



SMPGS NEWS



The Newsletter from the
School of Management & Postgraduate Studies
Warsash Maritime Academy



Seasons Greetings



Welcome to the School of Management and Postgraduate Studies Newsletter

This newsletter is aimed at keeping all our clients in touch with current events.

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Cargo Simulator used for Competence Assessment

The Liquid Cargo Operations Simulator (LICOS) was used to assess the competence of a Marine Control Room Operator (CRO) from the Chevron Captain FPSO in the North Sea.

A simulator model of the FPSO was built and 2 bespoke competence standards developed for Chevron for level 2 and level 3 control room operators.

Craig Peattie a stand-in CRO was assessed by a Warsash assessor together with an observer representing Chevron. Craig met all elements of the standard and was duly awarded his Marine CRO Level 3 certificate by assessor Quentin Cox



Quentin Cox & Craig Peattie

The Postgraduate Certificate in Maritime Education and Training (PGCMET)



The Postgraduate Certificate in Maritime Education and Training (PGCMET), run by Warsash Maritime Academy's School of Management & Postgraduate Studies and supported by the International Maritime Training Trust (IMTT), is now set to run for another year.

During the course WMA staff make two visits to the Philippines, and the students make a 3-week visit to WMA. The course is in great demand by staff at maritime training centres in the Philippines, and the third cohort of sixteen delegates has now been selected.

Captain Joe Thullier, Secretary of IMTT, has stated that this training of Filipino Lecturers is already having a positive effect. Starting with the 2009-2010 the title is PGCMET (International), reflecting the huge interest that it has generated in the worldwide maritime education and training community.

Warsash Visit Cryostar

Alan Campion visited Cryostar in France during October. Among other products Cryostar build and supply compressors and reliquefaction plants for LNG carriers. Alan witnessed the unveiling of two new developments: a high pressure liquid LNG pump system for

supplying gas to slow speed diesel engines and a regasification plant. He discussed ways in which Warsash may be able to work collaboratively with Cryostar in delivering high quality training to our customers utilising the combined strengths of each partner.

Horizon Project gets underway....

This EU sponsored research project is a joint venture between Warsash Maritime Academy, Chalmers Tekniska Hoegskola AB (Dept of Shipping and Marine Technology, Sweden) together with 8 other participant companies and authorities.

There are increasing concerns over human safety, environmental damage and commercial loss due to watch officer fatigue. This project will study how different watch systems influence the level of fatigue on both deck and engine room watchkeeping officers. This will be done by placing both sets of watchkeepers in bridge, liquid cargo and engine room simulators operating in north European waters over a 7 day period, at sea and in port.

The 2 1/2 year research project started in June 2009 and currently deck and engine room certificated watchkeeping officers who would normally be sailing as Second or Third Officer/Third or Forth Engineer are being recruited to come to Warsash for 7 days during various weeks starting in May 2010.

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We look forward to hearing from you.

Congratulations.....

The staff below have achieved their doctorate.

Dr David Gatfield

Dr Katherine Devitt

Alan Campion received Fellowship of the IMarEst.

Bill Swanton has successfully completed the Post Graduate Certificate Learning & Teaching (HE) at Southampton Solent University, whilst Ben Christie has just embarked on a similar programme. Bill has also entered into a MSc at University of Portsmouth and will focus on the Environmental issues relevant to today's maritime sector.

What We Have Done, Where We Have Been

School staff have been travelling around the world speaking at conferences during the past year;

Alan Whitcher presented a paper on the use of simulators in assessing competence at GasTech, Abu Dhabi in May.

He also presented a paper at the Tanker Safety Conference on the use of simulators for training and verification of competence under the Tanker Officer Training Standard (TOTS) in London, November 2009

Quentin Cox Presented a paper 'Ensuring Quality in Maritime Education and Training' at IMLA 17, the International Maritime Lecturers' Association, in Accra, Ghana, September 2009. He had a paper 'Industry and Maritime Education and Training - Bridging the Gaps' presented by Katherine Devitt at the International Association of Maritime Universities (IAMU), St Petersburg, Russia, September 2009. He delivered two Chemical Tanker Safety courses to Maine Maritime Academy, US, September 2009 and is co-author of 'Oil Tanker Handbook' to be published by Brown, Son & Ferguson, in January 2010.

Bill Swanton has completed consultancy work with Princess Cruises including riding their vessels and speaking at two Chief Engineers Conferences in London.

Update...

Security Courses

Bill Swanton & Ben Christie have been involved with the updating of the MCA approved Security Courses including attending Conferences in the UK and hosting a number of key personnel involved in the industry.

They have also been involved with the delivery of the very successful Engine Room Resource Management and Steam Plant Operations courses leading to a nearly full order book for 2010.

New Courses

Maritime Resource Management (MRM)

Maritime Resource Management (MRM) is increasingly recognised as fundamental to safe and efficient ship operations.

Resource Management will be emphasised by the proposed revisions to the STCW code, and incorporates skills such as leadership and team-working, communication, operating effectively in a multi-cultural environment; planning and coordinating skills to optimise work load management and delivery; problem analysis and solution delivery, well-judged risk aware decision-making, and high level situational awareness.



First MRM Course with Svitzer Towage Ltd.

MRM - sometimes referred to as non-technical skills - is not seen as an optional extra, but intrinsic to professional competence, and essential in delivering commercial success and minimising risk for employers and owners.

The course is able to offer the same fundamental principles carefully tailored to the context in which they are applied - whether this be for the bridge team including pilots, the engine room

team, the whole ship or shore side managers - and the experience and seniority of those attending the courses.

ISM Code Designated Person Ashore (DPA)

This course is aimed at newly promoted DPAs, Deputy and alternate DPAs, Current DP role holders under the requirements for updating through CPD (Continued Professional Development) and other shore and sea staff requiring a knowledge of the responsibilities, problems and potential liabilities involved with the DP role.

The course will address the training requirements of the IMO circular 'Guidance on the Qualifications, Training and Experience Necessary for Undertaking the Role of the Designated Person under the Provision of the International Safety Management (ISM) Code' which is now being enforced by some Flag States.

Goodbye to Andy Lawson

Andy Lawson who has worked with Warsash Maritime Academy for 15 years as a Senior Lecturer within the Petrochemical Section has retired.

Ivor Salter will replace Andy. Ivor is already a Senior Lecturer at Warsash Maritime Academy. He starts in January 2010.

SMPGS Seminar

On 2nd Oct we held a seminar and invited a number of people to come to Warsash where a range of initiatives and developments relating to shipping management were presented and discussed.

The day was very informative and we hope to hold a similar event next year. If you think you might be interested please let us know.

Christmas Closure

WMA will be closed from 5pm Dec 23rd 2009 and will re-open on Jan 4th 2010.

We will answer your emails on our return.