

DAILY SHIPPING NEWSLETTER 2003 YEAR END



YEAR END ****DAILY SHIPPING NEWSLETTER**** PART 3

Herewith part 3 of the special edition in which I would like to thank everybody from all over the globe in sending pictures and information to me, so I could compile more than 240 newsletters during the year 2003.

This is also the last newsletter for the year 2003, the next newsletter will be published half of January 2004 again



Left :

AAD NOORLAND

Aad is 59 years old and living in **Cape Town**. He started his career in 1964 with L. Smit & Co, now Smit International. Met his wife **Merleen** whilst on station with the **Barentz Zee** in Durban. **Aad** resigned in 1974, to join Land & Marine Salvage, which changed name to Pentow Marine & the latest to Smit Marine SA. **Aad** retired in February 2003, At present he runs a business with his son called Hydraumar - Hydraulic Marine Solutions.

JACOB PIETER VAN HEEREN



Jaap was born 22 october 1944 in Dubbeldam, At the age of nine, in 1953, he was introduced to the salvage world because of the big flood of Holland. Many river vessels around Dordrecht, had ended up on dry land and had to be pulled back into the rivers. The company doing many of these jobs was called "**van der Ende**" from Dordrecht. Dordrecht, by the way was for many years the home base of **Van der Tak** but that was well before his time.. Jaap thought that this salvage work was the end of the world and it that it would be really nice to be able to do that kind of work. (what a mistake) After having finished my military service in the Navy, he joined "**Van der Ende**" and two years later "**van der Tak**" The first sheerleg he worked on was the "**Arend**", 200 ton capacity and with a coal fired boiler which was being converted to diesel fuel.

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After many years all over the place **Jaap** ended up in England, working for the subsidiary called Risdon Beazley, with the site office in Middlesbrough. This lasted five years and at around that time **Smit** had bought over a company in Singapore and he was asked if he would like to join that company because the equipment from England was being transferred there.

Since he had never been so far from home and **Jaap** liked the adventure, and decided to go there. Jaap has been working around the Far East ever since with an occasional project in Africa. In 1985 he started the successful Smit FELS joint venture company Asian Lift, which is still running today and also started the initial talks in the direction of the Keppel SMIT harbor towing joint venture but this only started officially after he left Smit. One of the highlights of my career was the salvage of the jack-up barge Al Baz, off the coast of Nigeria in '91/92. At the moment **Jaap** is employed as Marine Coordinator with Talisman Energy, based in Malaysia.

Below :

FREEK HAAGMANS



Freek is working as a Project Manager at **Niehuis & Van den Berg BV Shiprepair** yard in Rotterdam-Pernis. He is in this line of work since leaving school and is at present 35 years old and before joining Niehuis he worked at other repair yards (YVC Bolnes, Wilton / Rotterdam United and Van der Giessen - De Noord Reparatie). Most of the pictures **Freek** is supplying to the shipping newsletter are made on and around the yard. In his spare time **Freek** likes to drive around in his 21 year old Land Rover. One of his favourite routes is along the "Parkkade" in

Rotterdam to see the vessels that are moored there. **Freek** never sailed on a ship (except for sea trials) and will never do it again, because he never felt so bad!

The picture of **Freek** is made by Photographer **Marcel Rozenberg**, on board of the Husky (Heerema) which was at the Niehuis yard for repairs earlier this year.

His camera is an Olympus C 700, with a 2,1 megapixel chip and a very good 10x optical zoom lens. The pictures this camera can make are magnificent! **Freek** has had the camera for over 2,5 years now and is still very happy with it although a 3,3 megapixel chip would be nice.... He recently bought a "small" casio EX-Z3 for "quick shots".

Right :

HANS MAURITZ

Hans is 48 years old and lives in Monster, is married and they are having 4 kids, you can find **Hans** along the Waterweg when he is taking pictures for the collection and of course the shipping newsletters, at the picture **Hans** is seen whilst boarding the Ter Heyde lifeboat **BRUINVIS** as a guest to meet the brandnew **OOSTERDAM** which arrived in Rotterdam earlier this year for the christening ceremony.



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AAD RUTER

Aad is 51 years old and is sailing with SMIT transport at present onboard the **EERLAND 26** as engineer, his hobbies are playing billiard and taking pictures.

Right :

HANS DE JONG

Hans lives in Rotterdam and is 54 years and married. He works as a freelance photographer with great pleasure for all sorts of Shipping and other Companies in The

Netherlands, but also if needed abroad. Another service Hans is providing to his clients is designing graphics and designing/building websites. His hobbies: his dog Beau, music, travelling, mountain biking, running, swimming and internet.



Hans also likes to contribute his photographs to The Shipping Newsletter, as he thinks it is one of the best ideas ever presented for FREE to the Shipping Industry and fans. Thanks to those sponsors of Piet's work! Piet Sinke is doing a fantastic job with his hobby: The Shipping Newsletter. The "Magazine" is a lot appreciated around the World and Piet has spent already many many hours to send out his famous Newsletter, almost each day to 750 persons and companies worldwide. Not to mention all the e-mails he receives each day from correspondents around the World and has to handle to prepare his Shipping Newsletter.

Hans wishes each and everyone, reading The Shipping Newsletter (and it's Editor Piet Sinke and Family) Merry Christmas and a Healthy, Happy, Successful 2004.

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JOHAN RITMAN

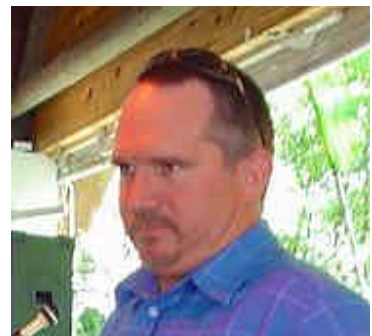
Johan is 39 years old and is master onboard the Eerland 26, Johan is working 23 years for SMIT , and his hobby is to take pictures of tugs.



Right :

DAVE MURRAY

Dave spent ten years at sea with Safmarine, came ashore in 1991 after completing his deck officer studies and started with SMIT (then Pentow marine) in 1992. **Dave** is now commercial manager for SMIT transport Africa. Dave lives in Cape Town, is married with two daughters. hobbies - cycling, music and shipping, specifically special purpose/offshore vessels



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Left:

JOOP KEESMAAT

Joop lives in Sliedrecht and is 51 years old, worked between 1968 – 1973 at IHC De Klop in Sliedrecht, 1973 – 1992 at Damen shipyards as Shipping manager, 1992 – 1999 one of the starters of TOS , ship delivery and crewing agency, in 2000 Joop started with **"Landfall" Transport & Towage b.v.**, in Sliedrecht , transport, ocean towage , heavy lift and ship delivery and he is for 50 % owner of the ocean going tug **"Thomas de Gauwdief"** and the **"Soliman Reijs"**, his hobbies are playing soccer with the De Alblas team from Oud Alblas.



left :

PETER KOSTER

Peter is 50 years old, married to Anne Marie for 27 years. He has two grownup sons, both are at college in Holland. He is working for Smit since 1973. First for several years as engineer on various tugs. He is now Manager of Smit Terminals Bahamas. He works in the Bahamas since 1987 and lives there with his wife since 2001.



Left :

JOHNNY VAN DE VELDE

Johnny is born in 1956 in Terneuzen, is married and they have 2 children. He sailed with Willem Muller for 8 years and then he changed to the Ministry of Public works in Terneuzen and is now operating the bridge over the Gent – Terneuzen canal for 20 years , his hobbies are the shipping industrie, special the ships passing the canal from which he is taking pictures as can be seen in the newsletter, he runs a website www.shipphoto.net and is also very active together with **Peter Andriessen** and **Alain Dooms** at the website www.tugspotters.com

Right :

JOHN SMIT

John is 57 years old and started in 1964 on the vessel ANGOLAKUST from the HWAL as engineer apprentice his sailing period.

Later he sailed for NIEVELT GOUDRIAAN on about 16 different kind of vessels (**Also like Frank Haalmeyer two times on**



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the "yacht"**ALGORAB**) and in the beginning of the seventies he worked as 1st engineer on various dredgers with the BALLAST NEDAM and after that period he joined SMIT LLOYD, in 1976 he moved to Curacao and worked till January 1999 for SMIT INT(Antilles)NV , in 1999 he moved, together with his wife Jeanette, to Houma in Louisiana and started working for SMIT AMERICAS, INC in the year 2001 they moved to Houston and **John** worked on the main office of SMIT AMERICAS, INC , in 2003 they moved back to Curacao and **John** is working again for SMIT INT(ANTILLES) NV. as Operation Manager together with Dirk Goudriaan who is the Technical Manager over here.(SVMS-Caribbean)

MICHAEL VAN DER MEER



Michael, seen here onboard one of the Evergreen vessels with the master and officers, is 20 years old, and the shipping / maritime business is a large hobby of him, this started when he made together with his father a trip through the Rotterdam harbour during the world harbour days in 1997.

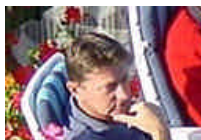
At the end of 1997 **Michael** was in Hook of Holland with his parents, he made pictures of some container vessels and his interest was growing in this kind of ships, he started writing letters to agencies and companies, and he received a lot of information with many pictures.

Michael favourite shipping company is **EVERGREEN**, he was always impressed by the way of working of this company, they build up a large fleet, after is high-school period he made a trip to the Far East in June 1999, where he was invited by Dr Chang Yung-Fa, the chairman of Evergreen to attend the launch of the **EVER URSULA** in Kobe, Japan

Michael was able to make from his hobby his work and is at present working for Evergreen in Rotterdam at the Operations Department , he is taking pictures of ships with his Sony-DSC 505 camara.

Look for **Michaels** website about containerships etc at : <http://www.mcf-rotterdam.nl/> or www.containershipping.nl

GERRIT TOES



Gerrit Toes born March 1960, studied Nautical College in Flushing and started career in 1980 with Holland America Cruises on the Statendam. In 1982 started with Smit-Lloyd as Chief Officer and joined Smit Maritime Contractors in 1988 as Towmaster. In 2002 joined Workshops Contractors as Operational Superintend but this lasted not very long and joined Smit Marine Projects in August 2003 again as Towmaster. During various trips abroad take pictures of all ships, specially the grey ones!

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Left :

PIET SINKE

Editor of the newsletter for the last 4 years, I am working with SMIT in Rotterdam for the last 28 years, sailed for 24 years on the tugs and anchor handlers and other units and at present as Sr Towmaster at the Marine projects department, I am married with **Elizabeth** and we have one 4 year old son named **Alexander**.

I am taking at present about 6 to

8.000 digital pictures yearly mainly of ships, Having a large collection of warship and tugs pictures / negatives which I started collecting since I was 10 years old, have added the last 10 years all kind of ships to my collection which are filed in the computer (digital) from this collection I am taking regular photo's to use them in the newsletters, all the pictures which are send to me from all over the globe are properly filed for easy reference later.



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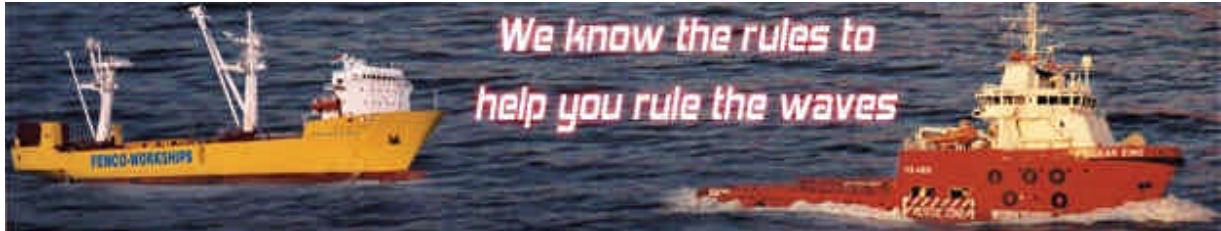


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I would say a special THANK YOU to my wife Elizabeth, an understanding woman, who supports me in my work and also when making the newsletter (also with the necessary coffee) every evening, what takes me daily about 2-3 hours to complete and to send them out.

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Elizabeth, Alexander, Jaap van de Meeberg and myself wishing all the readers :



Afrikaans - Geseënde Kersfees en 'n gelukkige nuwe jaar

Argentine - Felices Pasquas Y felices ano Nuevo

Bohemian - Vesele Vanoce

Brazilian - Boas Festas e Feliz Ano Novo

Bulgarian - Vesela Koleda i chestita nova godina!

Catalan - Bon Nadal i un Bon Any Nou!

Chinese - Sing Dan Fae Lok. Gung Hai Fat Choi (Cantonese)

Chinese - Shen Dan Kuai Le Xin Nian Yu Kuai (Mandarin)

Chinese - Shen tan jie kuai le. Hsin Nien Kuaile

Croatian - Sretan Bozic

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Czech - Stastne a vesele vanoce a stastny novy rok!
Danish - Glaedelig Jul og glaedelig nytar
Dutch - Prettige kerstdagen en een gelukkig nieuw jaar
English - Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
Eskimo - (inupik) Jutdlime pivdluarit ukiortame pivdluaritlo!
Esperanto - Felican Kristnaskon kaj Bonan Novjaron!
Estonian - Haeid joulupuehi ja head uut aastat!
Faeroese - Gledhilig jol og eydnurikt nyggjar!
Filipinos - Maligayang Pasko
Finnish - Hauskaa Joulua ja onnellista uutta vuotta!
Flemish - Zalg Kerstfeest en Gelukkig nieuw jaar
French - Joyeux Noel et Bonne Année!
Gaelic - Nollaig chridheil agus Bliadhna mhath ùr!
Galician - Bo Nadal
German - Frohe Weihnachten und ein glückliches Neues Jahr!
Greek - Hronia polla kai eytyhismenos o kainourios hronos
Greek - Hronia polla ke eftihismenos o kenourios hronos
Hausa - Barka da Kirsimatikuma Barka da Sabuwar Shekara!
Hawaiian - Mele Kalikimaka ame Hauoli Makahiki Hou!
Hungarian - Kellemes karacsonyi uennepeket es boldog ujevet!
Icelandic - Gledhileg jól og farsælt komandi ár!
Indonesian - Selamat Hari Natal dan Selamat Tahun Baru!
Iraqi - Idah Saidan Wa Sanah Jadidah
Irish - Nollaig Shona duit
Irish - Nollig Shona
Irish - Nollaig faoi shean agus faoi shonas duit agus bliain nua faoi mhaise dhuit!
Italian - Buon Natale e Felice Anno Nuovo!
Japanese - Meri Kurisumasu soshite Akemashite Omedeto!
Latin - Natale hilare et Annum Faustum!
Latvian - Priecigus Ziemsvetkus un Laimigu Jaungadu!
Lithuanian - Linksmu Kaledu
Maltese - Nixtieklek Milied tajjeb u is-sena t-tabja!
Modern Greek - Kala Christougenna kai evtichismenos o kainourios chronos!
Norwegian - God Jul Og Godt Nytt Aar
Polish - Vesowe Boze Narodzenie
Polish - Wesolych Swia,t i Szcze,sliwego Nowego Roku!
Portuguese - Boas Festas
Portuguese - Feliz Natal e um Prospero Ano Novo
Romanian - Craciun fericit si un an nou fericit
Russian - S nastupaiushchim Novym godom i s Rozhdestvom Khristovym!
Romanche - (sursilvan dialect): Legreivlas fiastas da Nadal e bien niev onn!
Serbian - Hristos se rodi
Slovakian - Sretan Bozic or Vesele vianoce
Slovak - Vesele Vianoce i na zdravie v novom roku!
Spanish - Feliz Navidad y Prospero ano nuevo!
Swedish - God Jul Och Ett Gott Nytt Ar
Trukeese - (Micronesian) Neekiriisimas annim oo iyer seefe feyiyeech!
Turkish - Noeliniz kutlu olsun ve yeni yilinis kutlu olsun!
Turkish - Noeliniz Ve Yeni Yiliniz Kutlu Olsun
Ukrainian - Srozhdestvom Kristovym
Ukrainan - Z novym rokom i s rizdvom Hrystovym!
Vietnamese - Chuc mung nam moi va Giang Sing vui ve
Welsh - Nadolig Llawen a Blwyddyn Newydd Da!