

DEEP SEA DANNY HITS THE MILLION MARK

Quality Freight (UK)'s Deep Sea Chartering Division has chartered more than one million tonnes since it was launched towards the end of last year.

Danny Condon - or "Deep Sea Danny" as he is known to his colleagues - has been the driving force behind the success.

Danny regularly charters Handymax and Panamax vessels up to 75,000 tonnes all over the world, including South Africa, South America and the Far East.



Bag in the box offers exciting opportunity for food industry



It's in the bag. The BLS 'bag in a box' container is proving popular with the food industry.

Quality Freight Group company Bulk Logistic Solutions has launched a specialist "bag in the box" service.

BLS offers specially designed 20ft bulk containers with a special inner liner and a personnel door for easy access cleaning.

It is the only food dedicated "bag in the box" operator in Europe and clients already include Tate & Lyle and Eurosugar.

BLS Director Paul Lightfoot said: "We are unique in the industry. Food dedicated and with specially designed 20ft bulk containers we offer something new and exciting."



QUALITY FREIGHT... providing logistics solutions for 20 years

Quality Freight (UK) is part of the Quality Freight Group of Companies.

For almost two decades, the organisation has been providing the full range of logistics solutions.

UK head office is in Ellesmere Port, Cheshire, while Group HQ is in Dublin.

Other offices can be found in Belfast, Hull and Rotterdam.

Our teams of dedicated professionals are quality assured including ISO 9002 Accreditation, all relevant liability insurances and membership of the Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers.

Whether by sea, land or air, the Quality Freight Group can provide the complete logistics service for your business in today's demanding and time-sensitive world.



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QUALITY FREIGHT: EXPANDING ON ALL FRONTS

Quality Freight (UK) continues to go from strength to strength with a number of exciting developments.

The company's new 150ft Liebherr mobile harbour crane has proven a huge success already, seeing a 25 per cent increase in productivity and the opportunity to handle different types of cargo.

Among them are high volume materials for the construction industry and large quantities of coal.

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Sebastian Gardiner, MD Quality Freight (UK)



Managing Director Sebastian Gardiner said: “In just a few months, the Liebherr crane is really starting to pay dividends. Productivity is up significantly and we are able to turn ships around much quicker.

“By making ourselves more efficient we are making Ellesmere Port Docks more attractive. With rising freight and fuel costs, it is vital that companies such as ours are as competitive as possible.”

Other major developments for Quality Freight include:

- the expansion of the agency side of the business;
- the growth in freight forwarding work;
- the continued development of the firm's Deep Sea Chartering Division
- the launch of the BLS “Bag in the Box” division in Hull

Sebastian added: “We have some of the best and most experienced people in the logistics industry and more than ever we can meet all of our customers' requirements.

“More than ever, our clients are looking to us not just for expertise, but also for efficiency, flexibility and a comprehensive service.”

Quality Freight joins industry's big-hitters at Denmark conference



Quality Freight (UK) MD Sebastian Gardiner and Trevor Dumbleton, Group MD for Quality Freight Ireland are attending a top level conference in Denmark in August.

The pair are taking part in the inaugural Project Professionals Group (PPG) event in Aarhus, where they will contribute to discussions on the key issues affecting the project cargo industry.

The Quality Freight team are among more than 100 participants taking part in the conference, held in association with a number of leading names including Siemens, US-based Transgroup Worldwide Logistics and the Aarhus Port Authority.

Kevin Stephens, PPG's General Manager, said: “Political and economic decisions around the world reverberate through the global logistics market, but as a group we are well placed to overcome these challenges.”

Among issues to be discussed are rising costs, limited capacity and bottlenecks at key transport hubs.

Sebastian Gardiner said: “We are keen to develop our UK and Ireland expertise further afield and see this conference as an excellent opportunity to promote the Group's full range of logistics skills.”

Rod takes the agency helm



Agency manager Rod Kloezeman with colleagues Andy Haigh and Louise Anderson

Quality Freight (UK)'s agency division has been extremely busy in recent months and is set to grow further.

To cope with demand, the company has appointed Rod Kloezeman Agency Manager on top of his existing boatman operations.

Rod and his colleagues, Louise Anderson and Andy Haigh, are responsible for

more than 400 agencies a year, looking after the ships and crew when they are in port, not just in Ellesmere Port but also at Runcorn Docks and elsewhere.

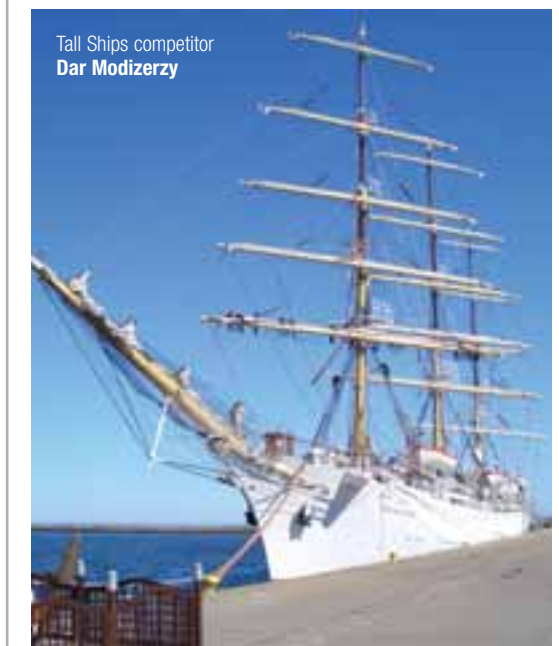
Rod said: “We have a huge amount of experience in the team which is critical as customers demand a high level of professionalism. Our work includes handling the big oil tankers for Shell.”

QUALITY FREIGHT ACTS AS TALL SHIPS AGENT

Rod and his team were busier than usual in July. Apart from their usual workload, they also had the prestigious job of acting as agent for the biggest ship taking part in this year's Tall Ships Race.

The Race starts in Liverpool and sees one of the largest gatherings of Tall Ships anywhere in Europe - this year more than 70 sailing vessels filled the quaysides and docks of Liverpool.

Quality Freight was responsible for looking after the Polish vessel Dar Modizerzy during its stay on Merseyside.



Tall Ships competitor Dar Modizerzy



Mike Wiggins with freight forwarding colleague Cheryl Nimmin

Freight forwarding expansion unveiled

Mike Wiggins has been appointed Quality Freight (UK)'s Freight Forwarding Manager to help expand the company's work in this area.

Mike, who has worked for many years as a freight forwarding specialist, aims to provide a comprehensive range of services.

Mike, who is assisted by Cheryl Nimmin, said: “We want to offer dynamic, proactive solutions to our customers, finding the most cost efficient and effective means of transporting goods across the globe.

“We have a very strong international network of contacts which means we can meet even the most complex of customer requirements by ocean, air or road.”

Mike has just returned from the Sino-International Freight Forwarders Conference in Hong Kong.