

The ACT Group Lines

The ACT Group

Associated Container Transportation Ltd. was officially formed in January 1966. The object of the company was – and still is –for the members "to share matters of mutual interest and to evaluate the feasibility and viability of container services on trade routes in which they are interested."

The simple idea of door-to-door container transport as it evolved in the 1950's called for huge investment in new, purpose-built ships, port facilities, inland depots, road and rail transport, containers and sophisticated computer systems to handle the documentation and accounting. This all required considerable technical and commercial knowledge and skills and called for a wealth of experience in international shipping.

The realisation of what was involved caused five major British shipping organisations to tackle this new transport system jointly. The five who came together to form ACT were The Ben Line, Blue Star Line, The Cunard Steam-Ship Company, Ellerman Lines and

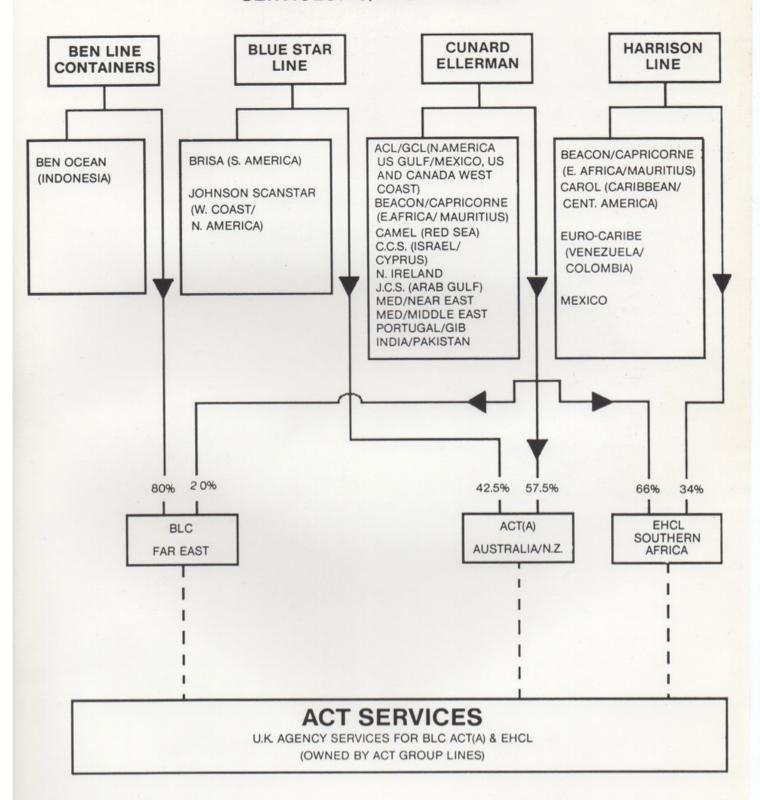
Harrison Line. (They remain together today although Cunard and Ellerman formally merged in 1987.) Between them they had hundreds of years of experience; between them too, they operated cargo liner services virtually world wide.

ACT Services was created to provide agency and other backup requirements for the Lines in certain trades within the Group, the prominent users being Ben Line Containers (BLC), ACT (Australia) Ltd. and the Ellerman Harrison Container Line (EHCL).

The technology surrounding container shipping continues to develop apace and the combined strength of the Group ensures that the ACT Member Lines remain in the forefront of those developments. Although the Lines collectively form the ACT Group, they have continued to be specialists in their traditional trades, thereby ensuring that the specific requirements of their Customers on those routes are understood and properly met.

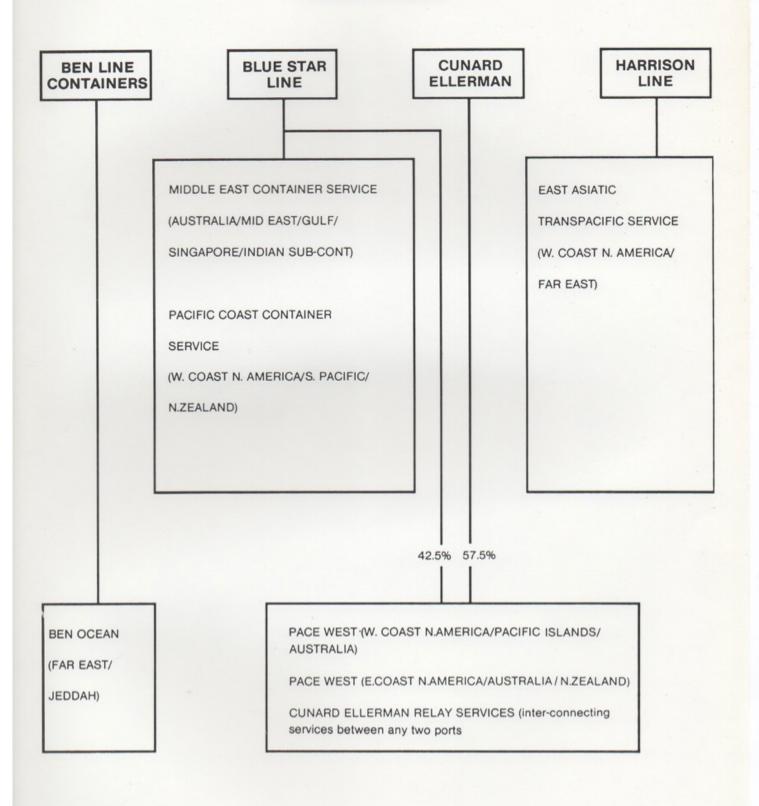


ACT GROUP LINES SERVICES TO/FROM EUROPE



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CROSS TRADES



World Wide Trade Routes Served by the ACT Lines and their Affiliates

DESTINATION AREA	AREA OF ORIGIN	ACT LINE INVOLVED	NAME OF SERVICE
North America			
East Coast	Europe Australasia	Cunard Ellerman ACT (A)	ACL Pace East
West Coast	Europe United Kingdom Far East Australasia South Pacific/N.Z.	Blue Star Line Cunard Ellerman Harrison Line ACT (A) Blue Star Line	Johnson Scanstar Incotrans EAC TPS Pace West PCCS
U.S. Gulf/ U.S. South Atlantic	Europe	Cunard Ellerman	GCL
Mexico	U.K.	Harrison Line	
60348	Europe	Cunard Ellerman	GCL
Caribbean/Central America	Europe	Harrison Line	Carol
South America	U.K.	Harrison Line	Eurocaribe
BONG LIGHTIST	Europe	Blue Star Line	Brisa Line
Europe	United Kingdom U.K. N. America E. Coast N. America W. Coast	Cunard Ellerman Cunard Ellerman Cunard Ellerman Blue Star Line	Ireland Portugal/Gibraltar ACL Johnson Scanstar
	U.S. Gulf/Mexico US/Canada W. Coast	Cunard Ellerman Cunard Ellerman	GCL
	Mexico	Harrison Line	_
	Caribbean/ Central America South America South America	Harrison Line Harrison Line Blue Star Line	Carol Euro Caribe Brisa Line
	Mediterranean, Near & Middle East Red Sea Red Sea East Africa East Africa Southern Africa Arabian Gulf India/Pakistan Far East Indonesia Australasia	Cunard Ellerman Harrison Line Cunard Ellerman Harrison Line Cunard Ellerman EHCL Cunard Ellerman Cunard Ellerman BLC BLC ACT (A)	Beacon Beacon/CAMEL Beacon Beacon SAECS JCS — Trio Ben Ocean ANZECS

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World Wide Trade Routes Served (continued)

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Mediterranean/ Near & Middle East	Europe	Cunard Ellerman	selemé dhoid tenoù—rad
Red Sea	Europe Europe Europe Far East	Harrison Line Cunard Ellerman Cunard Ellerman Ben Line	Beacon Beacon CAMEL Ben Ocean
East Africa	U.K. U.K.	Cunard Ellerman Harrison Line	Beacon Beacon
Southern Africa/ Canaries	Europe	EHCL	SAECS
Mauritius	Europe Europe	Cunard Ellerman Harrison Line	Capricorne Capricorne
Arabian Gulf	Europe Australasia	Cunard Ellerman Blue Star Line	JCS MECS
India/Pakistan	Europe	Cunard Ellerman	-
India/Singapore	Australasia	Blue Star Line	MECS
Far East	Europe W. Coast N. America Jeddah	BLC Harrison Line BLC	Trio EAC TPS Ben Ocean
Australasia	Europe Middle East India /Singapore W. Coast N. America W. Coast N. America E. Coast N. America	ACT (A) Blue Star Line Blue Star Line Blue Star Line ACT (A) ACT (A)	ANZECS MECS MECS PCCS Pace West Pace East

The ACT Member Lines

BEN LINE CONTAINERS 33, St. Mary's Street Edinburgh EH1 1TN

Telephone: 031-557-2323 Telex: 72611 Fax: 031-557-4742

Services Offered:-

1. EUROPE TO/FROM THE FAR EAST - TRIO

Three fast and regular fixed day services between Hamburg, Bremerhaven, Rotterdam, Le Havre and Southampton and a wide range of Far East ports.

Tokyo, Kobe, Hong Kong and Singapore are served twice weekly both east-bound and westbound; Kaohsiung (with road and rail links to Keelung) is served twice weekly westbound and weekly eastbound; Shimizu, Nagoya, Busan and Port Kelang are served weekly both westbound and eastbound; and Bangkok and Manila are linked with the schedules by frequent and dedicated feeder sailings.

Contact: R.W. Miall

2. EUROPE TO/FROM INDONESIA - BEN OCEAN

A Ben Service operated on a fortnightly basis, loading out of Hamburg and Antwerp, returning to Hamburg and Amsterdam.

Contact: D.M. Tulloch

3. FAR EAST TO JEDDAH - BEN OCEAN

Ben Line operate a Ben Ocean Service on a weekly basis for cargo from Japan, Korea and South East Asian Ports.

Contact: D.A. Speedie

The ACT Member Lines BLUE STAR LINE Albion House, 20 Queen Elizabeth Street, London SE1 2LS

Telephone: 01-407 2345 Telex: 888298 Fax: 01-407 4636

Services Offered:-

EUROPE TO/FROM WEST COAST NORTH AMERICA – JOHNSON SCANSTAR

A weekly container service calling at Hamburg, Felixstowe, Rotterdam, Antwerp and Le Havre for Los Angeles (and Hawaii), Oakland, Portland, Seattle and Vancouver.

Contact: R.E. Gibson (051-227 4333)

2. EUROPE TO/FROM EAST COAST SOUTH AMERICA -BRISA LINE

A container service with sailings every 5/6 days from Le Havre, Rotterdam, Tilbury, Hamburg, Bremen and Antwerp for Salvador, Rio de Janeiro, Buenos Aires, Montevideo, Rio Grande, Itajai, Paranagua, Santos and Recife.

Contact: D. Keates (01-377 6111)

3. WEST COAST NORTH AMERICA TO/FROM THE SOUTH PACIFIC AND NEW ZEALAND — PCCS

The Pacific Coast Container Service operates every 11/14 days from Tacoma, Oakland, Los Angeles for Pago Pago, Suva, Auckland, Lyttleton, Wellington and Honolulu (Northbound). There is also a conventional service between Los Angeles, Tacoma, Vancouver, Coos Bay, Pago Pago, Auckland and Tauranga.

Contact: R.A. Carr

4. AUSTRALASIA TO/FROM THE MIDDLE EAST GULF, INDIAN SUB-CONTINENT AND SINGAPORE — MECS

A container service every 12 days between New Plymouth, Lyttelton, Melbourne (Adelaide and Brisbane), Fremantle, Muscat, Dubai, Bahrain, Dammam, Kuwait, Karachi, Bombay, Cochin, Colombo and Singapore.

Contact: R.A. Carr

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CUNARD ELLERMAN 12-20 Camomile Street London EC3A 7EX

Telephone: 01-283-4311 Telex: 884771/2 Fax: 01-283-1767

Liverpool Office:

Telephone: 051-227-5555 Telex 628615 Fax: 051-236-2644

Services Offered:-

1. EUROPE TO/FROM THE EAST COAST NORTH AMERICA — ACL

A weekly Ro-Ro/Container Service calling at Rotterdam, Bremerhaven, Gothenburg, Antwerp, Le Havre and Liverpool for Halifax, New York, Baltimore and Portsmouth. Also a weekly container service between Antwerp, Hamburg, Bremerhaven, Rotterdam, Le Havre and Halifax, New York, Norfolk, Baltimore and Philadelphia.

Contact: I.C. Higby (Liverpool)

2. EUROPE TO/FROM THE U.S. GULF AND MEXICO — GCL

A weekly container service from Le Havre, Rotterdam, Bremerhaven and Felixstowe to Savannah, Miami, Mobile, Houston and New Orleans, with calls at Vera Cruz.

Contact: F. Evison (Liverpool)

3. UNITED KINGDOM TO/FROM THE WEST COAST NORTH AMERICA

A weekly container service from Felixstowe to Long Beach/Los Angeles, Oakland/SAn Francisco, Seattle, Portland & Vancouver B.C.

Contact: F. Evison (Liverpool)

4. EUROPE TO/FROM THE ARABIAN GULF — JCS

A weekly container service from Tilbury, Rotterdam, Hamburg, Bremerhaven, Antwerp, Le Havre and Aarhus to Mina Qaboos, Dubai, Aby Dhabi, Bahrain, Kuwait, Dammam and Jubail with on-carriage arrangements to Doha and Riyadh.

Contact: S. Crossland

5. UNITED KINGDOM TO/FROM THE RED SEA AND EAST AFRICA — BEACON

A container sailing every 12/13 days from Felixstowe to Port Said, Djibouti, Mombasa, Dar-es-Salaam, Tanga and Nacala with on carriage to Ethiopia, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, Zaire, Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

Contact: J. Glasby

6. UNITED KINGDOM/MAURITIUS — CAPRICORNE

A container sailing every two week sto Port Louis from Felixstowe.

Contact: J. Glasby

7. EUROPE TO/FROM INDIA AND PAKISTAN

A container service every eight days from Tilbury to Bombay and Karachi: also serving the inland areas of New Delhi & Lahore.

Contact: G. Hamilton

8. UNITED KINGDOM AND IRELAND/PORTUGAL AND GIBRALTAR

A weekly container sailing between Ellesmere Port, Dublin, Lisbon, Leixoes (Oporto) and Gibraltar.

Contact: C. Clark

9. EUROPE TO/FROM THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN AND MIDDLE EAST

A sailing every 6 days from Felixstowe, Hamburg, Bremerhaven, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Rouen and Dunkirk to Alexandria, Ports Said, Beirut, Lattakia and Mersin with on-carriage to Iraq.

Contact: J. O'Sullivan

10. UNITED KINGDOM AND IRELAND/MEDITERRANEAN AND NEAR EAST

A container service every 10 days from Ellesmere Port and Dublin to Malta, Piraeus, Mersin, Lattakia, Beirut and Salerno with facilities to Iraq.

Contact: M. Hartley

11. UNITED KINGDOM AND IRELAND/CYPRUS AND ISRAEL

A container service to Limassol, Ashdod and Haifa every 7 days from Felixstowe and every 10 days from Ellesmere Port and Dublin.

Contact: J. McClay

12. EUROPE TO/FROM THE MEDITERRANEAN AND RED SEA — CAMEL

A container service every 10 days from Felixstowe, Rotterdam, Antwerp and Le Havre to Piraeus, Aqaba, Yenbu, Jeddah, Hodeidah and Port Sudan with oncarriage facilities to Iraq, Riyadh, Sana'a, Khartoum.

Contact: S. Sutherland

13. UNITED KINGDOM/IRELAND

A container sailing every day between Ellesmere Port and Belfast serving Northern Ireland and Eire.

Contact: P. Hawketts

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HARRISON LINE Mersey Chambers, Covent Garden, Liverpool L2 8UF

Telephone: 051-236-5611 Telex: 628404 Fax: 051-236-1200

Contact: B.D. McIlvean

Services Offered:-

1. EUROPE TO/FROM THE CARIBBEAN AND CENTRAL AMERICA — CAROL

A fortnightly container service between Felixstowe, Amsterdam, Hamburg, Bremerhaven, Zeebrugge, Le Havre and Liverpool and Puerto Rico, Trinidad, Barbados, Dominican Republic, Curacao, Aruba, Haiti, Jamaica, Belize, Honduras, Guatemala (El Salvador) Costa Rica also Bonaire, Guyana, St. Thomas, St. Croix, Tortola, St. Bartholomew, St. Martin, Dominica, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and Grenada by transhipment.

2. UNITED KINGDOM TO/FROM VENEZUELA, COLOMBIA AND THE LEEWARD ISLANDS — EURO CARIBE

In association with the National Lines of Venezuela and Colombia, sailings every 3 weeks from Liverpool to Guanta, La Guaira, El Guamache, Puerto Cabello and Maracaibo in Venezuela and every two weeks to Cartagena, Barranquilla and Santa Marta in Colombia. There is a monthly sailing from Colombia to Southampton, also a direct monthly service from Liverpool to Antigua and St. Kitts with on carriage to Montserrat.

3. UNITED KINGDOM/MEXICO

A container service every two weeks from Felixstowe to Vera Cruz

4. UNITED KINGDOM TO/FROM THE RED SEA AND EAST AFRICA — BEACON

A container service sailing every two weeks from Felixstowe to Port Sudan, Djibouti, Mombasa, Dar-es-Salaam, Tanga and Nacala with on-carriage to Ethiopia, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, Zaire, Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

5 UNITED KINGDOM/MAURITIUS — CAPRICORNE

A container sailing every two weeks to Port Louis from Felixstowe.

6. WEST COAST NORTH AMERICA TO/FROM THE FAR EAST — EAC TPS

A weekly container service between Long Beach, Oakland, Seattle and Busan, Hong Kong and Kaohsiung with connecting feeders to Keelung, Bangkok, Manila, Singapore, Port Kelang, Penang and Fremantle.

Contact: **C.D. Johnson** (01-377-8535)

The ACT Members Operated Lines

ASSOCIATED CONTAINER TRANSPORTATION (AUSTRALIA) LTD – ACT (A) 136, Fenchurch Street London EC3M 6DD

Telephone: 01-626-3233 Telex: 886381 Fax: 01-929-1568

Contact: P.D. Taylor

Services Offered:-

1. EUROPE TO/FROM AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND AND FIJI — ANZECS

A container service every 9 days from Tilbury, Hamburg, Rotterdam, to main ports Australia and New Zealand with feeder services to Pacific Islands.

A container service every 14 days from Barcelona, Fos, Genoa, Naples, Piraeus to main ports Australia and New Zealand with feeder services to Pacific Islands.

2. WEST COAST NORTH AMERICA TO/FROM AUSTRALIA, NOUMEA AND FIJI— PACE WEST

A container service every 8 days between Vancouver, Tacoma, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Lautoka, Suva, Noumea, Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane.

3. EAST COAST NORTH AMERICA TO/FROM AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND— PACE EAST

A container service every 8 days between Halifax, Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Norfolk, Charleston, Port Everglades, New Orleans, Houston, Auckland, Wellington, Port Chalmers, Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, Adelaide and Fremantle.

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Contact: J. Hodgson

Services Offered:-

1. EUROPE TO/FROM SOUTHERN AFRICA — SAECS (A)

A containership sailing every 9 days between Southampton, Zeebrugge, Hamburg, Bremerhaven, Rotterdam, Le Havre and Southampton and Capetown, Port Elizabeth and Durban.

2. EUROPE TO/FROM SOUTHERN AFRICA AND THE CANARY ISLANDS — SAECS (B)

A RO-RO and container service every 21 days between Southampton, Hamburg, Scandinavia, Bremerhaven, Rotterdam, Antwerp, Le Havre, The Canary Islands, Walvis Bay, Capetown, Port Elizabeth, East London, Durban, Beira and Maputo.

N.B. Inland African destinations served include The Republic of South Africa, Namibia, Mozambique, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Malawi, Botswana, Swaziland and Lesotho.



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