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FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of August 2008

Commission File Number

TOP SHIPS INC. (Translation of registrant's name into English)

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INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM 6-K REPORT

Attached to this Form 6-K as Exhibit 1 is the press release issued by Top Ships Inc. (the "Company") on August 27, 2008, announcing that, in lieu of mailing its Annual Report to its shareholders, the Company has posted its Annual Report on its corporate website.

EXHIBIT 1

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NEWS RELEASE for August 27, 2008

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TOP SHIPS ANNOUNCES POSTING OF ANNUAL REPORT ON ITS CORPORATE WEBSITE

ATHENS, GREECE (August 27, 2008) ... TOP Ships Inc. (NasdaqGS:TOPS) (the "Company") announced today that, pursuant to NASDAQ Rule 4350(b)(1)(A), it has posted on its website the Annual Report to Shareholders that it filed on Form 20-F with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on May 21, 2008 (the "Annual Report"). The Annual Report is available on the Company's website at www.topships.org. Shareholders may request a hard copy of the Annual Report free of charge.

About TOP Ships Inc.

TOP Ships Inc., formerly known as TOP Tankers Inc., is an international provider of worldwide seaborne crude oil and petroleum products and drybulk transportation services. Upon delivery of the remaining Suezmaxes to their new owners, the Company will operate a combined tanker and drybulk fleet as follows:

- -- A fleet of seven double-hull Handymax tankers, with a total carrying capacity of approximately 0.3 million dwt, of which 58% are sister ships. All of the Company's Handymaxes will be on time charter contracts with an average term of two years with all of the time charters including profit sharing agreements above their base rates.
- --Six newbuilding product tankers, which are expected to be delivered in the first half of 2009. All the expected newbuildings have fixed rate bareboat employment agreements for periods between seven and ten years.
- --a fleet of five drybulk vessels with a total carrying capacity of approximately 0.3 million dwt, of which 70% are sister ships. All of the Company's drybulk vessels have fixed rate employment contracts for an average period of 30 months.

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Forward Looking Statement

Matters discussed in this press release may constitute forward-looking statements. The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides safe harbor protections for forward-looking statements in order to encourage companies to provide prospective information about their business. Forward-looking statements include statements concerning plans, objectives, goals, strategies, future events or performance, and underlying assumptions and other statements, which are other than statements of historical facts.

The Company desires to take advantage of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and is including this cautionary statement in connection with this safe harbor legislation. The words "believe," "anticipate," "intends," "estimate," "forecast," "project," "plan," "potential," "will," "may," "should," "expect" "pending" and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements in this press release are based upon various assumptions, many of which are based, in turn, upon further assumptions, including without limitation, our management's examination of historical operating trends, data contained in our records and other data available from third parties. Although we believe that these assumptions were reasonable when made, because these assumptions are inherently subject to significant uncertainties and contingencies which are difficult or impossible to predict and are beyond our control, we cannot assure you that we will achieve or accomplish these expectations, beliefs or projections.

In addition to these important factors, other important factors that, in our view, could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed in the forward-looking statements include the strength of world economies and currencies, general market conditions, including fluctuations in charter rates and vessel values, failure of a seller to deliver one or more vessels or of a buyer to accept delivery of one or more vessels, inability to procure acquisition financing, default by one or more charterers of our ships, changes in the demand for crude oil and petroleum products, changes in demand for dry bulk shipping capacity, changes in our operating expenses, including bunker prices, drydocking and insurance costs, the market for our vessels, availability of financing and refinancing, changes in governmental rules and regulations or actions taken by regulatory authorities, potential liability from pending or future litigation, general domestic and international political conditions, potential disruption of shipping routes due to accidents or political events, vessels breakdowns and instances of off-hires and other factors. Please see our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission for a more complete discussion of these and other risks and uncertainties.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

TOP SHIPS INC. (registrant)

Dated: August 27, 2008 By: /s/ Evangelos J. Pistiolis

Evangelos J. Pistiolis Chief Executive Officer

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