# **Gibson Weekly Projects Report** 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2021

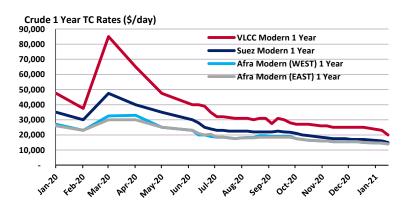


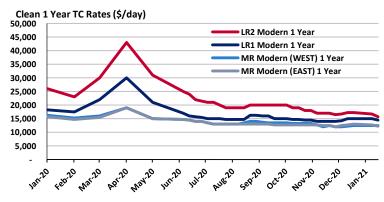
## Market Summary – Tanker Projects

#### Crude

A dull week in terms of volume of t/c fixtures, although pleasing to see some life to a number of the crude sectors this week. The Suezmax spot market in particular has had a revival ending the week with considerably better returns. Sadly the earnings still remain soft historically and it remains to be seen if that improvement is sustainable enough to encourage charterers to take period coverage. Winter weather is likely to cause some more volatility in earnings the Longer term, deferred delivery is still most charterers preference for now in each of the crude classes with particular focus on VLCC's.

This week has seen quite a few MRs trade in the West for periods ranging from 3 to 18 months. Owners willing to give longer periods with options are the most favoured, while 6 months deals are difficult for Charterers to execute unless they are priced aggressively. Handy spot market in the Med and (to a lesser extent) UKC have popped this week, sparking some tc interest in this sector. Given the weak state of demand and the poor MR market, it is likely the spot markets will correct before we see a meaningful recovery in tc bids. Otherwise, a newbuild scrubber LR2 has been fixed for 6+6 mos, resetting the short term tc rates downward for this sector; beyond 6 months however, offers remain well north of 20k.





#### **Time Charter Rates Week 3**

	Modern			Eco			FFA	12M			
	1 Year		2 Year 3 Year		1 Year 2 Year 3 Year		3 Year	Route Spc		ot Avg.*	
,	VLCC	20,000	26,000	28,000	25,000	31,000	32,000	TD3C VLCC - MEG/CHINA	0	18,750	
	Suez	15,000	20,000	21,000	18,000	23,000	24,000	TD20 SUEZMAX - WAF/UKC	8,750	11,250	
Afra (W	Vest)	14,000	15,500	18,000	16,250	18,500	20,000	TD25 AFRAMAX - USG/UKC	3,250	9,750	
Afra (	East)	14,000	15,500	18,000	16,250	18,500	20,000	TD8 AFRAMAX - MEG/SING	-4,250	6,000	
	LR2	15,750	18,250	19,250	18,000	20,500	21,250	TC1 LR2 - MEG/JAPAN	5,250	n/a	
	LR1	14,500	15,500	15,750	15,750	17,000	17,250	TC5 LR1 - MEG/JAPAN	2,000	10,500	
MR (W	Vest)	12,000	13,250	13,750	13,750	15,000	15,500	TC2 + TC14 TRIANGULATION	7,000	11,000	
MR (	East)	12,250	13,250	13,750	13,750	15,000	15,500	TC7 MR - SING/AUS	6,500	9,000	
Ha	andy	10,500	12,000	13,000	12,000	13,000	14,000	TC9 HANDY - BALT/UKC	12,250	9,750	

# **Crude Fixtures**

Name	DWT Blt	Builder	Period	Charterer	Rate	Scrubber	Remarks
EBN HAWKEL	112,002 2021	Sumitomo	6 +6 mos	Trafigura	16,750 +17,000	Scrubber	
KASTELORIZO	109,900 2019	SWS	30 +120 days	Trafigura	15,750		



# **Clean Fixtures**

Name	DWT	Blt	Builder	Period	Charterer	Rate	Scrubber	Remarks
ATLANTIC BLUE	110,200	2021	New Times	2 + 4 mths	ST Shipping	15,000+17,000	Scrubber	
SEA EAGLE	49,916	2019	STX Jinhae	7 mths	Koch	14,250	Scrubber	
NS POINT	40,119	2008	ShinaSB	3-6 mths	Clearlake			
NS PRIDE	40,119	2006	ShinaSB	3-6 mths	Clearlake			
STAR N	37,836	2009	Hyundai Mipo	8-12 mths	Scorpio	10,000		

#### Market Summary - Tanker S&P

#### Crude

Now well into January the level of transactions this and last week has been encouraged with some familiar names returning to the market for increasingly more modern age range vessels. In particular DHT has made a decisive purchase of a pair of five-year-old VLCCs namely "ECO FUTURE" and "ECO QUEEN" (299,999 dwt/blt 2016 Daewoo) at US\$68m each, with scrubbers fitted explaining the differential between market perceived benchmark pricing in the US\$ mid 60s mill range.

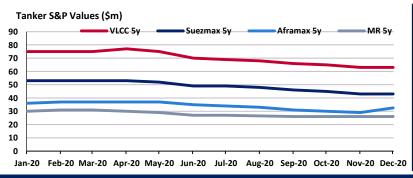
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Indonesia's Buana Lintas Lautan (Bull) has also kicked 2021 off to a charging start with a cash and shares deal to purchase a series of chemical tankers from the A.P. Moller stables, as well as the LR2 mt "MAERSK PELICAN" (109,647 dwt/blt 2008 Dalian No.2) off-market for an undisclosed sum. However, the sale of aframax "ESTEEM BRILLIANCE" (110,802 dwt/blt 2006 Mitsui) brings a bit of downward reassessment to fifteen year old values at US\$13.2m, albeit noting that she will have to fit a BWTS at her third Special Survey in November.

Prices (\$m)	Newbuild	5 Year	10 Year	
VLCC	85	63	43	
SUEZMAX	56	43	29	
AFRAMAX	45	33	20	
MR	34	26	17	

### **Recent Sales**

Name	Dwt	Built	Yard	Buyers	Price (\$m)	Notes
SINO MACRO	311,168	1999	Hyundai Ulsan (KRS)	Chinese buyer	20.5	CAP 2 rated. DD due 12/20.
ECO FUTURE + ECO QUEEN	299,999	both 2016	Daewoo (KRS)	DHT	68 each	SS due 8+9/21. Scrubber fitted.
TOVE KNUTSEN	152,251	2020	Hyundai Ulsan (KRS)	Undisclosed buyer	117.8	Shuttle tanker.
ESTEEM BRILLIANCE	110,802	2006	Mitsui (JPN)	European buyer	13.2	SS+BWTS due 11/21.
ARGENT BLOOM + LIBERTY	33,609	both 2009	Kitanihon (JPN)	EGD Chimcal	19.2 each	Stainless Steel. 18 grades.
CHEMROUTE SUN	25,615	2008	Shin Kurushima (JPN)	Tufton Oceanic	15.2	Stainless Steel. 18 grades. DD psd 6/20.
OCEAN HAWK	9,010	2007	Yangzhou Kejin (CHN)	Far Eastern buyer	3.1	IMO II. Epoxy. Bank driven sale.



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