

MARINE SERVICES

Expanding fleet to meet growing demand

AS THE demand for vessels supplied to customers in the worldwide oil and gas industry increases, Australia Marine Services (A.M.S. Tugs & Barges) is expanding its fleet to accommodate this growth in the market.

A WA-based marine company with new premises in Welshpool, A.M.S. Tugs & Barges has frequently been involved with local as well as international clients to perform work in areas such as coastal construction, offshore oil and gas transportation, offshore exploration and other marine-related activities.

As a vessels owner/operator, its main operations in the Oceania region are the charter/sale of various types/specs of tugs/supply vessels, specialised vessels and deck cargo ballastable barges.

Currently, A.M.S. has six vessels on order, including two ballastable barges under construction— the A.M.S. 1802 and A.M.S. Henderson – which are due for delivery in January/February 2011; and two shallow-draft multi-cat workboats, the A.M.S. Shine and A.M.S. Swissco, which will be completed by mid-2011.

Also in the final stages of construction is the A.M.S. Reventon, a 36m 3200bhp multi-purpose utility vessel, and the A.M.S. Somnus, a 40m 4200bhp anchor handling tug.

Its recent milestones include a 24-month contract in NSW for the A.M.S. Melbourne, as a crane barge that is due to be completed by December 2010; a one-year LNG operations charter in Queensland for its new 180ft barge A.M.S. 1801; another one-year contract for the 250ft deck cargo ballastable tank barge A.M.S. Esperance (sister vessel to A.M.S. Henderson), working in north-west of WA; A.M.S. 23, a shallow-draft workboat now operating in Taiwan waters; and A.M.S. Divine, sister vessel to A.M.S. Somnus, in the Middle East.



A.M.S. Divine

A.M.S. managing director Alan Yeo said the company would endeavour to meet the emerging requirements of Australia’s offshore oil and gas industry with its vessels predominantly based in northern WA, as well as internationally with

A.M.S. vessels based in Singapore.

The A.M.S. team was also dedicated to ensuring all of its vessels were delivered promptly, safely and to the highest standard of construction.

“Some of the vessels built by our experienced yards range from 100 feet to 420 feet barges in accordance to our clients’ requirements, and our vessels service worldwide operations,” Mr Yeo said.



A.M.S. Melbourne