

THE LOCAL SCENE

SPORT REPORT – GRINDROD’S ANNUAL SOCCER DAY THE LADIES TEAMS

MSC’s Ladies Teams dominated the tournament and played each other in the final which was won by the “A” Team.



“A” TEAM

Left to right: (back) Vanessa, Rowena, Alison, Sandra and Penny, (front) Gail and Vanessa



“B” TEAM

Left to right: (back) Lizzie, Lena, Cindy, Taryn and Lusha, (front) Michele, Julia and Carmel

THE MENS TEAMS

All the teams in the Mens Division played admirably but the “Cream of the Crop” was The Depots “A” Team who reached the semi-final and were narrowly defeated by Portnet on a penalty shoot-out – Final score 3–2.



MSC DEPOT – “A” TEAM

Left to right: (standing) Sandra Sarno (always in support!), Osborne, Livingston, Desmond, Wiseman and Mervyn Padayachee (The Manager), (front) Alvin, Moses and Elliot



MSC “A” TEAM

Left to right: (standing) Larry Morris (Coach) and his son Fabian (The Mascot), Gary, Raj, Petros and Kevin, (front) Mike, Jerome and Milton

THE NCS REGATTA

This Annual event took place in July and Captain Sarno’s Development Team – “The Crayfish” put in a commendable performance with third place overall aboard the MSC Donna Mia. On the opening day of sailing, when the wind was blowing at a hair-raising 25 knots, Captain Sarno was unfortunately unable to be on board and the Crayfish were forced to retire from the first two races. If they had completed and gained even a 5th place in one of the races, the MSC Donna Mia could easily have won “Class A” of the Regatta.



“The Crayfish” relaxing off Durban’s Vetch’s Pier before the start of a race. At the helm is Sieraj Jacobs, who Captain Sarno is confident has a bright future in sailing. On his right is Nicola Berry, the blonde Capetonian mermaid, who manned the fore-deck. The Crayfish were given a special achievement award at the prize giving ceremony.

Back row-left to right: Tshegofatso Mpye, Captain Sarno, Sieraj Jacobs (helmsman), Nicola Berry, Brian Mkwanzazi, Vuyani Mgbuza
Front row-left to right: Soloman Dipeera, Desmond Mpholofolo, Ashton Sampson.

MSC – AROUND THE WORLD – MOZAMBIQUE - MAPUTO & NACALA

MSC (Moc) Lda, a subsidiary of MSC South Africa, opened its head office in **Maputo** on 1st June 1995, which is situated on the fourth floor of the tallest building shown in the picture below. The small but busy **Nacala** office opened its doors on 1st February 1999.



The skyline of Maputo



Chairman of MSC Mozambique

Mr Tommy Santos who joined the company 13 years ago is one of the directors of MSC South Africa and was seconded from Durban to Mozambique in 1994 with a special mission to open MSC's own offices in that country. Whilst this has been successfully accomplished his presence is still required in Mozambique.



Manager – Julio de Jesus



Operations Controller – Elias Ismael



Chief Boarding Clerk
Alberto Manjaje



The Team

(Left to right): Nelson de Figueiredo (Messenger), Luis Aveca (Contrs), José Mona (Freight), Mr. Miranda (FRT), Alberto Manjaje (OPS), Elias Ismael (OPS) Nazira Cristina (Sec.), Veroneo Taula (Acc.) Margarida Ribeiro (Acc.) Yolanda Francisco (Cashier)

NACALA



The Smallest Office



(Left to right): Jamal Kadir (Containers), Rita Camacho (Computers), Raul Real (Manager), Maria Oliveira (Accounts), Bernardo Armando (Agency), Costa Bichehe (Messenger).

MSC – AROUND THE WORLD – MOMBASA – KENYA

Mombasa, together with South Africa, has been on MSC's schedule since day one, operating under the umbrella of Oceanfreight (EA) Ltd. The Owner's representative, Captain Castellano, joined MSC in 1971 having been based in Mogadishu up to the time of the uprising. He, along with the Executive Chairman Mr L. Waithake, has been a part of the MSC family since the very beginning.



Management Team

(left to right): A.M. Chitti (Shipping), T.L. Mwadeghu (Financial), L.N. Waithaka (Executive Chairman), Capt. T. Castellano (Owners Rep.), I.K. Muslim (Managing Director), L.N. Kinyua (Administration./Finance)



Receptionist
Rose Katungo



The Secretaries

(left to right): Rachel Fadhili, Margaret Ouko, Clemence Nyange and Lucy Oguttu



The Accounts Department



The Container Department



The Export Department



Imports Department



The Administration Department



The Computer Team

(left to right): Edwin Sekay, John Mkaya and Edwin Swai



The Operations Team

With the MSC Ariane – Mombasa Harbour. (left to right): Feisal Khatib, Patrick Mutunga, Abdul Murbe (Manager), Mr. Mwakio and Benjamin Mwadzoya

MSC – AROUND THE WORLD – DAR-ES-SALAAM – TANZANIA

At 10pm on 23rd March 1971, the *Rafaela*, on her historical maiden voyage, was the first MSC vessel to touch African soil when she berthed in Dar-Es-Salaam. On 1st August 1999, we announced the opening of **MSC Tanzania** having previously been under the umbrella of National Shipping Agencies. **Captain Ponti** left the sea in January 1985 to take up the position of Owner's Representative in Dar-Es-Salaam.



MANAGING DIRECTOR
Capt. Ferdinando Ponti



Personal Secretary
Ms. Bettie Sarmanis



Company's Receptionist
Ms. Dorothy Sarmanis



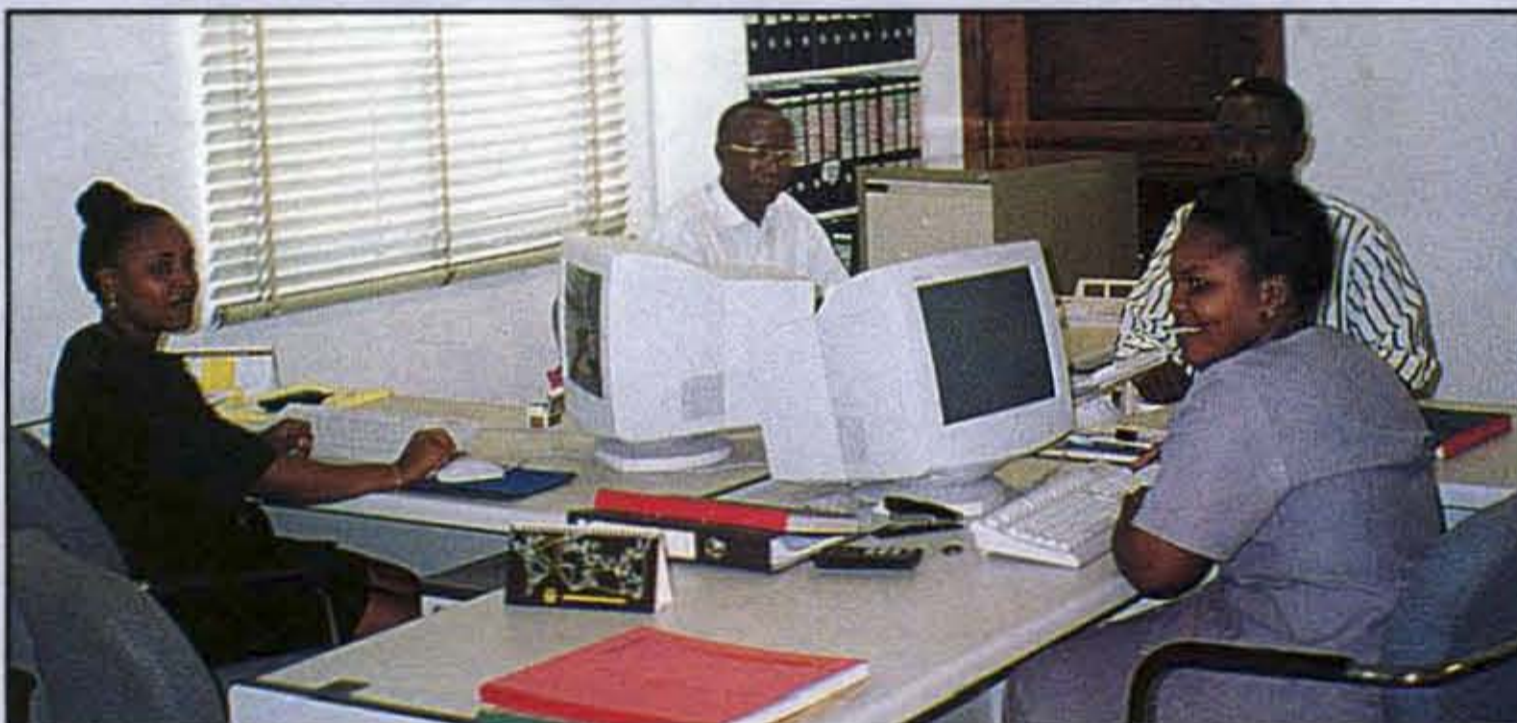
Transhipment Dept.
Mr. Luca Neghesti



Container Planner
Mr. Floyd Mwakajila



Operations Manager
Mr. Shadrick Siwale



Export Department
(left to right): Ms. Maria Ononoh, Mr. Elias Munuo, Mr. Geoffrey Samwel and Ms. Doreen Urassa



Import Department
(left to right): Mr. Dickson Luoga, Alice Livingstone, Mr. Saidi Soud and Mr. Amede Shirima



Staff Members (MSC Group)

(L to R - front row): Mr. Eliezeri Maghimbi, Ms. Maria Ononoh, Ms. Bettie Sarmanis, Ms. Ketty Simkanga, Ms. Gaudencia Moria, Ms. Mary Sibale, Ms. Michelle Rothbletz, Mrs Sofia Mwenda & Ms. Doreen Urassa. (L to R - second row): Mr. Dickson Luoga, Ms. Alice Livingstone, Mr. Geoffrey Samwel, Mr. Morris Mwita, Mr. Amede Shirima, Mr. Primus Ruta, Mr. Salum Ngogota, Mr. Elias Shamge, Mr. Elias Munuo & Ms. Dorothy Sarmanis. (L to R - third row): Mr. Stephen Upunda, Mr. John Muhagule, Mr. Saidi Soud, Mr. Shadrick Siwale, Mr. Frank Mtenda & Mr. Luca Neghesti

THE NEW MSC REGINA

Arriving fully laden from the Far East, *MSC Regina* salutes the town of *Sorrento* where 80% of MSC's people originate from.
 She joins her sister ships *MSC Diego* and *MSC Gina* on the Far East / Europe trade.
 D/Weight: 56000 Tons, Length: 258 metres, Breadth: 32 metres, Speed: 23,7 knots, Capacity: 4000 teus.

**UNA BELLA IMMAGINE !!**

Sister ships, the *MSC Giovanna* (leaving Cape Town) and the *MSC Mirella* (in Hong Kong) are the two new pearls joining the fleet and confirmation of MSC's continued commitment to renovation.
 D/Weight: 29693 mt, Length: 177 metres, Breadth: 32 metres, Speed: 18 knots, Capacity: 2098 teus.

**MSC Giovanna****MSC Mirella**

CAPTAIN'S DAY – DURBAN

The Annual Rotary Captain's Day was held on 11th September and Councillor **Theresa Mthembu** presented all the Captains who were in port with a welcoming commemorative plaque. **25 years ago**, **Captain Sarno** was the recipient of a similar plaque whilst in command of the **Ilse!!**



Capt. A. Carrino "MSC Sandra.S"



Capt. A. Nocella "MSC Giulia."



Capt. S.K. Shukla. "MSC Ariane."

MSC'S NEW TECHNICAL WORKSHOP



*A view of the workshop structure.
The empty container depot is situated to the left and the full container depot to the right.*



*The driving force behind the workshop.
(left to right): Paolo Midiri, Antonio Palomba and Romano De Gennaro*



Views of the workshop floor



MSC Eliana returns to South Africa

*The MSC Eliana was last seen in South African waters in June 1996 and has now returned to be deployed on the Gulf/India service.
D/Weight: 14258 mt, Length: 187 metres, Breadth: 23 metres, Speed: 18 knots, Capacity: 750 teus.*

THE LOCAL SCENE

I.F.T.P.A. EXHIBITION

International Forest Products Transport Association – Southern Africa

The I.F.T.P.A. Exhibition was held at the International Conference Centre in June and MSC were proud to be associated with some very special clients who visited our colourful stand.



MONDI – MEREBANK

Left to right: Glenn Delve (MSC) with Derek McAslyn, Rani Naidoo, Sheilagh Pillay, Andrew Ryand and Greg Verster



SAPPI

Left to right: Glenn Delve, Maaikie Tiaden and Heather Delve (all MSC) with Brian Wright, Neil Harris and Carlos Possolo



MONDI KRAFT (Richards Bay)

Left to right: Alan Fletcher, Vassau Naidoo, Peter Miller and Jason Smith with Heather and Glenn Delve of MSC.

MSC LOGISTICS GABARONE

On 1st October MSC Logistics officially opened their new office at Gaborone, Botswana and photographed outside are Manager, Pat Roper with Durban Director Peter Lewin



IMAGINE.....

Yvonne Roper (MSC Switchboard, Durban) and her husband Brian's steel hulled, 43 foot yacht "Imagine".

It took 8 years to build their dream!!!

They are now living permanently on board in anticipation of exotic far-off places that they soon hope to sail to.

We congratulate them on their fantastic achievement.



ALL IN THE FAMILY



Luigi and Rosanna Langella, both of MSC Johannesburg, announced the arrival of their daughter Sveva on 30th April 1999



COMRADES IN ARMS

The MSC Marketing army from all the regions spent a weekend in Durban in September where the emphasis was on commercial strategy for the last quarter of the year.

Captain Sarno is, as usual, right in the middle of things!!!

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

ITALIAN STYLE & SOUTHERN ELEGANCE MSC's new South Atlantic headquarters



On 15th July over 300 people attended the grand opening of Charleston's South Atlantic Headquarters. The architecture cleverly combines typical southern columns with touches of Italian influence.

Cutting the ribbon are (left to right): Sergio & Jane Fedelini, Mary Mejers (WJ Burns), Nancy Gunnels, Jerry Baldwin, Margarita & Nicola Arena, Colleen Groseclose (SCSPA) and Cheryl Woods-Flowers (Mayor of MT. Pleasant)

MEDLOG - ANTWERP - Players in a big game

MSC is the port of Antwerp's largest single customer, making 400 calls every year.



Dangerous Cargo Department

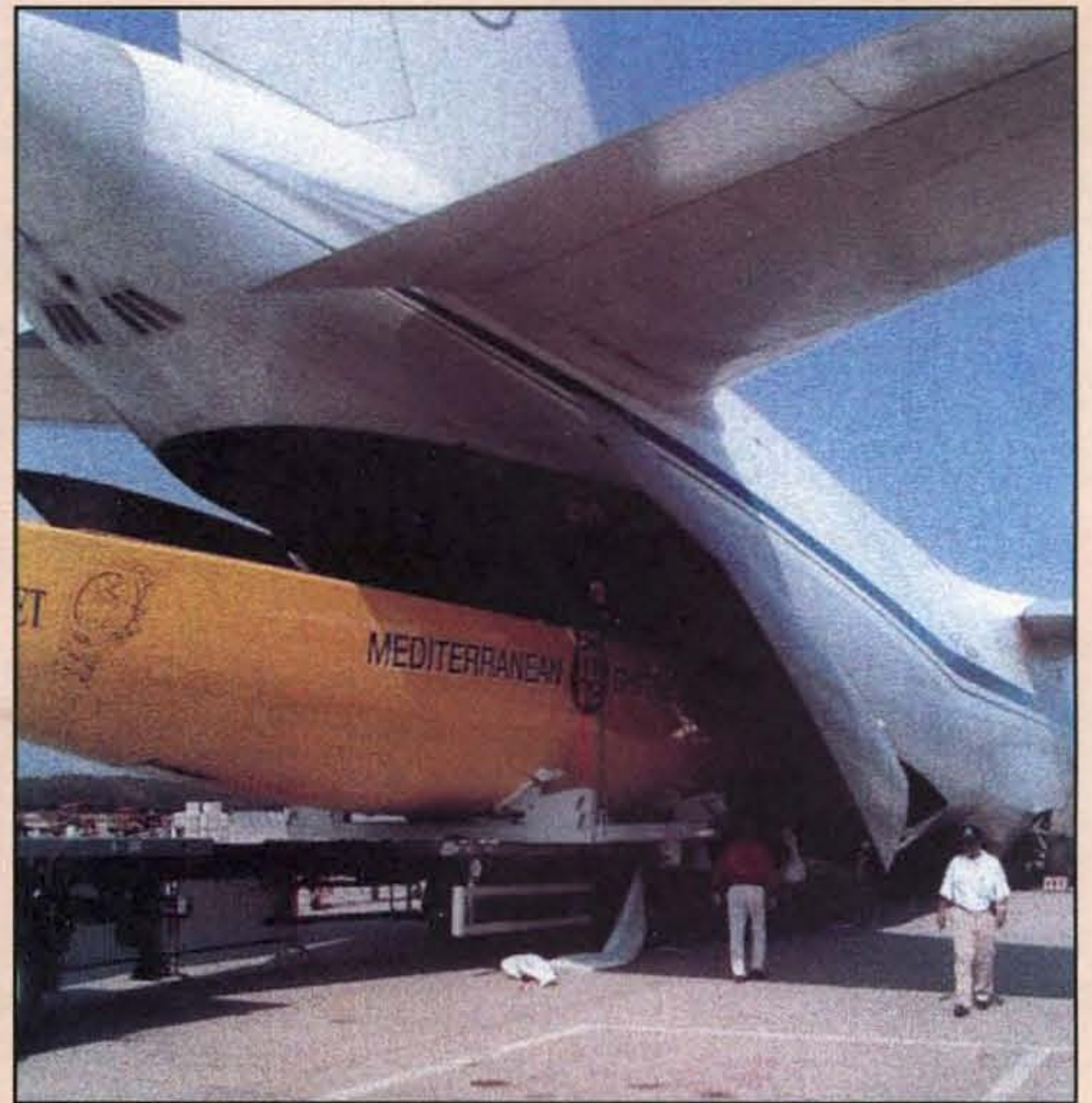
(left to right): Dirk Vande Velde (GM), Yve van Limbergen, Marc De Hoon and Wim Vermaelen



Intermodal Department

(left to right): Frank De Molder, Rudy Wuyts, Manuella Mierman and Torbjorn Perssom (seated)

The America's Cup MSC flies to Auckland



On 19th September the first ever Swiss entry in the America's Cup, mainly sponsored by MSC, was loaded in Geneva into the Antonov 124 - the world's largest plane - for delivery to New Zealand. Although the team had no time for training the boat has very new architectural innovations which could produce good results.