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Front cover and left page: Saturday 31 May 2008 saw the festive launching of the well intervention vessel Well Enhancer at the IHC Krimpen Shipyard. This vessel is being built for Helix Energy Solutions Group, USA. Before launching the vessel was named by Mrs. Nikki Morrice, spouse of Mr. Bill Morrice, Vice President of Well Ops, the company that will operate the vessel. The Well Enhancer has been developed by IHC Krimpen Shipyard based on the successful IHC Merwede Type 22 series of vessels. This particular Type 22 has been further enhanced in close cooperation with Helix Energy Solutions Group, Inc. Photo courtesy of Dave Jansen.

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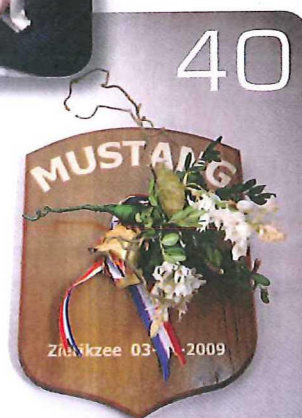
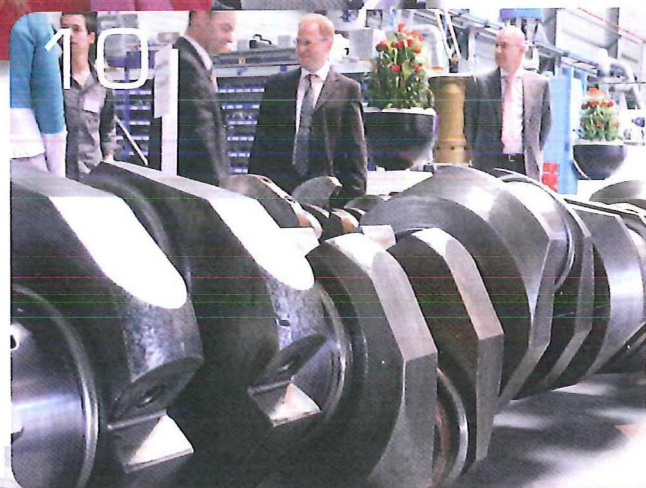
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Front Cover: Friday 24 April 2009 witnessed the festive naming and royal launching of Van Oord's largest trailing suction hopper dredger, *Vox Máxima*, at the IHC Merwede yard in Kinderdijk, the Netherlands. The royal launching ceremony was performed by Her Royal Highness Princess Máxima of the Netherlands. See page 24.
Photo courtesy of Yellow & Finch Publishers (photographer Dennis Vinkoert).

Left Page: The giant trailing suction hopper dredger *Vox Máxima* depicted right after her launch at shipyard IHC Merwede in Kinderdijk. With a hopper capacity of 31,136 m³, *Vox Máxima* is the largest dredging vessel ever built in the Netherlands. She is also the largest ship built in the country since 1990. Photo courtesy of Yellow & Finch Publishers (photographer Vincent Vinkoert).

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Front Cover: The Celebrity Equinox is the second ship in Celebrity Cruises' Solstice class. The ship was constructed at the Meyer Werft shipyard in Papenburg, Germany, and underwent sea trials and its final outfitting in the Netherlands. The cruise vessel is an extremely eco-friendly ship. A total energy saving of about 30% compared to similar ships has been achieved by highly energy-efficient components. Photo courtesy of Meyer Werft.

Left Page: Smit Panther, the first example of Damen's new ASD Tug 3213 design, has been designed to meet demands for a more powerful ship handling and escort vessel. The ASD 3213 embodies many well established features present in existing successful Damen ASD tugs. Photo courtesy of Damen Shipyards Gorinchem.

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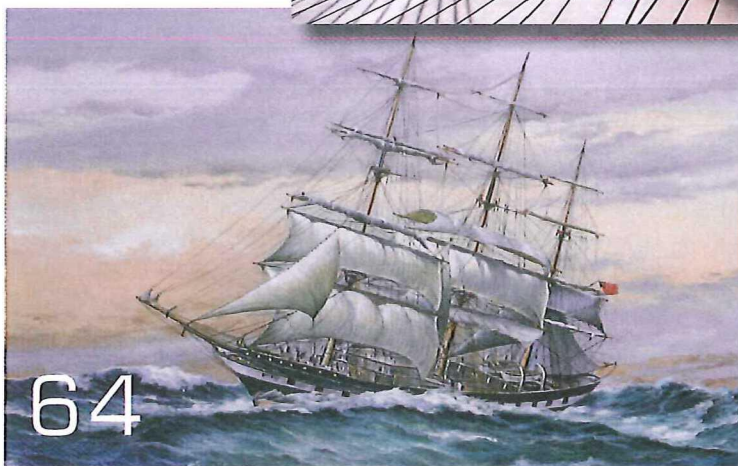
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Front Cover & Left Page: Built by IHC Merwede Offshore & Marine, HOS Iron Horse is a versatile vessel suitable for worldwide operations. With her deepwater cranes, deck cranes and moonpool, the vessel can be deployed in a wide range of offshore construction activities and can easily be adapted to meet a charterer's specific wishes and requirements. Subsea operations are facilitated by a moonpool and can be supported by two work class ROVs which are housed in a hangar. Photo courtesy of Yellow & Finch Publishers – Photographers Robin Zander (cover) and Dave Jansen (left page).

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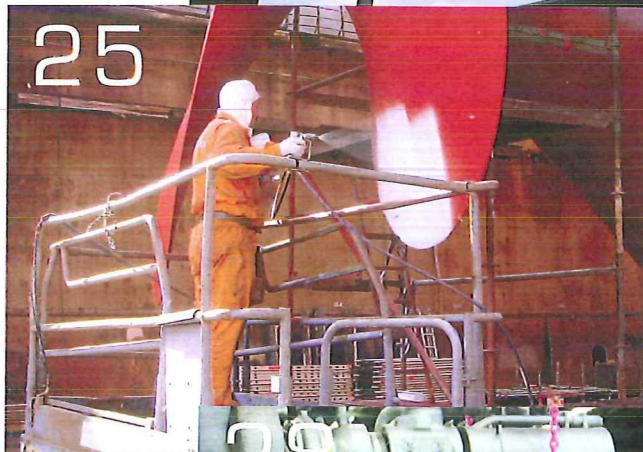
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Front cover and background picture contents page: With its 5,000t crane capacity Oleg Strashnov – under construction for Seaway Heavy Lifting – is the largest monohull heavy lift vessel in the world and is the largest vessel ever built by IHC Merwede. The newbuild vessel is an impressive DP3 class heavy lift vessel designed for the installation and removal of offshore platforms, subsea construction and special projects. Photo courtesy Bonn & Mees.