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Ports of Auckland: Harbour View



Ports of Auckland recently announced its results for the 2009/10 financial year. The economic downturn fully tested our Company Values and we have emerged a stronger, leaner, more effective Port, working hard for the future of the greater Auckland region, and for New Zealand.

The challenges have not been insignificant, as the Port has faced a combination of intense competition, much higher variability in container volumes through a trend towards

larger ships making fewer calls, vessels arriving off schedule, and volumes being higher than initially anticipated as a result of shipping service gains in our favour.

A major operational highlight has been a strengthening of our container volume market share. 37% of New Zealand's trade by both value and volume goes through the Port. This is equivalent to 13% of the national GDP.

Ports of Auckland is a vital contributor to the regional and national economy, handling more than \$24.5 billion of New Zealand's international trade, almost twice as much as any other port.

In addition, we provide significant funding for the Auckland region to undertake major public infrastructure improvements, via dividends paid to our shareholder.

All the while, Ports of Auckland continues to build on its important relationships in the community. We further strengthened our ties with Te Papapa and Wiri Central schools

– the two schools we partnered with last year as part of the Committee for Auckland's Ed & Co programme. Both schools recently celebrated Library Week and had volunteers from the Port visit and read to the children.

Our free community tours of the Port by chartered ferry have become an Auckland institution. In the 2009/10 year, these weekly tours gave almost 5000 Aucklanders the chance to see the Port at work from a close but safe vantage point.

We will be holding boat tours of the Port on the historic tug – *William C Daldy* – during the Auckland Heritage Festival that takes place between 18 September and 2 October and bus tours during SeePort in November. I encourage you use this opportunity to get up close to Auckland's Port and view our operations.

On behalf of Ports of Auckland,
Jens Madsen
Managing Director

Heritage Festival

Ports of Auckland is inviting Aucklanders to experience a 'living' part of the city's maritime history through a series of free heritage boat tours during the upcoming Auckland Heritage Festival.

One hour tours will be hosted on board the historic steam tugboat, the *William C Daldy* between 18 September and 2 October.

"We are thrilled that we are able to offer Aucklanders a unique experience in seeing their city's history firsthand from a vessel that was an integral part of that very history," said Managing Director Jens Madsen.

Built in 1935, the *William C Daldy* was one of the Auckland port's first tug boats, and worked welcoming and departing ships on the Waitemata Harbour for more than 40 years.

The trip includes a special stop at the Auckland Harbour Bridge, where the *William C Daldy* proved its might, salvaging a runaway piece of the bridge during its construction in 1958.

CELEBRATE AUCKLAND'S HERITAGE

All aboard! Heritage Tug Boat Tours

Saturday 18 September, Saturday 25 September – 11am, 1pm and 3pm
nearly fully booked! Due to popular demand more tours have been added:
Saturday 2 October – 11am, 1pm and 3pm.
Bookings essential – phone 0800 AK PORT

Take a cruise back in time, touring Auckland's busy port aboard the historic *William C Daldy* steam tug – one of the Ports' first tug boats, dating back to 1935. Tours depart from the northern end of Princes Wharf. Please arrive at least 10 minutes prior to departure. The tour is free; however a gold coin donation to the *William C Daldy* Preservation Society is appreciated.

See www.poal.co.nz for more details



In brief

Port boat tours

Ports of Auckland free community boat tours are a popular and fun way to learn more about your port. The hour long boat tour of the Waitemata harbour takes place at 11 am on Tuesdays.

Run by 360 Discovery, the tours depart from Pier 4 (near the Ferry Terminal) and provide live commentary of the Port operations. You can see the cranes and straddles at work at the Fergusson container terminal, be introduced to our tug boats and get up close to the massive container ships that visit Auckland. If you're lucky, you can also cheer on and watch a bungy jumper jump off the harbour bridge!

For details of the boat tour, visit www.poal.co.nz

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Being a city port is a huge responsibility for the Ports. We welcome feedback from our neighbours. To share your feedback with us, please contact our 24 hour public feedback hotline: +64 9 336 4898 or email info@poal.co.nz

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