



FIRST MAASMOND MARITIME SHIPS SPOTTING DAY



Yesterday did see the first **MAASMOND MARITIME ship spotting day** in the port of Rotterdam, 40 fanatic ships spotters / photographers from over whole Holland and Belgium reported in Maassluis around 10 hrs in the morning onboard the steam powered tug **FURIE**, ready with camera's, lenses and of course enough storage cards for the camera's, the weather was super, after a brief safety induction by **Capt. Andre** of the **FURIE** we left the port of Maassluis, at the moment we sailed a car came on the corner and we had late arrival of a spotter, he was screaming from the quayside, but the **FURIE** is a not a highly manoeuvrable ASD of Rotor tug, so no more way back, luckily the **JAN VAN GENT** of **SIMACHARTERS** in Maassluis was just

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doing a crew change, and after some communication over the VHF **Capt Kees Haleber** which had to sail towards Hoek van Holland again promised to drop the last spotter, **Henk van der Heijden** onboard the **FURIE**



The moment we left the port of Maassluis **MULTRASHIP's MULTRATUG 7** was waiting for us to join us in our trip to Hoek van Holland



Just before Hoek van Holland the pilot tender **GEMINI** joined also and demonstrated her capabilities.



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After some communication by VHF the tugs **FAIRPLAY 31** and **FAIRPLAY III** left the Caland canal and steamed towards our position And demonstrated their capabilities whilst the



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cameras were clicking away



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After turning into the Caland canal the tugs **SD SEAL** and **ZP MONTELENA** of **KOTUG** joined also the crowd



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The **FAIRPLAY 21**, which is on long term charter to **SMIT HARBOUR TOWAGE** joined also the ranks



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The **RPA 22** showed her fire fighting capabilities



After passing the Scheurhaven the 2 tugs **SMIT SCHELDE** and **SMIT HUDSON** just returning from the 7th Petroleum harbour reported to the **FURIE** that they were also joining the event



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Capt Frans of the **SMIT HUDSON** was thinking , **NO SMOKE – NO POWER**



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Capt **ANDRE SPANJERSBERG** seen on the navigation deck ☺ of the **FURIE**



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After passing the Caland bridge, and passing the Rozenburg locks set sail via the Hartel canal to the Oude Maas, after turning to port set sail for the river Maas.



Near Schiedam KOTUG's **ZP CHANDON** and **VS ROTTERDAM** approached the **FURIE**, and the cameras which just cooled down , started clicking away again.



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This day was very successful due to the very good cooperation of :

KOTUG Harbour Towage in Rotterdam, which dispatched this day the **SD SEAL, ZP MONTELENA, ZP CHANDON** and the **VS ROTTERDAM**.

FAIRPLAY Harbour towage in Rotterdam, which send the **FAIRPLAY III** and the **FAIRPLAY 31**

SMIT Harbour Towage in Rotterdam which dispatched the **FAIRPLAY 21, SMIT HUDSON** and the **SMIT SCHELDE**

MULTRASHIP from Terneuzen which engaged the **MULTRATUG 7**

LOODSWEZEN Nederland BV, who send the pilot tender **GEMINI**

PORT OF ROTTERDAM, which send the **RPA 22** to the scene



Because no ship is sailing without a crew, on behalf of all the photographers I would like specially so say a big **THANK YOU** to all the crews onboard the vessels which participated during the day, more then 10.000 pictures are made during the day, with excellent weather, excellent soup, bread and drinks, the cook **FRED** onboard the **FURIE** , thank you for hospitality, super, and I would like to thank my wife **ELIZABETH** who supports me always when running around taking pictures, making every night the newsclippings and arranging everything.

And last but not least, **Jan Steehouwer** and the crew of the tug **FURIE**, I know the most of them for years, all volunteers, especially this day the engineers. A very warm day, and of course very warm in the engine room, sorry for that! I would like to thank the **Volunteer crew** of **FURIE** for this unforgettable day, **THANK YOU GUYS** .

Looking back at the day and the reactions of the spotters, all happy faces, I will take it in consideration to organize something like this again in the near future.

Everybody many thanks for coming , and see you all next time again !!

Piet , Elizabeth and Alex
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All the spotters including **Capt Andre** of the **FURIE** seen together after a very successful day

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