911 en fax 071-4031884.

Cruise Lines Will Welcome Record Number of Ships in 2002,

With more ships slated to enter service in 2002 than in any other single year in the history of the cruise industry, the new year is shaping up to be a significant period for the North American cruise lines.

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Fifteen ships -- accommodating 49 to 2,600 guests -- will spawn intriguing new itineraries both close to home and around the world, an expanding roster of options and unprecedented value, says Cruise Lines International Association (CLIA) and the International Council of Cruise Lines (ICCL).

The fleet is expected to generate a record number of cruisers, including more first-time cruisers than ever. In research recently conducted by CLIA, "The Cruiser and Cruise Prospect Study," nearly nine out of 10 vacationers -- including 85 percent of pleasure travelers who have yet to cruise -- say they are interested in cruising.



(Top : The **AMSTERDAM** leaving Rotterdam port 31-05-2001 -- Photo : Piet Sinke)

"The Cruiser and Cruise Prospect Study validates the tremendous product enhancements that have been introduced in recent years. CLIA-member lines are continuing to create experiences that appeal to people who seek choices in what they can do on their vacation, a comfortable setting in which to do it and a great value," said James G. Godsmen, CLIA president.

The study also provides insight into the factors vacationers use to decide on a particular cruise, including destinations, value and amenities.

Destination was cited by more than 85 percent of all respondents as the most important factor in the decision to take a particular cruise. The most popular future cruise destinations among all vacationers are the Caribbean and Alaska, followed by the Bahamas and Hawaii. Experienced cruisers also expressed notable interest in Mediterranean/Greek Islands/Turkey itineraries.

In addition to the continued popularity of western Mediterranean, Baltic and Scandinavian itineraries, lines also are featuring sailings to the South Pacific, Far East and Africa, transatlantic crossings and world cruises.

For those seeking to stay closer to home in 2002, several lines have added more departures from North American ports and have added sailings to the Caribbean, Alaska, Hawaii, Mexico and South America.

Both cruise prospects and current cruisers have similar priorities on a vacation: good value, fun and a break from routine were cited as "must-haves" by more than 80 percent of those surveyed as important when selecting a vacation. When it came down to choosing a cruise, value was a deciding factor for more than 82 percent of all respondents - second only to destination.

Cruises have long been known for their exceptional value, and now, the inclusive nature coupled with current pricing makes a cruise a value that can't be matched. Cruises are widely acknowledged for the range of activities and amenities they offer; integral to this is the opportunity for cruise vacationers to do as much or as little as they want. The CLIA study confirms that cruisers appreciate the ability to select from a variety of options, with informal dining choices, cultural events, fitness and spa facilities, and educational programs topping the activities and facilities that appeal to both past cruisers and cruise prospects.

The late '90s popularity of dining options on cruise ships continues to make big news in 2002. Guests can experience the fine dining for which cruise lines are famous in a variety of settings -- formal and informal.

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When it comes to spas and fitness facilities, the lines feature the latest equipment and techniques. To escape the tension of today's world, guests can opt for a relaxing massage or sauna. Fitness-minded folks can continue their exercise program or try something new with the latest equipment and programs available on today's ships.

The number of cultural/educational programs, activities and shore experiences is also growing, with choices for all travelers, whether they seek cultural enrichment or adventure.

A great deal also is going on behind the scenes to ensure the experience is memorable and safe. Increasingly sophisticated equipment and extensive training have made cruising one of the safest vacations. For health care, ships typically provide ready access to medical facilities designed to deal with everything from sunburn to cardiac episodes. Most lines have adopted the American College of Emergency Physicians' guidelines, which outline such medical needs as equipment, procedures, personnel and medicine.

The cruise industry's highest priority remains the safety and security of all passengers and crew. Within hours of the September 11 events, cruise lines implemented Level III (the highest level) security measures, as cited in the U.S. Coast Guard's Security for Passenger Vessels and Passenger Terminals regulations, and remain at that level.

The welfare of the environment is also a primary concern for the industry. All cruise ships operating in American waters must comply with U.S. environmental laws. The cruise industry maintains a leadership role in all maritime operations and is committed to eliminating all forms of pollution through improved environmental policies, procedures, and technology. The cruise industry plays a key role in the economy, too. "The industry remains committed to helping the travel industry and the economy grow," says Michael Crye, president of ICCL. "In 2000, the cruise industry created 257,000 American jobs and contributed approximately \$18 billion to the U.S. economy."

Hamburg Süd sluit bijkomende overnames niet uit

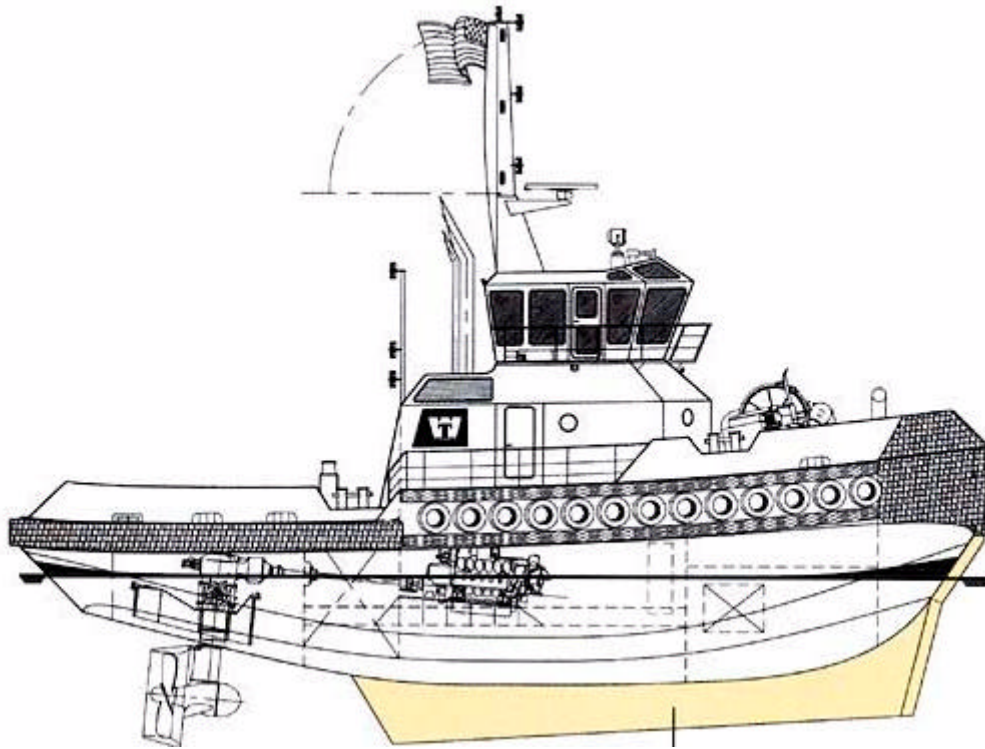


De afgelopen vijf jaar kende de groep Oetker, de moedermaatschappij van Hamburg Süd, een belangrijke groei. Dit was met name het geval voor de scheepvaartdivisie, die voortaan 39% van de groepsomzet genereert. In 2000 bedroeg deze omzet 10,2 miljard DEM (5,2 mrd EUR). De rederij heeft zich hiermee ontpopt tot de voornaamste activiteit van de Duitse groep, voor de voedingsafdeling.

(Top : The Cap Polonio leaving Rotterdam Port – Foto Jan van der Klooster)

SHIPYARD NEWS

Capt. Harry Delivered to Wilmington Tug



On December 19, Washburn & Doughty Associates, Inc., of East Boothbay, Maine delivered **Capt. Harry**, a 4200 hp Z Drive tug to Wilmington Tug of Wilmington, Del. Designed by Robert Allan Ltd., this ASD 25/55 Class Tug measure 80 x 32 ft. It will be used primarily for ship docking; however, and extended keel will allow for operation as an escort tug in the indirect mode. Wilmington Tug operates five tugs, and in 1977 became the first operator in North America to operate a Z Drive Tug. Wilmington Tug's newest vessel is the ninth Z Drive Tug built by Washburn & Doughty since the Fort Bragg was constructed for Cape Fear Towing in 1998. Two Detroit Diesel model 12V4000 main engines rated at 2100 hp at 1800 RPM power the vessel. The engines drive modular Ulstein Aquamaster 1350 HZ Drives that are removable through soft patches in the aft deck. The main engines are keel cooled with Fernstrum grid-coolers. The vessel has a 20,000-gallon fuel oil capacity, a 250-gallon lube oil capacity and 1,200 gallon fresh water capacity.

ROUTE, PORTS & SERVICES

Amsterdams havenoverslag groeit met ruim vijf procent

De Zeehavens Amsterdam hoorden vorig jaar bij de snelst groeiende havens in de West-Europese range, zo meldt havendirecteur Hans Gerson. Volgens voorlopige cijfers werd 2001 afgesloten met een nieuw overslagrecord van ruim 67 miljoen ton, wat meer dan 5% beter was dan in 2000. De overslag in de haven van Amsterdam zelf groeide zelfs met een kleine 10%

NAVY NEWS



The most expensive "puzzle" of the world, planes of CVW-6 are parked in a small area on the **USS Forrestal CV-59**.

Russia sells destroyers to Chinese navy



Russia has secured a US\$1 billion contract to supply China with two modified **Sovremenny-class** destroyers, Itar-Tass news agency said on Thursday. The announcement, made against the backdrop of an accelerated military buildup by China and Taiwan, follows Washington's offer last year of its biggest arms package to Taiwan in a decade, including four Kidd destroyers. Sovremenny destroyers pack more firepower than their older US counterparts, the Kidd class. Moscow has already shipped such warships to China, assembled from hulls laid down in the Soviet days. Tass said the two new 956-EM vessels were due for delivery in four years and would be an upgrade on the first batch. The warships would be built at the Northern Shipyard company in Russia's second city of St Petersburg. Each new warship will carry one dedicated helicopter. It quoted a government source as saying the value of the deal, signed on Thursday, exceeded US\$1 billion. Jane's Defense Weekly reported last year that Russia was facing difficulties in building the ships as manufacturers of some key components had remained beyond its borders after the demise of the Soviet Union. Russian arms trade officials said late last year that they saw "a huge export potential" for Sovremenny-class destroyers. China is a leading client for Russian arms manufacturers, which raked in over US\$4 billion in export sales in 2001. Russia's State Duma lower house of parliament last month ratified a groundbreaking friendship treaty with China that recognized undisputed Beijing sovereignty over Taiwan.

AIRCRAFT / AIRPORT NEWS



N136SW Half Air China, half Air Force One, getting dismembered at VCV Victorville - Southern California Logistics (International) (George AFB)

RIJNMOND WEATHER

zondag 6 januari

9 uur 's ochtends

temperatuur: 2 graden
kans op neerslag: 25%
wind: matig (12 km/u) uit ZW

5 uur 's middags

temperatuur: 5 graden
kans op neerslag: 20%
wind: matig (12 km/u) uit W

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