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ALWARDY DAMEN

Voice of MD

Dear All,

I wish you all a Happy and Prosperous 2020. A BIG thanks to all our Customers for their continued support. We are kicking off a new decade which already has taken on a lot of commitments, not at least on the environmental side. I am also sure that the off shore shipping industry will come back on track, even if the new track will be slightly different to the old. However we still need to be patient to see it happens.

Looking back into 2019 for Albwardy Damen we see a bit of a mixed bag. Most exciting is our development on the new building side. In September we had the steel cutting for the Damen Multi Buster 8020, diesel electric, DP2, shallow draft off shore vessel. In December we celebrated the keel laying of our first naval vessel the LST 100. The ceremony was attended by a high ranking delegation from the Nigerian Navy, the future owners of this vessel. Not only being our first navy vessel, but also our biggest ship to date with a length of 100 meters.

During the year our new building division showed an impressive performance with a construction time of only 6½ months for a Damen Stan Tug 2208. In December we delivered the very first SHB 3815 to Damen Hardinxveld. The SHB 3815 is a super shallow draft vessel, 1.2 to 1.8 meters, with a huge aft deck due to the 15 meter beam.

We see progress in our workload in Fujairah both for our diving division and our work shop. The new Albwardy Damen workshop in Dubai Maritime City has been appreciated by our Dubai customers. At the moment we are expanding the specialized services with offers to make sure we cover the new technology and challenges in fx. scrubber repair.

Albwardy Damen Repair in Hamriyah has seen huge variations in work load during 2019. Load variations are normal, but this year they have been slightly bigger than usual, we hope one day to be able to foresee these variations ☺. We see new interesting customers coming to the yard and are very happy to see our existing clients continue coming back.

Albwardy Damen got the Seatrade Maritime Award "Shipyard of the Year 2019", for the second year in a row.

Welcome 2020, may you bring the very best with you for all of us.

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Keel layed for LST 100

A GROUP PHOTOGRAPH OF THE CNS, VICE ADMIRAL IBOK-ETE IBAS, STAFF OF THE ALBWARDY DAMEN SHIPYARDS AND SENIOR NIGERIAN NAVY TO MARK THE KEEL LAYING CEREMONY OF NIGERIA'S LATEST WARSHIP, A LANDING SHIP TANK, IN SHARJAH, UAE (SOURCE REFERENCE: NIGERIAN NAVY)

Albwardy Damen laid the heel for a Landing Ship Transport LST 100, a transport vessel for the Nigerian navy. At 100 meters overall, she will be one of the largest vessels ever built in the UAE and the largest vessel built by Albwardy Damen to date.

The Chief of the Naval Staff, Vice admiral Ibok-Ete Ibas performed the keel laying ceremony for the construction of Nigeria's latest warship, a Landing Ship Transporter in Sharjah UAE. The Ship being constructed by Albwardy Damen Shipyards is expected to be completed in March 2022.

CHIEF OF THE NAVAL STAFF VICE ADMIRAL IBOK-ETE IBAS PRESENTING A SOUVENIR TO THE MANAGING DIRECTOR OF ALBWARDY DAMEN SHIPYARDS, SHARJAH, UAE, AFTER THE KEEL LAYING CEREMONY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF NIGERIA'S LATEST WARSHIP, A LANDING SHIP TANK (SOURCE REFERENCE: NIGERIAN NAVY)

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CNS VICE ADMIRAL IBOK- ETE IBAS ADDRESSING THE KEEL LAYING CEREMONY (SOURCE REFERENCE: NIGERIAN NAVY)

COMMANDER MA KOLO AND A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ALBWARDY DAMEN SHIPYARDS SIGNING THE CERTIFICATE OF THE KEEL LAYING OF NIGERIA'S LATEST WARSHIP (SOURCE REFERENCE: NIGERIAN NAVY)



Tugs built in record time for Jawar Al Khaleej

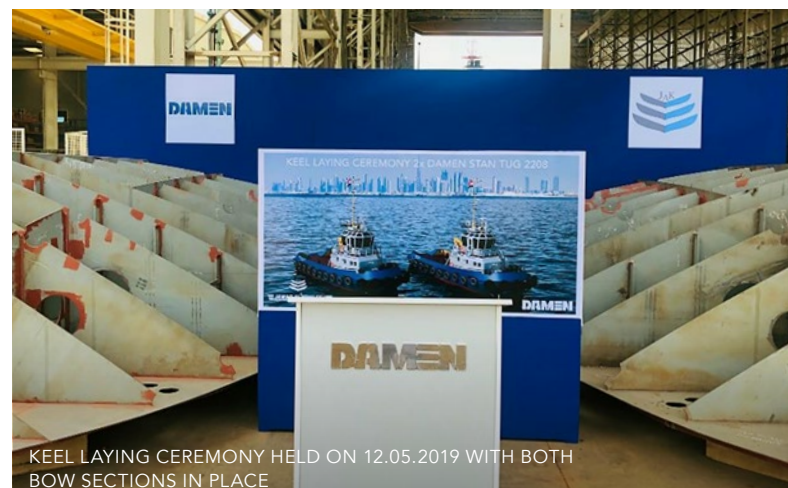
The Damen Middle East sales team inked one of the biggest orders ever with 13 vessels for Jawar Al Khaleej. Part of the order were 3 Stan Tugs 2208, only one was in stock and all 3 had to be delivered in 7 months' time. With planning, engineering, building and outfitting all on one site Albwardy Damen can scale up very fast for projects like this.

Our Newcon department have taken up this challenge, the advantage was that we built two of these vessels almost 4 years ago hence we had the previous vessel drawings available. Earlier we built them in 12 months' time and this time we had to build in 7 months' time.

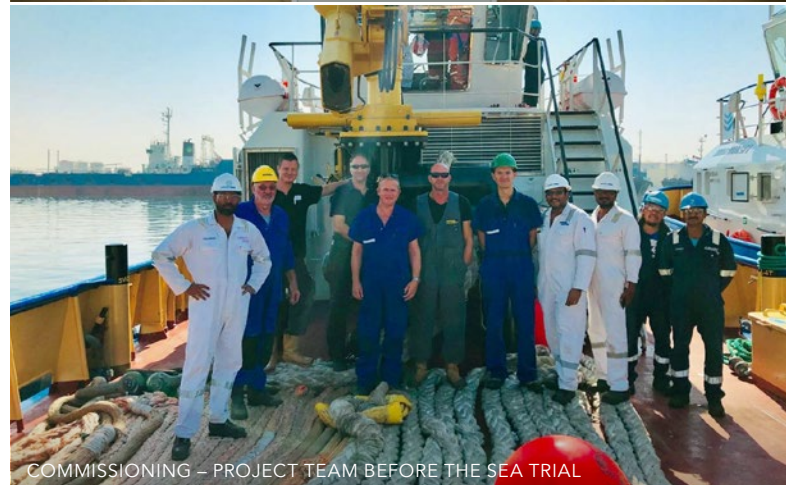
Once again the hard work and flexibility of our production was tested for these projects, we had meticulously planned these vessels construction stage, especially during Ramadan month. This was done flawlessly with a joint effort between production and planning department. Damen Gorinchem has given a great support by arranging major equipment on time. Our engineering had to follow a tight planning to succeed.

It would be possible for building a vessel in short time but our focus to produce a quality product in a safe manner is always our first priority. When it came to testing the performance of these two vessels, we had 26 days for both the vessels commissioning. Commissioning team has done a great job in a challenging situation and successfully completed the sea trials on time.

On 29.10.2019, Albwardy Damen received the approved technical acceptance, clocked in 6 months and 14 days. A core team extracted from all the departments has worked tirelessly to achieve the technical acceptance in this record time. This was made possible by the teamwork including the support from our valuable sub-contractors, suppliers and Bureau Veritas Dubai.



KEEL LAYING CEREMONY HELD ON 12.05.2019 WITH BOTH BOW SECTIONS IN PLACE



COMMISSIONING – PROJECT TEAM BEFORE THE SEA TRIAL
READY FOR DELIVERY



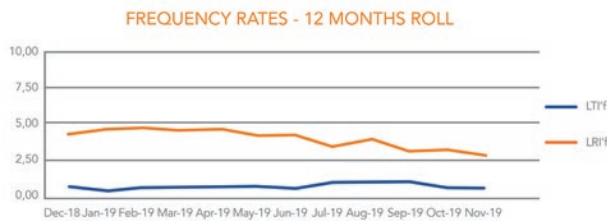
HSE reflection 2019

Reflection 2019 is a brief overview of the HSE performance of Albwardy Damen derived from review of leading and lagging indicators for the year 2019. Aiming at sustainable health, safety and environmental performance, the management had an extensive review of the HSE actions and performance for the year 2018 and drawn 2019 HSE plan aiming at further reduction of Total Recordable Injury (TRI) cases by 20% (TRI'f: 3.45). Target for Lost Time Injury (LTI) is continued to be zero for the current year.

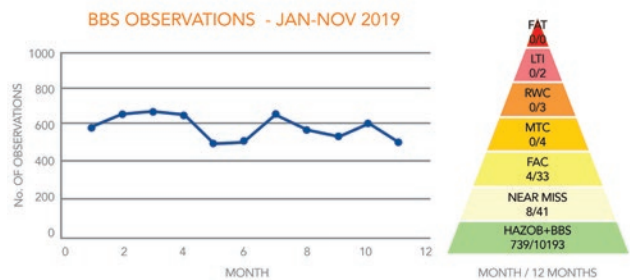
In the year 2019, our business has incurred with six recordable injury cases which resulted in an overall TRI'f = 2.09 with an accumulative man-hours of 3.1 million (on 12 months roll). This shows an overall reduction of TRI by 57% and is considered to be the best performance the company ever had. However, two Lost Time Injuries occurred in the first half of this year has exceeded the target for LTI. Complacency of employees is considered to be one of the behavioral issues we encounter which resulted in injuries. Since our Behavioral Intervention program has geared momentum in the right direction, results are apparent in continually reducing Total Recordable Injury cases.

and Behavioral Interventions (BBS) is believed to be the mainstay of a hazard pyramid while targeting for reduction in number of incidents.

Historically, negative reinforcement is considered to be the predominant management style in correcting unsafe work practices but no organization can sustain with it alone unless positive reinforcement is established for recognizing and appreciating safe practices. BBS is an effective tool working in both directions. We have been running the Behavior Based Safety (BBS) program over the years and found a direct impact between BBS reporting and incident rates. Line of Business Directors have taken great initiatives for the successful implementation of the BBS in Albwardy Damen. We have seen consistent improvement in Behavioral interventions throughout the year in terms of number and quality of reporting.



Trainings and campaigns are one of the effective mediums to engage employees in safety. All identified programs based on last year's review have been rolled out effectively with an active participation of the senior management.



CAMPAIGNS

S. N	Name of campaign	Theme	Duration
1	Clean Shipyard	Team up to clean up	1 month
2	Hand Safety	A safe hand is a winning hand	2 months
3	Summer Safety	Beat the heat	3 months
4	Hazard Identification	Report hazards, prevent accidents	1.5 month

We have a standardized, robust system of reporting of HSE observations and incidents by the line management and HSE team. Correction of 'at risk behaviors' through Hazard Observations (HAZOB)

Audits – internal, customer, legal and third party – are conducted at all our business locations to check the effectiveness of HSEQ Management System at various intervals and found to be adequate with many noteworthy findings. Our HSEQ Management System has been maintained for continued stability, has undergone external audits by LRQA and successfully completed the recertification for ISO 9001:2015, surveillance for ISO 14001:2015 and migration for ISO 45001:2018 standards in June 2019.

Gulf Deffi – Deck repairs

Port Khalid, Sharjah is a preferred choice for Albwardy Damen for major steel renewal, collision damage & pre docking surveys. Its strategic location & excellent support from Port authorities makes it unique for carrying out repair activities.



CHEMICAL TANKER GULF DEFFI

Gulf Deffi, a chemical tanker reported major damage in COT Tank 10P with buckled deck of approximate size 11m x 11m.

Considering the substantial advantages over other UAE Ports, the repair work was planned at Port Khalid Sharjah. To save time, panels and frames were pre-fabricated at our fully equipped facility – Damen Shipyard Sharjah.

Cutting of damaged steel onboard was completed in less than 36 hours, then the pre-fabricated panels were ready to go for fitting onboard.

Welding of new steel plates was carried out using latest technology to reduce the overall project duration.

Close monitoring by our QC expert's ensured flawless work and as usual, vigilant safety team worked tirelessly to safeguard people and environment.

As a nature of Ship repair, often we are required to accommodate last minute jobs, we managed all extra works on *Gulf Deffi* by effectively blending technical competencies together with our decades of experience.

Although the project was challenging vessel departed Port Khalid for loading on the scheduled date.

DAMAGED DECK CROPPED AND NEW DECK PLATE FITTED AND WELDED



Van Oord hopper dredgers

Over the course of the year we had 2 van Oord hopper dredgers in our Sharjah yard. The *Costa Verde* was docked in January and the *HAM 311* in April. Opening the bottom doors on our shiplift takes a different set up than normal but it is very possible and efficient.



HOPPER DREDGER COSTA VERDE

The scope of work on the *Costa Verde* included:

- Docking, gritblasting and repainting of the hull.
- Tailshaft and rudder overhaul.
- Hopper bottom doors real renewal.
- CPP system blade replacement and maintenance to the hydraulics.
- Bow truster overhaul.
- Hopper door seal renewal.
- Maintenance to the dredge head and winches.



HOPPER DREDGER HAM 311

The scope of work on the *HAM 311* included:

- Tailshaft, propeller, rudder overhauls.
- CPP system overhauls.
- Overhaul of bowthruster unit.
- Dredging equipment hydraulic cylinder overhauls.

Proper job scheduling, good Team coordination, superior Customer liaison and solid focus on project requirements saw the projects completed with full Customer satisfaction.

2019 a true team effort

2019 has been another tough year for ship owners and managers and also for shipyards. At Albwardy Damen we are doing our best to deliver safety, quality and efficiency at the right price. Very rightly, our customers are measuring us on these KPI's. We are well aware that "you are only as good as the last project". The repair teams and operational management are therefore a very important part of the sales team.

2019 has seen, like other years, very positive and constructive feedback from our Customers. Some researchers say that it is 6-7 times more expensive to acquire a new customer than it is to keep a current one. With over 70% of our business covered by returning customers, the feedback from our Customers is extremely important to us and counts heavily in our performance improvement objectives.

The highlights of the year were winning the Seatrade Shipyard of the Year Award and our very successful open day.

Winning the Seatrade award for the second year in succession was a huge honor and a big compliment for our services. Our yearly open day saw around a 100 guests at our Sharjah yard for a yard visit, seminars on the Damen Designs and offerings as well an excellent networking opportunity.

It is a big complement to everyone in Albwardy Damen that our customers are very positive about the work that we do for them. We are all going the extra mile day in and day out and it is great to see that noticed by our customers.

In terms of sales, 2019 has been a tough year for the whole marine industry, as owners are still facing low dayrates in most sectors. On the positive side, for the OSV's we see most of the younger and current fleet now occupied and some of the older idle fleet being re-cycled. Day rates are still low and therefore so are the repair budgets. It seems 2020 will be very much a continuation of 2019 for most owners, however with a 2020 oilprice now predicted around 70 USD hopefully we will slowly see some improvement.

We welcome any feedback or contribution to our newsletter, please contact us at sales@albwardydamen.com.

See you in 2020,
Warmest regards on behalf of the Sales team
Willem Moelker



Albwardy Damen open day 2019



Annual Games Tournament

The much expected Albwardy Damen Annual Games Tournament kicked off on Friday December 13 at the Employees' Residential lodge, Ajman Al Jurf.

The ceremonial start, the parade of all participating Teams and the Flag Hoisting were just spectacular. Spectacular in the sense that the Organizers were informed by the Managing Director Mr. Lars Seistrup of his trip to Oman, hence his being not sure if he could attend the Opening.

As a result, the Organizing Committee were varying opinions on which Management Team Member to invite, at such short notice, to represent the MD. Then lo and behold Mr. Lars responded that he would do his best to be back and join. It was a classic example of Managing Director leading from the front. At 2.43 pm on Friday, Mr. Lars confirmed that he would be there at 5 pm for the opening of the games. The entire workers present were really overjoyed to see the MD arrive before time, all the way from Muscat. Indeed this emphasizes our company values. We do what we speak and write. It is such a great show of respect by the MD for the workforce. No doubt there was a thundering applause from all present, in cheering the Managing Director's concerted effort.

In his opening speech, Mr. Lars, reiterated the need for all participants to see the Games as a "family affair", to compete for honours with a clear spirit of sportsmanship. He hopes that the Games will help keep our body fit at all time, and he advised participants that they should avoid injuries and play the Games safely.

Mr. Marius Ghinea – New Building Director did the honours of hoisting the flag and declaring the Games Open amidst a deafening ovation from the spirited employees present at the site. It was a colourful ceremony with teams present adorned in their creative Team jerseys.

MD Mr. Lars and Newbuilding Director Marius, adjudged Albwardy Marine Engineering Dubai Operations Team to be the "Best Well-Dressed Team", followed by the "Greens" from Hull Fabrication.

In the opening matches there was real fun, three basketball matches played with very competitive team spirits. It was hard fought. The winning teams won but with very less points margins.

Variety of games, Volleyball, Soccer, Cricket, Badminton, Table Tennis and Darts will spread over the next thirty days.

The Organizing Committee extends their best wishes to all the Teams for a very joyful Games' Month!



GIGEL IULIAN PATRICHE



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SNR HULL COORDINATOR, NEWBUILDING

It is such a pleasure writing to express my keen interest in becoming part of Albwardy Damen successful team. I am certain I will make a valuable contribution to our organization.

The prospect of continuing working with such a celebrated industry leader is extremely exciting, and, honor to contribute the myriad skills I have gathered and honed throughout my 24 accomplished years of experience in ship building, to our organization.

I have also enjoyed a progressively responsible engineering career with internationally renowned companies such as Nakilat Damen Shipyards Qatar Ltd, Damen, ATG Giurgiu etc. I consider myself an accomplished coordinator, strategist and versatile solution-oriented person, known to thrive in challenging, diverse, fast-paced work environments where my performances directly and positively impact the outcomes of the projects.

I am also ambitious and able to cope with workload and deadlines (Milestones achieved for my project as per planning). I hope to be able to motivate and stimulate my Team to achieve project targets.

MARIUS CIOBANU



MARIUS CIOBANU
PROJECT MANAGER, NEWBUILDING

How nice it is to read in the Company Circular, that there is Annual Games and it was starting these days. A good basketball player that I am, I am sure to be able to re-practise and gel with my Department Squad and provide the best.

The workers started calling me "MARIUS 2", as my Director for Newbuilding is also MARIUS and which already shows a friendly tone in the Yard. I am barely one month in Albwardy Damen, joining as an experienced Marine Engineer and Naval Architect, with an in-depth knowledge of complex shipbuilding, super yacht building, ship design, on-site technical representation, machinery testing and acceptance, commissioning, sea trials and fulfilling all delivery requirements.

My career started in Damen Shipyard Galati 15 years ago and since then I was responsible with projects realization in the global shipbuilding market, transferring later to NDSQ and now in UAE.

I am hopeful of my wife and two daughters enjoying UAE life and I look forward to supporting this prestigious Navy project and to contribute to successful joint venture between Albwardy and Damen.



EPOCAST Training at Pacific Technology

Pacific Technology located at the Dubai Maritime City recently hosted Albwardy Damen Team for two days' training in Epocast preparation, mixing, pouring and curing.

The Technicians, selected from Newbuilding Outfitting got imparted with skills of epoxy resin chock, an engineering product which is

cast-in-place to form permanent chocks for machinery support. It can be specified for chocking hot vibrating machinery, or critical alignment installation.

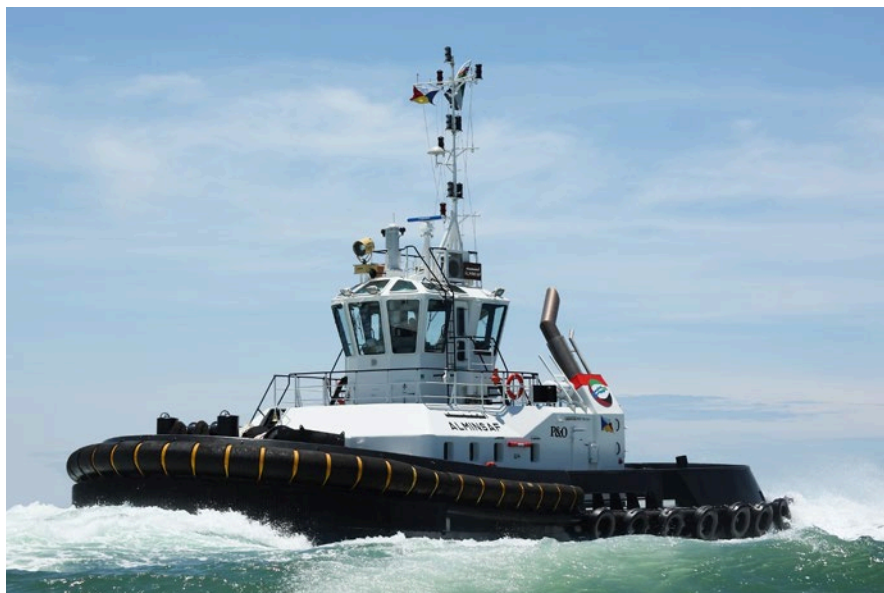
Outfitting Manager Sebastian Dragut affirms that there was the needed availability of the skill in-house, which would give timely service to speed up operations and eliminate delays usually associated with reliance on sub-contractors. This will reduce costs. The skills of these Technicians will be needed for marine main engines of any size, auxiliaries, steering gear, deck machinery and crane rails as well as for generators, compressors, crushers and a wide range of grouting applications.



Life cycle upgrade

Hydraulic clutch design out upgrade onboard 4x Damen ASD 2411 (2005).

As part of our life cycle support services, Damen Services Middle East installed an upgraded version of the hydraulic pump clutch and relating systems supported by a team from Albwardy Damen. Done on location at the vessels homeport, this update eliminates clutch failures and increases the uptime for the vessels by replacing the clutch between the main engine and the hydraulic pump along with an array of updates to both hydraulic and control systems. The old foundations and supports are re-used but needed fabrication on-site to fit the new housing. The project was completed ahead of schedule and on budget and the Damen vessels are now back at work with improved reliability.



DAMEN ASD 2411 ALMINSAF

DAMEN ASD 2411 ASAD



Albwardy Damen wins Shipyard of the Year Award at the 16th Seatrade Maritime Awards Middle East

Albwardy Damen has been presented with the Shipyard of the Year Award at a glittering ceremony that took place on the first evening of the UAE Maritime Week. The event was the 16th Seatrade Maritime Awards Middle East, Indian Subcontinent & Africa, which recognises the personalities and organisations that have had a significant impact on the regional market over the past year.

Lars Seistrup, managing director Albwardy Damen, declared: "It is a huge honour to win this prestigious award for the second year running. On behalf of our 1,200 staff I would like to thank our customers for their trust in our services. The marine industry is changing rapidly, margins are tight and owners are demanding high quality, safe and efficient vessels as standard. As a service provider to the marine industry we constantly strive to maintain a cost-efficient business and understand the needs of our customers. This award affirms the success of our efforts in both our newbuild and repair departments."

Albwardy Damen is a joint venture between Albwardy Investment of Dubai and the Netherlands-headquartered Damen Shipyards Group. With over 40 years presence in the UAE, it is one of the leading shipyards in the Middle East. With UAE operations in Dubai, Fujairah and Sharjah as well as Sohar and Salalah in Oman Albwardy Damen repairs over 400 vessels a year of all sizes from tugs to VLCCs and in 2018 it built eight new vessels for delivery around the world.

In the years since 2014, substantial investments have been made in training its staff and nurturing in-house talent and skills. Lars and his management team take great pride in the extensive in-house capability that they have developed covering the full scope of shipbuilding and repair services. 90% of the work that they do is executed from the UAE and Oman locations using Albwardy Damen's own people and its state-of-the-art equipment

Earlier in 2019, Albwardy Damen invested heavily in 3D scanning and engineering software to carry out ballast water treatment (BWT) retrofits and large pipe renewal schemes on tankers. This has been very successful with two BWT retrofits already completed where 3D scanning, engineering, CNC-controlled piping production and installation were delivered as turnkey projects.

The company takes its environmental responsibilities seriously and is certified for the ISO 14001 management system. It also has an excellent safety record.

LARS SEISTRUP RECEIVES SHIPYARD OF YEAR AWARD





Albwardy Damen signs customer service agreement with Heila Cranes

Albwardy Damen has signed a service agreement with Heila Cranes. Many of the vessels that Damen builds and maintains are fitted with cranes manufactured by the Italian company. The new service agreement between the two companies will enable Albwardy Damen to ensure that the Heila cranes on board its customers' vessels operating in the region are guaranteed top quality, through-life support and customer service.



This premium level of support will be available both for the yard's newbuilds and third-party vessels when they visit the Albwardy Damen facilities for maintenance and repair.

The recent launch of Heila Cranes Middle East in Dubai will also contribute to the enhanced service provision. There, alongside an office and support centre, there will also be based an experienced electrical & automation crane specialist permanently on call, providing immediate support across the region.

"Heila provides a high level of service and is a solid company with a good reputation in the maritime and offshore markets," commented Marcel van de Kreke, operations director at Albwardy Damen Sharjah. "The agreement covers overhauls, maintenance, repairs, inspections, technical reporting, advice and the supply of spare parts. This agreement will enable us to give our customers with Heila equipment the best possible service with a long-term perspective."

Heila Cranes supplies standard and custom-built marine and offshore cranes with a capacity of up to 4,500 tonne metres. These can be operated hydraulically, electronically or by remote control. They can be found on a wide variety of vessels and installations, ranging from dredgers, naval ships and anchor handling tug supply (AHTS) vessels to drilling and production platforms, and floating production, storage and offloading (FPSO) vessels.



Anchor and chain search and recoveries in December

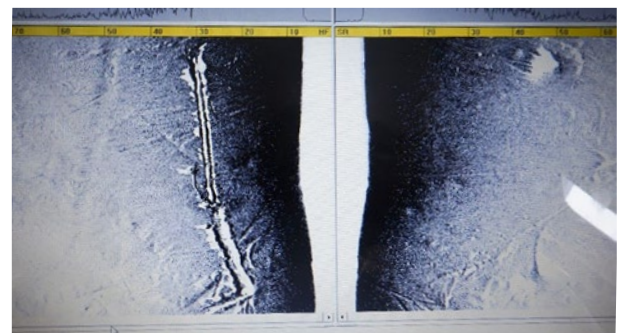
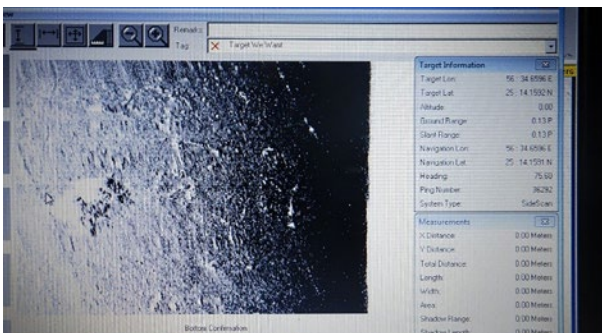
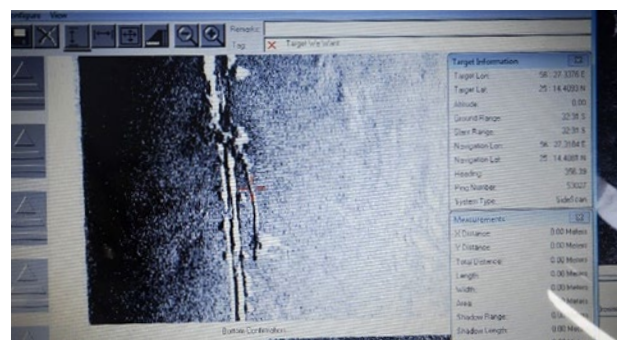
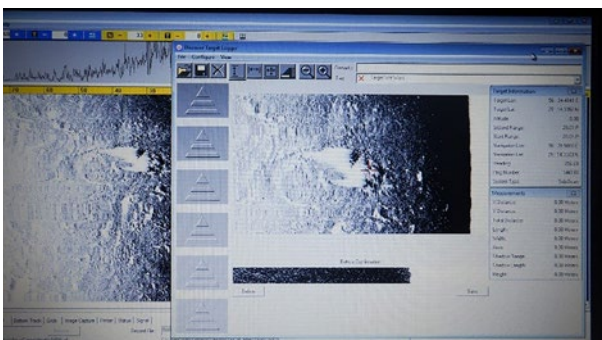
On the 2nd of December 2019 diving team received a report that one of the vessel at Fujairah B anchorage lost her starboard anchor. Our dive technician conducted full SONAR survey immediately the next day and performed complete test on the system to ensure its integrity during the entire operation in order to avoid any delays.

On the 4th of December the team proceeded on the area aboard our dive-survey boat based on the given coordinates where the search operation will take place. After a risk assessment and confirmation that the area was considered clear from any obstruction the search operation began. With 325 meters of cable laying in a water depth of 133 meters the team found the lost starboard anchor and chain 205 meters North-west from the given position.

The next day, on the 5th of December the diving recovery team recovered the anchor. In one planned track the anchor and chain was fully recovered and immediately delivered to client vessel the same day.

The second anchor for a different vessel was recovered on the next day December 6. The team searched the area based on the given coordinates from the vessel with a water depth of 64.4 meters and the lost port anchor and chain was found 140 meters south- south east from the given position.

On the 10th of December the second anchor was completely recovered from the sea bed and safely delivered directly to vessel.





Windlass repairs at Khorfakkan anchorage

The deep anchorages of Fujairah and Khorfakkan are very testing for ships anchorwinches and our Fujairah workshop has a huge experience in fixing them big or small. Last October we received a call about Windlass repairs at Khorfakkan anchorage.

The Aframax tanker vessel *Aventine* was anchored at Khorfakkan anchorage. Upon cargo loading order confirmation, vessel tried to heave up the port anchor but could not succeed. It was very difficult situation for vessel owners. Vessel decided to cut and drop the anchor and chain and then to connect back during her next arrival.

To ensure the readiness of other side (stbd side) of windlass

operation, vessel crew checked and found it unsuitable as well. In this scenario, vessel had to cancel the cargo loading order and decided to go for repairs of both windlasses.

Vessel owners contacted Albwardy Damen to check the possibility of repairs at anchorage. We immediately mobilized our team with tools, equipment and lifting frames. We first attended Stbd side windlass. Completely dismantled, brought all damaged parts (including shaft) to our workshop. Onshore repairs carried out in parallel at Fujairah and Dubai workshops.

After completion of onshore repairs, all items and team sent

back onboard and assembled Stbd windlass. Trials carried out and found satisfactory. After satisfactory completion, commenced Port side windlass repairs. All the defective parts then brought onshore and carried out necessary repairs.

On completion of onshore repairs, team with all repaired parts sent back onboard and assembled back. Anchor chain lifted up and then several trials carried out and found up to the mark. Soon after successful trials, vessel left anchorage and headed for loading port.

Client was very happy the way repairs were performed.



DAMEN PROJECT MANAGER MR. DILEESH, BLESSING THE DAMEN ASD TUG 2813



HANDOVER CEREMONY JAWAR AL KHALEEJ



JAWAR AL KHALEEJ, GCPI, ALBWARDY DAMEN AND DAMEN TEAM

Handover ceremony for thirteen Damen tugs

Cutting-edge Damen tugs will serve partnership between Jawar Al Khaleej Shipping and General Company for Ports of Iraq

On 20th October, a handover ceremony was held at Albwardy Damen, in Sharjah, UAE, marking Damen’s delivery of thirteen tugs to Jawar Al Khaleej Shipping. The tugs will be operated at various offshore terminals in Iraq, in a joint cooperation between Jawar Al Khaleej Shipping and General Company for Ports of Iraq (GCPI). The contract for the order was signed end of March 2019. Damen has delivered all the vessels within a seven month period.

Damen was able to deliver the thirteen vessels quickly, modified to the requirements of its client, thanks to its philosophy of standardised shipbuilding, which ensures the fast delivery of proven vessels. The thirteen vessel order consisted of four ASD Tugs 2813, two ASD Tugs 3212, three RSD Tugs 2513 – all state-of-the-art vessels from Damen’s Next Generation Tugs series – three Stan Tugs 2208 and a Shoalbuster 2609. The ASD tugs are fully equipped, including FiFi 1 and an escort towing notation. Furthermore, the contract includes spare part packages, training, a computerised planned maintenance system and a remote monitoring system on board of all tugs.

During the ceremony seven of the thirteen tugs were lined up at the Albwardy Damen facility in Sharjah,

UAE, three tugs are already in operation and the remaining three boats are currently on voyage from the yard to the client. Albwardy Damen has played a crucial role in outfitting the tugs as per the client’s requirements and providing training to all crew prior to delivery.

The vessel order will serve to fulfil a 20 year contract between Jawar Al Khaleej Shipping and GCPI. The contract gives Jawar Al Khaleej Shipping responsibility for marine service at the oil terminals. With this agreement, the two parties will secure Iraq’s ability to handle the constant flow of tankers entering and leaving the country.

Jawar Al Khaleej has been successfully providing marine services in Iraq for the last ten years, and has a modern fleet of a Damen Stan Tugs, three Damen ASD Tugs 3213 and a Fast Crew Supplier 5009. The existing Damen fleet has proven to be extremely reliable, which is essential considering the remote offshore location and harsh environmental conditions in which the vessels must operate. A reliable fleet is vital for providing safe and uninterrupted operations at the offshore oil terminals.

Jawar Al Khaleej chairman Eng. Baydaq Al Jazaeri, speaking during

his speech at the handover ceremony, said, “This Mission was not an easy one, it was a great challenge. However, we had a big confidence in our partner in business, Damen, who met and exceeded our expectations in making it happen despite all challenges. I would like to thank all the Damen team and a special thanks to Mr Bram Langeveld area director Middle East and Mr Pascal Slingerland Damen sales director Middle East for their continuous support and follow-up. Jawar is grateful to GCPI for their confidence in us for such a big contract, which is related to the economy of a big country such as Iraq.”

Pascal Slingerland added, “It has been an honour to extend our long lasting relationship with Jawar Al Khaleej Shipping and to support Jawar in this prestigious contract with GCPI. On behalf of Damen I congratulate both parties on their cooperation and on the delivery of their new tugs. This delivery includes some of the most state-of-the-art tug technology on the market, including cutting edge innovations in safety, design and remote monitoring. We have every confidence that these thoroughly fit for purpose tugs will meet the offshore terminal requirements and enables save and reliable operation.

Damen delivers two new vessels to RAK Ports

Damen Shipyards Group has delivered two vessels to RAK Ports in the United Arab Emirates (UAE). The deliveries took place on 5th December at the Ras Al Khaimah Cruise Terminal. The vessels in question were a Damen Multi Cat 1908 and a Stan Tug 1907.



DAMEN STAN TUG 1907 HAWK



DAMEN MULTI CAT 1908 HOBBY

The Multi Cat is named *Hobby*. The lady sponsor for the naming ceremony was Danielle Brand, daughter of Cliff Brand, CEO of RAK Ports.

The Multi Cat's first role is positioning more than fifty pontoons for a firework display at New Year. Two world records will be attempted during this high-profile event at Marjan Island in Ras al Khaimah. Following this, *Hobby* will be used for general port assistance and maintenance duties, as well as maintaining navigation buoys.

The Stan Tug was named *Hawk*, with Gillian Robertson as lady sponsor, wife of RAK Ports' Harbour Master Captain Mike Magee. The *Hawk* will join the conventional fleet at Saqr Port and will service the large volume of barges currently active at Stevin Rock Harbour.

The *Hawk* and *Hobby* will join eight other Damen Stan Tugs and Damen ASD Tugs in the RAK Ports fleet – ranging from 9 to 80+ tons bollard pull. This includes

a 1976-delivered Stan Tug 7 – still going strong 43 years on.

Pascal Slingerland, Damen Regional Director Middle East, commented that he is delighted with the continued and fruitful relationship with RAK Ports. The Damen Stan Tugs and Multi Cat series are well proven workhorses, the 43 years old Stan Tug 7 of RAK Ports is a great example.

Capt Magee, Group Harbour Master RAK Ports, commented that the *Hawk* and *Hobby* are two great vessels and they will go straight to work. He thanked Damen for their flexibility and efforts to modify and deliver these two high quality vessels as quickly as they did.

Both of the new vessels were available from stock for fast delivery. The standard vessels were moved from Damen Shipyards Gorinchem in the Netherlands to Alwardy Damen in the UAE, where they were tailored to the client's requirements.

RAK PORTS AND ALBWARDY DAMEN TEAM ON BOARD OF MULTI CAT 1908 HOBBY





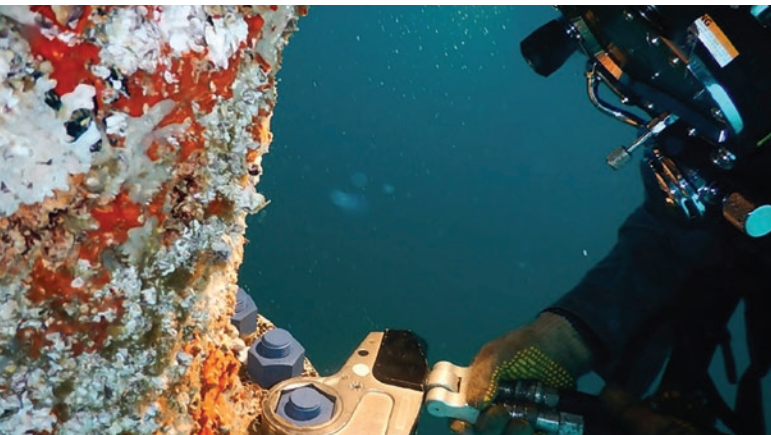
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