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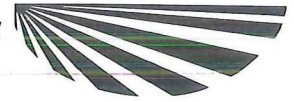
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*Cover: Schelde Shipbuilding CAT 70 HL Captain George on trials in the English Channel. The vessel has been ordered by Catamaran Ferry Lines for service in the Adriatic*

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*Cover: The past 12 months could certainly be described as 'The Year of the Car Ferry'. Here two of 1996's deliveries, Incat Tasmania 81m wavepiercer Condor 12 and Kværner Fjellstrand JumboCat 60m catamaran Solidor 3, share the port facilities in Jersey*

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## Fast Ferry Operators Directory 1996

In this Fast Ferry Operators Directory, the thirteenth in the annual series, we list details of 233 companies and 756 vessels. Included in the following pages are those companies that were operating fast ferries at the end of August 1996, or had operated seasonal services earlier in the year, or were awaiting delivery of vessels.

This year we have deleted 33 companies, including several in both Greece and Asia, as we could get no confirmation that they are still operating. Some of these, and others, undoubtedly are.

Four companies that have definitely closed down or stopped operating fast ferries are Brighton Ferries and the Isle of Man Steam Packet Company in the United Kingdom, Grenaa-Hundested in Denmark and Islands Cruise Line Pacific in Guam. The Isle of Man Steam Packet Company, which had been leasing an Incat Tasmania 74m wavepiercer is expected to

introduce a new vehicle ferry next year though.

Thirty-one companies have been added to the Directory this year: Comab, DSB Rederi Europa-Linien, Ezaki Kisen, Famille Dufour, Flying Adler Line, Gotlandslinjen, Grand Seaway Ferries, Hong Kong Entertainment (Overseas) Investments, Insel-und Halligreederei, the Indonesian Ministry of Transport, Jindo Transportation, Johor Riau Ferry Services, Kelana Megah, Larvik Line, Mashantucket Peguot Tribal Council, Navitalia, Negros Navigation, Niekamp Seetouristik, North by South Ferries, P&O European Ferries, Quick Cat Cruises, Red Sea Flying Cat, Reef Jet Cruises, Sea Falcon Lines, Sino-Japan East Sea Shipping, SweFerry, Transportes Maritimos Açorianos, Vina Express, Water Jet Shipping, Weiße Flotte and Yue Qing High Speed Passenger Ship Company.

The majority of the new operators listed have introduced or ordered vessels during the past 12 months but some have been included for the first time, or reinstated, because we have only received confirmation during the past year that they have fast ferries in service.

As in previous years, for the purposes of this Directory a fast ferry is considered to be a vessel able to carry a minimum of 50 passengers and having a full load speed capability of at least 25 knots.

The operators are listed alphabetically with details of their fleet in date acquisition order. Where there are two dates, the first is the year of construction and the second is the year in which the vessel was introduced by the current operator. Details of multi-stop services are included at the end of the Directory.

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*Pictured on the cover are a brace of CTS-Parkview FBM TriCat 45m catamarans and Far East Hydrofoil Boeing Marine Systems Jetfoil fully submerged hydrofoils, plus Shen Zhen Xun Long Transportations's sole Rosendal Verft Admiral 36m catamaran, at the Hong Kong Macau ferry terminal (Photograph: Mike McSorley). Above, Stena Line Incat Tasmania 74m wavepiercing catamaran Stena Lynx passing the company's Fincantieri MDV 1200 Pegasus monohull, Stena Pegasus, in Newhaven harbour. Below, Pilen Westamaran 88 Delfinen plus Dampskibsselskabet Øresund Marinteknik 33m catamarans Ørnen and Lommen and Fjellstrand 38.8m catamarans Løberen and Svalan in Copenhagen harbour in May. Lommen has since been sold to Buquebus and renamed Ciudad de Colonia*

