



September 2016

About ICHCA – International Cargo Handling Coordination Association

The International Cargo Handling Coordination Association (ICHCA) is an international, independent, not-for-profit organisation dedicated to improving the safety, security, sustainability, productivity and efficiency of cargo handling and goods movement by all modes and through all phases of national and international supply chains. ICHCA International’s privileged non-government organisation (NGO) status enables it to represent its members, and the cargo handling industry at large, in front of national and international agencies and regulatory bodies. Its Expert Panel provides best practice advice and publications on a wide range of practical cargo handling issues.

ICHCA Australia Ltd is proud to be part of the ICHCA International Ltd global network. To access past newsletters and other useful information go to the ICHCA Australia website at www.ichca-australia.com . We also have an ICHCA international website at www.ichca.com

To join ICHCA please contact Peter van Duyn, Company Secretary of ICHCA Australia Ltd on peter.van-duyn@vu.edu.au or telephone 0419 370 332.

Inside This Issue

Vale: John Strang A.O. 20/7/1940 - 29/9/2016 1

Industry Loses Committed Professional: Hart Krtschil 3

Changes at ICHCA Australia: Ian Lovell Retires as Secretary 3

LEEA and ICHCA Publish Paper on the Safe Use of Container Lifting Lugs 4

Australian Shipbuilding and Repair Group: Dockmaster Course 6

Queensland Targets Biofutures Industry and Investors 7

Appointment of Ian Macfarlane to QRC 8

Port of Townsville Posts Solid Result for 2015/16 8

Risk Management Seminar 9

ICHCA Contacts 10

Vale: John Strang A.O. 20/7/1940 - 29/9/2016

ICHCA and the International Community Lose a True Leader

It is with the deepest sadness that ICHCA Australia acknowledges the passing of John Francis Roderick Strang A.O.

ICHCA honours and celebrates the life of John Strang, who died peacefully at home on 29 September after a long illness. He lived a life of purpose, of achievement and most importantly a life filled with great love - a deep love for family, friends, colleagues and for life itself.

John was a humble man and for him actions spoke far louder than words. He was an amazing Father, Husband, Grandfather, Friend, Mentor, Visionary, Entrepreneur, Chairman and Industry Leader. But most of all he was a wonderful human being.

John's wishes were to have a private family service. There is a web page where condolences can be posted <https://john-strang.skymorials.com/>

Mr Strang was an ICHCA identity, Chairman and owner of the Strang-Tradex Group and was honoured for his service to the industry and community this year with an Officer of the Order of Australia in the 2016 Queen's Birthday Honours List. He was one of the most influential figures in the history of ICHCA and was Chairman of both ICHCA International and ICHCA Australia.

This publication reported some months ago that on his resignation from the ICHCA Australia Board, the current Board of Directors expressed their sincere appreciation for the tireless efforts Mr Strang has devoted to ICHCA over several decades.

ICHCA Australia Chairman, John Warda, said John Strang's influence and leadership within ICHCA, and in the cargo industry generally, spanned the globe and that he was an admired and respected industry leader globally.

"Mr Strang was a wonderful human being who brought something and more often much to everyone he met and he won't be forgotten. His legacy will live on, most importantly in how to conduct our lives and respect others with warmth, generosity and good humour."

Mr Strang led a life of distinguished service to the transport and logistics sector through executive roles in progressing industry development and to professional business organisations.

These included:

- Chairman and Owner, Strang-Tradex Group Pty Ltd, since 1958.
- Chairman, Strang Patrick Stevedoring, 1989-1993.
- Chairman, Port of Portland, Victoria, 1993-1995.
- Chairman, International Cargo Handling and Coordination Association, Australia, 2005-2008; Director, since 2005.
- Chairman, International Cargo Handling and Coordination Association, International, 2008-2012; International Ambassador.
- President, Australia-Russia Business Council, 1991-2006.
- President, Australia-New Zealand Business Council, 1990-1995; Member, 1985-2002.
- Director, Pacific Basin Economic Council, Hong Kong, 1991-1998.
- Member, Victorian Ports Task Force, 1992-1993.
- Deputy President, Victorian Employers' Chamber of Commerce and Industry (formerly Victorian Employers Federation), 2003 and Board Member, 2001-2003 and Executive Council Member, 1996-2003.
- Fellow, Australian Institute of Company Directors, since 1988.
- Member, Federal Advisory Board, Navy League of Australia, since 1999; Member, NSW Executive Committee.

- Distinguished Member, Seven Seas Club of Australia.
- Supporter, Harlequins Rugby Club, Melbourne, since 1988 and Member, Shep 55 Coterie.
- Founding Director, Global Foundation, 1998-2013.



STRANG ENGINEERED LOGISTICS
 is the tailoring of purpose-built logistic solutions which deliver the most effective, efficient and sustainable outcomes for our clients. Our engineered approach is built on STRANG's 90 years of experience, expertise, dedication and innovation.

Visit us at www.stxgroup.com.au
 or call +61296691099



Industry Loses Committed Professional: Hart Krtschil

The industry has lost another great stalwart in Hart Krtschil, who has passed away after a lengthy battle with cancer. Hart was brave and pragmatic throughout his suffering but remarkably was even able to retain his sense of humour.

Those of you who worked with Hart over the years on various industry committees dealing with Quarantine (now Biosecurity) Border clearance, related matters and Sydney Sea Cargo Facilitation Committees, would remember his vast knowledge and expertise, but also his dry wit and great sense of humour.

Hart cared deeply about protecting Australia in his work with the government quarantine services and his desire for improved efficiency and fairness in the process.

Changes at ICHCA Australia: Ian Lovell Retires as Secretary

Well known cargo and transport industry figure and the long-time Secretary of ICHCA Australia, Ian Lovell, has retired from the position. Ian Lovell has been a highly effective advocate for the organisation for many years and it was with sincere regret but appreciation that the Board of Directors accepted the resignation.

Ian has been replaced by the ICHCA Australia Board Deputy Chairman, Peter Van Duyn, also well known within the industry and with vast experience in the sector.

ICHCA Australia Chairman, John Warda, said the organisation had been professionally and enthusiastically served by Ian during a period which has been challenging for industry associations. "It was a tough decision for Ian to find the right time to move on from ICHCA and enjoy retirement fully. On the behalf of the ICHCA families both here in Australia and Internationally, I would like to sincerely thank Ian for the enormous contribution he made to ICHCA and the Cargo Industry as a whole over the past 10 years as our Company Secretary."

"It has been a bumpy road at times, yet Ian worked through the issues in his own very uniquely ambassadorial and "mostly" tactful style to support the Board and members in ensuring that our ICHCA Australian Chapter has been well recognised in the cargo industry in this country. And we should not forget the tireless work undertaken in being the key contributor to the extremely successful conferences which ICHCA Australia has organised over the years," Mr Warda said.

In retiring, Ian said, "Just to let you know I have retired from my position as Company Secretary of ICHCA Australia in order to enjoy my retirement and travel extensively as well as doing all those things that retirement lets you do – like spending more time with the grandkids. During the 10 years as company secretary I have been privileged to meet and work with a lot of really bright and nice people. To all of them I thank you for your support and friendship."

Mr Warda said that while Ian's departure was a loss for the organization, ICHCA Australia would be well served with Peter Van Duyn taking on the role.

Peter Van Duyn
Company Secretary
ICHCA Australia Limited
492 George Street, Fitzroy, Victoria 3065
Phone: +61 3 9919 6264 Mobile: +61 4 1937 0332 Email: peter.van-duyn@vu.edu.au
Website: www.ichca-australia.com



NEWS RELEASE

LEEA and ICHCA Publish Paper on the Safe Use of Container Lifting Lugs

04.10.2016 - ICHCA International, the NGO association for the global cargo handling industry is delighted to partner with LEEA, a Corporate Licensed ICHCA member and the professional body for the lifting industry worldwide, in order to contribute to safe practice in the industry. To that end, the two organisations have jointly released a new addition to ICHCA's Briefing Pamphlet series, BP42, which offers general guidance on the variety of container lifting lugs available and their safe use. The new publication was written by Ben Dobbs, Technical Manager at Lifting Equipment Engineers Association (LEEA), and reviewed by Capt.



Richard Brough OBE, Technical Adviser at ICHCA International. Both are active participants in ICHCA's ISP Technical Panel, which plays a key role in the association's technical research and advice programme.

When used correctly, container lifting lugs provide the user with a versatile and safe means of connecting a container to a lifting appliance in situations where it is not possible to use a container spreader or lifting frame. However, dangerous lifting practices can result if container lifting lugs are used in the wrong manner. Moreover, container lifting lugs are often confused with other fittings which are similar in construction but have been designed solely for load restraint use, and are not suitable for lifting.

Containing helpful illustration, BP42 provides information on standards and legislation and explores the various designs of the most common container lifting lugs. The publication provides advice on storage and handling, inspection, maintenance, thorough inspection and documentation and marking. The paper concludes with advice for training users on the safe use of container lifting lugs, an important part in ensuring the safety of cargo, equipment and personnel as a whole along the supply chain.

"We are delighted to announce the release of this new joint publication from ICHCA's ISP Technical Panel and LEEA," said Rachael White, head of ICHCA International's secretariat. "As the voice of the global cargo handling industry, the expertise of ICHCA's technical panel and wider membership places us in an ideal position to help raise safety awareness and standards across international cargo handling chains."

BP42 – General guidance on the safe use of container lifting lugs is part of a series of more than 90 publications produced by ICHCA International, mainly through the organisation's ISP Technical Panel. The paper is free to download from ICHCA's website to subscribers.

www.ichca.com | www.ichca-australia.com

Follow us on Twitter [@ICHCA2](https://twitter.com/ICHCA2)

Follow us on LinkedIn www.linkedin.com/company/ichca-international

About LEEA

The Lifting Equipment Engineers Association (LEEAA) is established across the globe as the leading representative body for all those involved in the lifting industry worldwide.

We are the respected and authoritative representative body for our Members who work in every aspect of the industry, from design, manufacture, refurbishment and repair, through to the hire, maintenance and use of lifting equipment.

Our Association has played a key role in this specialised field for over seventy years, from training and standards setting through to health and safety, the provision of technical and legal advice, and the development of examination and licensing systems.

We represent our Members at the highest levels across a range of both public and private bodies, including various government departments, as well as nationally and internationally recognised professional and technical institutions.

www.leeaint.com

**THE INDUSTRY PLATFORM FOR
MATERIALS HANDLING**

www.forkliftaction.com
Phone: +61 7 3369 9090 Email: info@forkliftaction.com

GEAR UP
with forkliftaction

Australian Shipbuilding and Repair Group: Dockmaster Course

The ASRG Dockmaster Course, or basic dry dock training course, is a four-day course that covers the fundamentals and calculations required for the docking of vessels, including for graving docks, floating docks, travel lifts etc, particularly for maintenance and repair.

The Australian Shipbuilding and Repair Group will conduct a Dockmaster Course in Sydney from 15-18 November.

The course begins with the basics and safety concerns and progresses through all phases of dry docking: preparation, docking, lay period and undocking. The course ends with an in-depth discussion regarding forward planning for the prevention of serious accidents and incidents, with details provided of past incidents. Qualifications are recognised internationally and are a stipulated requirement of Defence Departments and insurance assessors. The course is conducted internationally with courses held most recently in Singapore, the UK, Canada, UAE and the USA.

The course is designed to be relevant to Dockmasters, Docking Officers, Engineers, Naval Architects, Port Engineers and all others involved in the docking of vessels. The course is presented through classroom lectures, student participation in projects and practical application exercises. The course addresses the deck plate level of practical operation needed by the dock operator and the universally accepted mathematical calculations required to carry out operations in accordance with established sound engineering practices.

The course has accreditation with the Society of Naval Architects & Marine Engineers (SNAME) and The Royal Institution of Naval Architects (RINA) and is suitable for both experienced and inexperienced personnel with involvement in vessel docking.

Course Overview / Topics include:

- Basic dry docking community terminology
- Calculations
- Safe dry docking procedures
- Lay period
- Undocking evolutions
- Docking Plans
- Docking and undocking conferences
- Hull boards
- Vessel stability
- Incidents / Accidents.

Key Benefits of the Course:

- Understanding the art and science of drydocking ships and vessels
- Understanding different dry dock advantages and disadvantages
- Introduction to drydocking basics and safety concerns
- Comprehend universal drydocking and undocking calculations
- Hands-on course with student participation in projects and practical application exercises
- Learn from past dry dock accidents and incidents.

The course leader is Joe Stiglich, a retired US Naval Officer, qualified NAVSEA (USN Naval Sea Systems Command) Docking Officer who holds a Masters of Science Degree from MIT (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering. He runs a series of training courses and conferences for personnel involved in all phases of the drydocking industry and acts as a consultant for ship repair companies.

For registration and other details, contact liz.hay@asrg.asn.au or call +61 7 5597 3550.

Queensland Targets Biofutures Industry and Investors

The Queensland Government will test the US, Asian and Australian markets' appetite to be part of the state's potential \$1 billion biofutures industry with a Request for Information (RFI) advertising campaign to be followed by an Expression of Interest (EOI) process in the coming weeks.

State Development Minister, Dr Anthony Lynham, said the government would take the next step and identify serious proposals, to continue the investment and growth in a biofutures industry.

"We want to hear from companies all along the supply chain from potential suppliers of feedstock, technology providers, commercial operators, investors and users of bioproducts. This awareness raising campaign, which will run in the US, Asia and Australia will strengthen the government's understanding of the market and ultimately determine the most effective form of support it can offer."

Dr Lynham said the RFI will run from early-October and the EOI process is set for mid-November. For more information on the Queensland Biofutures 10 Year Roadmap and Action Plan go to <http://www.statedevelopment.qld.gov.au/biofutures>

TERBERG

The preferred choice for Australia's leading terminal operators

Call Clark, they make it happen
 T 02 9477 8446
 E terberg@clarkequipment.com
 W www.clarkequipment.com/terberg

Construction • Infrastructure
 Agriculture • Mining
 Materials Handling and Logistics

clark
equipment

Appointment of Ian Macfarlane to QRC

Former Federal Minister, Ian Macfarlane, is the new Chief Executive of the Queensland Resources Council. Mr Macfarlane has been a champion for the resources sector and understands the important role the industry plays in the Queensland economy. He will bring a wealth of knowledge to the QRC and as a former Federal Minister for Resources brings with him a great depth of experience in natural resources and the mining sector.

He replaces long-standing Chief Executive, Michael Roche, who is retiring after an influential career leading the organization.

Port of Townsville Posts Solid Result for 2015/16

Port of Townsville Limited (POTL) has recorded a strong net profit of \$17.72 million for the 2015/16 financial year. 9.79 million tonnes of goods moved through POTL's ports during 2015/16, with record trade numbers achieved for zinc ferrite, fertiliser and refined copper exports as well as zinc concentrate imports.

More than 1.3 million tonnes of sugar was exported out of Townsville and Lucinda during the period, ensuring that POTL retained its mantle as Australia's largest exporter of the commodity.

POTL Chief Executive Officer, Ranee Crosby, said the result was pleasing when taking into account the economic pressures faced by the region during 2015/16. "In a year that presented many challenges for the economy of North Queensland, POTL has maintained a strong focus on containing costs, improving the efficiency and capacity of existing assets and pursuing new trade opportunities," she said.

"This focus on improving existing operations saw the completion of \$26 million of infrastructure projects during the financial year, including the demolition of the century old Berth 6/7, upgrades of pylons at Berth 8/9, upgrades to road networks for multi-combination vehicles and harbour entrance works to improve navigational safety.

"While overall trade throughput declined mainly due to the closure of the Yabulu nickel refinery, financial performance remained almost on par with the previous year."

[View the POTL 2015/16 Annual Report here.](#)

Risk Management Seminar



This year topics include:

- **To Be Fair - How Small Businesses will be Affected by Changes to the Unfair Contract Terms Legislation**

The prohibition on unfair contract terms will apply to standard form contracts with small businesses from 12 November 2016. We examine what constitutes a small business, what constitutes an unfair term and how the legislation will affect your transport and logistics business.

- **When You're Uninsured - Below Deductible Claims**

We will look at practical ways to manage attritional claims falling below your policy excess, from incident through to settlement.

[Free Registration – Sydney – 6th October 2016](#)

[Free Registration – Melbourne – 13th October 2016](#)

ICHCA Contacts

ICHCA Australia Chairman:

John Warda
Mobile: 0417 875 113
Email: jpwarda@bigpond.com

State Co-ordinators

New South Wales:

John Ingster
Strang International Pty. Ltd.
Suite 4.05, 247 Coward Street,
Mascot NSW 2020
Tel: 0416 237 074 Fax: (02) 9317 4514
Email: jingster@stxgroup.com.au

Queensland:

Sallie Strang
Strang International Pty. Ltd.
936 Nudgee Road,
Northgate
Queensland 4013
Tel: (07) 32678022
Mobile: 0412 604 842
Email: sstrang@stxgroup.com.au

National Secretary:

Peter van Duyn
492 George Street, Fitzroy, Victoria 3065
Tel: 0419 370 332
E-mail peter.van-duyn@vu.edu.au

State Chairs

South Australia:

Neil Murphy
12 Ashley Ave, Ridgehaven 5097
Tel: (08) 8263 7686
Email: nmmurphy@internode.on.net

Victoria:

Peter van Duyn
Institute for Supply Chain and Logistics
Victoria University,
PO Box 14428,
Melbourne VIC 8001
Phone +61 3 9919 6264
Mobile +61 4 1937 0332
Email: peter.van-duyn@vu.edu.au

ICHCA AUSTRALIA LIMITED (IAL) PRIVACY POLICY

IAL's Privacy Policy Details are available by contacting the National Secretary, Peter van Duyn, on e-mail peter.van-duyn@vu.edu.au or telephone 0419 370 332.

Our Contact with You

If you do not wish to receive further copies of this newsletter please advise peter.van-duyn@vu.edu.au and the distribution will be cancelled. If you wish to have it sent to other people in your organisation or contacts in the cargo handling industry also please advise us.