



Port for the Future >>>

In April, Port of Tauranga celebrated safety milestones with 12 months of zero 'lost time incidents' and recordable 'medical incidents'.

This is a huge achievement and I congratulate our team on their significant contribution. As individuals they take personal accountability for their own safety and also for their workmates' safety.

I am very proud of the safety culture that has developed in our business and want to replicate this success in environmental excellence.

In this edition of Portfolio, we outline some of the initiatives under way to enhance our environmental performance. It's something you will hear us talking about more frequently as we make use of the new technologies available to reduce carbon emissions, improve energy efficiency and keep the harbour and city clean.

Stormwater management is a current priority, and there is a comprehensive review under way to improve stormwater quality.

We have also increased sweeping of the log yards to ensure dust and debris is prevented from entering the harbour.

Elsewhere in this issue, we share our efforts in improving air quality and reducing energy use.

Small changes can add up to a big difference, and we will continue to work across our business in search of better outcomes. These efforts are supported by our newly appointed Environmental Manager, Joey McKenzie.

I'm pleased to report that the first half of the financial year saw strong growth in most cargoes with total trade up more than 13%. Log exports are high due to international demand and record prices, while imports increased more than 20% in volume.

We are also seeing Tauranga grow as an international hub port and we look at the trends in container transhipment in more depth in this edition of Portfolio.

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Rolleston freight hub expands >>>

MetroPort Christchurch is set to expand with the construction of a new warehouse for Coda Group.

Port of Tauranga's Property & Infrastructure Manager, Dan Kneebone, says the construction is an exciting development for the hub, which is connected by rail to the Timaru Container Terminal.

Local builders Calder Stewart won the tender to construct the warehouse and earthworks are under way.

The new buildings are scheduled to open in early 2019.

The new facilities at the Rolleston inland freight hub include a 19,000 square metre warehouse with a 2,200 square metre canopy, plus a 210 square metre office. They will be used for container packing and distribution.



Proposed new building at 5 Baltimore Drive, Rolleston

E-vehicles the way of the future for Port of Tauranga >>>



A fast charging station has been installed at the Port

Self-confessed petrolhead and Chief Executive, Mark Cairns, has purchased an all-electric car as Port of Tauranga moves to replace its operational vehicles with electric or hybrid versions.

Mark says low carbon emission vehicles are quickly becoming more easily available and affordable, and will be introduced as older vehicles are replaced. Many of the Port's straddle carriers are diesel electric models, and its container cranes regenerate their own electricity when lowering.

The Port has installed a fast charging station which will also be made available to customers visiting the Port by contacting Reception.

Fishing funds for Waipuna Hospice >>>

Port of Tauranga's annual Gibo's Fun Fishing Tournament saw some sizeable fish caught as well as cash raised.

The April competition, involving Port staff, customers and suppliers, gathered a record \$4,500 donation to Waipuna Hospice.



Mark Cairns delivers the record donation to Waipuna Hospice

Luxurious ocean liner stays overnight in Tauranga >>>

The luxurious flagship of the Cunard Line, Queen Mary 2, stayed overnight at Port of Tauranga in March during its maiden 13-night cruise around New Zealand.

The 149,215 tonne cruise ship is 345 metres long and 62 metres above water. She carries up to 2,700 passengers and around 1,200 crew at up to 30 knots top speed.

Port of Tauranga Chief Executive, Mark Cairns, said the ship's deeper than usual draught meant some juggling of other cargoes was required to accommodate the Queen Mary 2 alongside the Mount Maunganui wharves.

"We see this as an example of Port of Tauranga's can do attitude," he says.

"We really appreciate the understanding and flexibility of our affected customers prior to the visit, which went off without a hitch and with minimal disruption."

The Queen Mary 2, referred to as the world's last great ocean liner, is one of the largest and most luxurious to ever visit Tauranga.

It was one of 83 cruise ship visits to Port of Tauranga this season. The Port already has bookings for 115 cruise ship visits next summer, including seven visits by the giant *Ovation of the Seas* carrying up to 4,900 passengers a time.



The Queen Mary 2 departs Tauranga

Photos: Chris Parker



Port of Tauranga joins >>> PROJECT Tauranga

Port of Tauranga is now an official partner of Project Tauranga, a Tauranga City Council platform for businesses to invest in community projects.

One of the first programmes to be supported by the Port is the maintenance of Mauao.

"Mauao is Tauranga's identifying landmark," says Mark Cairns. "It is visited nearly two million times a year, including by an increasing number of cruise ship passengers, and is held in reverence by tangata whenua."

"As the Port of Tauranga, we want to help take care of it."

Port of Tauranga will also help support a range of other grass roots, community based projects in the city.

Improving air quality in and around the port >>>

New wind fencing at Port of Tauranga's log storage yards at Hewletts Road in Mount Maunganui will help prevent dust annoying near neighbours.

It is just one of the ongoing projects to improve air quality in and around the port.

Port of Tauranga has almost completed sealing all wharf and cargo storage areas and a second sweeping machine is cleaning up any debris.

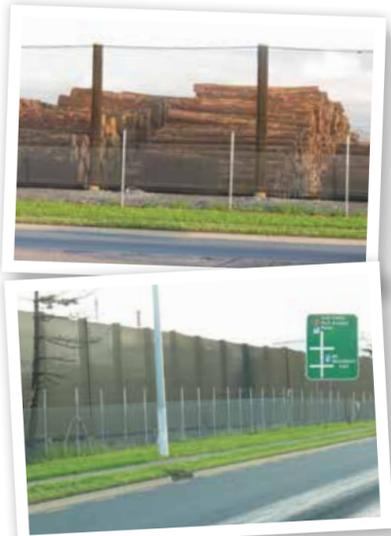
Another initiative is a trial of dust suppression measures on bulk cargo hoppers used for fertiliser, stock feed and other potentially dusty cargoes.

The equipment on trial sprays a high pressure mist at the top and bottom of the hoppers to prevent fine dust escaping. There are already wind

limits for discharging bulk cargoes and operations are monitored by the Port's 24 hour Customer Service Centre to avoid nuisance.

"We're very pleased to see that dust complaints to the council have steadily declined in the past four years," says Port of Tauranga Chief Executive, Mark Cairns.

"We will remain vigilant and implement any new prevention measures as the technology becomes available."



New Fencing on Hewletts Road

Port of Tauranga's first Environmental Manager appointed >>>

Port of Tauranga has appointed its first Environmental Manager to help all areas of the business to manage any potential impact from port operations.

Joey McKenzie joined the Port in January, bringing significant previous experience. Joey was most recently with the Northland Regional Council in a senior role managing six compliance officers.



Joey McKenzie brings a wealth of experience to our team