

Newsletter harbor December 2022



Dear users of the port of Arnhem

The year has flown by for us as a port service. At the beginning of the year we were still in a lock down with all the uncertainty that came with it and we were thankful that we were allowed to "open" again during the early part of the year. For many users of our port this was an uncertain, difficult time and we hope that we will not have to go through that again. We hope you enjoy reading our newsletter and wish you a good, healthy and safe 2023 and look forward to seeing you again in the new year.

Refugees Ukraine

Arnhem City Municipality has decided to receive refugees from Ukraine. We have made accommodation available on two cruise ships. These ships are moored alongside each other at the John Frost Bridge (NK5). The total number of berths for the Asylum Seekers Agency (COA) has doubled since the summer. An extra ship has now been moored next to the ship that was already at the Nieuwe Kade. This means that the total number of ships serving refugees is now four. The duration of care is from now, for a period of 12 months.

Access to the quay is limited near the refugee vessels, due to the presence of bicycles, small children and some equipment for outdoor recreation.

Planning Metamorphosis Southern Inner City

The Rijnkade will change dramatically in the coming years. Major renovations will be carried out between the old Coberco site to beyond the Nelson Mandela bridge up towards the Boterdijk. The main reason for this is to strengthen the higher part of the quay and give more protection against high water. There will also be more greenery and space for terraces on the higher part which will upon completion, make Arnhem even more attractive than it already is !! Work should start in early 2024 and be completed by the end of 2025.

During the renovation there will be consequences for shipping and traffic on the lower quay. Some moorings will be unusable during this period, and we will be looking to use the remaining Rijn Kade and Nieuwe Kade as efficiently as possible. We would like to use the industrial harbour for ships that stay longer without passengers, and we are investigating the possibility of embarking and disembarking in the harbour during this period.

We will be installing shorepower for all shipping, that is not yet present on the entire Rijn Kade. This will bring us into line with the national standard that ports must offer shore power at all locations by 2025. We will also expand the number of connection points in the Industrial harbour.

As a port service, we are closely involved in the planning and implementation, and we will do our best to ensure that disruption is kept to a minimum.

Applying for a berth

Due to the somewhat uncertain planning during the renovation of the Rijnkade and decisions regarding refugee vessels, we will process applications up to a maximum of one calendar year in advance. At the moment only applications for 2022 and 2023 and after January 1, 2023 also those for 2024. This is currently only possible via the email: haven@arnhem.nl. There is a reporting obligation for ships that visit Arnhem without making a reservation. These ships must take into account the planning, which can be found at www.havenarnhem.nl.

For ships that berth unannounced at the quays, a reporting obligation applies during office hours by telephone or e-mail, and always via email outside office hours. In the Nieuwe Haven there will be signs at the stairs with the name of the berth and a QR code, by scanning this the registration can take place. Ships that visit the port for repairs or loading and unloading will soon be able to use this as well. The repair companies will be informed about this in good time. The current regulation "Invite and request berth for repair/loading and unloading" will then be cancelled. The

harbour masters do at least three rounds every working day, there is AIS and camera surveillance. If ships are found to be moored without notification, an official report will be drawn up and additional costs will be charged.

Cooperation Nijmegen

Since the spring of 2020, we have been providing personnel support to the port service in Nijmegen. Jelle Brink has been working there for over a year now, 3 days a week as a senior harbour master and Iede Nieuwhof 1.5 days a week as a coordinator. The team in Nijmegen has now been sufficiently strengthened and research is underway into whether cooperation is also a desirable option in the future. In any case, the operational cooperation will be continued. At the administrative level, we are looking to see whether it is desirable and useful to also join hands in business. In doing so, we will follow a national trend in which regulations, shipping rights and the use of digital systems are being aligned. For all these developments, we are advised by and consult our neighboring municipalities, the business community, the shipping interest groups and the Dutch Association for Inland Ports (NVB). The municipal port service(s) in transition to a joint regional port authority means that users can benefit from facilities and services that are sustainable, contemporary, efficient, customized and customer-friendly. Looking back at the past period, we have already noticed that working together has brought us a lot of good, and we would like to continue and expand this.

Accessibility

From 1 January 2023 we can be reached by telephone during office hours. If the telephone is engaged, please leave voicemail or a whatsapp, after which, if requested, we will call you back within 1 working day. Outside these hours, you must always report your arrival via email or in the port via the QR code. In case of calamities, you can use the general emergency services number, the telephone numbers of which, are posted on the website for the ports of Arnhem and Nijmegen. Berth applications can be processed in the presence of a harbour master. For an overview of the berth planning, please visit www.havenarnhem.nl and www.havennijmegen.nl. For the foreseeable future, we are also investigating the possibility of using digital information boards on the quays for the layout of the berths.

Developments in the New Port

Throughout the Netherlands, there is a lot of attention for transport by water. In 2021, the "Vision on the New Port" has been established and we are working with the companies to draw up an implementation plan to ensure that our port can function optimally in the short, medium and long term in terms of employment, sustainability and circularity. The central question is: What efforts in terms of spatial, financial, economic and legal aspects are needed when we have to have a properly functioning commercial port in 2040? The port service cooperates operationally with Nijmegen and sees opportunities to further shape this both organizationally and substantively. An initial exploration shows that the Province of Gelderland would like to contribute to the realization of a Port of Gelderland. This would mean that several more ports in the province could be involved in this plan.

Important changes in the Shipping Rights 2023

- If you register your mooring campaign in advance according to the prescribed procedure (using the QR code) via the website, you will receive a 10% discount on your cargo loading and/or unloading rate.
- Weekend exemption for cargo ships has been extended from arrival time Saturday afternoon 12:00 to Friday afternoon 16:00 to Monday 10:00.
- Cargo ships that have reserved for one (1) overnight stay and have received permission to do so from the port authority do not owe any port dues for that one overnight stay.

Important news about shore power tariffs (Nieuwe Kade)

The municipality of Arnhem has a permanent contract with an energy supplier. Even with the help of lawyers, it has not proved possible to prevent a substantial increase in the rate of our energy supplier within the current contract. The current rate is €0.227/kWh, excl. VAT.

The new rate is not exactly known at this time. An initial calculation of the new rate results in an increase of approximately 100%. This would result in a fictitious rate of approximately € 0.454/kWh, excluding VAT. In the coming period we will do our utmost to determine the rate definitively.

We realize that this is very substantial. Unfortunately, this is a new reality that is inevitable.

In the Nieuwe Haven, the shore power is provided by Shore Facilities Netherlands. Their Tariff will go from 1 January 2023 to € 0.3068 /kWh, excl. VAT. See www.wvnld.nl

Finally, we wish you:

All the very best for Christmas and the new year, and good sailing!

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