

Great Lakes Division

The Company of Master Mariners of Canada

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**Welcome all members, guests and visitors to
our Great Lakes Industry Update.**

Great Lakes and Marine Industry News Update

(available to CMMC members for the purposes of education and information)

August 2025

Port of Montreal progresses with Contrecoeur expansion

July 31, 2025

By Syed Rakin Rahman | Port Technology International



The Montreal Port Authority (MPA) has submitted its notice of intent to begin preliminary construction work for the Port of Montreal's Contrecoeur expansion as early as 29 September 2025, pending receipt of the final required approvals. The initial work will focus primarily on preparing the project site for more significant construction activities, which could take place in 2026, reported the MPA. The Contrecoeur expansion will reportedly strengthen Canada's logistics network to meet tomorrow's supply chain needs. It will provide Quebec and Canada with a critical piece of infrastructure that supports economic sovereignty and enables businesses to diversify their import and export markets.

Construction begins on new terminal at Port of Johnstown

Project aims to strengthen agrifood supply chains by providing another source of fertilizer.

Author of the article: The Recorder and Times staff Published Jul 30, 2025



JOHNSTOWN — Construction on a new project at the Port of Johnstown is now underway after a groundbreaking ceremony that was held on July 29.

This addition will see a new fertilizer terminal built by V6 Agronomy, which aims to improve access to phosphate across Canada, and strengthen both local and national agrifood supply chains.

New Entry-Level Training Program for Ontario Jobseekers

Thanks to a new Entry-level Seafarer Training Program, unemployed adults in Ontario may qualify for fully funded training to kickstart a rewarding career working along the beautiful Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River, and across the rest of Canada.

Managed by the Canadian Marine Careers Foundation (CMCF) in partnership with Georgian College, this new training program is completely free for eligible participants - including tuition and additional supports such as safety gear, training materials, and accommodations during the hands-on training period in Owen Sound. The program is hybrid, with a portion taken online and a portion on campus using Georgian's state-of-the-art marine training facility.

This Employment Ontario project is funded in part by the Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario.



Students completing MED training at Georgian College.



What's Included in the Program?

Pre-qualification Assistance for Marine Medical with a TC certified physician. Cost reimbursed.

- Paid tuition for the 17-day Entry-level Seafarer Micro-Certificate course (Micro-Certificate course provided by Georgian's Centre for Marine Training and Research). 7 days of online, instructor-led learning followed by 10 days in-person, hands-on training at Owen Sound.**

- Knowledge and practical skills necessary for safe and efficient operation on board vessels, ensuring compliance with international standards, and includes TC certificates: STCW Basic Safety Training (BST), STCW Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Boats other than Fast Rescue Boats (PSC), Marine Basic First Aid, and Vessel Personnel with Security Responsibilities (VPWSR). Program graduates receive a Micro-Certificate in Entry Level Seafaring.**

- Interview Day with Employers and Labour Organizations will be organized by CMCF for graduates. You may be eligible for partial or full reimbursement of travel, accommodations, meals, if you are displaced from your home community to complete your in-person training. Training stipend may be available to those that meet eligibility requirements.**



The 47th annual Canal Days Marine Heritage Festival, presented by GIO Rail, is back in Port Colborne from Friday, Aug. 1 to Monday, Aug. 4.

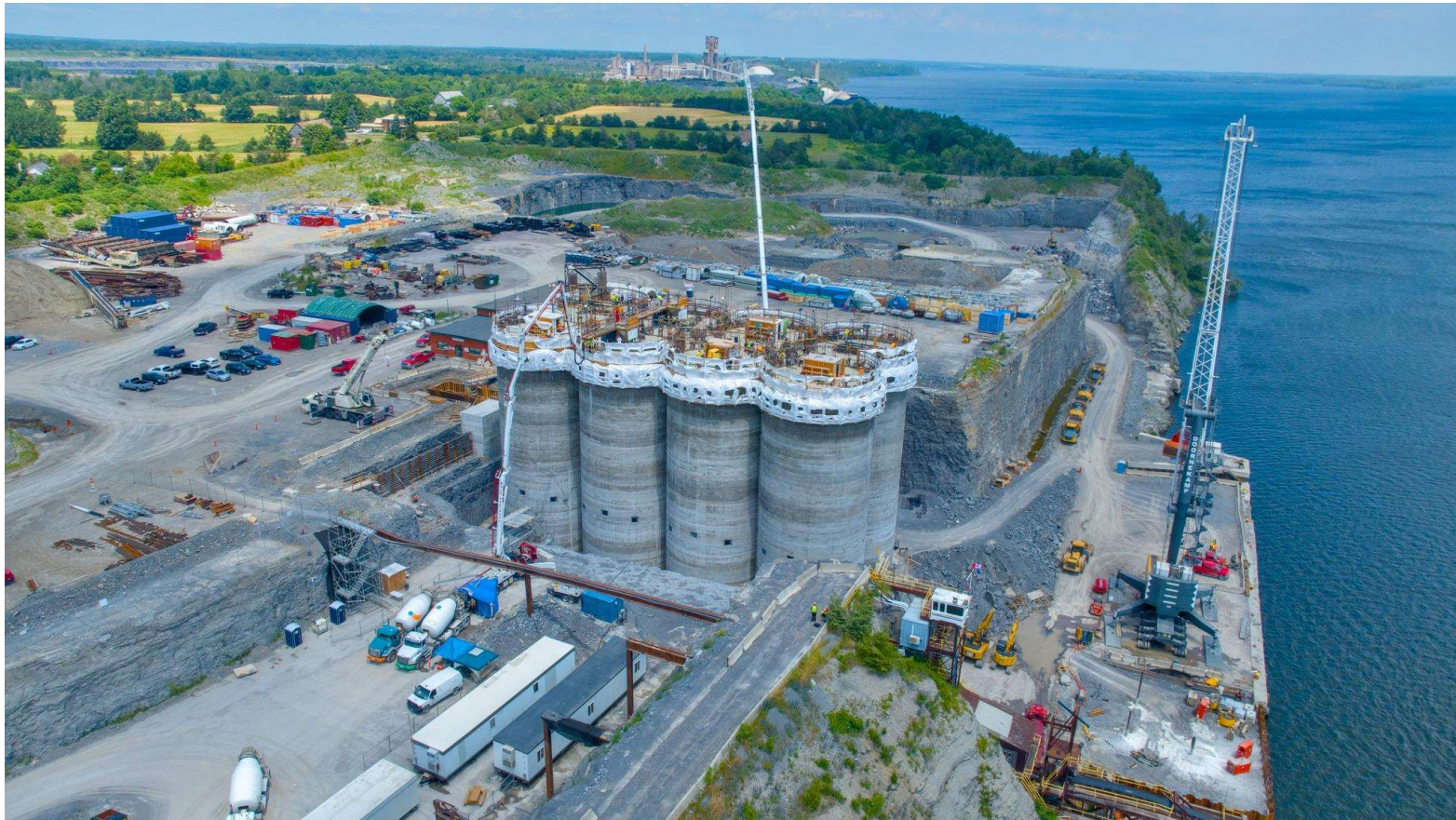
Taking place at venues throughout the city's downtown as well as at the Vale Health and Wellness Centre and H.H. Knoll Lakeview Park, the festival promises all-Canadian musical performances, family-friendly fun, spectacular fireworks, delicious food, and more.

Eight Royal Canadian Navy Kingston-class vessels to be retired from service

By Maritime Magazine 2025 July 28



In the fall of 2025, the Royal Canadian Navy (RCN) will begin paying off the Kingston- class Maritime Coastal Defence Vessels (MCDVs). The Kingston-class warships were built and launched in the 1990s and are now at the end of their service life. The retirement of these vessels is a necessary step towards the modernization of Canada's naval capabilities, as resources and personnel shift to address evolving maritime threats.



P&H Grain Terminal (Picton) silos construction Update PT Times

The Parrish & Heimbecker silos, built last month for their new marine grain terminal at Picton Terminals! The new grain terminal will be open for business in the spring of 2026.

CMC releases 2024 Great Lakes- St. Lawrence Seaway Waterway tonnage report

By Maritime Magazine 2025-07-24



In 2024, more than 142 million metric tonnes of cargo moved through the GLSLW shipping corridor, according to a special report – the only data source of its kind – compiled by the Chamber of Marine Commerce.

The Canadian fleet moved approximately 60 million metric tonnes, accounting for 42 percent of all tonnage, while the U.S. fleet ships handled the largest share of tonnage at nearly 71 million metric tonnes, representing 49 percent of total cargo volumes.

Congratulations!

Capt. Kamila Calko (member of the Great Lakes Division Master Mariners of Canada and professor at Georgian College's Centre for Marine Training and Research. Kamila has been selected as one of Marine Log's Top Women in Maritime for 2025 as nominated by the Great Lakes Division.

We received an incredible number of nominations this year and narrowing it down to just 20 honorees was no easy task. Your achievements and contributions to the industry truly stood out. Marine Log





SEAWAY MONTHLY TRAFFIC RESULTS

July 2025

Traffic (in thousands of tonnes)	SLSMC - Combined Traffic			
	Year to Date		Change from 2024	
	2024	2025	Tonnes	%
Total Cargo	15 964	16 422	458	2.87%
All Grain	4 304	5 207	903	20.98%
Iron Ore	2 678	2 596	-82	-3.06%
Coal	849	608	-241	-28.42%
Dry Bulk	4 721	5 019	299	6.33%
Liquid Bulk	1 953	1 902	-51	-2.61%
General Cargo	1 446	1 078	-367	-25.42%

Vessel Transits	2024	2025	Transits	%
Total Transits	1 685	1 755	70	4.15%

The St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation



**Marine transportation safety
investigation report M22A0258
Engine room fire
Roll-on/roll-off ferry Holiday Island
Wood Islands, Prince Edward Island**

22 July 2022

The Transportation Safety Board of Canada (TSB) has launched a broad safety issue investigation (M24A0348) into shipboard fires on commercial vessels and Canada's emergency response capacity. Triggered by nearly 400 vessel fire reports over the past decade, with 10% resulting in total vessel loss, the investigation will examine crew preparedness, fixed fire suppression system use, and the readiness of shore-based firefighting teams. The TSB will analyze past incidents, conduct stakeholder consultations, and may share findings internationally. This follows continued concerns about gaps in Canada's marine emergency preparedness, despite prior safety recommendations.

Eureka Shipping's new cement carrier to be operated in Canada's Great Lakes



Eureka Shipping, a joint venture company formed by Cyprus-based SMT Shipping and Canada's CSL Group, took delivery of a new cement carrier from the Holland Shipyards Group (HSG) on Wednesday, July 23.

Tamarack is a 12,500DWT self-discharging cement carrier designed specifically for the Great Lakes region in Canada. Design work was undertaken by Netherlands-based Groot Ship Design.

Tamarack **Holland Shipyards Group**

Gareth Havelock Published on: 25 Jul 2025,



Tamarack 8-22-2025

[CSL Group]

New Cement Carrier Tamarack Arrives at Montreal

M/V Tamarack arrived at the Port of Montreal on August 22, 2025, completing her maiden transatlantic voyage and marking a major milestone in North American shipping. Owned by Eureka Shipping, a joint venture between CSL and SMT Shipping, the state-of-the-art vessel is the first newly built cement carrier to enter service in the Great Lakes in two decades.

Tamarack is making a brief stop in Montreal, before proceeding to load her first cement cargo. Managed by CSL's Canadian division, Canada Steamship Lines, the 12,500 DWT mechanical/ pneumatic vessel replaces two older ships and features a 10,700m³ cement cargo hold, diesel-electric propulsion, and advanced manoeuvrability systems. The vessel is equipped to run on HVO biofuel and includes shore-power compatibility, noise insulation, and energy-saving cargo systems, all designed to reduce emissions and improve operational efficiency.

Canada Makes Immigration Reforms for Marine Workers Under International Mobility Program

On July 18, 2025, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) announced new updates under the International Mobility Program (IMP) that directly affect marine transportation workers. This move brings Canada in line with international maritime standards while helping fill labour shortages and ensure stronger protections for foreign seafarers, ship officers, and maritime professionals.

It allows a more flexible work permit system for seafarers recognized as “key workers” under the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (MLC, 2006).

Seafarers now qualify for open work permits under the C61 category of the IMP. They benefit from faster entry for short-term assignments or transit, with reduced paperwork. These workers are also guaranteed visa-free shore leave and priority repatriation, based on the April 2025 ILO reaffirmation. To qualify, seafarers must hold certifications aligned with STCW (Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers). This update addresses a long-standing challenge in Canada’s maritime industry: getting skilled foreign workers to port quickly without delays caused by traditional visa processes.



Marine Transportation

In 2024, the TSB received 951 reports of marine occurrences (accidents and incidents), down 7% from 1,027 in 2023. Of these, 213 were accidents that resulted in a total of 12 fatalities – a 33% drop from 18 fatalities the previous year.

As seen in past years, most fatalities (10 of the 12) were linked to commercial fishing safety, which continues to be a key safety concern on the TSB's Watchlist. The remaining 738 reported occurrences were marine incidents, also down 7% from the 797 in 2023.

ISMA ANNUAL GRAND LODGE SCHOLARSHIPS (Georgian/Huronian Lodge #15)

It is once again time to announce to our members that there are scholarships available to all members, and the deadline for applying is closing on November 1st, 2025. The ISMA Grand Lodge donates three \$1,500.00 scholarships annually to successful applicants.

Marine Officer Cadet Scholarships

#1 Awarded to one Cadet enrolled at the Great Lakes Maritime Academy in Traverse City, Michigan,

#2 Awarded to one Cadet at the Great Lakes Marine Training Center in Owen Sound, Ontario.

Hawsepipe Scholarship Award

#3 Awarded to a candidate that is working on obtaining a certificate upgrade who is employed in the Great Lakes basin, be they Canadian or American Mariners.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 01 November 2025

WINNER ANNOUNCEMENT: December 2025

2025 GRAND LODGE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNERS

U.S. Cadet Award Recipient: Great Lakes Maritime Academy Jeffrey Jaeger, INTERLAKE

Canadian Cadet Recipient: Georgian College Erin Carey, CANADA STEAMSHIP LINES

Hawsepipe Award: Alexander Murtha KEY LAKES





Kingsville, Ontario: A Hub for Lake Erie's Fishing Fleet

From Capt. Paul Drouin

While not necessarily well known, the commercial fishing sector out of Kingsville is important. A small fleet of vessels (7-10) are a common sight at the Kingsville dock, bringing in daily catches, primarily yellow perch and walleye (pickerel), which are then processed and distributed to markets across North America. They depart the docks each day (except Sunday!) at around 4:30 in the morning and come back in around noon with their catch



The double-ended ferry was built at Fraser Shipyards. Destined for Beausoleil First Nation, the people depend on boats year-round, for three or four 30-minute voyages a day.

The roll-on, roll-off ferry measures a little over 200 feet in length. It's designed to carry 150 people and up to 35 vehicles. The ferry's name means "moving forward."

New Ferry Niigaan Enaazhek (Moving Forward) downbound and passing through the Soo Locks for the first time. She is head for her new home in Georgian Bay 8-7-2025

[David Kaye]



The NIIGAAN ENAAZHEK is a new car and passenger ferry, built in Wisconsin. It traveled through the Soo Locks last week on the way to its new home on Christian Island on the Canadian side of Lake Huron. Photo courtesy of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers



M.V. Cayhuga departing Ashtabula to Marine Recycling in Port Colborne by McKeil Marine tugs (with assist out of Ashtabula by Great Lakes Towing Tugs. July 28, 2025 FACEBOOK



**Cuyahoga
final
berth at
Marine
Recycling
in Port
Colborne**



**Cutting proceeds rapidly on CUYAHOGA at MRC Port
Colborne 8-22-2025 [Ted Willish]**



Tugs with Cuyahoga after her 2023 Lake Erie fire

[Windsor Aerial Drone Photography]

Final Report on 2023 Cuyahoga Fire Released

The Transportation Safety Board of Canada (TSB) has released its final report on the engine room fire onboard bulk carrier Cuyahoga on May 23, 2023 on Lake Erie, off Kingsville, ON.

Cause of Fire

Fuel spray ignition: A disconnected fuel injection return line on cylinder 7 sprayed diesel onto exposed hot exhaust surfaces.

Missing clamps: Retaining clamps had been removed in 2021, leaving lines vulnerable to vibration.

Maintenance issues: Fuel leaks were routinely tightened but root causes not addressed.

Insulation gaps: Exhaust surfaces not fully covered, enabling ignition.



The Great Lakes - St. Lawrence Seaway System
Le réseau Grands Lacs - Voie maritime du Saint-Laurent

2025 - NOTICE TO SHIPPING #28

MAISONNEUVE REGION
MONTREAL / LAKE ONTARIO SECTION

Speed Restrictions - MLO Section - Revision #2

Due to the continuing decline of water levels on Lake St. Louis, tighter speed restrictions are in effect.

In addition to the speed limits outlined in the Seaway Practices & Procedures Schedule II - Table of Speeds, the following speed restrictions are also in effect in the MLO section:

LOCATION	RESTRICTIONS	
	UPBOUND	DOWNBOUND
Lake St. Louis, between Buoy A13 & Lower Entrance of Lower Beauharnois Lock (Except between buoys A30 & A40 as noted below)	Revised to 11 knots for all ships, as per column IV of the speed table	Revised to 13 knots for all ships, as per column IV of the speed table
Lake St. Louis, between buoys A30 & A40	- Revised to 8 knots for all ships - Ships drafting 76.0 dm or greater are to avoid ship meets	- Revised to 8 knots for all ships - Ships drafting 76.0 dm or greater are to avoid ship meets
Galop Island, between LB122 & LB127	8 knots for ships drafting greater than 78.0dm	N/A
Sector IV, between buoys LB157 & LB162	8.5 knots for ships drafting greater than 78.0dm	N/A

*Ship speeds in the above areas will be monitored closely.

**Reduced Water Levels in
St. Lawrence River
impacts Seaway vessel
drafts with speed
restrictions.**



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2025 - SEAWAY NOTICE #13

Maximum Permissible Draft – Montreal to Lake Ontario and Welland Canal

Mariners are advised that water levels on Lake St. Louis are low and continuing to decline.

Effective **August 23, 2025**, the **maximum permissible draft** in the **Montreal-Lake Ontario section** will be reduced to **80.0 dm (26'-3")** for all ships.

Reduced outflows and low water levels are expected to persist for some time. We will continue to monitor conditions closely and will advise of any change as soon as possible.

Speed restrictions remain in effect as described in the latest Montreal-Lake Ontario Notices to Shipping.

In the **Welland Canal**, maximum permissible draft will remain at **80.8 dm (26'-6")** for all ships.

Ships equipped with an **approved and operational Draft Information System (DIS)** will continue to be permitted to transit at a draft of up to **7cm (3")** above the maximum allowable draft.

August 12, 2025

Ontario Shipyards partners with province and Italy's largest builder to ready bid for navy corvettes

The Ontario government is boosting efforts to turn the province into an unlikely shipbuilding centre in the hope that its underutilized shipyards can land a multibillion-dollar contract for new Canadian navy corvettes.

On Monday, Premier Doug Ford and Vic Fedeli, the Minister of Economic Development, met with senior executives of Algoma Steel of Sault Ste. Marie., Ont., Canada's second-biggest steelmaker. "We let them know that if they try to pivot into supplying the defence industry and other areas, we would be there to help them," Mr. Fedeli told The Globe and Mail.

Algoma, the country's only publicly listed steel producer, could make steel plate for ships and other heavy military equipment if Ontario Shipyards of Hamilton, the largest ship repair and construction company on the Great Lakes, were to win the corvette contract.





New Ship for CSL

MV CSL FLEXVIK – a hybrid self-loading/unloading vessel purpose-built to support coastal and offshore construction as well as aggregate logistics across Europe.

Converted from a bulk carrier, CSL FLEXVIK is capable of handling a wide range of materials – from fine sand to 3-tonne armour rock.

With two gantry-mounted electric excavators and a 45-metre discharge boom, the vessel offers flexible unloading options, including single-point discharge, transhipment to other vessels, and direct handling of larger rock gradings.



Davie Shipyard Begins Construction of Canada's Flagship Polar Max Icebreaker *Mike Schuler*

The new 'Polar Max' icebreaker will be based on a Helsinki Shipyard design derived from Aker Arctic's original ARC 148 hull form.

Illustration courtesy Davie

Davie shipyard has officially commenced construction on Canada's flagship Polar Max icebreaker, marking a significant milestone in the country's Arctic capabilities development. The steel cutting ceremony, held today in Lévis, launches a project that will deliver one of the world's most advanced polar vessels by 2030. The Polar Max represents a departure from traditional Canadian shipbuilding approaches, employing a hybrid construction strategy between facilities in Finland and Canada. Initial hull construction will begin at Davie's Helsinki Shipyard.



Private yacht CANIM built 1930 docked on the Cuyahoga River in Cleveland. 2025 August 17 [Bill Kloss] owned by Marty and Lisa Sutter of Harbor Springs, Michigan.



Arctic trade route expansion in northern Manitoba to be discussed following agreement

Arctic Gateway Group and Fednav to explore opportunities and year-round shipping

Ozten Shebahkeget · CBC News

Arctic Gateway Group, a partnership of dozens of First Nations and Hudson Bay communities that own the Port of Churchill, signed a memorandum of understanding with Montreal-based Fednav, an international dry bulk shipping company, to evaluate a year-round shipping season. (Arctic Gateway Group)



Integrity - G. L. Ostrander at Green Bay [Port of Green Bay] under new Holcim ownership colours (formerly Lafarge)



Polsteam Adds 2 New Vessels To Laker-Class Fleet

The Polish Steamship Co, (POLSTEAM), Szczecin, Poland, has added two new vessels to its Laker-class fleet of ships. They are Polsteam Insko (IMO 9984833) and Polsteam Weltyń (IMO 99848450) built at the Shanhaiguan, Quinhungdao Shipyard in China and are registered in Portugal. Each is 199.99 meters in length (656 feet) with a beam of 23.700 meters (78 feet).

The vessels are the seventh and eighth added to the Polsteam Laker-class since the fleet's renewal program began in 2024 with the addition of Polsteam Dabie. Polsteam Insko and Polsteam Weltyń have yet to visit the Great Lakes/St. Lawrence Seaway system. Polsteam Insko is expected to be making an inland voyage before the end of the 2025 shipping season. Denny Dushane

Sediment checks added to ballast water inspections

05 Aug 2025 by Craig Jallal



Ballast water sediment management will be inspected for the first time as part of a joint concentrated inspection campaign (CIC) led by the Paris and Tokyo Memoranda of Understanding on Port State Control.

The campaign will run from 1 September to 30 November 2025.

Photo of ballast tank sediment – [Marine Link](#)



Tanker Fure Ven Joins Algoma/Furetank Fleet

FureBear, a joint venture formed by Canadian dry bulk shipping company Algoma Central Corporation and Swedish tanker operator Furetank Rederi, has taken delivery of a new product tanker built by China Merchants Industry Yangzhou Dingheng Shipyard.

Fure Ven is the 17th vessel to be built for the Gothia Tanker Alliance with Älvtank, Thun Tankers and Furetank/Algoma ordering the vessels.

This Bureau Veritas-classed design is an ice class 1A tanker, equipped with batteries and dual-fuel engines for LNG operation. Operations will be in Northern Europe.



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Solutions and Actions: Building Our Future Marine Workforce



OCTOBER
7th & 8th 2025



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The Imagine Marine Conference will return for its second year on October 7 & 8, 2025, in Ottawa, Ontario, uniting leaders from the public and private sector to address workforce and skills challenges in the marine transportation sector. Following a successful first year that brought together 160 industry stakeholders from across the country, Imagine Marine Conference 2025 will build on this momentum under the theme Solutions & Actions: Building Our Future Marine Workforce. Imagine Marine CMCF

**Implementation of the International Maritime Organization's (IMO)
Prohibition on the use and carriage for use as fuel of heavy fuel oil (HFO)
by ships in Canadian Arctic waters - SSB No.: 13/2025**

From: Transport Canada

Date (Y-M-D) : 2025-07-08



Scope

This bulletin applies to all Canadian and foreign vessels, including pleasure crafts, operating within Canadian Arctic waters, except vessels engaged in:

- securing the safety of ships,**
- preventing the immediate loss of another vessel,**
- search and rescue operations, or**
- preparing for, or responding to, oil spills.**

Purpose

This bulletin explains:

the requirements of the International Maritime Organization's prohibition on the use and carriage for use of heavy fuel oil by ships in Canadian Arctic waters, and how eligible vessels can apply for a temporary waiver. These requirements are listed in the Interim Order No. 2 Prohibiting the Carrying of Certain Oils on Board Vessels in Arctic Waters which came into force June 30, 2025.

**BBC Tokyo heads
for Great Lakes on
maiden voyage
BBC Tokyo arrived
at Montreal Friday
morning for a
stopover on its
maiden voyage.
She is headed to
Erie, PA, with wind
turbine
components from
Tuticorin, India
where it left 37
days ago.**

René Beauchamp



BBC Tokyo [Rene Beauchamp]

Great Lakes History

August 2025



**S. S. Norisle artifacts
donated to
Manitoulin Island
home port museum
of South Bay Mouth
with dedication
ceremonies on
August 9, 2025**

**The ferry was built in
Collingwood, Ontario
in 1946 and served
the Tobermory to
South Bay Mouth
passenger/vehicle
route from 1946 to
1973.**



Bow anchor and engine room cowl vent now on display at South Bay Mouth Museum preserving the heritage of the the S. S. Norisle and her dedicated passenger and vehicle ferry trade to Manitoulin Island.





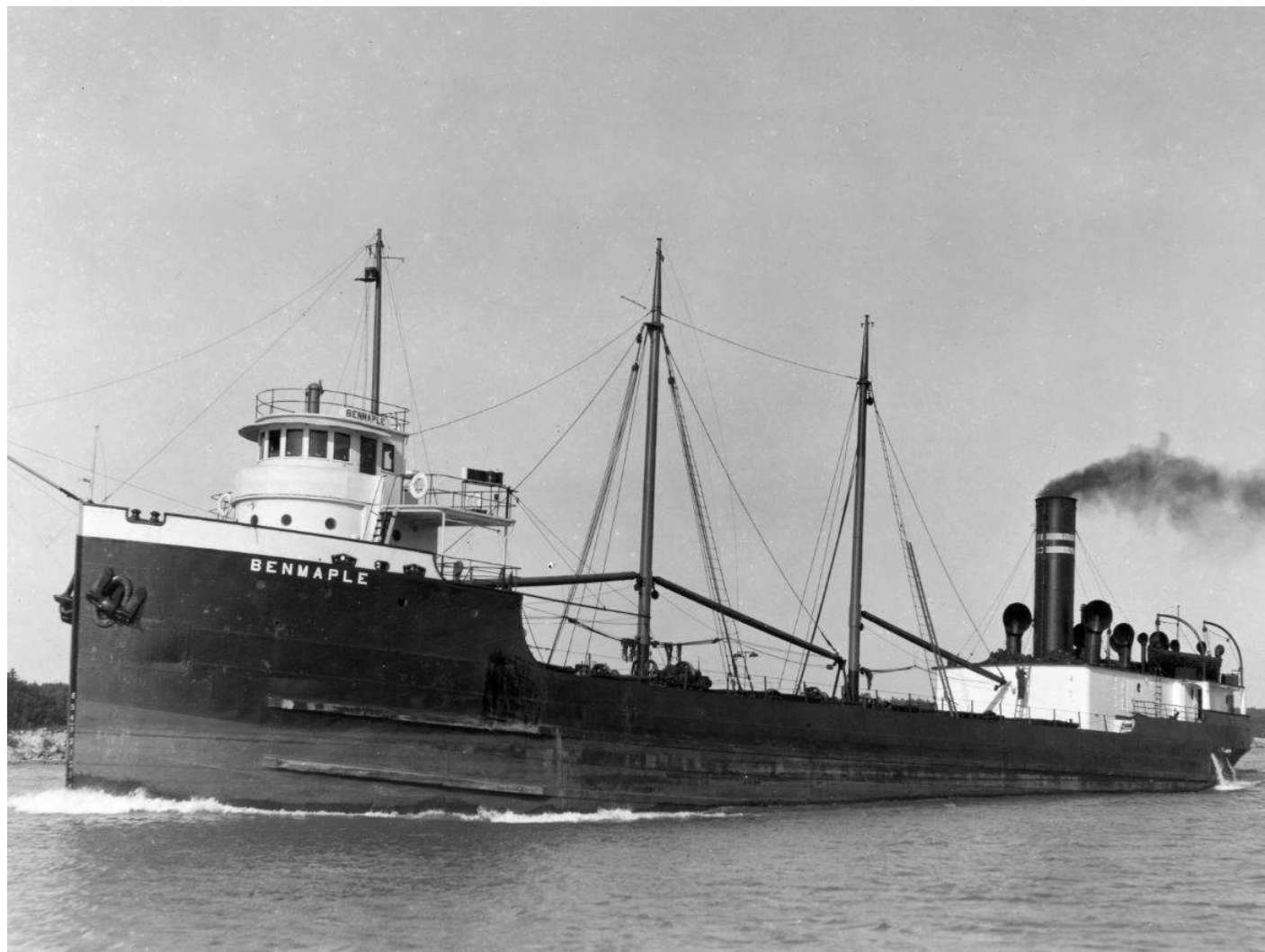
Bow anchor windlass and lifeboat on display at South Bay Mouth Museum from the S. S. Norisle



Spare propellor blades are mounted on grounds of South Bay Mouth Museum commemorating the S. S. Norisle (1946 – 1973)

Appreciation to Marine Recycling of Port Colborne, Manitoulin Transport, Owen Sound Transportation Company, Porter Services, and the South Baymouth Community Development Association for making the lasting tributes to the S. S. Norisle possible.

In her first full season, she carried 13,000 vehicles and 40,000 passengers...multiply this by 26 years of service...340,000 vehicles and over 1,000,000 passengers!



**BENMAPLE
(1914 – 1936) of
the Port Colborne
& St. Lawrence
Navigation
Co...note the
magnetic compass
binnacle and no
RDF, no radar or
other more
modern navigation
aids!**

Benmaple. [Peter B. Worden collection-MHSD]



1974: STEELTON collided with Bridge 12 of the Welland Canal at Port Robinson, ON, knocking the structure into the water. The accident tied up all navigation through the Welland Canal, and the bridge was never replaced. The ship was repaired at Port Colborne, ON, and returned to service.



PORT ROBINSON BRIDGE - AUGUST 25, 1974

SS Keewatin is the Museum Ship of the Year for 2025



The SS Keewatin at Kingston's Great Lakes Museum has been selected as the Museum Ship of the Year for 2025 by the Steamship Historical Society of America. Located at the Kingston Dry Dock National Historic Site, the Great Lakes Museum (GLM) is home to the SS Keewatin, the world's oldest surviving Edwardian-era passenger steamship.



Windoc on fire.

David Wobser

August 2001: Bridge 11 of the Welland Canal was lowered prematurely, striking the downbound bulk carrier WINDOC, taking the top off the pilothouse, toppling the stack, and igniting a fire. The massive damage to the ship was never repaired, and efforts to find work for the vessel as a barge were not a success. The hull arrived at Port Colborne for dismantling on November 9, 2010.

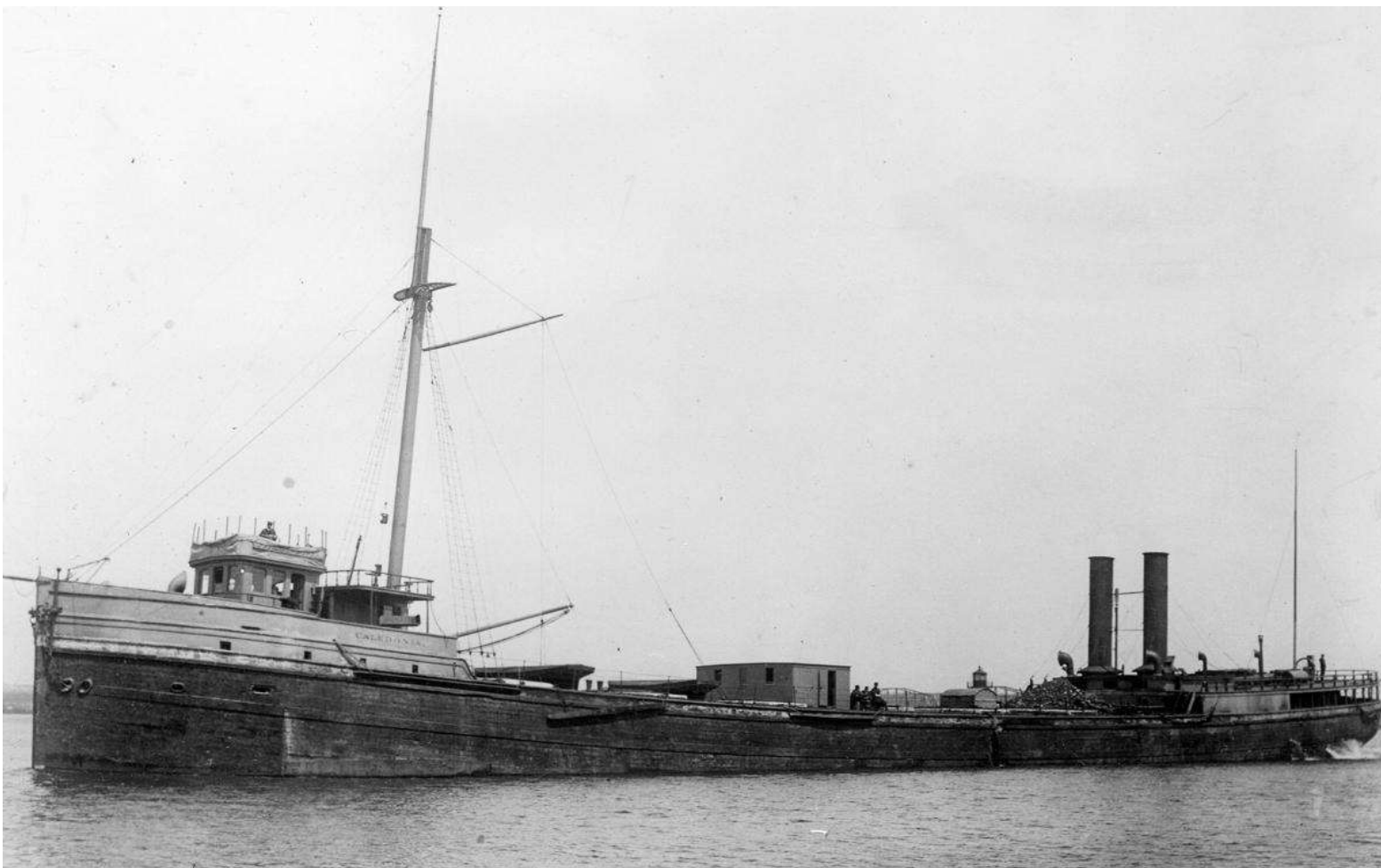


August 1960: A collision on the Detroit River between the Finnish freighter MARIA and the ALEXANDER T. WOOD damaged both vessels and put the latter aground in the Ballard Reef Channel. After being lightered of some grain by MAITLAND NO. 1, the vessel was released with the aid of the tug JOHN PURVES. MARIA, a pre-Seaway caller to the Great Lakes as BISCAYA and TAMMERFORS, was towed to the Great Lakes Engineering Works at Ecorse for repairs. It was eventually scrapped in Yugoslavia in 1968. ALEXANDER T. WOOD sank as VAINQUER after an explosion in the Gulf of Mexico on March 15, 1969.

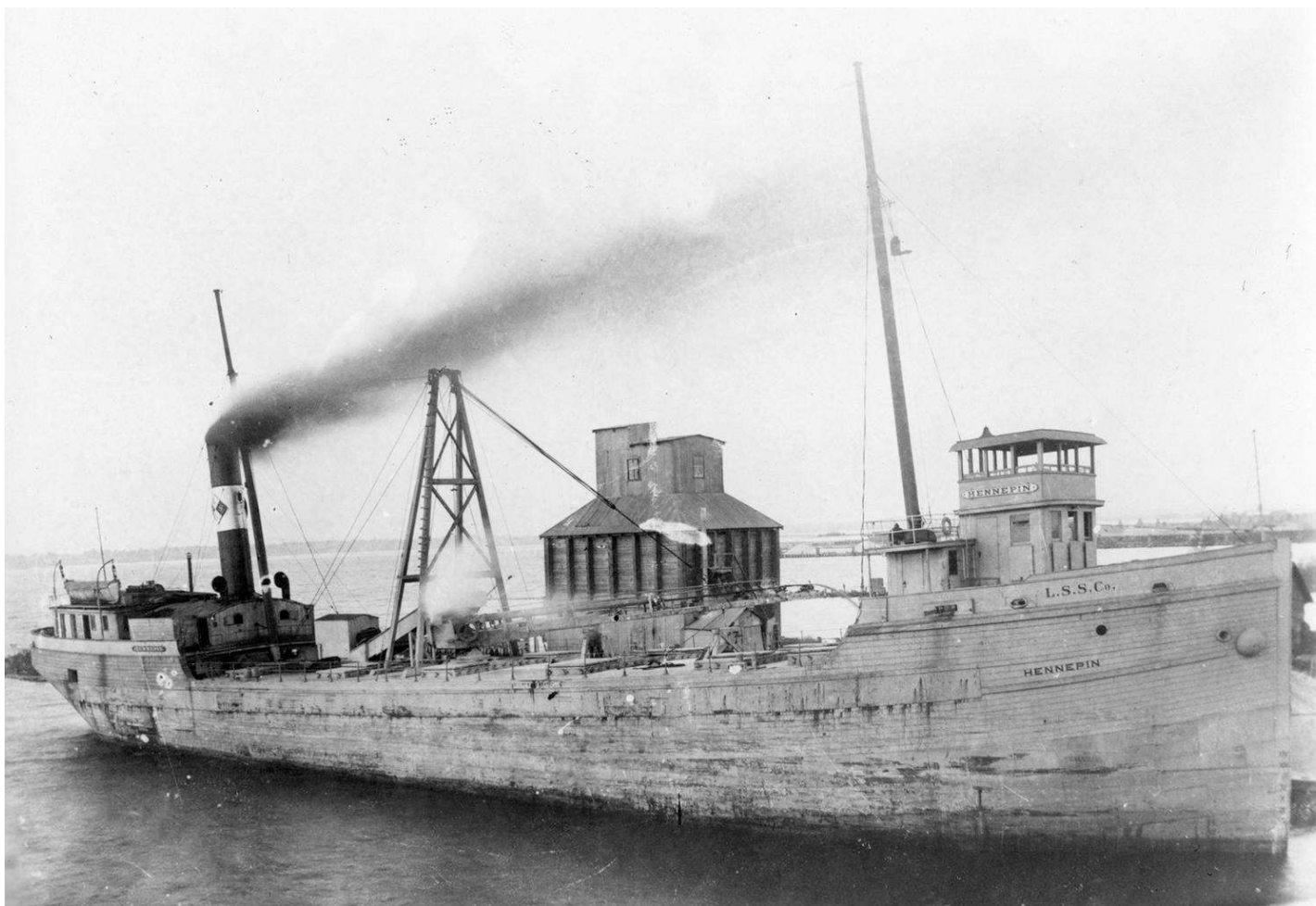
Eight tugs assist grounded Alexander T. Wood. Boblo boat Columbia is in the foreground. Press photo, Roger LeLievre collection



1913: The whaleback steamer ANTIKOKAN went ashore in a spectacular grounding at Marine City on the St. Clair River, but was released and returned to service. An unexpected dry-docking!!!!



1905: The wooden steamer CALEDONIA sank in Lake Superior while towing the barge JOHN M. HUTCHINSON. It was later refloated and returned to service. Note the twin stacks!



Hennepin, an early self-unloader and the first of her kind in the world.

Peter B. Worden collection, MHSD

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mandate of marine education!**

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