

COLUMBUS NEW ZEALAND

IMO No: 7039610 CONTAINER 1971 / 21278 GT

OWNER & HOMPEPORT:

Columbus Shipmanagement GmbH
(R.A. Oetker), Germany

YARD INFORMATION:

HDW
Kiel (Germany)

SCRAPPING INFORMATION:

Alang 7/9/1998



Port Chalmers (New Zealand) 31/12/1996 © A. Calvert

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GENERAL INFORMATION:

Name: Columbus New Zealand IMO No: 7039610
Ex: Built: 1/1971
Type: Container Status: Demolished
SubType: Flag: Liberia
DWT: 22,266 Draft: 10.85 Builder: Howaldtswerke
GT: 19,169 LOA: 193.99 Owner: Oetker R.
NT: Beam: 29.37 Speed/Cons: -/-
Class: GL Depth: 16.41 Engine Type: Burmeister & Wain
TEU: 1,211

OWNER & FLAG HISTORY:

SALES, TRANSFERS & RENAMINGS:

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GENERAL VESSEL INFORMATION:

A new vessel sharing agreement of Blue Star and Columbus Line has begun with the arrival of the Columbus Australia (1,230-TEU capacity containership) at the Port of Savannah, Ga. The service calls on the U.S. east coast, Australia, New Zealand and the South Pacific. Ships on the 10-day frequency service are the America Star (Bahamian-registry 27,953-dwt containership built in 1971, operated by Blue Star Line); Columbus America (Liberian-registry 22,440-dwt containership built in 1971, operated by Hamburg-Sud); Columbus Australia (Liberian-registry 22,440-dwt containership built in 1971, operated by Hamburg-Sud); COLUMBUS NEW ZEALAND (Liberian-registry 22,440-dwt containership built in 1971, operated by Hamburg-Sud); Columbus Queensland (German-registry 24,320-dwt containership built in 1979, operated by Hamburg-Sud); Queensland Star (Bahamian-registry 28,104-dwt containership built in 1972, operated by Blue Star Line); and Sydney Star (Bahamian-registry 27,978-dwt containership built in 1972, operated by Blue Star Line). In addition to Savannah, calls are at: Philadelphia; Norfolk, Va.; Houston; the Australian ports of Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane; and the New Zealand ports of Auckland, Port Chalmers and Wellington. (Internet World Maritime News 14 Feb 1997)

In September / October 1998, for the first time in the history of HAMBURG SÜD, a ship was scrapped abroad. The COLUMBUS NEW ZEALAND was sold to a specialist dealer who, in turn, sold it on to a shipbreaking concern in Alang, India. It has emerged that this shipbreaking concern does not come up to requirements, especially as regards health and safety and environmental standards. After gaining knowledge of conditions in Alang, HAMBURG SÜD did not consider it acceptable to send two further ships due for disposal to Alang and decided to seek a different solution for the scrapping of the COLUMBUS AUSTRALIA and COLUMBUS AMERICA.

The COLUMBUS AUSTRALIA and COLUMBUS AMERICA are sister ships (that is, of identical design) of the previously scrapped COLUMBUS NEW ZEALAND. They were built by Howaldtswerke Deutsche Werft AG in Hamburg in 1971 and have since been deployed exclusively in the Pacific between North America and Australia / New Zealand. The ships are 194 m long and have a capacity of 1,187 20-foot containers (TEU) each. Both ships were converted from steam turbine to marine diesel propulsion in Hamburg in 1986.

During the conversion work, a major portion of the asbestos on the ships was removed (around 10,000 square metres of insulating material containing asbestos), the asbestos in the engine room being completely removed and properly disposed of.

(Internet)

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