

# CMAR NEWS



## HIGHLIGHTS

Bon dia, CMAR members, you are reading the first ever CMAR news letter - a historical development towards improving communication from Board towards the members by sharing news, initiatives, actions.

CMAR Board intends to publish a news letter every 6 weeks **for the members, by the members** with news, insights and highlights of the maritime sector of Curacao. This week we will share insights with you regarding the latest actions and initiatives from our board members, VBC membership and upcoming events. A new initiative: the Member of the Month. We will share background and context to this and present the first Member of the Month (MoM). Last but not least, CMAR Board will reactivate the Palapa networking cocktail. More about this in the news letter! Thanks for showing interest. We expect the next news letter will be published end of June (2022).

Saludos, CMAR BOARD

## MEMBERS SHARE COMPANY DATA FOR MARITIME SECTOR STATS



As a sector, we should have intelligence about the sector. We should have availability of certain key data about the sector. Why? It is interesting to know for ourselves and for Government how big our sector really is. Relevant questions are: What is your line of work? What is the number of people working in your organisation (including office vs. field), average revenues made in the company over past 3 years. Who are your clients?

Data would be collected and processed anonymously. We count on your support. You will receive an e-mail shortly. Regards, your Secretary



## WE WANT PALAPA NETWORKING RECEPTION!

Is the word on the street. And you are so right about that! Now the anti-covid measurements have ended, we are pleased to share that we are talking with the **next host** to organise the next **Palapa** networking reception event soon within the next few weeks. See you at the Palapa. **Invitations will follow by e-mail..**



# CMAR NEWS ..WHAT'S NEXT



## CMAR MEMBER OF VBC

VBC (Vereniging Bedrijfsleven Curacao) has refreshed and reshaped its brand and mission: help and support the branch organisations of Curacao in an alert and active way. Unify branches, show strength and make impact to government and NL (Equivalent to VNO NCW). VBC includes representatives of CIFA (Finance), CHATA (Hotels), Pietermaai horeca and since recently also CMAR. we have identified VBC as an important ally to be associated with. Through VBC, CMAR receives important information from government and private developments, which will be shared with our members. With VBC, CMAR can push for change. We don't want to miss out as a sector, we want to be involved and included, That is why we have chosen for VBC membership.

## BOARD ACTIVITIES

- **Marina Tour** with ITC Geneva delegation (International Trade Centre), developers of national export strategy
- Picture (left): Tour at **Curacao Marine**
- **Attendance Caribbean shipping executive conference** in Miami (report will be shared in next issue)
- **SEA TRADE** Cruise Global conference in Miami (report in next issue)
- **VBC Membership** CMAR
- **Curacao flag register** under scrutiny, meetings with involved stakeholders within EY, Legal counsel and MAC.
- **CMAR Member interview series** started with M&E ABC and Curoil. Interview reports will follow.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **7-12 June 2022:** Velas LatinoAmerica Curacao 2022, Willemstad Curacao
- **28-30 June 2022:** Surinam Energy, Oil & Gas Summit (SEOGS) 2022, Paramaribo Suriname
- **September 2022:** CMAR AGM
- **31 October & 1-2 November 2022:** Caribbean Shipping Association AGM, San Juan Puerto Rico



## WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

MRC: MRC for all jobs on generators, engines, equipment and ships  
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# CMAR NEWS OF THE MONTH

## INTERVIEW WITH CURACAO MARINE

CMAR congratulates Curacao Marine with the new ownership. An interview with the management team shed more light on the plans and developments for the marina.

The Management team consists of Jens van der Lubbe, Gareth Weber and Jean Jacques Sperwer. Jens is owner and Managing Director, Gareth Operations Manager and JJ will operate as Yard Manager. The press release here at the right speaks for itself, but this interview provided more insights and angles for CMAR to work with. CMAR could support this organisation by pitching to government for one-entry point for yachts, where customs and immigration are integrated, so that the port of Curacao will become more boatowner-friendly. Also they ask attention for their entrance visibility, to avoid damage. For the mid-term future, the team needs more berthing space to be able to attract more customers. But now, they are preparing for the high-season period, which starts typically in June until November. The teams look very motivated and we wish them lots of success!

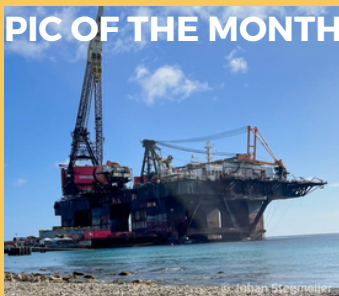
## Press Release

With the recent take-over of **Curacao Marine** at the the Pletterijweg at Parera by the local entrepreneurs Justus and Jens van der Lubbe, the continuity of this company is in safe hands, for the longer term. Jens van der Lubbe as the new Managing Director sees good opportunities to expand the activities of this company and to further increase the quality of the service. For the economy of Curacao, this renewed continuation is a solid asset. Jens is the new co-owner and will be supported by Gareth Weber as yard manager. Previous owner Harry Faydherbe chose to hand over the company to the next generation. Curacao Marine has excellent reputation at home and abroad. It has the potential to attract and increasing share of the regional market.



## SHARE YOUR STORIES, PLEASE!

### PIC OF THE MONTH



The next news letter will be published mid June. We want the news letter to be the news gate to the members! By the members, for the members. When this seems successful, we could include social media as well, So, please, if you have something to share, recent sales, interesting travels, interesting pictures, please share them and sen them to: [board@CMAR-curacao.com](mailto:board@CMAR-curacao.com)