

## Allied Shipbuilders Ltd.

Allied Shipbuilders Ltd. is in the midst of a major refit of the 305-foot (93-metre) truck ferry **Seaspan Doris**. They are replacing the steel main deck fore and aft (the midship section was replaced earlier). The four Cat 3508 diesels have been removed and taken to Finning for a full overhaul and rebuild and will be reinstalled. A new Duetz diesel generator is also being installed. The ferry is scheduled to move to Vancouver Drydock in June for underwater work.

The Coast Guard's **Vector** was in for a refit including installation of a sophisticated sounder for hydrographic work, a precision job that involves replacing an older unit installed a decade ago. The tug **Seaspan King** had her Lloyd's special survey and routine maintenance, and **Island Tugger** was in for a refit including the keel cooling and **Captain Cook** for the four-year survey.

## Dollarton Shipyard

At the Dollarton Yard, the tug **Squamish Rebel** was getting re-engined with Detroit MTU Series 60 diesels and the **Hecate Prince** was in.

## Arrow Marine Services

Arrow Marine Services built two 160-foot (48.77-metre) by 20-foot (6.1-metre) steel floats complete with a sophisticated ballast system for Fisheries and Oceans Canada which are being installed at Okeover near Lund. The tug **B B Larson** was in for a major refit including re-engining, the **West Rascal** for a refit including new cabin, and the **Jessie Hodder** for new fendering. The tuna boat **Jo-Marc** for inspection, the **F/V Ocean Rebel** for a bulbous bow and steel work. Also in for maintenance were the **Pacific Coaster**, yacht **Midnight Sun** and **F/V Viking Star**.

## Point Hope Maritime Limited

Point Hope Maritime wrapped up an almost two-month long refit of the Coast Guard's **Gordon Reid** in mid-March. Other work included K-Sea tug **Tiger** in for ABS inspection and shaft work. The fishing vessel **Island Sun** was in for Transport Canada inspection and the tug **Arctic Hooper** was due in for surveys and some shaft and rudder work. The tug **Haida Chieftain** had work on a shaft seal plus some

steel work and pipe work. The **A.G. Ford** is due in April and the yard remains busy with some barges.

## Sylte Shipyard Ltd.

Sylte Shipyard Ltd. in Maple Ridge is preparing to launch Catherwood Towing's new 53-foot (16.15-metre) tug in early April and hopes to deliver the vessel about the end of the month.

## Vancouver Drydock Company

Vancouver Drydock is very busy and tightly booked with the company doing creative things with double drydockings. Recent drydockings include the barges **ITB Vancouver** and **ITB 38**. The Coast Guard's **Sir Wilfred Laurier** was due in late March into April. Also due in April are the ferry **Queen of Burnaby** and dredge **Fraser Titan**. Others scheduled for April and May include the US dredge **Terrapin Island**, ferry **Seaspan Doris** and barge **Gold River**.


The 667-foot (203.3-metre) US fish factory vessel **Ocean Phoenix** is due in late April and marks the return of a former regular caller. The ship was built in 1964 as American Mail Line's **Oregon Mail**, was stretched and converted to a container ship in 1973, and in 1975 was renamed **President Kennedy** when APL consolidated operations with its American Mail Line subsidiary. It was converted into its current role in 1990.

## Vancouver Shipyards Co. Ltd.

Vancouver Shipyards planned to join the two "grand blocks" of the new tank barge **PB 34** in March and had the launch scheduled for April 6. On the repair side, the yard had the yacht **Owaissa** for bottom repairs and the tug **Seaspan Falcon** in for a major refit. The Seabus ferry **Burrard Otter** was due for a quick weekend drydocking in March and two Gemini Marine Services barges were booked for March and April as was Northland Services' US ramp barge **Sam Taalak**. The yard is also working on a steady flow of Seaspan barges.

## Victoria Shipyards Co. Ltd.

Victoria Shipyards has the third Seabus under construction for delivery in the summer and continues to ramp up for its long-term frigate and submarine contracts with the frigate **HMCS Ottawa** due in June.

On the commercial side, the yard has three large cruise ships, the **Golden Princess**, **Amsterdam** and **Millennium** to keep the graving dock fully occupied between April 15 and May 23. The company also had March drydockings of the ferry **Queen of Chilliwack** and barge **Warrior**. 



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