

Dry Bulk

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BDI	9589	down 10
BCI	13978	up 42
BPI	9627	down 29
BSI	5843	down 35
BHI	2713	down 10

Not much to report – as things appear fairly flat. Though the market is quiet, it doesn't mean that the bulls have given in. There is still positive sentiment to be found. The FFAs however, have sold off a touch, though it's only Monday – so we don't consider this concernable just yet.

FFAs

Contract	Last Close	Current	Diff
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BDI July	9650	9500	-150
BDI Q3	9450	9350	-100
BDI Q4	9550	9450	-100
CS4TC '09	\$128,781	\$127,500	- \$1,281
PM4TC Q3	\$75,213	\$73,000	- \$2,213

Activity has been moderate –which is good for the first day of the work week. The PM4TC Q3 (above) doesn't look all that great, nor does the approx \$4,700 drop in the Cape Q3 to \$161,500 – but let's give this more time to ensure those with crystal balls have conviction.

Tankers

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VLCC AG/East 245 plus (\$207k). **Suezmax** Wafr/Usac 200 (\$63k).

The hits just keep on coming. Though we have AG/East rated at 245 plus, others are already including the "plus" in their estimates – and expect 250-255 to get done next. This is not an unreasonable position to take. Supply and demand could easily allow for Owners to grab a few more points as July requirements get closed out. And then....there is August...which we likely won't see until next week. If we do, however, see Aug requirements hit the market this week...buckle up. Atlantic basin Vs are firming as we speak.

Crude tanker FFAs are off to a slow start. **TD3** July trades up 3 points to 220 on a few good sized trades. Q3 gains a point to 192 while Q4 loses 2 points to 173. Seeking "New Kid on The Block" status, **TD8** Q3 trades up 9 points to 225, though volume is slight.

Atlantic basin clean market provides few new clues today – so we'll call the market the same as Friday: **Cont/ta** 365 (\$33k) and **Caribs/Usac** 315 (\$28k). The arb is flat and activity is light. You could see the Cont/ta mkt come off a few points or more, as Shell is reported in the market and is well aware of the growing position list. The **Far East clean** market continues its firming trend, as MR demand in the northern regions provide rate support. Lack of avails and prompt laycan demand add fuel.

TC2 FFA trading has been very slow. July sits at 315, about 50 points below the spot, while Aug sits at 272 – another 45 points or so below that. It seems brighter minds do not see this market holding up. Clean paper action in the Far East has been slow relative to its recent active past few weeks. **TC4** July trades flat at 298, while **TC5** Q1 trades up two points to 180.

Equities

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The Alpha Male Network: Can **Frontline Nation** be stopped? Seems not. JF pulled the sled another 2.5% on Friday and physical rates are poised to move higher. We all recall prior “barriers” at \$50, \$55, \$60, \$65, \$70. If there are any shorts left here – they may be the ones helping push the Alpha Male through the magic \$75 mark.

Dry Bulk: Most of the names enjoyed positive investor feedback on Friday. Everybody seems to love Raymond once again – as **TBSI** gained 5% and keeps pushing closer to the \$40 level. **NM**, the current favorite of George and Duane added 3%, though it still sits at a disappointing \$9.60. “Too many line items”, is one complaint I hear from those that follow line items.

Asia: A very mixed day today. Some of the big guys were up. Others down. **China Shipping** managed to see its Hong Kong-listed shares rise 3.5% while its Shanghai-listed shares fell 2.1%. **Cosco** maintained solidarity by rising 3.8% in Hong Kong and 0.8% in Shanghai. **STX** was consistent as well, although the company surely would have settled going 1 for 2 rather than falling 2.1% in Singapore and 0.7% in Korea. So what's going on here? Regional currency / equity plays? Mass dry bulk confusion? Hopefully the stocks will hopefully start moving together one way or the other as the week progresses. (Source: *Ton Mile Trader Korea*)