

VICTORIAN NOTICE TO MARINERS

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PORT OF GEELONG

SEMI SUBMERSIBLE VESSEL BLUE MARLIN ENTRY / DEPARTURE

Date: Effective October 18-25, 2012

Details: Mariners are advised that weather permitting, the semi submersible transport vessel, Dockwise's **Blue Marlin** will be traversing the channels of the Port of Geelong entering on October 18, 2012 around 0700 hrs and departing in approximately one week. The Blue Marlin will be carrying the hull of the Helicopter Loading Dock HMAS Canberra and will be berthing at Lascelles Wharf for the purpose of removing heavy sea lashings prior to shifting out to Port Phillip bay for float off operations. Two Z Peller Svitzer tugs the Tusker and the Hastings will be escorting the vessel from Point Richards to Lascelles Wharf on entry and vice versa on departure. Please be informed that the channels of Geelong will be closed to all other traffic during the tenure of this transit and Ship Agents/Exempt Masters are advised vide this notice to contact/keep in touch with the Marine Controller on Duty at the earliest regarding channel/tug availability and programming for their vessels during this week. Recreational vessels are advised to keep well clear of the Blue Marlin and refrain from entering the channel whilst the transit is in progress. Updated transit information may be obtained from Geelong Port Marine Control on 03 52470300 if required.

Charts & Publications Affected: Aus 143, AUS 157,Aus 153

Further Notice: This notice is self cancelling

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