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PLUS:

MARKET SUMMARY

- Most shipping lines have now made announcements to remove the Sydney Port Congestion Surcharge from sailings departing origin on or after 15th March 2021. This represents some long awaited good news for importers and exporters who have been taking hit after hit in relation to increasing costs and diminishing service levels.
- Uncertainty on cargo arrivals continues to plague the shipping industry with shipping lines often adjusting port rotations or omitting ports in an attempt to get vessels back on schedule. Less than 5% of vessels servicing Australia are currently on schedule.
- Industrial warehousing space availability is at critically low levels in many parts of Australia as the domestic demand for goods, and thus an increased need for cargo storage, reaches peak levels. Facilities throughout Melbourne and Sydney are especially at over capacity and warehousing space pricing is reaching historical highs.
- A new container service has been launched servicing Asia directly into the Pilbara port of Port Hedland. China cargo will be transhipped via Singapore on fixed schedules. For more information please contact Marc Regan at Tomax on 1300 1 TOMAX.



TOMAX GROUP UPDATE

The Tomax group has been working diligently to meet the increasing demand for our specialised services around the world. Over the last year our office network has grown with the addition of offices in Chicago and Denver in the USA, and Brisbane and Perth in Australia. The group has also recently taken full financial and operational control of the Tomax office in Shanghai, China, having previously been a joint venture arrangement. These expansion offices are allowing us to better service our clients, and their suppliers and buyers, when and where needed, by having local Tomax staff available to assist.

In conjunction with the increases in our global reach, our service range has also been improved with the introduction of warehousing and distribution services in the USA and additional warehousing and distribution services in Australia. Our team in Australia has also been rolling out new vehicles on the various domestic transport routes that we service including large pallet carrying tautliners, courier vans, and rigid trucks.

The Tomax mission is:

To supply high quality, end-to-end supply chain solutions to our clients in a friendly, secure, and supportive manner.

With our recent and ongoing focus on the expansion of our network of offices and services, this mission to support our clients is at the forefront of our mindset



CANCELLATION OF PORT BOTANY CONGESTION SURCHARGES

As mentioned in this week's market summary, we are pleased to see that lines are now announcing the cancellation of the high impact Sydney Congestion Surcharge.

The following lines have made announcements:

PIL - Effective 22nd March 2021

TS Lines - Effective from the YM Success v.154S

ANL - CMA/CGM - ETD on or after 17th March 2021

Hapag Lloyd - Effective 22nd March 2021

Hamburg Sud - ETD on or after 15th March 2021

Maersk - ETD on or after 15th March 2021

More lines are expected to make announcements over the coming week.



STAFF SPOTLIGHT



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**Import Operations Clerk
TOMAX LOGISTICS AUSTRALIA**

WHAT DO YOU DO AT TOMAX?

I am working in the Imports Department as an Import Operations Clerk. My day to day activities include tracking the transshipment, invoicing, pre-registrations and assisting with work related to import activities.

IF YOU COULD BE ANY ANIMAL, WHAT WOULD YOU BE?

I'd like to be a bird because they can fly freely wherever they wish to go.

WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE TO TRAVEL TO?

I would like to travel to all of the Tomax branches interstate and around the world! I think this would be a fun experience to familiarise myself in new environments, make new friends and view life from different perspectives.

SOMETHING YOU'D LIKE TO LEARN HOW TO DO?

As I have been eating instant noodles almost everyday at work (poor me) I'd like to learn how to cook!

HOW DO YOU SPEND YOUR WEEKENDS?

On the weekends, I enjoy keeping up to date with the latest news in fashion, brands and the stock market. I also watch dramas/movies and spend time on social media. Most importantly, I never forget to catch-up with family and friends over dinner.

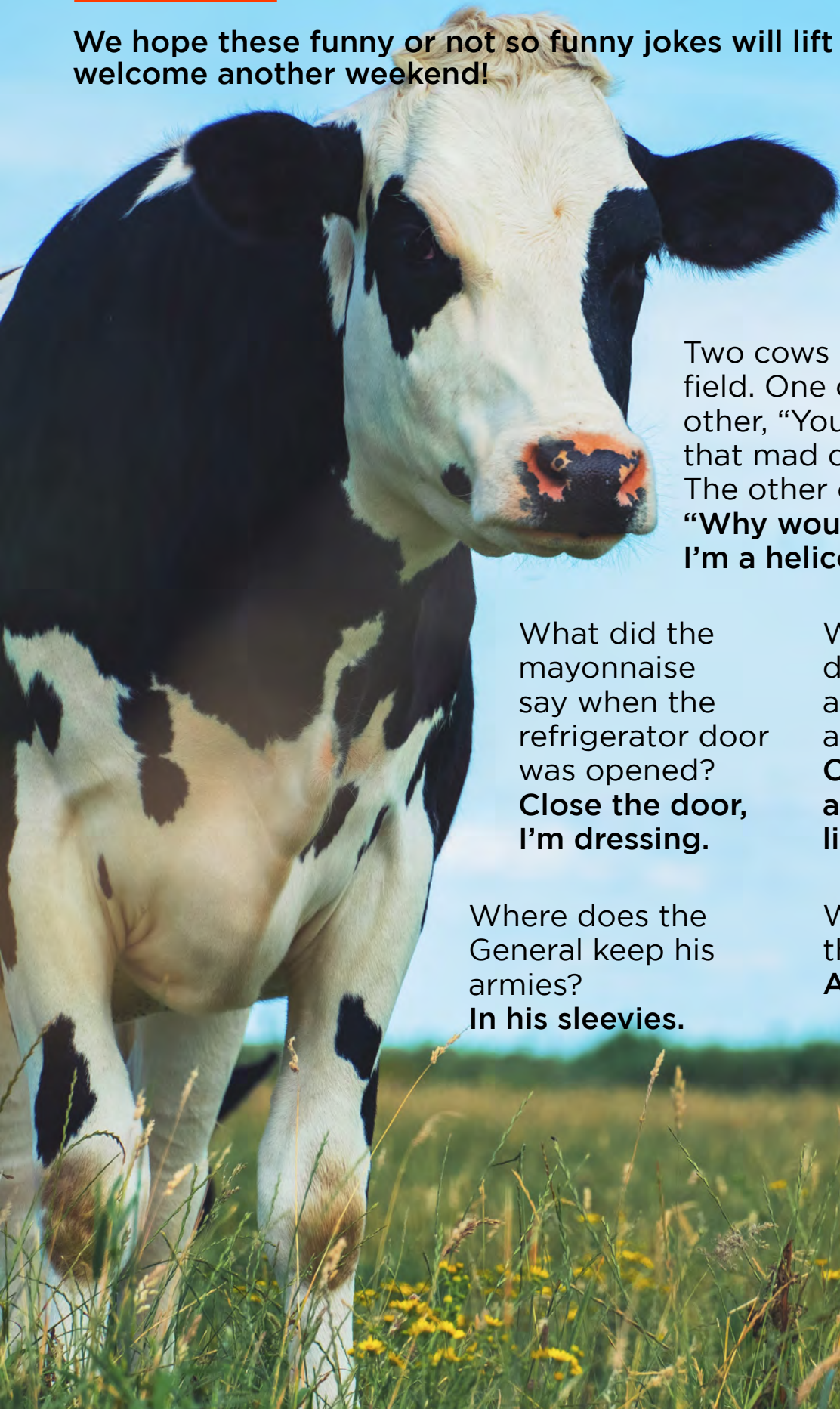


WHAT IS SOMETHING YOU CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT?

Food and water because they are both essential!

FRIDAY FUNNIES

We hope these funny or not so funny jokes will lift your mood as we welcome another weekend!



What do you call a bee that can't make up its mind?
A maybe.

Two cows are grazing in a field. One cow says to the other, "You ever worry about that mad cow disease?" The other cow says, "**Why would I care? I'm a helicopter!**"

What did the mayonnaise say when the refrigerator door was opened?
Close the door, I'm dressing.

What is the difference between a hippo and a zippo?
One is really heavy and the other is a little lighter.

Where does the General keep his armies?
In his sleeveies.

What do you call the wife of a hippie?
A Mississippi.