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The **POLE STAR** working at present at the Bristol Channel – **photo : Chris Jones ©**

EVENTS, INCIDENTS & OPERATIONS



SALAS off Gijon, in the front the tug **FONDA** whilst a Spanish coast guard vessel is keeping an eye on the operation

MULTRASHIP's floating sheerleg **CORMORANT** seen here working at the wreck removal of the **CASTILLO DEL**



Crew Rescued as Cargo Ship Hits Rocks and Sinks

Seven crew members were rescued Sunday from a cargo ship which ran aground and later sank.

The Cypriot-registered **Jambo** hit rocks at the Summer Isles, near the entrance to Loch Broom, at around 4am this morning, smashing a hole in its bow which allowed water to flood in. A lifeboat and one other vessel were scrambled and the seven Polish and Croatian crew members were rescued uninjured. The vessel, which was carrying 3,300 tonnes of zinc, then sank at around 8.30am.

The Maritime and Coastal Agency and environmental groups are currently assessing the risk posed to local wildlife by the cargo, which is said not to be a danger to humans.

Salvage of sunken ship on Yangtze suspended

China on Sunday suspended salvage operations of a passenger ship, which collided and sank along with 49 people in the Yangtze, China's longest river, due to the strong current and "complicated" river bed conditions, state media reported. Salvagers have located 'Fuzhou 10', the sunken ship belonging to the Yangtze River Three Gorges Shipping Co, at the estuary to the upper reaches of the Jiandao gorge. The ship capsized in the Yangtze River on June 19 after colliding with a freighter.

The salvage work could not continue because of fast rising water level and swift flow of the Yangtze in the flood season and the complicated conditions at the river bed, Xinhua news agency quoted officials investigating into the cause of the accident as saying. As the sunken ship would not hold up navigation on the Yangtze, experts from the Ministry of Communications, Maritime Safety Administration, China National Offshore Oil Corp and salvage companies, who are directing the salvage work, decided the work be suspended for the time being.

'Fuzhou 10' was sailing downstream when it collided with a freighter heading upstream near Longqiao town in Fuling district of Chongqing on the morning of June 19. By June 22, a total of 12 people aboard the passenger ship had been rescued while 49 others are still missing. Local police had recovered only 10 bodies. Investigations into the cause of the mishap are still going on, the report said.

CASUALTY REPORTING

SMIT HUNTER ON FIRE



Sunday morning a large fire destroyed the **SMIT HUNTER** which was for maintenance in the floating dock B at the Niehuis & van den Berg shipyard in Rotterdam.

Photo's : Piet Sinke ©



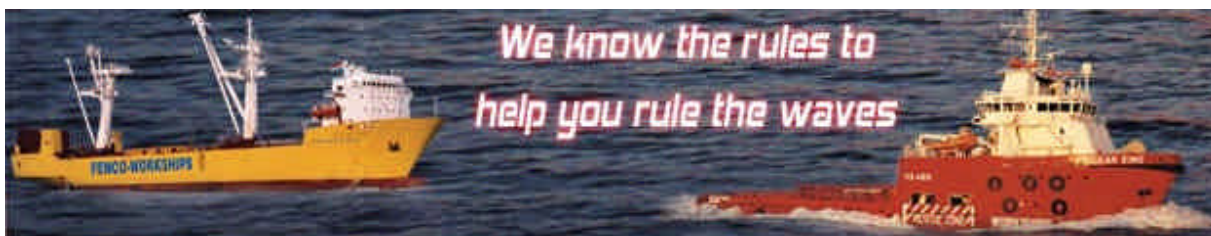
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OAP is airlifted from cruise ship

AN ELDERLY woman had to be airlifted off a cruise liner in the North Sea Saturday after she fell ill. The 83-year-old passenger was taken to hospital by an RAF helicopter which flew out to meet the Bahamian-registered *Astoria* yesterday morning as it sailed from Germany to Shetland. The cruise liner diverted from its course to cut down the flying time of the helicopter from RAF Lossiemouth. The *Astoria* was about 170 miles south-east of Aberdeen when the captain contacted Aberdeen Coastguard at 12.30pm to tell them the woman had fallen ill. The flight to the liner took the Sea King helicopter around three hours. The German woman was taken on board and then flown back to Aberdeen Royal Infirmary for treatment. A spokeswoman for Aberdeen Coastguard said the ship's captain had done what he could to reduce the time taken to get the woman to hospital. "The vessel changed its course to head to Aberdeen in a bid to meet up with the helicopter more quickly," she said. "It had been heading from Germany to Kirkwall. We do not know what is wrong with the lady, but we do not have any report of any injury."

NAVY NEWS



The British **RFA ORANGELEAF (A110)** made a brief stop during Sunday in Rotterdam, after arrival in the morning the vessel departed again during the afternoon.

photo : **Piet Sinke** ©

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Left :

The **SMITWIJS SINGAPORE** departed May 4th with de **CASTORO 10** from Esmeraldas in Ecuador and is at present enroute Batam (Indonesia), ETA half of July.



Top right :

The **UNION MANTA** operating in DP near the **HERMOD** of Heerema at 1000 MTR deep water 30 nm SE of the Mississippi entrance.

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The **STIRLING TAY** arrived from peterhead at A&P Wallsend, note that the STIRLING logo is painted out of the funnel - **photo : Kevin Blair ©**



The **MSC LEVINA** seen here passing the Pas van Terneuzen outward bound from Antwerp.
Photo : Piet Sinke ©



THE GUARDIAN seen here leaving a drydock,
This vessel was build as the **SMIT LLOYD 46**, and sold during 1985 and renamed **LENGA**, she was sold again during 1989 and not renamed, during 1993 she was sold to the Chilean Navy and renamed **COLO COLO**, during 1999 she was sold again and renamed **SEA GUARDIAN**, and finally she was sold again during 2002 to TOGO OIL & MARINE at LOME (TOGO) and renamed **THE GUARDIAN**

Photo : Ian Temlett ©

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As written yesterday in the newsletter , the **SMITWIJS ROTTERDAM** departed from Miami with the cruiseliner **NORWAY** bound for a European port

Photo´s : via Capt. Peter Heerema – Smitwijs Rotterdam



RIJNMOND WEATHER

Vooruitzichten van zondag t/m woensdag:

WISSELVALLIGER!

In de loop van maandag een toenemende kans op regen of onweersbuien gevolgd door afkoeling. Vanaf dinsdag af en toe zon en enkele buien. Dit weertype houden we voorlopig t/m vrijdag.

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|----------------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|
| Maximumtemperatuur: | 25 | 25 | 20 | 19 |
| Minimumtemperatuur: | 13 | 15 | 15 | 14 |
| Zonnekans in %: | 60 | 40 | 30 | 30 |
| Neerslagkans in %: | 10 | 70 | 70 | 60 |
| Windrichting kracht: | NO-2-4 | O-3-4 | ZW-4-5 | ZW-4-5 |

.... STORY OF THE DAY MERCY SHIPS



On Sunday morning, February 16, 2003 crew of the Mercy Ship [Anastasis](#) pressed alongside the promenade deck to look out over the horizon at the small African canoes and sailboats. A large white ship similar to theirs loomed in the distance, drawing their attention away from the small fishing boats.

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Multi-national flags flying over the decks, the *m/v Doulos* sailed into the port of Freetown, hailed by hearty cries from the crew of the Mercy Ship. This is the first time both of these historical vessels have docked so close to each other.

Over 3,000 people from 80 nations serve with Operation Mobilization worldwide. OM is active in more than 80 countries and has two ships, the *Doulos* and the *Logos II*.

Built only two years after the *Titanic* in 1914, *Doulos* is the world's oldest ocean-going passenger liner. *Doulos* is owned and operated by GBA (Good Books for All), a non-profit charity based in Germany. In each port, *Doulos* seeks to promote international understanding and good educational literature through activities onboard the ship. Their floating bookstore boasts of more than 6,000 different titles, including science, cookery, sports, technology, business and children's literature.



Over 300 volunteers from 40 countries make up this "*Floating United Nations*". **The *Doulos* has visited more than 473 ports in over 92 countries over the past 25 years.** Over 14 million visitors have been welcomed onboard. Focusing more on Asia, the ship last visited Africa 16 years

ago and the port of Freetown, 17 years ago.



During the *Doulos'* short four-day visit to the port of Freetown, crew from both ships swapped meals, workshops, conferences, stories and prayers as they visited one another's floating homes. The Deck Department and the Galley participated in job swaps, while other departments met with their counterparts to discuss similarities, differences and challenges within their work areas.

This year the *Doulos* joins Mercy Ships in celebrating 25 years. While the 88-year-old vessel is older than the 50-year-old *Anastasis*, the two have been in these unique services for the same quarter of a century.

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Top : The **ANASTASIS** moored in the port of **COTONOU** in **BENIN** January 2001
photo : **Piet Sinke** ©

**THE ANASTASIS WILL VISIT THE PORT OF ROTTERDAM
FROM AUGUST 24TH UNTIL SEPTEMBER 9TH WHICH
INCLUDES HARBOURDAYS**



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