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## *From the Captain's Desk . . . . .*

The last year of this millenium has started. I am sure that the rest of the year will pass at great speed thrusting us into the year 2000.

In South Africa we have followed with apprehension and curiosity the fate of our biggest competitor and we have thought a lot about the uncertainty their employees must have felt concerning the future of their jobs. I think that the result has satisfied everybody and we are ready to continue to fight and keep ahead.

My wife Sandra and I assisted at our Annual Children's Xmas Party. What a beautiful feeling! White, Black, Coloured and Indian children all together, singing the same songs, laughing at the same jokes, playing together; what a spectacle!!! This is what our country must become – a place where all cultures can mix and work together without any discrimination or prejudice. We can do this, and our company will be the example to be followed by everybody in achieving this goal.

**SALVATORE SARNO**



**HEADING  
EAST . . .**

**THE NEW  
"MSC DIEGO"**

*D/Weight – 56000 tons*

*Length – 258 metres*

*Breadth – 32 metres*

*Speed – 23,7 knots*

*Capacity – 4000 teus*

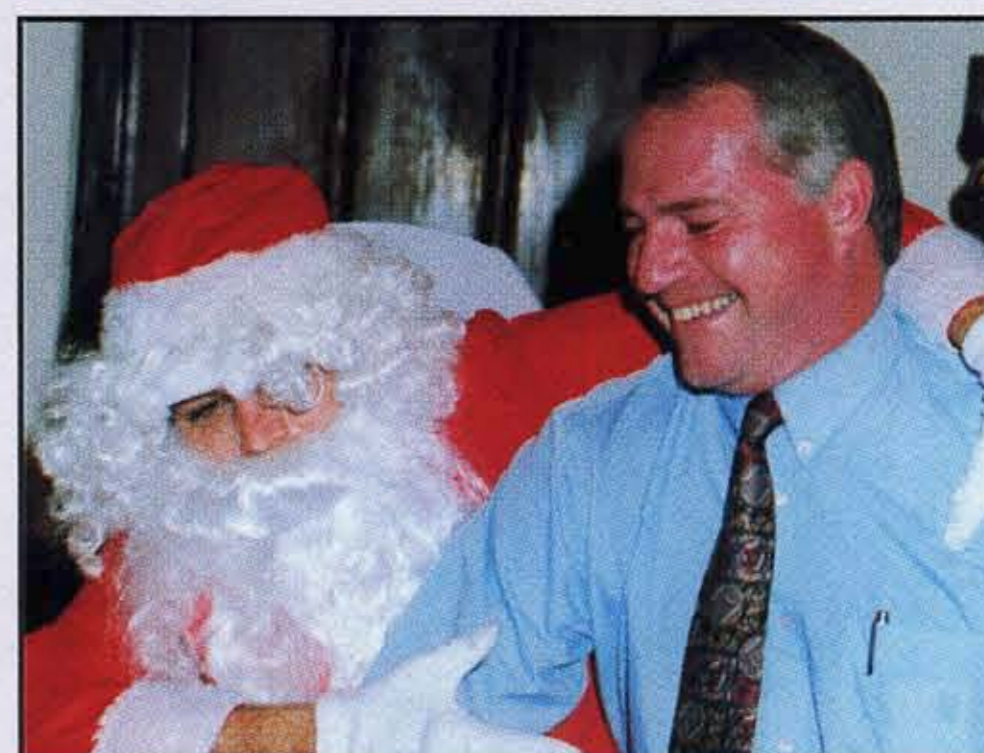
## THE LOCAL SCENE

### CHILDRENS XMAS TREE – CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT (DURBAN)

Some happy scenes from the Annual Christmas tree party which was attended by 85 children (young & old) from all the group companies



Candles burned, catching traces  
Of love and peace  
On children's faces.  
Xmas carols, from the throng  
Bursting forth  
In joyous song.  
Puppet shows, lots of fun  
and in the setting  
Of the sun  
Father Xmas, with games and toys  
For all the special  
Girls and Boys



### MSC's ANNUAL XMAS FUNCTION – DURBAN



A view of the Ballroom at the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION CENTRE with the canopy of lights over the band and dance floor. The function was attended by 325 members of staff plus their partners



#### Sindi Manana

(Container Department) was the lucky winner of a four day cruise to Bazaruto on the **M/V Symphony** and her prize was presented by Captain and Mrs Sarno



# MSC – AROUND THE WORLD – INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS & MADAGASCAR



## MSC's REUNION HEADQUARTERS

In early 1981 Reunion was one of the last destinations into the Islands to be served by our vessels. However, it has quickly become the most important Port of Call in the area.

On this island MSC keeps a very special relationship with the clients who have always supported our company to the full!



**JEAN MICHEL AUDIGER**  
*Manager*



**MARTINE BARBARIN**  
*Manager's Assistant*



**THIERRY JEANDET**  
*General Accountant*



**Some Visitors to MSC Reunion in October 1998.** (Left to right): Olivier Lecroq (Marketing), Pierre Pruvost (Line Manager, MSC France), Capt Mario Maresca (Line Manager, Geneva), Jean-Michel Audiger (Manager), Martine Barbarin (Managers Assistant) and Stephen Snijders (General Manager, MSC France)



(Left to right): Olivier Mandeville (Logistics Manager), Gerard Kishenema (Assistant Logistics), Olivier Lecroq (Marketing), Sebastien George (Imports) and Robert Saint Louis "Le Vagabond" (Operations)



(Left to right): Maxede Dugain (Disbursement Accountant), Danièle Hammerer (Cargo Delivery), Claire Manthe (Exports), Martine Barbarin (Managers Assistant), Fabienne Chaillou (Imports/Exports), Alexandrine Boucher (Imports)

# MSC – AROUND THE WORLD – INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS & MADAGASCAR



## MSC's PORT LOUIS HEADQUARTERS

For everybody Mauritius is synonymous with golden beaches, palm trees and immaculate blue waters.

For us at MSC it has become one of our principal ports where it is not uncommon to see two or three of our vessels berthed at the same time.



### THE DIRECTORS

*Nicholl Roussety (Director, Agency) (left) and Capt René Sanson (Managing Director) standing in the entrance of MSC's Office*



### THE MANAGEMENT TEAM

*(Left to right): Nicholl Roussety (Director Agency), Marie-Noelle Serret (Assistant Manager Marketing), Capt René Sanson (Managing Director), Brigitte Langlois (Finance Manager) and Jean Claude Ducasse (Marketing Manager)*



### TEAM MEMBERS

*(Left to right): Melchiade Prosper (Imports), Maudlyn Lemasson (Imports), Asha Kinnoo (Disbursements), Jennifer Johnson (I.T. Manager), Florence Caboche (Accounts), Capt René Sanson (Managing Director), Lysiane Coutanceau (Confidential Secretary), Jocelyne Avice (Container Tracking), Jean-Francois Decotter (Operations), Floriane Froget (Operations), Capt Vivian Olivier (Insurance/Claims Manager)*

### TEAM MEMBERS

*(Left to right): Marie-Noelle Serret (Assistant Manager Marketing), Alexander Lutchmun (I.T. Manager), Esperanza Marjolin (Secretary), Capt René Sanson (Managing Director), Brigitte Langlois (Financial Manager), Nicholl Roussety (Director: Agency), Shirley Chensem (Marketing), Kevin Lamport (Assistant Manager Operations), Jenny Dacruz (Export Freight), Jean Claude Ducasse (Manager Marketing)*



# MSC – AROUND THE WORLD – INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS & MADAGASCAR

## MSC's ANTANANARIVO HEADQUARTERS



## THE LATE PIERRE RAMBELOSON



*Many of the people in Madagascar will remember Pierre who was the Director Generale of Antananarivo and who sadly passed away in 1998*



**RUFFIN KAIMANE**  
*Director Generale – Antananarivo*



**PATRICK RAVOARAHARISON**  
*Commercial Director*



**VOAHIRANA RANAIVO**  
*Client Services*



**ROSINE RAMBOASOLO**  
*Financial Secretary*

**FLEET STREET!!**

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**THE NEW "MSC DIEGO" – RAPID ASSEMBLY!!**

The 4000 teu vessel, **MSC DIEGO**, was built in Korea and enters service on the Far East/Europe trade in February. Construction took less than 6 months as sections of the ship are built separately and joined together upon completion. The pictures show the superstructure being united with the ships hull

**CAPTURED IN OILS**



**M/V RAFAELA 1971**

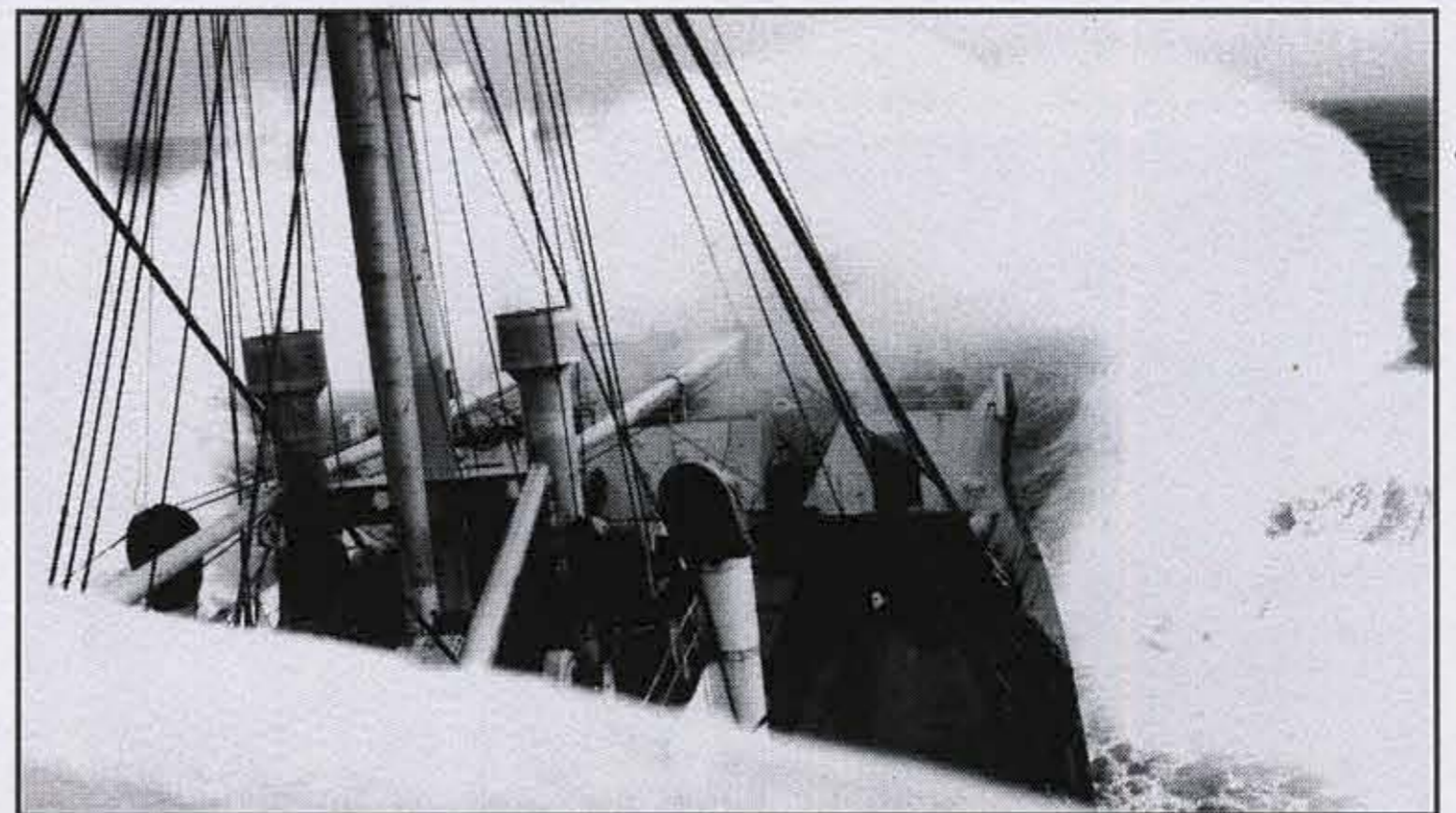
**MSC RAFAELA 1996**

*Painted by PETER BILLAS, renowned South African artist, the "old" and the "new" in titanic contrast*



**MSC PAMELA (SISTER SHIP MSC CLAUDIA)**

This vessel is currently trading between Europe / South Africa / Australia and is named after the daughter of Mr Sergio Fedelini of **MSC CHARLESTON**. Length – 261,00 mt Breadth – 32,20 mt D/Weight – 41040 mt Speed – 21 knots Capacity – 2594 teu's



**THE RAFAELA – "SURFING THE OCEAN"**

*These dramatic shots were taken by Capt Sarno from the bridge and demonstrate how suddenly the ocean can change from being an ally to an adversary*



**SS MONTEREY**

The MONTEREY arrived in South African waters for the first time on 12 December 1998 and returned to Genoa on 7 February 1999



**Drinking a welcoming toast with the officers on board the "MONTEREY"** are (left to right): Francesco La Farina (Staff Captain), Antonio Palomba (MSC Technical), Elija Sutalo (R/O), Pasquale Ascione (C/Eng), Giuseppe Pane (C/Purser), Mrs Sandra Sarno, Capt Mario Morvillo (MSC Ops), Capt Michele De Gregorio, Capt Salvatore Sarno, Aniello Massa 3/O, Antonio Gargiulo 2/O



**WORLD SHIP SOCIETY – MN SYMPHONY**

The **W.S.S.** presented a plaque to Captain G. Orsi in appreciation of the **SYMPHONY'S** regular cruises in and around South Africa. (Left to right): Malcolm Chisholm, Hylda Westwood, Capt. Orsi, Robbie Gibbon, Keith Pugh, Kevin Moore, Di Mosbery, David Hughes and S. Di Maio (Chief Purser)

**CELEBRITIES ON THE SYMPHONY**



Pictured on board with Roy Singh (Mr Symphony!) of MSC Durban is Yvonne Chaka Chaka, South Africa's "Queen of Pop"



Three of the stars of "Egoli", South Africa's top sitcom programme. (Left to right): Kat Andrews (Jane), Roy Singh MSC, Juliet Newfell (Madelene) and David Vlok (Tim)



Tony Sanderson and his crew from SABC's "Chuckle and Chat" Show



**SPECIAL TASK FORCE ANTI TERRORIST SQUAD**

The MSC LUISA is one of several vessels which have been used by the Special Task Force to carry out anti-terrorist operations at the outer anchorage. Length – 208,12 mt Breadth – 30,50 mt D/Weight – 26093 mt Speed – 19 knots Capacity – 1574 teu's

Sgt. Duncan Scott (front) and his squad, in full battle regalia, conducting serious business!!



# THE LOCAL SCENE

## SPORT REPORT



South Africa's world renowned rugby full-back, **ANDRÉ JOUBERT** pictured with **MICHELLE THOMPSON** and **MAUREEN EVANS** of MSC Logistics, Durban. **LUCKY GIRLS!! LUCKY ANDRÉ!!**



The MSC team who entered the Cape Times / Southern Life Big Walk in October 1998. (Left to right): **Sharon Naidoo**, **Leonore Hendricks**, **Melisha Govender**, **Rochelle Johnson**, **Michelle Govender** and **Fabian Naidoo**

## PROMOTIONS AND TRANSFERS



**ANDREW MODINOS** has been promoted as Director of the Transvaal region and we wish him every success in his new position



**DEIDRÉ DE KLERK** (2nd left) has been transferred back to MSC's Cape Town branch where she will be in charge of the Reefer Operation and Marketing for the Indian Ocean Island Trade. With her are **FABRIZIO VACCARO**, **MARIETJIE BATCHELOR** and **CAPT MARIO MORVILLO**. **MARIETJIE** has taken over from **DEIDRÉ** and heads up MSC's Terminal Operation



**JOHN HILDYARD**, previously a director of MSC Johannesburg has joined Sandra Sarno at Head Office in Durban with whom he will control the running of MSC's depots throughout the country

## MSC'S FULL CONTAINER DEPOT



On 12 January, **BANG ON SCHEDULE**, the very first MSC container was delivered to the depot proudly supervised by **HENRY VICENT** (left) and Director **JOHN HILDYARD**

## JOSHUA GCWENSA



On 23rd December all the staff of MSC Durban were shocked and dismayed to learn of the untimely passing of **JOSHUA**, who had been with the company for 10 years. This picture is so typical of how he will be remembered by everyone who had the privilege of working with him.

## ALL IN THE FAMILY



**MAURIZIO** and **ROSE CONTI** (MSC Technical) with their daughter **DANIELLA** and their new addition, **ALESSIO DINO** who was born on 12 November 1998



**MICHELLÉ** who was born on 1 December with proud mum, **ESTHER CURRIE** (Medtravel)

# INTERNATIONAL NEWS

## MSC SORRENTO – ANNUAL GET TOGETHER – 24 DECEMBER 1998



**THE SORRENTO TEAM** and other well known dignitaries pictured with Mr and Mrs Aponte (centre) and Diego and Alexa (kneeling)



Antonio Maresca (Crew Director – 2nd left) and Antonino (Celestino) Maresca (Technical Director) with Antonino Astarita and Michele Del Santo, both permanent catering staff in Sorrento

### !! NEWSFLASH !!

Effective from 1 January 1999 it has been announced by Mediterranean Shipping Company, Geneva, that a part of Deckers and Wirtz, Antwerp, has been re-named MSC Belgium N.V. and the latter will be responsible for all Maritime activities.

This “COMFORTINA 35” yacht belongs to Claus Bischoff, Chartering Manager, **F.H. Bertling, Hamburg** and was sponsored during the European Shipowners/Shipbrokers Baltic Race in which 115 yachts participated. This event takes place at the end of August every year.

The yacht, which is named “Longmanhappy”, probably has no connection to the fact that Claus Bischoff just happens to stand 2.06 metres tall!!!



The proud managers of **MSC CHARLESTON** are pictured above at the ground breaking ceremony for their new office which will be completed early in 1999



**MSC CHARLESTON** are sponsoring Robin Davie in his yacht “South Carolina” in the solo around the world race which started on 26 September 1998. Twenty yachts made it to the starting line and at the time of going to press Robin had already passed through South African waters. The race is expected to finish in Charleston in May 1999. Pictured in front of the yacht are members of staff of **MSC CHARLESTON**