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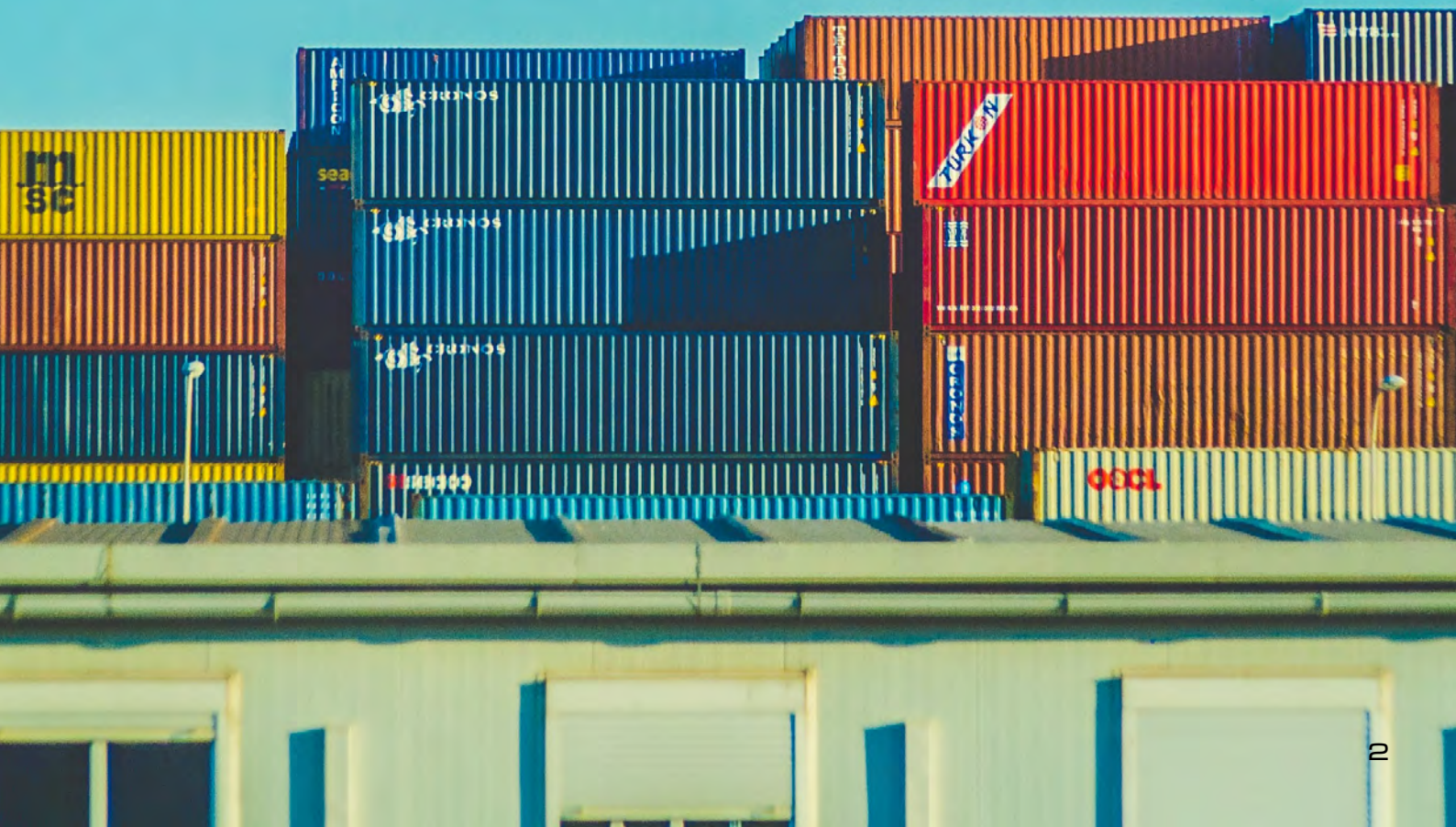




# MARKET SUMMARY

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- Sydney Port Congestion Surcharge scrapped by most shipping lines.
- DP World have announced a further increase to Terminal Access Charges to apply from 1st May 2021.
- Vessel delays remain a constant problem with regular changes to rotation and port call omissions in order for shipping lines to attempt to get vessels back on schedule.
- Empty container park congestion is causing havoc for transport companies attempting to return empties before detention begins. Slots for direct terminal de hires remain difficult to obtain. Shipping lines are often refusing to amend dehire depots or provide additional free time.
- Industry advocacy efforts continue in an effort to apply pressure on government departments to take action against container terminal operators in relation to the ongoing Terminal Access Charges/ Wharf Infrastructure Levy debacle.





# DP WORLD ANNOUNCE FURTHER INCREASES

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**T**his week the container terminal operator DP World, owned by Dubai Ports and the Dubai Government, announced a further round of increases to their Terminal Access Charges/Wharf Infrastructure Levies to be applied from 1st May 2021. This comes hot on the heels of an increase that already took place as of 1st January 2021 and is a further blow to both importers and exporters.

The increase will apply to the terminals in Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane and is approximately \$15 per container. Industry advocates speculate that the rapid introduction of yet another increase is likely to be an effort by DP World to put as many increases through as possible before potential regulation of the industry is stepped up. The National Transport Commission (NTC) is currently leading an investigation into these terminal price hikes and will direct reform guidelines. The guidelines however will be voluntary, meaning that the terminals are under no obligation to adhere to them. The NTC are expected to release their final report by November 2021.

It is only by constant industry action and engagement, including by importers and exporters, that enough pressure might be applied to see any change. If you would like to provide an impact statement about how these constant price increases are impacting your business please email the information to [chris@tomax.com.au](mailto:chris@tomax.com.au) and your submission will be added to the action being taken by Tomax and industry advocacy bodies.



# TOMAX WAREHOUSING OPERATIONS UPDATE

**A**s a result of the large increase in domestic consumption over the last 12 months, for many importers the need to elevate stock holdings has been taxing. The demand for warehouse space and new warehouse leases in most Australian port cities has been outstripping supply. Pricing for land industrial land purchases, newbuild warehouses, and warehouse leases has been driven up heavily. Many importers are seeking overflow warehouse space in order to keep up with the demand for their products.

Tomax Logistics has been responding to client demands for increased warehousing space via provision of services at our existing sites, as well as securing additional space at overflow facilities. Tomax operates warehousing operations in Dandenong South and Hoppers Crossing in Melbourne, Yatala in Brisbane (well positioned to also service the Gold Coast), and Welshpool in Perth/Fremantle. In total Tomax is utilising over 14,000sqm of warehouse space to service our clients on a daily basis.

As part of our national warehousing services we are able to offer the following solutions to clients:

- Full container unpack
- Palletisation and de-palletisation
- Short, medium and long term storage
- Order processing
- Picking & packing
- Stock management system access
- Small parcel distribution
- Tautliner deliveries

If you would like to know more about the Tomax range of services on offer please do not hesitate to contact our team on 1300 186 629.



*Tomax Welshpool, WA*



*Tomax Yatala, QLD*



*Tomax Dandenong, VIC*



# STAFF SPOTLIGHT

## MEET DEBBIE JONES

Managing Director  
TOMAX LOGISTICS AUSTRALIA

### WHAT IS YOUR ROLE AT TOMAX?

My role is Managing Director.

### WHAT ARE YOUR FAVOURITE HOBBIES?

Footy with the fam, beach time in Rosebud, reading Auto Biographies, early morning walks and I just started playing golf!

### WHERE WILL YOU TRAVEL TO NEXT ONCE INTERNATIONAL BORDERS REOPEN?

Ireland- I've always wanted to go there and it's hubbys' heritage.

### YOUR BIGGEST FEAR?

Spiders and snakes!

### WHO IS YOUR BIGGEST INSPIRATION AND WHY?

Neale Daniher who has campaigned and brought awareness of MND whilst courageously fighting the disease for the past 7 years (the normal life expectancy is 2 - 5 yrs).

### WHAT'S NEXT ON YOUR BUCKET LIST?

A Family Safari Trip!





# **TOMAX FOOTY TIPPING 2021**

**\$2,000 PRIZE!**



**FREE ENTRY!!  
THURSDAY 18TH  
MARCH 2021**

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[HTTPS://WWW.FOOTYTIPS.COM.AU/COMPS/  
TOMAX21&P=TOMAX&REF=INVITATION](https://www.footytips.com.au/comps/tomax21&p=tomax&ref=invitation)**

# QUIZ TIME

Email your answers to [quiz@tomax.com.au](mailto:quiz@tomax.com.au) for your chance to WIN a wine and chocolate prize pack! First one with all correct answers wins!

1. In which country can you visit the Angkor Wat temple?

2. What is the currency of South Africa?

3. Where will the 2020 Summer Olympics be held from 23rd July 2021? (All things going well)...

4. Which 2 teams played against each other in the first AFL (Australian Football League) match for the season?

5. What is the name of the Covid-19 vaccine starting with the letter P?

6. In which Australian state is the outback mining town of Mt. Isa?

7. Tomax recently opened a new logistics facility in Perth, WA, what suburb is it in?



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