

## First of six container vessels for Carisbrooke Shipping

An order placed by the UK's Carisbrooke Shipping in August 2005 for six 5,000DWT container vessels from Freire Shipyard of Spain has reached fruition with he delivery of the first vessel in the series, 'Eileen C' at a ceremony in mid-January.

The same ceremony also saw the naming of the second vessel – 'Lisa C' – and the launching of the third vessel in the series, 'Lauren C'.

Carisbrooke is a privately owned shipping company which commenced trading in the late 1960s, with a combination of small coasters and barges supplying the Isle Of Wight. Still based in Cowes, the company has expanded and currently owns, manages or operates nearly 40 vessels.

The latest addition to their fleet, the 'Eileen C' is an 89.8-metre container vessel, that measures 14.5 metres in the beam, has a depth to main deck of 7.35 metres and a maximum draught of 6.3 metres. The

Bureau Veritas-classified vessel is powered by a single 1,980kW MaK 6M25 main engine, located in an aft engine room, driving through a Reintjes gearbox to a propeller. The vessel's service speed is some 13 knots.

The modern, high-volume hull commences with a stubby bulbous bow that leads back into the long, parallel mid-section that contains a total cargo space of 6,112m<sup>3</sup>.

Founded in 1895 by Mr. Paulino Freire, Construcciones Navales P. Freire (Freire Shipyard) has since then been involved in the construction and repair of all kind of ships, for both the domestic and overseas markets. The company is privately owned and 100 per cent of its shares still belong to the Freire family.

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## **'Eileen C'** Specifications

Type of vessel:	Container ship
Classification:	Bureau Veritas I + HULL + MACH + AUT-UMS General Cargo Ship/Heavy Cargo, equipped for carriage containers, unrestricted navigation
Owner:	Carisbrooke Shipping, UK
Builder:	Freire Shipyard, Spain
Construction material:	Steel
Length overall:	89.8 metres
Length bp:	84.7 metres
Beam:	14.5 metres
Depth:	7.35 metres
Draught:	6.3 metres
Main engine:	MaK 6M25, 1,980kW at 750rpm
Gearbox:	Reintjes
Speed:	13 knots
Generators:	Sisu Diesel 645 DSBIG, 136kW
Side thruster:	Veth Tunnel
Cargo hold capacity:	6,112m <sup>3</sup>
Fuel capacity:	50.5m <sup>3</sup>
Freshwater capacity:	46.8m <sup>3</sup>
Crew:	8

