Autonomy – Risk and Insurance

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Growth in Mass Sector



AGAINST THE TREND:

- Smaller, domestically trading, vessels will lead the way
- Envisaged larger fleets of smaller vessels
- Predominantly specialist vessels
- An opportunity for small ports with specific infrastructure



Shipowners' Club – Claims Experience Reflects our Core Covers

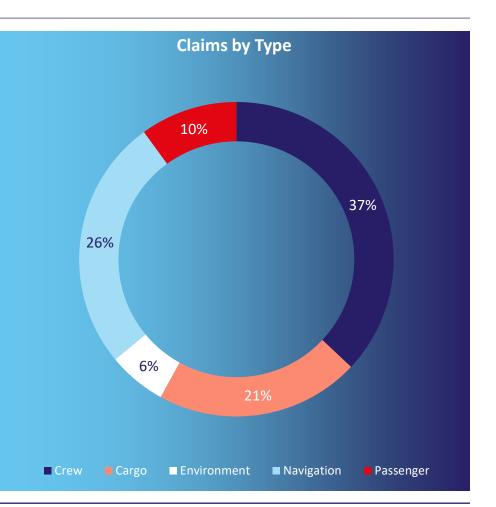


OUR CORE COVERS INCLUDE:

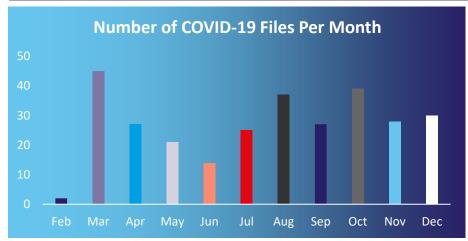
- Crew illness/injury/death
- Cargo loss/damage
- Environment pollution and wreck
- Navigation
- Passenger

WE ALSO PROVIDE:

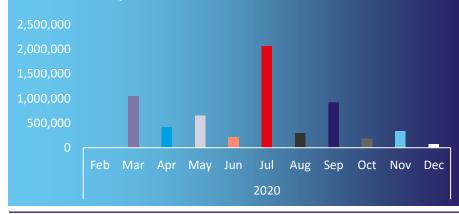
- Specialist additional insurance for Members engaged under onerous contracts and those undertaking very specialist works
- Legal Costs Cover for legal expenses arising out of a wide range of disputes



COVID-19 2020 – A New Claim Type



Total Quantum of COVID-19 Files Each Month



CLAIM FREQUENCY

 Claim frequency of approximately 300 claims since February

CLAIM QUANTUM

Incurred value of approximately US\$5.5 million

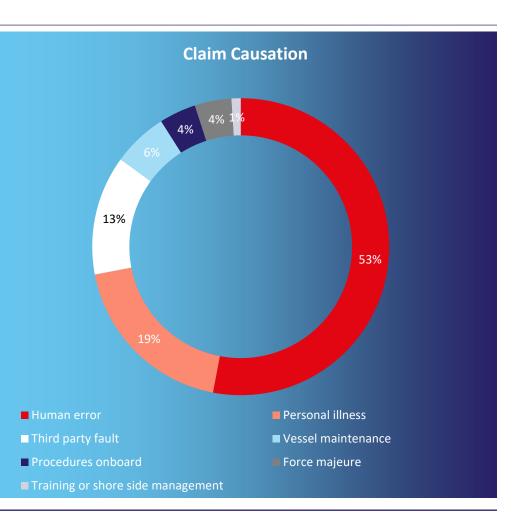
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A Change in Risk Environment for MASS



- Crew claims (illness/injury/death) implications for MASS
- Human error is the most common cause of claims in traditional marine operations. How does this change for MASS?

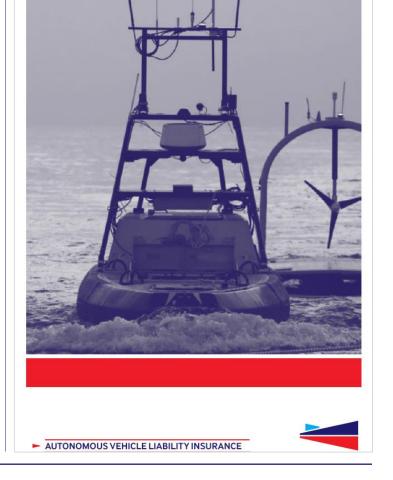


Solutions

- Growth in sector leads to demand for suitable insurance
- In 2011 Club's plain language all risk policies developed for specialist sectors
- Why does MASS suit our plain language wordings?

Growth in MASS Sector Leads to Demand for Tailored Insurance

What cover does the Club's policy provide for MASS?





Challenges for Insurers – Understanding the MASS Risk

- Identification and Registration of MASS:
 - Is this important to Insurers?
 - Understanding the quality of tonnage and operational standards
- Legal and regulatory framework
- International Conventions were not designed with MASS in mind and IMO's work will take time. However, industry forges ahead. In the meantime:
 - UK Code of Practise and Code of Conduct
 - Insurers must approach each risk on a case by case basis





Code of Practice

Principles and

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RESPONSIBLE INDUSTRY

Maritime Autonomous

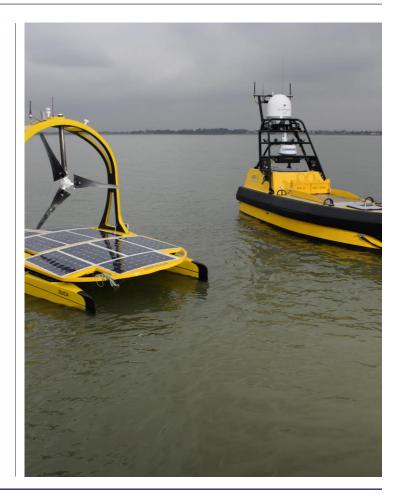
Ship Systems (MASS) **UK Industry Conduct**

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Challenges for Insurers – Understanding the MASS Risk

- Traditionally, Club cover based on requirement for vessels to be supervised by Flag/Class
- To ensure 'unclassed/unregistered' MASS are assessed as suitable for entry. Criteria assessed include:
 - Compliance with voluntary codes
 - Operational range and contracts
 - Levels of autonomy to be utilised in the operation
 - Experience of the company in operating MASS
 - Standards the vessel has been built to
 - Experience of the vessel builders
 - Cyber security measures



Cyber – Opportunity or Challenge?



OPPORTUNITIES

- Knock on effects for aligned enabling technology:
 - Interactive monitoring, data analysis, connectivity and geo fencing
 - Possibility for a truly evidence based insurance policy – pay as you go
 - Evidence gathering

CHALLENGES

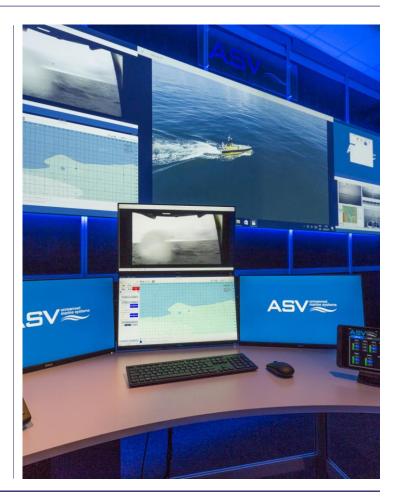
Cyber attacks could lead to P&I claims



Closing Thoughts



- Insurers must adapt and recognise a shift in risk
- To begin with the underwriting approach must be individual
- Shipowners' Club take part in shaping the future liability landscape



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