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The tug **ADA-D** seen at Maas pilot station Sunday outward bound – **photo : Piet Sinke ©**

EVENTS, INCIDENTS & OPERATIONS



The tug **BANCKERT** operating near the **Tricolor** location.
Photo : Henk Helmendag ©

Familie slachtoffers Joola eisen berging

De familie van de Nederlandse slachtoffers van het vorig jaar gezonken Senegalese schip de Joola eist dat de lichamen worden geborgen. De moeder en de broer van Roel en Lisette Arendshorst zijn in Senegal om president Wade over te halen de lichamen zo snel mogelijk naar boven te halen. Zij hebben een verzoekschrift bij zich dat is ondertekend door onder anderen Europese parlementariërs, Senegalese artiesten en familieleden van andere slachtoffers. De Senegalese premier Idrissa heeft vrijdag nog gezegd dat het onmogelijk is om het wrak van de Joola te bergen. Vorig jaar september zonk de veerboot in zwaar weer voor de kust van Gambia omdat het te veel mensen aan boord had. In totaal zijn zeker 1863 mensen omgekomen, slechts vijfhonderd lichamen zijn geborgen.

Technip-Coflexip subsidiary to participate in Prestige salvage

Seal Engineering SA, a wholly-owned affiliate of Technip-Coflexip, has been awarded a basic engineering contract by Repsol for the fabrication and installation of a confinement structure for the tanker Prestige, which sank off the Atlantic coast of Spain in November 2002 in 3,800m of water.

Seal Engineering had previously made an offer to Repsol YPF for a solution involving a canopy or Marquesina and subsequently performed a conceptual study at Repsol YPF's request. This structure, which would be fabricated in Spain, will have provisions for future pumping of the collected fuel within the canopy.

Once the basic engineering of this project is completed, Repsol YPF should be in a position to issue, by

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the end of this year, an international call for tenders for the actual fabrication and installation of the containment structure.

Recent secondhand/newbuilding resale activity

Offshore Shipbrokers reports that the AHT **Britoil 39** (Blt 1998 - 5000BHP) has been sold to Tidewater on private terms.

Newbuilding AHTS Jaya Hull 830 (5500 BHP - 70 tonnes Bollard pull with DP and FiFi) has been sold to Tidewater on private terms.

AHTS **Seabulk Titan** (Blt.1976 - 7200BHP) has been sold to Nigerian interests on private terms.

AHTS **Gray Tide** (Blt.1981 - 3900BHP) and **Barton Tide** (Blt.1982 - 3200BHP) have been sold to Middle East buyers on private terms.

UTO former supply vessel **Seaford** (Blt.1973 - 2250BHP), which has been with the Swedish Navy for a number of years, has been sold to unnamed buyers on private terms.



The icebreaking AHTS **Arctic Kalvik** (photo: Piet Sinke) (Blt.1982 - 23,200 BHP) has been sold to Murmansk Shipping Co for a price believed to be in the region of \$13,000,000.

The line handler **Norskan Ipanema** (Blt.2002 - 2400 BHP) has been sold to Seabulk International on private terms and renamed **Seabulk Ipanema**

CASUALTY REPORTING

COLLISION AT WESTERSCHELDT RIVER

During the night from Saturday on Sunday 2 container vessel collided at the Westerscheldt River near the "Nauw van Bath", from the 2 ships involved, named the **PELICAN 1** and the **MAERSK BAHRAIN** (photo below by Henk de Winde ©)



The **PELICAN 1** sank partly and the 239 mtr long **MAERSK BAHRAIN** went to Flushing roads for inspection.



Top : The Pelican 1 - photo : via Jac van Belzen ©



Below : The Pelican 1 get assistance from "some" tugs — Photo : Peter Andriessen ©

SMIT SALVAGE is awarded LOF for the 202 meter long **PELICAN 1** and understand from a source in Terneuzen that OVET in Terneuzen is contracted to offload the 1500 containers with their floating cranes.

SHIPYARD NEWS

SembCorp ups its stake in PPL shipyard

The Board of Directors of SembCorp Marine Ltd have announced that SembCorp Marine has acquired a 35 per cent equity stake comprising 7.0 million ordinary shares of \$1.00 each in PPL Shipyard Pte Ltd (PPLS).

The total consideration of \$14.7 million for the acquisition was calculated based on a 23 per cent premium over PPLS' Net Tangible Assets of \$1.71 per share as at June 30, 2003.

Upon the completion of the acquisition, PPL Shipyard becomes an 85 per cent owned subsidiary of SembCorp Marine.

PPLS is a rig-building yard with proven track record in the building and servicing of jack-ups and semi-submersibles. It has recently delivered its first deepwater jack-up drilling rig to Global SantaFe International with the second jack-up drilling rig due for delivery in the first quarter of 2004.

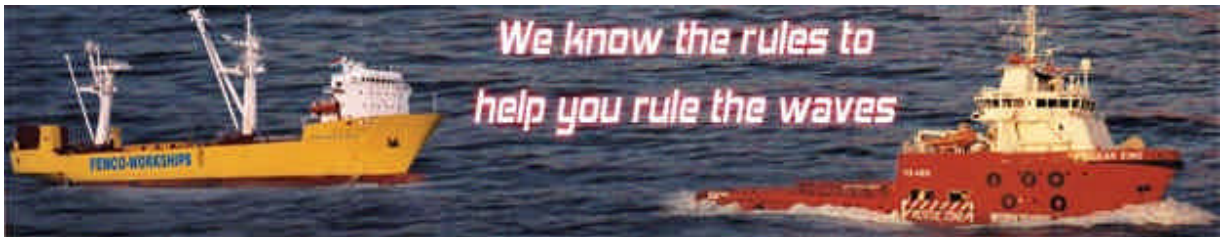
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Currently, SembCorp Marine's subsidiary, Jurong Shipyard Pte Ltd in collaboration with PPL Shipyard is building two units of Friede & Goldman ExD-designed deepwater semi-submersible drilling rigs for Global SantaFe International with the first unit due for delivery in the first quarter of 2004.

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Moby orders two cruise ferries from Fincantieri

Vincenzo Onorato, President of Moby, and Giuseppe Bono, Chief Executive Officer of Fincantieri today presented to the press the project to build two new sister ships, one of which is an option.

The new ships, which will mean an expansion of the modern Moby fleet, will be sister ships of **Moby Wonder** and **Moby Freedom**. in line with the latest trends in short sea shipping, the two new cruise ferries, the first of which is due for delivery in May 2005, will be fitted out to the same high standards of cruise ships both in terms of cabin furnishings and with regard to the wide range of entertainment offered on board. At 36,000 gross tonnes, the ships will be able to accommodate up to 2,080 passengers and 120 crew members in 379 cabins; moreover, thanks to 50,400 Kw of power installed on board, they will be able to reach a speed of 29 knots and travel a cruising speed of 27 knots. Finally, a restaurant a la carte, a self-service cafeteria, 3 Show Lounges, a Coffee Shop and a Sports Bar are just some of the services available to Moby's guests.

The order, whose total value amounts to approximately 200 million Euro, was gained following fierce international competition, and marks the return of Moby to Italian shipyards.

" An important step - said Vincenzo Onorato, President of Moby – to consolidate our leadership in Italian short sea shipping ". "We are especially satisfied - said Giuseppe Bono, Chief Executive Officer of Fincantieri - because this order means that another prestigious name has been added to our customer portfolio and further consolidates our leadership in Europe in the sector for cruise ferries". Bono went on to add: " The quality of our ships and our guarantee that they will be delivered on schedule are key factors considered by the owner when choosing a builder ".

Riga Sea Line press release

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With 145 thousand lats earned in May, **Baltic Kristina** keeps on growing passenger and cargo numbers. As a result of an active travelling season, JSC Riga Sea Line in June witnessed further growth in numbers of its passengers and vehicles transported. The number of passengers was up 14%, but that of passengers' vehicles - 32%. In May, the company earned 145, 647 lats.

In May the ferry carried a total of 6 399 passengers, but in June this number increased 14% reaching 7 286 passengers. Last month the ferry made 13 trips from Riga to Stockholm and back, each time carrying an average of 280 passengers in one direction.

Most passengers (3 712) travelled from Riga to Stockholm, and 3 574 passengers went from Stockholm to Riga.

In June, like in May, the ferry's car deck was again loaded to its maximum. The **Baltic Kristina** carried 608 cargo units and 733 cars. Influenced by tourist season, the bulk of cargoes in June slightly dropped as compared to May, because in the process of booking preference was given to those passengers travelling together with their cars. Therefore, the number of transported cars increased dramatically by 32% or 178 cars, compared with May's 555 cars and 654 cargo units.

In May RSL earned 145, 647 lats, almost a 100, 000 lats increase on 47, 660 lats earned in April. The company's turnover in May was at 472, 384 lats, an increase of more than 106, 000 lats on April. The RSL expects its profit in June to reach 200, 000 lats.

CH Offshore expanding its fleet

The Directors of CH Offshore Ltd (CHO) in Singapore have announced that the company has ordered two new AHTS vessels.

The two AHTS vessels are expected to be delivered in the second half of 2004. Together with two recently delivered vessels and two other vessels currently under construction in China (and also due to be delivered in the second half of 2004), the addition of the latest two AHTS vessels will bring the total of the CHO Group's fleet of vessels to 25.

The contract to build the two AHTS vessels was awarded to Keppel Singmarine and each vessel is valued at S\$16.5 million, inclusive of CHO supplied deck machinery that will be manufactured by Rolls-Royce Marine AS.

The 60m long vessels will be built to American Bureau of Shipping's classification notation +A1 (E) AH / Offshore Support Vessel, Towing Vessel, Fire Fighting Vessel Class 1, +AMS.

The notation signifies that the vessels will be designed and built with specialized capabilities for towing service; close operations for fire fighting and rescue; and support services to offshore installations including anchor-handling.

COSL adds new vessel to its fleet

Statoil has awarded a letter of intent to Smedvig for the assignment of the fourth generation drilling rig West Alpha. The contract includes production drilling on the Kristin field in the Norwegian Sea. The contract has a duration of 12 months with options for four additional periods of three months each.

The estimated contract value for the firm part of the contract is approximately \$40 million.

China Oilfield Services Limited (COSL) has announced that a newbuild marine support vessel was

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delivered on April 9, 2003. The new standby vessel, **Binhai 267**, was built by Wuchang Shipyard, and has approximately 6,500 brake horsepower. Its main function is to provide standby services to production fields, and it is equipped with ice-breaking, towing and fire fighting functions. **Binhai 267** has already been deployed to a designated field. The construction of **Binhai 267** was part of agreements signed for the construction of three identical vessels in June 2002. One of the vessels, **Binhai 266**, has been in operation since January 2003. The other vessel, **Binhai 268**, is expected to be delivered in May 2003.

NAVY NEWS



A Maltese shipyard worker heads home on his bicycle after a day's work on USS **La Salle (AFS 3)**. La Salle arrived in the country of Malta for a maintenance availability period.

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The **IRAN NABI** departed from Rotterdam Sunday – photo : Piet Sinke ©



The **ADA-D** departed with the **Pontramaris** – Photo : Piet Sinke ©



The **Eerland 26** departed with the two barges **E 1201/1202** loaded with bridge parts from Rotterdam bound for London. Photo : Hans van Ewijk ©

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Top : The **ZEEAREND** and the **VIGILANT** moored in Lowestoft – **photo : Hans Koster ©**



The Dutch Coast Guard (Customs) cutter **ZEEAREND** last week did exercises with her British sistership **VIGILANT** to strengthen the ties between both countries, the exercise started in Lowestoft and ended a few days later in Hook of Holland, herewith a photo impression made by Capt. Hans Koster, master of the **ZEEAREND**.

Left : The **VIGILANT** recovers her RIB back onboard - **photo Hans Koster ©**



Both vessels moored in the port of Hook of Holland – **photo : Hans Koster ©**

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The Greek flagged **SAFMARINE ANTWERP** which is build in 2003 for Costamare arrived Sunday in Rotterdam from Algeciras with a draft of 9.6 mtr bound for the Maersk terminal at the Maasvlakte. The **SAFMARINE ANTWERP** is build as the **MEARSK KOBE** at Hyundai in Ulsan (Korea) under yard number 1427, is 304 mtr in length and 40 mtr beam is powered by a 10 cylinder B&W Diesel of 77628 hp for a maximum speed of 26 knots.

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