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Ports of Auckland

June 2012

The latest information and community news from Auckland's Port

In brief

Boat tours

Ports of Auckland's free community boat tours continue to run on selected Tuesdays. The hour long boat tour of the Waitemata harbour takes place at 11 am and is a great way to learn more about Port activities.

Run by 360 Discovery, the tours depart from Pier 4 (near the Ferry Terminal on Quay Street) and provide live commentary about the Port's operations. For more details, visit www.poal.co.nz.

Industrial Dispute

Facilitation is continuing between Ports of Auckland and Maritime New Zealand (MUNZ – Local 13). The parties have further meetings scheduled through June.

The Company moved to facilitation to expedite settlement of the current dispute and is fully focussed on achieving a Collective Agreement with the Union.

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Wonder what's new at the Ports? Want to view images of events and interesting cargo? Join our Facebook page – www.facebook.com/aklport

Public Feedback Hotline

Being a city port is a huge responsibility. We welcome feedback from our neighbours. To share your feedback with us, please contact our 24 hour public feedback hotline: +64 9 348 5274 or email feedback@poal.co.nz

Community Reference Group

Ports of Auckland's Community Reference Group provides a forum for dialogue and discussion with neighbours and community representatives.

The group meets once a quarter with the next meeting scheduled for 25 July.

Should you like to be a part of the group or for more information please email info@poal.co.nz.

Did you know?

In 1991, Auckland hosted just one cruise ship. Fast forward to 2011/12, and Auckland hosted 97 cruise visits, with three cruise ships in port on five occasions.

Ports of Auckland manages all cruise ship visits to Auckland and provides piloting and towage services as well as setting up a Customs-controlled arrival terminal.

Send your comments on Rapport to rapport@poal.co.nz.



Another award for Ports of Auckland Cruise team

Ports of Auckland (POAL) has had a record cruise season capped by winning a "Most Efficient Terminal Operation" award in the international Cruise Insight 2011 Awards.

The Award recognises the excellent work by staff who manage the terminal and handle passenger exchanges.

This is the second international cruise award won by the Port's cruise team

in the last three years. In 2009 the team won the award for 'The Most Responsive Port' from Dream Cruise Destinations magazine.

The cruise industry is a large contributor to the Auckland economy. A 2010 study by the Ministry of Tourism and Cruise New Zealand estimated that the Auckland region received \$177m of cruise industry direct expenditure as a

result of the Port's presence.

Cruise is becoming an increasingly popular holiday option and POAL welcomes the Council's decision to refurbish the Waterfront Auckland owned Shed 10 to provide a multi use cruise ship and event facility.

Cruise bookings for the 2012/13 season are edging towards another record, with 99 ship calls booked already.

Oracle leaves for Oakland

Amid all the containers, cars and bulk cargo, the Fergusson Container Terminal team at Ports of Auckland loaded Oracle's Team USA catamaran components onboard the Hamburg Sud vessel, *Cap Vilano*.

The components are on their way to the Oracle Team USA base at Pier 80 in San Francisco.

The wing of the catamaran (an aerofoil that is used to propel the vessel instead of a sail) was manufactured by Core Builders Composites Ltd (a subsidiary

of Oracle Team USA), in Warkworth. It was shipped in two sections, each approximately 19 metres x 3.6 metres and weighing less than 500kg.

Being a highly efficient aerofoil section, weather conditions were a major consideration for the transport and loading schedule, as gusts of wind could have lifted the light wings and damaged them.

The wings were placed on a flat rack to add another 5000 kgs weight to the load making it less susceptible to wind damage.

The flat rack also protected the wings from having to be handled while being put onto the ship.

Pictures of the wings being loaded can be viewed on www.facebook.com/aklport.



Left: The aerofoil wings for Oracle's Team USA being lowered into the hold of the *Cap Vilano*.

Ports of Auckland to sponsor Round the Bays

Ports of Auckland has confirmed its position as naming rights sponsor for the iconic fun run for three more years.

"Auckland's port has been an iconic part of the city's waterfront for over 100 years, and we're proud to again be the principal sponsor of this fantastic Auckland event," Ports of Auckland Chief Executive, Tony Gibson said.

Each year the fun run brings over 70,000 participants to Auckland's waterfront in support of children's charities. Like us at www.facebook.com/roundthebays.



Supporting Business Excellence

The Westpac Auckland Central Business Awards organised by the Auckland Chamber of Commerce is back again after an extremely successful launch in 2011.

Ports of Auckland is once again sponsoring the "Excellence in

Exporting" category in the Awards.

Recognising excellence in business, the Awards celebrate the great value businesses bring to Auckland City, while highlighting true local business success and providing a high benchmark for Central Auckland business.

The Awards are open to any company no matter how large or small. Category winners will be automatically entered to compete in the Auckland regional awards.

Award entries close Friday 29 June.

Visit www.chamber.co.nz for more information on the awards.