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De sluiter van de camera blijft gesloten ... voor altijd.

Dinsdag 26 november 2024 werden we opgeschrikt door het verschrikkelijke bericht dat Rob van der Hoek die ochtend als gevolg van een acute hartstilstand was overleden.

De fascinatie voor sleepboten en offshorevaartuigen bracht Rob en zijn tweelingbroer Frits over de hele wereld, waar in havens en aan de waterkant gefotografeerd werd. Velen van u zullen foto's

aan de waterkant gefotografeerd werd. Velen van u zullen foto's van hen in de verzameling hebben. Rob was een fijn mens, een goede vriend, no-nonsense, recht door zee en stond de laatste jaren dagelijks klaar voor zijn broer Frits die door een ziekte hulp nodig had. Wij wensen zijn broer Frits, zus Jitske en overige familieleden en vrienden veel sterkte bij de verwerking van dit enorme verlies. Rob is slechts 69 jaar oud geworden.

The camera shutter remains closed... forever.

On Tuesday, November 26, 2024, we were shocked by the terrible news that Rob van der Hoek had died that morning as a result of cardiac arrest.

The fascination with tugboats and offshore vessels took Rob and his twin brother Frits all over the world, taking photographs in ports and on the waterfront. Many of you will have photos of them in their collection. Rob was a nice person, a good friend, no-nonsense, straightforward, and in recent years he was helping his brother Frits who needed attention due to an illness. We wish Frits, their sister Jitske and other family members and friends a lot of strength in coping with this enormous loss. Rob was only 69 years old.



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Listed below are new constructions, renamings, sales, demolitions of tugs, anchorhandlers and offshore supply vessels that recently have taken place.

ARGENTINA

Transaction:

Art.Pushertug *Alianza*, ex *Winchman* '78, *Alianza Rosario* '24 (1976 – 7419169) owned by Tirreno Trading Co., operated by UABL SA has been renamed *Rosario Alliance* in 2024.

AUSTRALIA

Newbuilding:

Tug *TSA Brizo* (2024 – 1050363). Yard: Hung Seng Shipbuilding Sdn. Bhd., ynr. 89. 338 GT. Dim. 29,00 x 9,50 x 4,20 mtr. Engines: 2x Yanmar. Output: 3.316 bhp. Speed: 10 kn. Owner and operator: Tug & Barge Services Pty. Ltd., Perth.

BELGIUM

Newbuildings:

Tugs *53* (2025 – 9991410), *54* (2025 – 9991422), *55* (2025 – 9991434), *56* (2025 – 9991446) and *57* (2025 – 1027029). RSD 2513 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam (VNM), ynr's resp. 515033, 515034,



OTHELLO Cyprus

photo: Vincent STPT

515035, 515036 and 515037. 353 GT. Dim. 24,73 x 12,50 x 4,95. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, C32 V 12. Output: 5.168 bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes. Speed: 12,3 kn. Owner and operator:

N.V. Haven van Antwerpen-Brugge. Tug *Volta 1* (2024 – 9985162). RSD-E 2513 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam (VNM), ynr. 514004. 353 GT. Dim.



JUMBO KINETIC with newbuildings Belgium

photo: Peter Andriessen

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SKANDI LOGGER Denmark

24,73 x 12,50 x 4,95 mtr. Engines: electric + 2x Caterpillar, C32 V12. Output: 5.168 Shen bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes, speed: 12,3 Huaw kn. Owner and operator: N.V. Haven van Asian

Antwerpen-Brugge.

BRUNEI

Transaction:

OSV Belait PSV 2, ex Belait PSV 2 '23, Beaufort One '24 (2015 – 9664378) owned and operated by Belait Shipping Sdn. Bhd. has been renamed Beaufort PSV 1 in 2024.

CHINA

Transactions:

OSV *Crown Thalassa* (2015 – 9786267) owned by Crown Taurus Ltd., operated by Huarong Huazhan Tianjin has been sold in 2024 to new owner Sinopacific Engineering & Contracting, operated by Shanghai Sinosailing Int'l Ship and has been renamed *Spec Rina*. After 4 months resold to new owner SG Shipping Corp., operated by ABC Maritime AG, Nyon (CHE) and has been renamed *Ever Hope*.

Tug *Hai Gong 601*, ex *Armada Tuah 301* '21 (2012 – 9568653) owned and operated by Shanghai Sino Shipping Co. Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner Horus Anchor Co. 1 Ltd., operated by Maridive & Oil Services SAE, Alexandria (EGY) and has been renamed *Baraka 50*.

photo: Henk van der Heijden

AHTS *Hua Shun* (1985 – 8407577) owned by Shen Hua Shipping, operated by Shenzhen Huawei Offshore has been sold in 2025 to Asian Marine Co. Ltd., Kaoshiung (TWN) and will be renamed *Salvage Vanguard*.

OSV *Kan Tan 302*, ex *QMS Carmen '20*, *GS Aries '20* (2020 – 9761530) owned and operated by Tianjin Zhihai Shipping Co. Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner NML AM Paradise LLC, operated by Alphard Maritime Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai (IND) and has been renamed *AM Paradise*.

Pushertug Saga Maru No. 137, ex Sashito '14

(1989 – 8823331) owned and operated by Jia Hao Shipping Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator STS Seatoshore Group Pte. Ltd., Singapore (SGP) and has been renamed *STS Tug 27A*.

Tugs Yong Ye 63, ex SK Line 508 '19, Hai Yang Shi You 636 '20 (2019 – 9720809) and Yong Ye 67, ex SK Line 509 '19, Hai Yang Shi You 637 '20 (2019 – 9720811) both owned by Sino Commerce Guangzhou, operated by Guangzhou Poseidon Ship Management have been sold in 2024 to new owner Al Gafai Marine Services Co., operator: Zakher Marine International, Abu Dhabi (ARE) and have been renamed resp. ADNOC A 14 and ADNOC A 15.

Newbuilding:

Tug *Oshone* (2024 – 9764673). Ramparts 3200 design. Yard: Guangdong Yuexin Ocean Engineering, ynr. YX3288T. 472 GT. Dim. 32,00 x 10,00 x 5,50 mtr. Bollardpull: 72 tonnes. No further details available. Owner and operator: Yuexin International Offshore, Hong Kong.

CYPRUS

Transaction:

Tug *Othello* (1966 – 6613433) owned and operated by Ledra Ena Shipping Cy Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator E&Q STS Operations MT Ltd., Limassol and has been renamed *Evros T*.



MAERS MINDER Denmark

photo: Leen van der Meijden







TUGEV Estonia photo: Gena Anfimov

DENMARK

Transactions:

Cable layer *Maersk Connector* (9743813) owned and operated by Maersk Supply Service has been sold in 2024 to DOF Denmark A/S and has been renamed *Skandi Connector*

AHTS vessels Maersk Achiever (2003 – 9245902), Maersk Clipper (2014 – 9659926), Maersk Cutter (2015 – 9649938), Maersk Handler (2002 – 9246724), Maersk Lancer (20101 – 9425849), Maersk Laser (2010 – 9455404), Maersk Launcher (2010 – 9425746), Maersk Leader (2009 – 9425710), Maersk Lifter (2009 – 9425734), Maersk Logger (2009 – 9425722), Maersk Maker (2019 – 9765483), Maersk Mariner (2017 – 9761047), Maersk Master (2017 – 9761035), Maersk Minder (2018 – 9765469), Maersk

Mobiliser (2018 – 9765471), Maersk Mover (2018 – 9761059), Maersk Tender (2009 – 9388651), Maersk Topper (20088 – 9388584), Maersk Trader (2008 – 9388596) and Maersk Traveller (2009 – 9388663) have been sold in 2024 by Maersk Supply Service to new owner and operator DOF Denmark A/S.

OSV's Maersk Forza, ex Rem Forza '19 (2008 – 9393690), Maersk Implementar (2018 –

– 9392690), Maersk Implementer (2018 – 9753947), Maersk Installer (2017 – 9753911), Maersk Inventor (2018 – 9753935), Maersk Involver (2019 – 9753923), Maersk Nexus (2010 – 9424780), Maersk Nomad (2009 – 9424778), Maersk Vega (2006 – 9294082) and Maersk Ventura (2006 – 9294094) have been sold in 2024 by Maersk Supply Service to new owner and operator DOF Denmark A/S. The prefix 'Maersk' in the name will be replaced by 'Skandi'.

The *Maersk Achiever* will be renamed *Skandi Asserter*, because there already is a vessel in the DOF-fleet with the name *Skandi Achiever*.



Transaction:

Tug *Tugev*, ex *Russo-Balt* '93 (1990 – 8832942) owned by BLRT Grupp AS, owned by MPV management Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to undisclosed Russian (Novorossiysk) interest and has been renamed *Bravvy*.

Newbuilding:

Tug *Ajax* (2024 – 9974864). TundRa 2600 ICE design. Yard: Sanmar Denizcilik Makina ve Ticaret. 330 GT. Dim. 25,80 x 11,80 x 5,20 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-E. Bollardpull: 60 tonnes, speed: 12 kn. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Alfons Hakans AS, Tallinn. Launched as *Tundra 2602*.

FINLAND

Transaction:

Tug Isac, ex Smit Marne '07, Smit Oneida '15, SL Oneida '19 (1999 – 9187265) owned and operated by R-Towing Oy has been sold in 2024 to new owner Optivix Sarlu, operated by Rost Maritime LLC, Sharjah (ARE) and has been renamed Regul. (Russian flag).

FRANCE

Transaction:

Pushertug *Resistant* (2005 – ENI 018.40677) owned and operated by Compagnie Fluviale de Transport SA has been sold in 2024 to new owner Hebo Equipment B.V., operator

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ISAC **Finland** photo: Gena Anfimov





RT SPIRIT Gabon

photo: Hans Hoffmann

VKV Service B.V., Rotterdam (NLD) and has been renamed *Adelaar*.

Newbuilding:

Tug *TSM Trez* (2024 – 9985198). ASD 2811 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, ynr. 513227. 299 GT. Dim. 28,57 x 11,43 x 4,60 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-CTA HDD. Output: 5.102 bhp. Bollardpull: 60, speed: 13 kn. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Thomas Services Maritimes, Rouen.

Scrapped:

Tugs Cdt. Van der Kemp I, ex Bag Sacherez '87 (1961) and Cdt. Van der Kemp II (1969) both owned and operated by Chambre de Commerce et d'Industrie de Quimper, Concarneau have been scrapped in 2024 at Brest.

GABON

Transaction:

Tug *RT Spirit* (1999 – 9190054) owned by RT Spirit B.V., operated by Kotug Gabon SA has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Societé de Remorquage Senegal, Dakar (SNG) and has been renamed *VB Rhino*.

GERMANY

Transactions:

Tug VB Ivy, ex Multratug 28 '16, Experience '20, Med Polaris '23 (2015 – 9668037) owned by Damen Workboats B.V., operated by Boluda Deutschland GmbH has been returned in 2024 to Damen Workboats B.V., Gorinchem (NLD) and has been renamed Experience again.



FAIRPLAY-83 Germany

photo: Huib Trommel

Tug *Wulf 8* (2024 – 9944924) owned and operated by Otto Wulf GmbH & Co KG has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Rekaflot Gemi Isletmeciligi Ve Ticaret, Istanbul (TUR) and has been renamed *Mersin*.

Newbuilding:

Tug *Fairplay-83* (2024 – 9883637). ASD 3010-ICE design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam (VNM), ynr. 512621. 297 GT. Dim. 29,84 x 10,43 x 5,00. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-C HD TA/B. Output: 5.150 bhp. Bollardpull: 58,5 tonnes, speed: 13,8 kn. Owner and operator: Fairplay Borchard, Hamburg.

GREECE

Newbuilding:

Tug *SVS 1* (2024 – 9998212). MED-A 2575 design. Yard: Eregli Gemi Insa Sanayi Ve Ticaret, Karadeniz (TUR), ynr. 143. 359 GT. Dim. 25,20 x 12,00 x 5,75 mtr. Bollardpull: 75 tonnes, speed: 12 kn. No further details available. Owner: SVS Maritime, operator: Vernicos Scafi, Piraeus

INDIA

Newbuilding:

Tug *Mogra Star* (2024 – 1040772). Yard: Udupi CSL, Kochin. 499 GT. Dim. 33,00 x 12,20 x 5,52. Engines: 2x Niigata, 6L28HX. Output: 4.997 bhp. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes. Owner and operator: Polestar Maritime Ltd., Mumbai.

Scrapped:

Pushertugs *Hai Tuo*, ex *Guo Yu Hai Bo 1 Hao* '24 (2007 – 1076410) and *Yu Hai Tuo*, ex *Guo Yu Hai Bo 2 Hao* '24 (2007 – 1076422) both owned and operated by Resurgence Ship Management Pvt., Mumbai have been scrapped in October 2024 at Alang.

INDONESIA

Transactions:

Tug Citra 79, ex Pancaran 711 '22 (2012 – 8675605) owned and operated by Sarana Bahari Antarnusa PT has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator GAC Marine SA, Cairo (EGY) and has been renamed NTMA 12. Tug Elisa 2 (2014 – 8774255) owned and operated by Glory Ocean Lines, Jakarta has been renamed Elisa 12 in 2024. Research/survey vessel Garda, ex Omi Maru '11, Cheong Hae '19 (1992 – 9038476) owned and operated by Garda Behari International, Batam has been renamed RV Garda in 2024.

Tug *Limin ASD 56* (2017 – 9757278) owned and operated by Limin Marine & Offshore has been sold in 2024 to new owner Xela Maritime Shipping DMCC, Dubai (ARE) and was resold after 2 months to new owner and



operator Northern Alliance LLC, St. Petersburg (RUS) and has been renamed *Capella*. Tug *Sinar Sejati 5* (2011 – 8781741) owned and operated by Fendy has been renamed *Sinar Surya 5* in 2024.

Tug *Titian 15*, ex *Britoil 15* '14 (1999 – 9219496) owned and operated by undisclosed interest has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Sinar Varuna Sentosa, Pontianak and has been renamed *Sinar Varuna 1*.

Newbuilding:

Tug *Krakatau International Port 01* (2024 – 1052036). Yard: PT Dumas Tanjung Perak Shipyard, ynr. 166. 414 GT. Dim. 30,00 x 11,60 x 5,10 mtr. Engines: 2x IHI Power Systems. Output: 3.244 bhp. Owner and operator: Krakatau Bandar Samudra, Cilegon.

Casualty:

Tug *TB. Bina 208* (MMSI 5257002507) sank on 5 December 2024 at 10:30 local time in the Taboneo area, Kalimantan Selatan, at position 03°43.226′ S - 114°25.305′ E. The suspected cause of the sinking was natural factors, including bad weather and strong currents.

ISRAEL

Transaction:

Tug *Sharona 1* (1997 – 9132595) owned and operated by Israel Electric Corp. Ltd. has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Eilat Port Co. Ltd., Eilat and has been renamed *Papu*.

JAPAN

Transaction:

Tug *lide Maru* (2007 – 9472311) owned by Far East Towing Co. Ltd., operated by Fujushima Kisen KK has been sold in 2024



LIMIN ASD 56 Indonesia

photo: Captain Johan

to new owner and operator Jiangsu Haitian Shipping Co., Qidong (CHN) and has been renamed *lide*.

JORDANIA

Transaction:

Tug *Irbid* (2008 – 9524267) owned and operated by Aqaba Port Authority has been sold ion 2024 to new owner and operator Coremar SA, Constanta (ROM) and has been renamed *Coremar 22*.

KAZHAKSTAN

Transaction:

Tug *Sarbas* (2007 – 9384265) owned and operated by Caspian Offshore has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Work Safety Boat Ltd., Finchingfield (GBR) and has been renamed *WSB Revenge*.

Newbuilding:

Tug *Caspian Lotus* (2024 – 1020320). Shoalbuster 3209 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, ynr. 571864. 337 GT. Dim. 32,27 x 9,10 x 3,30 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-C TTA/HD. Output: 3.500 bhp. Bollardpull: 45 tonnes, speed 11 kn. Owner and operator: Caspian Offshore Construction, Aqtau.

LIBYA

Transaction:

Tugs *Erada 1* (1997 – 9136357) and *Erada 2* (1997 – 8744200) owned and operated by Libya Govt. Libyan Ports Co., Misratah have been renamed resp. *Aliradha 1* and *Aliradha 2* in 2024.

MALAYSIA

Transactions:

AHTS *Coastal Aura* (2018 – 9746762) owned by Coastal International Marine, operated by Coastal Transport Sandakan has been sold in 2024 to new owner Al Gafai Marine Services Co., operator Zakher Marine International, Abu Dhabi (ARE) and has been renamed *ADNOC A11*.

AHT *Epic Waja* (2010 – 9559133) owned and operated by Epic Industri M Sdn. Bhd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Ships & Boats Oil Services, Alexandria (EGY) and has been renamed *Sea Eagle*.

AHTS Sheng Hong 107, ex Lewek Martin '15, Bayu Martin '23 (2007 – 9432725) owned and operated by undisclosed interest has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Zhejiang Shenghong Marine Tech., Zhoushan and has been renamed Kan Tan 215.

Tug Victoria 2, ex Awa Maru '15, Inaba '21 (1992 – 8864593) owned and operated by



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CASPIAN LOTUS Kazhakstan

photo: courtesy Damen Shipyards



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Victoria 2 Ltd., Labuan has been renamed *Victoria 22* in 2024.

MALTA

Newbuilding:

Tug *Med Rigel* (2024 – 1048530). RSD 2513 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam (VNM), ynr. 515045. 353 GT. Dim. 24,73 x 12,53 x 4,97 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar. Output: 6.862 bhp. Bollardpull: 80 tonnes, speed: 12,7 kn. Owner: MedTug SpA., operator: Tug Malta.

MONACO

Transaction:

OSV Nor Goliath, ex OSA Goliath '15 (2009 – 9396933) owned by Goliath Offshore Holdings Pte., operated by V Ships Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator NMDC Energy PJSC, Abu Dhabi (ARE) and has been renamed Shujaa 2000.

THE NETHERLANDS

Transactions:

Tug Berry C, ex Roseberry Cross '24 (1989 -



COASTAL AURA Malaysia

photo: Gerolf Drebes

8812590) owned and operated by Van der Kamp Sales B.V. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator HV 360 Overseas Ltd., Limassol (CYP). The name remains the same. OSV *Braveheart Spirit*, ex *Bourbon Hakan* '10, *Bourbon Gulf Star* '20 (2010 – 9807049) owned and operated by Braveheart Offshore Expl. has been sold in 2024 to new owner Boskalis Offshore

Marine Services, operated by Boskalis Offshore Fleet Management, Papendrecht. The name remains the same. OSV *Deep Helder* (2014 – 9690872) owned by Sea Mar Subsea B.V., operated by Sea Mar Shipping B.V. has been sold in 2024 to new owner Marnavi, operated by Next Geosolutions Europe SpA, Naples (ITA) and

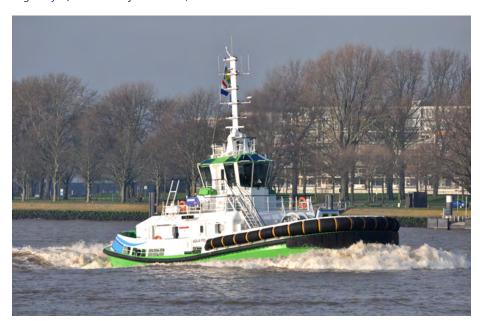
has been renamed NG Surveyor.

Tug *Gouwestroom* (1998 – 8943569) owned and operated by Van Wijngaarden Marine Services B.V. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Aquatic Towage & Marine Ltd., Weymouth (GBR) and has been renamed *Aquatic Warrior*.

Newbuildings:

Tug *Aqua Pollux* (2024 – 9985150). RSD-E 2513 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam (VNM) ynr. 514003. 353 GT. Dim. 24,73 x 13,13 x 4,95 mtr. Engines: all electric. Bollardpull: 70 tonnes. Speed: 12 kn. Owner: Damen Green Towage Charter 1, operator: Damen Trading & Chartering B.V., Gorinchem. Tug *Vigilant* (2024 – ENI 27.40546). Yard: Groeneveldt Marine Construction, H.I. Ambacht. Dim. 19,95 x 8,00 x 2,75 mtr. Engines: 2x Volvo Penta, D13MH. Output: 800 bhp. Owner and operator: Sleepbedrijf Bootsma, Makkum.

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AQUA POLLUX The Netherlands

photo: Frits van der Hoek







VIGILANT The Netherlands

photo: Arie Boer

Other news:

Marine People took a majority stake in towing and pushing company **VKV Service B.V.**, Rotterdam.

VKV Service will not become part of Marine People, but a sister company of HEBO, Bonn & Mees and Lekstroom. VKV Service, fleet of pushers and tugs up to 2.600 hp and reliable operations within the sector, will continue its operations under its own name. Daily management will remain in the hands of the current management and their team.

NORWAY

Transactions:

Research/survey vessel Aas Provider, ex Frigo

'00, Isa Reis '00, Thor Provider '16 (2000 – 8971633) owned and operated by Aas Kystservice AS has been sold in 2024 to new owner Rig Supporter AS, operated by Uksnoy & Co AS, Aalesund and has been renamed Rig Supporter.

OSV Atlantica Provider, ex Rem Fortune '09, Normand Corona '22 (2006 – 9343766) owned by Atlantica Provider AS, operated by Atlantica Shipping AS has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Geoquip Marine Operations AG, St. Gallen (CHE) and has been renamed Geoquip Silvretta.

Tug *BB Supporter*, ex *Stadt Valiant* '12 (2009 – 9432943) owned by BB Supporter AS, operated by Bukser og Berging AS has been

sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Otto Wulf GmbH & Co KG, Cuxhaven and has been renamed *Wulf 10*.

OSV Laird, ex F.D. Invincible '14, Highland Laird '23 (2006 – 9361615) owned by Sea Ship Invest AS, operated by Sea Shipping AS has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Central de Dessarrollos Marinos, Santa Catharina (MEX) and has been renamed Cholula.

Tug *Nautilus Balder*, ex *Bamse '04*, *Bamse Tug '15* (1985 – 8406157) owned and operated by Seaworks Kabel AS has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Tambour Towage A/S, Guldborg (DNK) and has been renamed *Svend*.

AHTS *Normand Titan*, ex *Rem Balder* '10 (2007 – 9371385) owned by Solstad Rederi AS, operated by Solstad Shipping has been sold to new owner and operator Tschudi Ship Management, Tallinn (EST). Name remains the same.

Tug Power, ex DH Bravo '03, Multrasalvor '12, C-Salvor '17, FFS Ares '20 (1994 – 9103752) owned and operated by Sparebank 1 Finans Midt. has been renamed Torani in 2024. AHTS vessels Siem Amethyst (2011 – 9442433), Siem Sapphire (2010 – 9417696) both owned by Sea1 AHTS Pool AS and OSV Siem Spearfish (2014 – 9686280), owned by Sea1 Offshore Reder AS, all operated by Sea1 Offshore AS, Kristiansand have been renamed resp. Sea1 Amethyst, Sea1 Sapphire and Sea1 Spearfish in 2024.

Newbuildings:

CSOV *Norwind Helm* (2024 – 9972660). VARD 4 19 design. Yard: VARD Brattvaag,



ATLANTICA TRADER Norway photo: Rob van der Hoek †





NORWIND HELM Norway

photo: Captain John



ENG HUP GAJAH Singapore

photo: Martin Klingsick

ynr. 952. 5.943 GT. Dim. 85,00 x 19,50 x 7,40 mtr. No further details available. Owner: Norwind Helm AS, operator: Norwind Offshore AS, Aalesund.

CSOV *Olympic Notos* (2024 – 9977799). SX122 Twin X-Stern design. Yard: Ulstein Verft AS. 6.840 GT. Dim. 89,60 x 19,20 mtr. Engines: DE Ulstein Power & Control. No further details available. Owner: Olympic Notos AS, operator: Olympic Shipping AS, Fosnavaag.

Other news:

Borealis Maritime's offshore vessel arm,
Aurora Offshore, has entered into a
shareholding and management contract
with compatriot offshore vessel operator
Siem Offshore. As a result of the deal,
Siem Offshore will become a shareholder
in Aurora Offshore and will transfer the
management of their owned fleet of nine
offshore vessels to Aurora. The nine vessels
will increase Aurora Offshore's overall fleet

size to 28 vessels, consisting of two offshore construction vessels, one multipurpose platform supply vessel, six anchor handling vessels, and 19 platform supply vessels.

PANAMA

Newbuilding:

Tug *VB Kukulkan* (2024 – 9987536). ASD 2312 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam (VNM), ynr. 513630. 263 GT. Dim. 22,80 x 12,00 x 5,60 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3512-C TA. Output: 5.172 bhp. Bollardpull: 68 tonnes, speed: 13,1 kn. Owner: Damen Workboats B.V., operator: Tug Service Panama SA..

PARAGUAY

Newbuilding:

Pusher *Veronica V* (2024 – 1070064). CDS4115 Shallow Draft design. Yard: Concordia Damen (NLD). Dim. 41,00 x 15,50 x 2,00 mtr. Engines: 3x Yanmar. Output: 5.424 bhp. Owner and operator: Girona SA-Rio Sur Transporte y Logistica.

RUSSIA

Transactions:

Tugs Azot (2004 – 9329734) and Tolyattiazot (2004 – 9325879) owned and operated by Tolyattoazot 000 have been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Rosmorflot, Moscow and have been renamed resp. Bodry and Moshchny.

Newbuildings:

Tugs *Khabarovsk* (2024 – 1099412), *Manorsky* (2024 – 1099424) and *Shantary* (2024 – 1099436). Yard: Jiangsu Dajin Heavy Industry Co. Ltd, Xilaiqiao Town (CHN), ynr. resp. DJHC9050, DJHC9051 and DJHC9052. 321 GT. Dim. 30,17 x 10,43 x 4,90 mtr. Output: 5.525 bhp. Owner and operator: Port Elga Coal Terminal.

Rescuetug *Aldan* (2025 – 9986960). Yard: Okskaya Shipyard. 3.048 GT. Dim. 79,85 x 17,36 x 6,70 mtr. No further details available. Owner and operator: Russian Govt. Min.of Transport, Moscow.

SAUDI ARABIA

Transaction:

DSV *Algosabi 42* (19977 – 9169299) owned and operated by Algosabi Diving & Marine, Dammam has been renamed *Crocodile 001* in 2024.

Newbuildings:

AHTS vessels *Rawabi 209* (2024 – 1019321), *Rawabi 213* (2024 – 1017476) and *Rawabi 215* (2024 (1023530). Yard: resp. Xinhui Jianghmen Hangtong Shipbuilding (CHN), Shin Yang Shipyard (MYS) and Jing Jiang Nanyang Shipbuilding (CHN). 2.168 GT. Dim. 64,00 x 16,00 x 6,00 mtr. Engines: 2x Cummins,K50-DM. Bollardpull: 55 tonnes, speed: 13,8 tonnes. Owner and operator: Rawabi Vallianz Offshore Services, Al-Khobar.

SINGAPORE

Transactions:

Tug AOM T1303 (2014 – 9750995) owned and operated by Capitol Aquaria Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Vrinda Offshore Logistics LLP, Visaskhapatnam (IND) and has been renamed Sona VII.

AHTS *Bridgewater 161*, ex *Salvigilant '20* (2007 – 9351842) owned by Bridgewater 161 Pte. Ltd., operated by Kim Heng Marine & Oilfield has been sold in 2024 to new owner Maverick Offshore Ltd., operated by

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Star Matrix Ltd., Hong Kong (CHN) and has been renamed Maverick I.

OSV Enav Agave, ex Crest Aries 1 (2013 -9658147) owned and operated by Enav Asia Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Oceanica Netherlands B.V., Rio de Janeiro (BRA) and has been renamed Oceanicasub XII.

Tug *Eng Hup Gajah* (2013 – 9675418) owned and operated by Eng Hup Shipping Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator MK Marine Holdings, Providenciales Islands (TCA) and has been renamed Mighty K. Tug HK Tug 2, ex Singtel 9 '01, ASL Ranger '07, Kim Hock Tug 2 '20 (1999 – 9210763) owned by Shipping HKL Pte. Ltd., operated by Jin Fu Offshore & Marine has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Chew Machinery & Accessory (MYS) and has been renamed Cross Ocean 101.

OSV Posh Shearwater (2013 – 9618070) owned by Crescent Marine Pte. Ltd., operated by Posh Fleet Services Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to now owner Inter Gulf Marine, Dubai (ARE) and has been renamed IGM Amethyst. Tug PW Lambda (2012 - 9659268) owned and operated by Maritime Foxtrot Pte. Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Chemplast Cuddalore Vinyls Ltd., Chennai (IND) and has been renamed Sanmar Viswamitra.

Newbuildings:

OSV Britoil Defiance (2024 - 9761188). Yard:



PW LAMBDA Singapore

Nantong Tongshun Shipbuilding & Repairing (CHN), ynr. TS140117. 3.437 GT. Dim. 73,00 x 17,20 x 7,50 mtr. Engines: 2x Wärtsilä Oy, W6L32. Output: 8.157 bhp. Owner and operator: Britoil Offshore Services Pte., Ltd. Launched in 2014 as Brine Eagle.

Tug *PSA Pucara* (2024 – 1015272). Z-Tech 6000 design. Yard: Cheoy Lee Shipyards, ynr. 5282. 397 GT. Dim. 30,00 x 12,00 x 5,06 mtr. Engines: 2x Niigata, 6L28HX. Output: 4.436 bhp. Bollardpull: 64,6 tonnes, speed: 12,6 kn. Owner and operator: PSA Marine Ltd.

Tugs RS Nanont (2025 – 9997830) and RS

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Winter (2024 - 9997828). Z-Tech 5000 design. Yard: Cheoy Lee Shipyards. 397 GT. Dim. 27,60 x 12,03 x 5,00 mtr. Engines: 2x Yanmar. Output: 4.160 bhp. Bollardpull: 50 tonnes, speed: 12,5 kn. Owner: TSC Marine Co. Ltd., operator: PSA Marine Pte. Ltd.

SWEDEN Newbuilding:

Tug *Victoria* (2024 – 9923762). ASD 3413 ICE design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam (VNM), ynr. 512802. 570 GT. Dim. 33,42 x 11,90 x 5,65 mtr. Engines: 2x MAN,





AQUA GLACIES Sweden

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20V175D. Output: 10.054 bhp. Owner and operator: Luleå Hamn, Luleå. Built for Damen Trading & Chartering B.V., Gorinchem (NLD) as *Agua Glacies*.

SWITZERLAND Newbuilding:

Pusher *Bøstad* (2024 – ENI 38.02839). Yard: Scheepswerf & Machinefabriek Maasbracht (NLD). Dim. 19,13 x 10,16 x 2,70 mtr. Engines: 2x Mitsubishi, S12A2-MPTAW-3 Stage V. Output: 1.900 bhp. Owner: Ilitrans AG, operator: Versotrans AG, Zug.

TURKEY Newbuildings:

Tug *Eren Enerji IV* (2024 – 1037270). Yard: Sanmar Denizcilik Makina ve Ticaret, ynr. 355. 328 GT. Dim. 24,40 x 12,00 x 3,50 mtr. Output: 3.542 bhp. Owner and operator: Eren Enerji Elektrik Uretim AS, Istanbul. Launched as Bogacay LXXV. Tug ER 144 (2024 - 1026226). MED-A2360 design. Yard: Eregli Shipyard, ynr. 144. 340 GT. Dim. 23,40 x 10,90 x 5,75 mtr. Bollardpull: 65 tonnes, speed: 11,6 kn. Owner and operator: Med Marine Kilavuzluk, Istanbul. Tugs Kurtarma-19 (2024 - 9995129) and Kurtarma-20 (2024 - 9995117). Ramparts 2400 SX MK II design. Yard: Sanmar Denizcilik Makina ve Ticaret, ynr. resp. 349 and 348. 328 GT. Dim. 24,40 x 11,25 x 5,45 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-E. Output: 5.982 bhp.

Bollardpull: 77 tonnes. Owner and operator: Turkey Govt. Kiyi Emniyeti, Istanbul. Launched as resp. *Bogacay LXX* and *Bogacay LXIX*.

Tugs *Silivri* (2024 – 9980588) and *Sultanhani* (2024 – 9980576). TRAktor V3900-DF design. Yard: Uzmar Shipyard. 898 GT.

Dim. 39,00 x 14,50 x 5,80 mtr. Output: 8.157 bhp. Bollardpull: 80 tonnes. Emission Standard: Tier III. Owner and operator: Botas International Ltd., Ankara. First Voith propelled with LNG dual fuel.

Tug Yenicay XII (2021 – 9908968) owned and operated by Sanmar Denizcilik Makina ve

Ticaret has been sold in 2024 to new owner Yesil Ovacik Liman Isletmeleri, operated by Orsa Deniz Nakliyat and has been renamed Medcem III.

UKRAINE

Transaction:

OSV Sea Scan 1, ex Algosabi 26 '13 (1985 – 8417352) owned by Entities Vessels LLC, operated by EV Shipping International, Kiev has been renamed *Buddha 5* in 2024.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

Transactions:

OSV *Aboudi*, ex *Masco IV* '93, *Sharief Express* '93, *Sea Stout* '20 (1985 – 8971839) owned and operated by Al Maruf Marine Services LLC has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Taim Marine International, Panama City (PAN) and has been renamed *MAS*. AHTS *Allianz Zeus* (2014 – 9680839) owned by Zeus Offshore Ltd., operated by Allianz Marine Services LLC, Dubai has been transferred in 2024 to new owner Mag Zeus Holdings LLC, operated by Allianz Marine Services LLC, Doha (QAT) and has been renamed *Mag Zeus*.

Tug Faoz-XI, ex Eliska Theriot '73, Elvira '97, Claudine '12, Claudia '16 (1967 – 7337268) owned and operated by Emirates International Shipping has been renamed Gulfmoon in 2024.



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AHTS *Halul 23* (2003 – 9252618) owned and operated by Iships Maritime LLC has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator SAS Middle East General, Dubai and has been renamed *Mount*.

Tug *Hera*, ex *TSC Shorab* '19 (2009 – 9528809) owned and operated by Mereine DMSS has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Al Jazeera Shipping Co. WLL, Manama (BHR) and has been renamed *Sea Cat*.

Tug Italya-10, ex Surya Wira 15 '19 (2008 – 9488372) owned and operated by Mannino Marine LLC has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Durat Al-Khaleej Al-Arabi, Baghdad (IRQ) and has been renamed Zayed 1. Tug Mooring Star 2, ex Maqtaa '23 (2016 – 9660293) owned and operated by Abu Dhabi Ports Co. has been sold in 2023 to new owner Abu Dhabi Marine Services Safeen, Abu Dhabi and has been renamed Magtaa. Tug *Navimar 7* (2009 – 9560558) owned by SM World Inc., operated by Marine Core & Charter LLC has been transferred in 2024 to new operator MCC Ship Management LLC, Dubai and has been renamed Ocean Halley. Owner remains the same.

Tug *Ocean Century* (2007 – 9435650) owned by Appolo Offshore Inc., operated by Marine Core & Charter LLC, Dubai has been renamed *Sea Century* in 2024.

AHTS Ocean Gale, ex Jaya Supplier '05, Setia Lestari '20 (2005 – 9324253) owned and operated by Advanced Way Marine Services has been sold in 2024 to undisclosed interest and has been renamed Four Ocean. (Comoren flag). OSV Sardinia, ex Keeneland '74, Aquarius '74, Big Orange VI '81, Scorpio del Golfo '21, Sea Breeze '24 (1969 – 7026974) owned and operated by United Oil Trading Fze has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Victoria Shipping Inc., Dubai and has been renamed Carla.

Tug Zahle, ex Modalwan 1860 '04, Al Mashrab '19 (2004 – 9323235) owned by Promar Offshore SAL, operated by Carina Shipping DMSS has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Marine Contracting Inc., Majuro (MHL) and has been renamed *MCC 1*. **Newbuildings:**

Tug *Bu Tinah* (2024 – 9985148). RSD-E 2513 design. Yard: Damen Shipyards, Song Cam (VNM), ynr. 514002. 353 GT. Dim. 34,73 x 12,53 x 4,97 mtr. Engines: full electric. Output: 5.168 bhp, speed: 12 kn. Owner and operator: Abu Dhabi Marine Services SAFEEN, Abu Dhabi. Launched as *Aqua Castor*. Tug *Vortex Vela* (2024 – 9778222). Yard: Guangdong Bonny Fair Heavy Industry, ynr. BF-2254. 474 GT. Dim. 31,00 x 10,99 x 5,60 mtr. Engines: 2x Caterpillar, 3516-C HD. Output: 5.440 bhp. Speed: 12,5 kn. Owner: Vela Offshore Services Ltd., operator: Vortex Maritime Services DMCC, Dubai.

UNITED KINGDOM

Transactions:

Tug *Devout*, ex *PB Peadon* '16 (2009 – 9602136) owned and operated by Thamescraft Dry Docking has been sold in

2024 to Port of Jersey Marine Services, Jersey. Name remains the same.

Tug *Gray Test*, ex *Anglian Man* '01 (1996 – 9136292) owned and operated by Felixarc Marine Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Work Safety Boat Ltd., Finchingfield and has been renamed *WSB Regarder*.

Tug *Liz F* (2012 – 9646560) owned and operated by GSS Plant Ltd. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Neptune Equipment B.V., Aalst (NLD) and has been renamed *Neptun Master*.

Newbuilding:

WSV *Grampian Tweed* (2024 – 9969871). VARD 4 12 design. Yard: VARD, Vung Tau (VNM), ynr. 945. 4.979 GT. Dim. 79,90 x 19,20 x 7,40 mtr. Engines: hybrid battery. No further details available. Owner: Northstar Holdco Ltd., operator: North Star Shipping Aberdeen.

UNITED STATES

Transactions:

Tug Audrey, ex Rosemary McAllister '10, Rosemary '17 (2008 – 9424948) owned by Justine McAllister LLC, operated by McAllister Towing & Transportation Co, New York, NY has been renamed Audrey McAllister in 2024. OSV C-Champion, ex C-Commodore '00 (1998 – 9132284) owned by Offshore Vessels LLC, operated by Galliano Marine Services LLC has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator Beckett Enterprises Ltd., Tortola (BVI) and has been renamed Hoda. Tug *Dr. Hank Kaplan* (2017 – 9816012) owned by Tug Construction LLC, operated by AmNav Maritime Services has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Cook Inlet Tug and Barge Co., Anchorage, AK and has been renamed Knick Wind.



OCEAN CENTURY Emirates

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Tug Kodiak, ex Gold Coast '?, Trident '93, Capt. Russi '14 (1981 – 8987125) owned and operated by Dale Martin has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Precon Marine Inc., Chesapeake, LA and has been renamed *Ida M*.

Tug *M.G. Anthony Wayne*, ex *LT-803* '21 (1994 – 4369014) owned and operated by Precon Marine Inc. has been sold in 2022 to undisclosed interest in Tanzania and has been renamed *Hayward Bowe*.

Tug Roseada, ex Cape Lookout '81, Joan Moran '21 (1975 – 7420405) owned and operated by Dann Ocean Towing has been sold in 2023 to Borinken Marine Group, Cavey (PRI) and has been renamed Don Arturo.

Tug Scott T. Slatten (1995 – 8890322) owned and operated by Bisso Towboat Co. Inc. has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Saltwater Services & Products, Houma, LA and has been renamed Theo C.

Tug Valentine Moran, ex J.A. Belcher Sr. '90, Coastal Jacksonville '96 (1977 – 7729485) owned and operated by Moran Towing Corporation has been sold in 2024 to new owner and operator Port Side Marine and Towing Company, Pensacola, FL and has been renamed Buck Pate.

Tug YTB-711 (Keokuk) (1963 – USCG 1341544) owned by the United States Navy has been sold in 2023 to new owner and operator McAllister Towing and Transportation Co., New York, NY and has been renamed McAllister Brothers.

Newbuilding:

OSV Armada 86-01 (2024 – 9980734). Yard: VARD, Vung Tau, ynr. 953. 2.583 GT. Dim. 86,00 x 16,40 x 5,50 mtr. Engines: 2x Cummins, QSK60-M. Owner: Ocean Infinity Operations Pte. Ltd., operator: Ocean Infinity Group Ltd., Austin, TX.

Scrapped:

Towboat Ilsa C, ex Alice Ingram '90, Jerico Spirit '14, Trig Lind '23 (1950 – 7436806), tug Tarpon, ex Miriam M. Defelice '86, Moriana No. 1 '93 (1974 – 7390923) and tug Penn No. 4, ex Ocean Wave '81, Inca '88, Moriana No. 4 '00 (1973 – 7367134) all owned and operated by Curtin Maritime Corporation, Long Beach, CA have been scrapped in 2024 resp. at Long Beach, CA, Houma, LA and Louisiana, AL.

Other news:

Seacor Marine has ordered two platform supply vessels at China's Fujian Mawei Shipbuilding for delivery in the fourth quarter of 2026 and the first quarter of 2027. In addition, Seacor revealed it is selling



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two of its last anchor handling tug supply vessels *Seacor 88* and *Seacor 888* for a total of \$22.5m, with an exit from owning ships in this segment set for January 2025. The company will have one chartered-in AHTS remaining following the sale.

VANUATU

Transaction:

AHTS *C-Star* (2006 – 9382475) has been sold by undisclosed interest to new owner and operator Jepp Dynamic Contractors Ltd., Port Harcourt (NGA) and has been renamed *Patrick De Legend* in 2023.

VIETNAM

Transaction:

AHTS Hoang Nguyen Ruby, ex Lewek Ruby '15, Hoang Long '20 (2005 – 9343003)

owned and operated by Hoang Nguyen Vung Tau LLC, Vung Tau has been renamed *Truong Thanh 889* in 2024.

Casualty:

Tug *Hong Gai* (1973 – 8925804) owned and operated by Quang Ninh Port, Ha Long City has sunk on 7 September 2024 during typhoon Yaqi in Ha Long Bay.

Corrections:

2023-20

Tug Server (2005 – 9364538) was owned by Marcon Group (SWE) and operated in bareboat charter by Northern Offshore Services (SWE), with an office in Denmark was sold in 2022 to new owner and operator NH Towage AS, Svendborg (DNK) and was renamed NH Server. (thanks to Bent Mikkelsen)

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2024-29 **GREECE**

Tug Nikolas, ex Hendon '96, Karapiperis 12 '14, Ethy VI '15 (1977 - 7342328) which was reported as being scrapped, was seen on 29 November 2024 still in lay-up at Syros.

2024-29 **THAILAND**

Tugs RS Hunter (2024 – 9997804) and RS Skye (2024 - 9997799) both are owned by TSC Marine Co. Ltd., Singapore and operated by PSA Marine Ltd., Singapore. RS Hunter was also reported under Singapore.

In previous editions sales were reported without a new name, now this has become known.

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NORWAY

OSV Skandi Foula (2002 – 9250749) owned by DOF Rederi AS, operated by DOF Management AS has been sold in 2022 to new owner and operator Firda Fighter AS, Byrknesoy and has been renamed Firda Fighter.

2024-29 **UNITED STATES**

The new name of AHTS/Icebreaker Aivig (2012 - 9579016) which has been sold in 2024 to the US Coast Guard, has been renamed Storis.

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