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BCMEA Dispatch Raises Money for Strathcona Artisan Market



When BCMEA Dispatcher, Saeed Ahmed, met Ricki Chen from Servant Partners Vancouver at an event earlier this year, he was amazed by her passion and by how much she believed in helping her community in any way that she could.

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Servant Partners is a support group dedicated to developing leadership to assist the multi-ethnic Downtown East Side (DTES) community through the creation of religious communities, grassroots justice advocacy, and the development of economic opportunities. *(continued)*

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BCMEA Dispatch Raises Money for Strathcona Artisan Market (continued)

During their conversation, she explained how the Strathcona community is a great place to live and that the people were warm and kind despite the reality of addiction and lack of opportunity that also exists in this Vancouver neighbourhood.

Her passion was contagious and it spoke to Saeed's heart in its conviction that despite all the obstacles faced by the DTES community, there was still hope.

At the end of the event, Chen mentioned that Servant Partners was looking for assistance to support the Strathcona Artisan Market in any way possible.

The Strathcona Artisan Market is an initiative started by a group of Downtown Eastside residents wanting to create an accessible, low barrier market. The outdoor street market sheds a spotlight on low-income residents of the DTES and Strathcona, allowing them to sell their hand-made creations in a festival-like atmosphere. Economic empowerment of the residents of the neighborhood is the market's main and foremost goal.

Saeed was inspired by this message of community empowerment and hope, and took it upon himself to find a way to contribute and raise funds for the market.

When Saeed shared his desire to help with his fellow colleagues, first at the BCMEA Dispatch offices and then throughout the organization, support and assistance were immediate. The group decided to host a pub night fundraiser at the London Pub on July 31st, which raised a total of \$2625 through the generosity of BCMEA staff and family members.

Shared Saeed, "this money will help not only our community but give hope and dignity to the people who call Strathcona home. It was amazing to see everyone come together and support such an amazing cause."

Story contributed by Lauren Chan, Manager, Communications and Marketing / BCMEA

Funding to address rail bottlenecks near Vancouver port

canadianshipper.com

Marc Garneau, Minister of Transport announced a major investment of \$20 million to increase rail capacity near Abbotsford resulting in a significant increase in overseas trade to and from terminals in the Port of Vancouver.



The project will twin approximately 5.6 kilometres of Canadian National Railway tracks eliminating the last section of single track within the 40-kilometre Canadian National rail corridor leading to the Port of Vancouver.

The project will address bottlenecks along the rail corridor, and increase capacity and fluidity to accommodate growth in train traffic to and from the expanding import and export terminals at Burrard Inlet and Roberts Bank.

The work consists of engineering design; grading; the construction of track, bridge and retaining walls; as well as upgrading the signaling system.

<https://www.canadianshipper.com/transportation-and-logistics/funding-to-address-rail-bottlenecks-near-vancouver-port/1003381005/>

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New mid-year record for container volumes through the Port of Vancouver

Second consecutive year of record mid-year volumes boosted by growth in containers, potash, grain and cruise passengers

portvancouver.com

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority today released the 2019 mid-year cargo statistics for goods and passengers moving through the Port of Vancouver. Between January 1 and June 30, 2019, overall cargo through the port increased 0.5% to a record 72.5 million metric tonnes (MMT) over the same time last year, with new mid-year records in containers, potash, grain and cruise passengers.



“This year’s record mid-year cargo volumes reflect what continues to be two of the Port of Vancouver’s greatest strengths—its broad global reach and ability to accommodate the most diversified range of cargo of any port in North America,” said Robin Silvester, president and chief executive officer of the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority. “While Canada is certainly not exempt from the challenges impacting global trade, the diverse range of trading partners and cargo handled through the Port of Vancouver ensures the entire port remains resilient, despite variations in any one sector or commodity.”

Strong global demand for Canadian grain resulted in a new mid-year record of 14.8 MMT (both containerized and bulk volumes). Increases in wheat, up 22.4%, and specialty crops, up 34.2%, more than off-set the 12.6% decrease in canola exports at mid-year, which was largely due to a 49.1% per cent decrease in canola exports to China in the first and second quarters of 2019. In fertilizers, potash exports increased 27.3% to record volumes of 5.5 MMT. *(continued)*

New mid-year record for container volumes through the Port (continued)

Shipping container quantities (measured by TEUs or 20-foot equivalents) also reached a new mid-year record of 1.7 million TEUs, an increase of 3.5% compared to mid-year container quantities in 2018.

In Vancouver, containers arrive filled with electronics, food, clothing and other consumer goods. They leave loaded with Canadian agri products, local wine and craft beer, B.C. forest products and lumber, among other goods. Container trade through the Port of Vancouver is essential for Canadian businesses to gain access to international markets. Approximately \$1 in \$3 of Canada's trade in goods beyond North America move through the port, with a significant portion of these goods moving in containers.

- **Overall cargo up 0.5 % increase to 72.5 MMT.**
- **Container quantities reached a new record, up 3.5% to 1.7 million TEUs due to stronger export traffic with 837,152 TEUs through the port in the first half of 2019.**
- **Breakbulk cargo decreased 1.1% to 8.8 MMT. Woodpulp declined 3.3% compared to 2018, while log volumes increased 1.6%.**
- **Bulk dry cargo: volumes increased 2.9%. Coal volumes decreased 7.6% while grain volumes are up 8.5%, potash is up 27.3% and sulphur is up 10.4 %.**
- **Bulk liquid tonnage down by 26.2% over mid-year 2018 due to a 33.3% decrease in petroleum products and a 12.9% decline in canola oil.**
- **Cruise passenger traffic is up 15.1% for the first half of 2019.**

However, independent forecasts show that Canadian west coast container ports will be full by as early as the mid-2020s and therefore unable to accommodate growing trade, which will have far reaching consequences to the Canadian economy. In preparation for growth in trade shipped in containers, the port authority has partnered with terminal operators to expand and improve existing operations as well as government and stakeholders to invest in road and rail projects to support a more fluid supply chain.

“As Canada’s international trade continues to grow, it is our job as a Canada Port Authority to make sure the port is ready to handle the increasing trade volumes through Canada’s west coast,” continued Silvester.

However, even with the additional capacity provided by improvements to existing terminals and infrastructure, it won’t be enough to manage Canada’s future container trade demand, highlighting the urgent need for the port authority’s proposed Roberts Bank Terminal 2 Project. The proposed container terminal project would help realize our nation’s trade potential by providing the marine terminal capacity needed to meet Canada’s trade ambitions with Asian economies.

The Port of Vancouver welcomed a record number of cruise passengers so far this season, with a 15.1% increase over mid-year 2018 as demand for cruises to Alaska from Vancouver continues to increase.

Auto sector volumes are down 4.0%, resulting mostly by lower Canadian sales.

“This year’s mid-year success is a result of the continued support of port terminal operators, marine carriers, rail and trucking companies, government and all those who make up the Port of Vancouver. Through their continued investments and commitments to capitalize on Canada’s expanding trade opportunities, the Port of Vancouver is well-positioned to continue supporting Canada’s growing trade,” added Silvester.

<https://www.portvancouver.com/news-and-media/news/new-mid-year-record-for-container-volumes-through-the-port-of-vancouver/>

Canada to expand ice-free Stewart World Port for primary exports

freightweek.org

The Canadian government is to invest Can\$13.1 million in Stewart World Port, Canada's most northerly ice-free port serving the breakbulk, project cargo, forest products and bulk sectors with paved access to British Columbia, Alberta and Yukon.

The project consists of installing bulk loading conveyor systems and power and control facilities at the port in order to increase the handling capacity of bulk wood, mineral and agricultural products from Northern British Columbia, Yukon, Alberta and Saskatchewan.



When finished, the upgraded bulk facility is expected to save shippers time and costs by moving goods directly from these regions to overseas markets via the port instead of trucking or shipping by rail to other western ports in North America.

From 2015 to 2018 Canada's trade with Asia grew by 18.9 percent to Can\$199.2 billion and 19 percent with the European Union during the same period to reach Can\$118.1 billion.

Canada minister of Transport Marc Garneau commented: "Our government is investing in Canada's economy by making improvements to our trade and transportation corridors. We are supporting projects to efficiently move goods to market and people to their destinations, stimulate economic growth, create quality middle-class jobs, and ensure that Canada's transportation networks remain competitive and efficient." *(Continued)*

Canada to expand ice-free Stewart World Port for primary exports (continued)

The country plans to invest more than Can\$180 billion over the next 12 years in public transit projects, green infrastructure, social infrastructure, trade and transportation routes and Canada's rural and northern communities.

Founded in 2012, Stewart World Port is a multipurpose port located at the end of the Portland Canal, a 114.6 kilometres natural fjord extending from the Portland Inlet at Pearse Island, British Columbia to Stewart, British Columbia and Hyder, Alaska.

<https://www.freightweek.org/index.php/en/latest-news/90-government/4322-canada-to-expand-ice-free-port-for-primary-exports>

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Industry News Links

B.C. minister asks for urgent federal help with forestry sector crisis

<https://vancouversun.com/news/local-news/b-c-minister-asks-for-urgent-federal-help-in-forestry-sector-crisis>

CBSA Current Projects Aim at Implementing New Technologies in the Near Future

<https://www.ciffa.com/cbsa-current-projects-aim-at-implementing-new-technologies-in-the-near-future/>

Restoration of five hectares of marine habitat on the North Shore soon underway

<https://www.portvancouver.com/news-and-media/news/restoration-of-five-hectares-of-marine-habitat-on-the-north-shore-soon-underway/>

G3 Terminal Vancouver – Air Permit Status Update

<https://g3terminalvancouver.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/G3-Terminal-Vancouver-Air-Permit-Status-Update-02-AUGUST-2019.pdf>

Woodfibre LNG purchases essential equipment for Squamish project

<https://biv.com/article/2019/08/woodfibre-lng-purchases-essential-equipment-squamish-project>

Market Snapshot: New propane export terminal in British Columbia allows Canadian propane direct access to Asian markets

<https://www.neb-one.gc.ca/nrg/ntgrtd/mrkt/snpsht/2019/07-03nwprpnxprttrmnl-eng.html>

After All-Time Record Year, CN Prepared to Move 2019-2020 Grain Crop

<https://www.cn.ca/en/news/2019/08/after-alltime-record-year-cn-prepared-to-move-20192020-grain-cro/>

Canadian Pacific moves record amount of Canadian grain and grain products during 2018-2019 crop year; prepared to ship 2019-2020 crop

<https://www.cpr.ca/en/media/canadian-pacific-moves-record-amount-of-canadian-grain-and-grain-products-during-2018-2019-crop-year-prepared-to-ship-2019>

Investment to help shippers gain access to western railways

<https://www.canadianshipper.com/transportation-and-logistics/investment-to-help-shippers-gain-access-to-western-railways/1003381030/>

Modest growth expected for global container port demand: Drewry

<https://www.canadianshipper.com/transportation-and-logistics/modest-growth-expected-for-global-container-port-demand-drewry/1003381040/>

CTA wants supply chain to press for Labour Code exemptions

<https://www.trucknews.com/transportation/cta-wants-supply-chain-to-press-for-labour-code-exemptions/1003093008/>

Trans Mountain cleared to resume terminal construction

<https://biv.com/article/2019/08/trans-mountain-cleared-resume-terminal-construction>

Top 50 global port rankings 2018

https://www.joc.com/port-news/top-50-global-port-rankings-2018_20190809.html

Port Of Long Beach Witnesses Decrease In Cargo Volumes For July

<https://www.marineinsight.com/shipping-news/port-of-long-beach-witnesses-decrease-in-cargo-volumes-for-july/>

More Carriers to Fine Rogue Shippers for Misdeclared Goods in Containers

<https://gcaptain.com/more-carriers-to-fine-rogue-shippers-for-misdeclared-goods-in-containers/>

Battery-Powered Ships Next Up in Battle to Tackle Emissions

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2019-08-06/battery-powered-ships-next-up-in-battle-to-tackle-emissions>

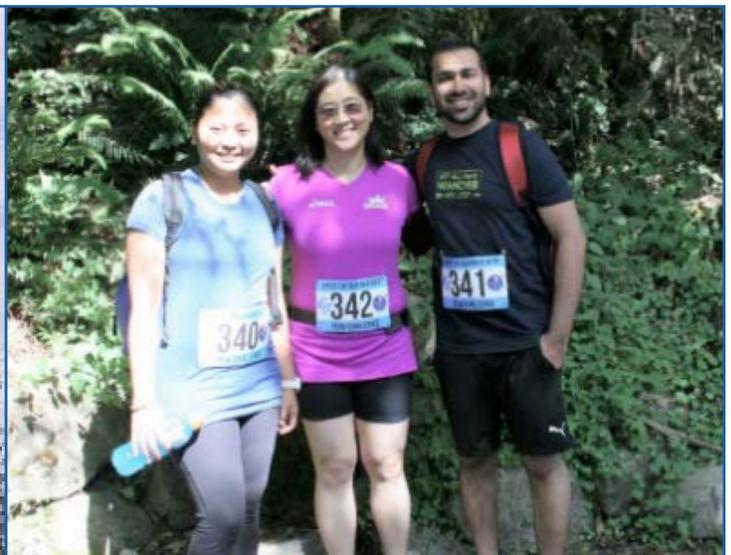
Tweet of the Week



DP World Canada
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Look at this view captured from atop #GrouseMountain. #DPWorldNanaimo and #DPWorldVancouver team members hiked to the top for the #PeakChallenge. @DpworldCanada sponsored the teams who helped raise funds for the International Sailors Society of Canada sailorssociety.ca



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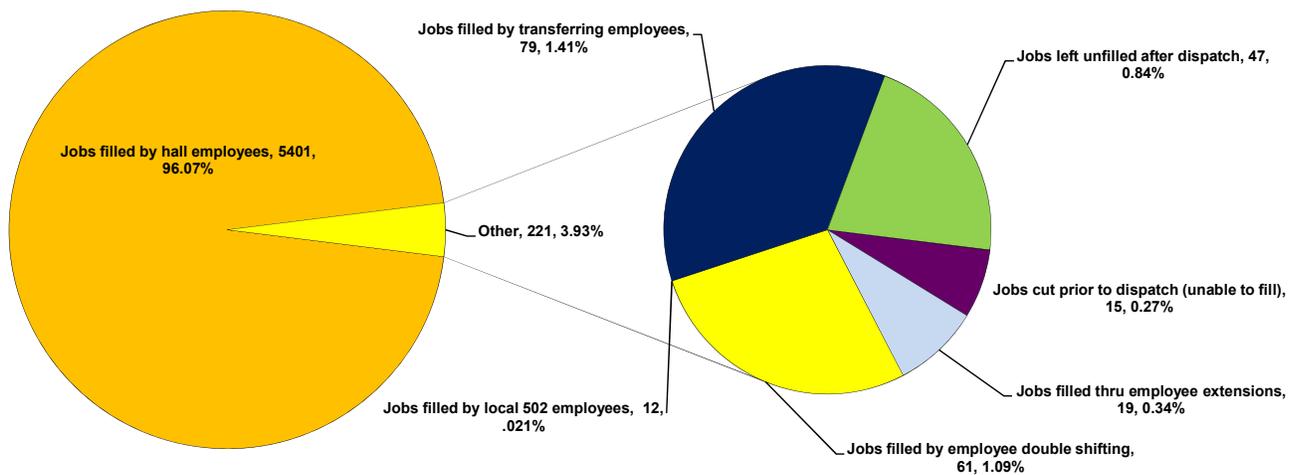
- Sept. 10, 2019 **Safety at Sea Awards 2019**
London Marriott Grosvenor Square
London, UK
<https://www.sasawards.com/>
- Oct. 8-10, 2019 **Breakbulk Americas**
George R. Brown Convention Center
Houston, TX
<https://www.breakbulk.com/events/breakbulk-americas-2019/>
- Oct. 10, 2019 **WorkSafeBC Ergonomics Forum 2019**
6951 Westminster Highway
Richmond, BC
<https://www.go2hr.ca/events/worksafebc-ergonomics-forum-2019>
- Oct. 23-24, 2019 **13th Annual Vancouver Island Economic Summit**
Vancouver Island Conference Centre
Nanaimo, BC
<http://viea.ca/vi-economic-summit/>
- Oct. 23-25, 2019 **Canada Logistics Conference 2019**
Hilton Niagara Falls/Fallsview Hotel & Suites
Niagara Falls, ON
<https://www.citt.ca/conference/>
- Nov. 6-8, 2019 **National Workers' Compensation and Disability
Conference & Expo**
Mandalay Bay
Las Vegas, NV
<http://www.wccconference.com/>
- Nov. 11-14, 2019 **2019 ICHCA International 20/20 Cargo Vision
Conference & Exhibition**
Hilton Malta
St. Julians, Malta
<https://www.eiseverywhere.com/website/1037/home/>

Dispatch Shortage Statistics

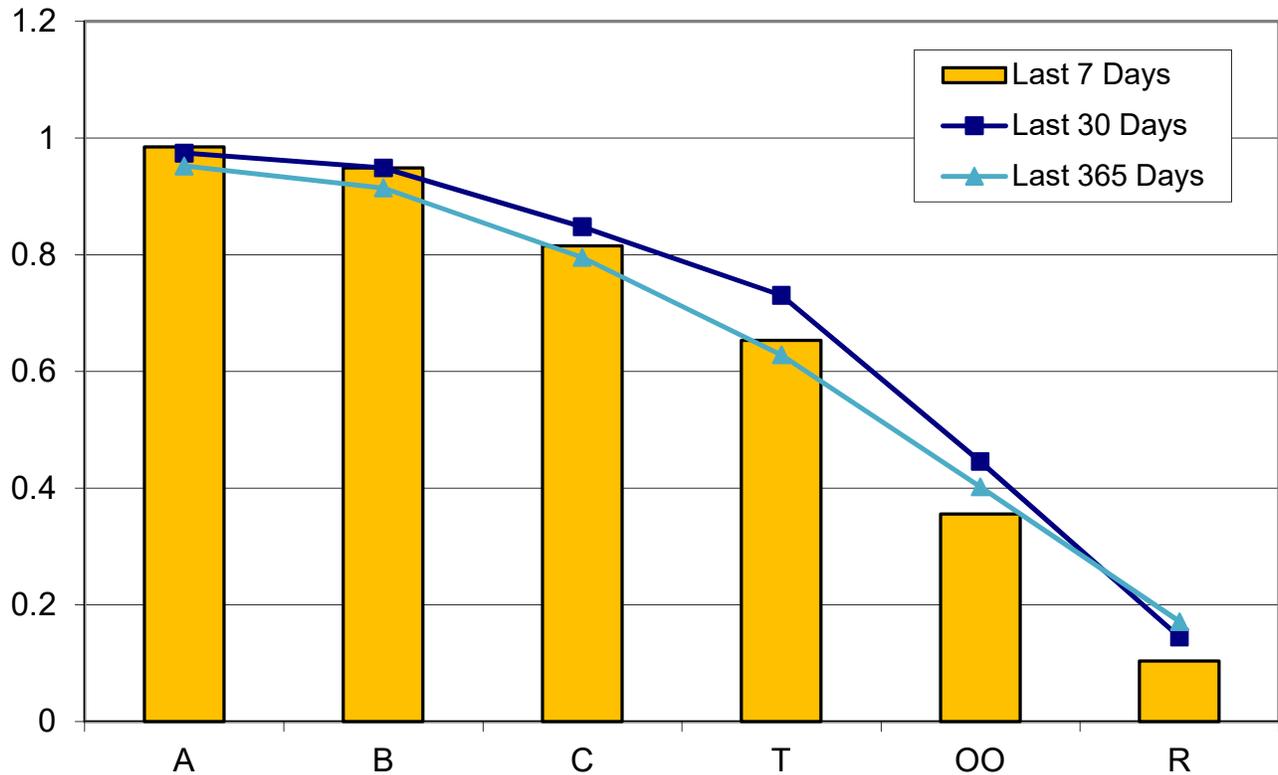
For the Period Sunday August 4, 2019 to Saturday August 10, 2019

JOB	to dispatch (unable to fill)	employee extensions	employee double shifting	local 502 employees	transferring employees	unfilled after dispatch	TOTAL
BULK OPERATOR			10		16	2	28
BULLDOZER			2		5		7
BULLDOZER(SHIP)					1		1
CARPENTER					1		1
CHECKER (DOCK)	1				7		8
DOCK GANTRY		2			1		3
DOCKMEN	2						2
DRIVER	6				4		10
ELECTRICIAN			18			17	35
F.E.L.			1		1		2
FILLIN	2						2
H.D. MECHANIC			2		2	18	22
HATCH TENDER					1	1	2
HEAD CHKR		7			5		12
HT SIGNALS		5			2		7
KOMATSU OP			5		4		9
LIQUID BULK					1		1
LOCIE ENGINEER			4		1	1	6
MAINT LABOUR					2		2
MEN			1				1
MEN - BAGGAGE					2		2
MILLWRIGHT			8		1	2	11
MOBILE CRANE OP			6		1		7
PAINTER						1	1
PLUMBER			1				1
RACK & S/HOIST					2		2
RED DOG CRANE		5			2		7
RUBBER TIRE GTY					10		10
SHIP GANTRY					1		1
SHIP LOADER					1		1
SLINGMEN	2						2
SPARES	2						2
SWITCHMAN			3		2		5
TRACKMAN					1		1
WELDER						5	5
WHEAT MACHINE					1		1
WINCH DRIVER					1		1
TOTAL	15	19	61		79	47	221

How were shortages handled by Dispatch?



Vancouver Casual Employee % Dispatched per Dispatch Board



Future BCMEA Meeting Dates:

Finance & Audit Committee Meeting

September 12th, 2019
8:30am - 11:00am
5th Floor Boardroom
349 Railway Street

Finance & Audit Committee Meeting

October 17th, 2019
8:30am - 11:00am
5th Floor Boardroom
349 Railway Street

Board of Directors Meeting

September 24th, 2019
8:30am - 11:30am
5th Floor Boardroom
349 Railway Street



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