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A Lifetime Achievement Award was received by Eur Ing Jeffrey Casciani-Wood to celebrate 70 years in the surveying and maritime world



Jeffrey Casciani-Wood given a Lifetime Achievement award

At the IIMS London Conference Dinner 2015, Jeffrey Casciani-Wood *HonFIIMS* was presented with a Lifetime Achievement award by IIMS President, Capt Bertrand Apperry. The award is a fitting and suitable recognition of Jeffrey's extraordinary service to the boat, ship and marine surveying profession.

In his citation, Mike Schwarz, IIMS CEO, said, "This Lifetime Achievement award recognises a 70 year association, or should that be obsession, with the boating, shipping and marine surveying sectors."

In a moving ceremony, the 100 plus dinner guests rose to their feet as one to applaud Jeffrey as he came forward to receive and accept his crystal gift.

Commenting on his award, Jeffrey said, "I was absolutely delighted and not a little astonished to receive the IIMS Lifetime Achievement award. It was a complete surprise. I am honoured and very proud to be a member of the Institute and I hope to remain active for a few more years yet. Thank you all for your friendship and support."

Jeffrey has had a varied and successful career and although no longer a practising marine surveyor, he continues to keep his hand in. Jeffrey continues to write and has recently authored several books on a variety of subjects.

Jeffrey began his career in January 1945 when he worked at the London Graving Dock Ltd on a pre-apprenticeship training course. To date he has worked in over fifty countries and from 1973 to 2005 practised as a freelance marine surveyor mainly on small craft until retiring. Jeffrey continues to act as mentor to a number of junior surveyors. He is also the author of a number of papers published by IIMS and a book on Screw Tug Design.

Read the full report:

<http://iims.org.uk/jeffrey-casciani-wood-receives-iims-lifetime-achievement-award>

Dear Member

Welcome to this News Bulletin from the International Institute of Marine Surveying (IIMS). This bulletin is available in PDF format from the IIMS website. It aims to keep members and non members up to date with information on a monthly basis. Members are encouraged to share and forward this newsletter to colleagues, who they think might like to join the Institute. For more information about the Institute visit: www.iims.org.uk

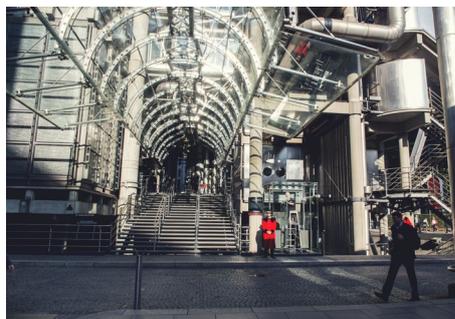
Delegates vote the IIMS London Conference a hit

The culmination of six months of planning and preparation came to fruition when the IIMS London Conference 2015 took place at the Old Library in the Lloyd's of London building on 7 and 8 September. Members and others from the marine world came from all parts of the globe for what proved to be a great conference, if the positive feedback that has been received is anything to judge by.

Nearly 120 delegates registered for the event, making it one of, if not the largest Conference the Institute has ever staged in the UK. On the opening morning the Old Library was full to capacity. There were 16 presentations delivered over the day and a half of conference – many of them thought provoking, but all informative in their content. There was a mix of technical and business related presentations, many of which appealed equally to small craft and commercial ship surveyors alike. The much promoted 'Parbuckling of the Costa Concordia' project ahead of the event was presented by Captain Nick Sloane in a stylish and engaging manner. The audience was incredulous as the sheer size and scale of the operation was unveiled to them, leading one delegate to say this was 'the best presentation I have ever seen'. All presentations have been filmed and will be available to view via this web site or through the IIMS YouTube channel in a few weeks time. Watch out for further notification.

The Conference dinner aboard HMS Belfast on the Monday evening proved to be a great success. The intimate surroundings of the old ship created a pleasant ambience and atmosphere in which to dine and network with colleagues. Thanks to guest speakers, Capt Andy Winbow from IMO and Peter Hancock, who kept the dinner guests in fits of laughter.

Full Conference report and photo galleries:
<http://iims.org.uk/whats-on/iims-conference>



Fellowships awarded

At the International Institute of Marine Surveying's Annual General Meeting that took place at Watermen's Hall in the city of London on Tuesday 8 September, two new Fellowships were announced.

Mr Adam Brancher, IIMS Vice President and Capt Chris Kelly, Chairman of the IIMS Professional Assessment Committee were both awarded Fellowships.

Due to other commitments, Adam was unable to be at the event to receive his certificate. However, Chris Kelly was at the meeting and received his Fellowship certificate with pride from IIMS President, Capt Bertrand Apperry.

Capt Chris Kelly (left) receiving his Fellowship from Capt Bertrand Apperry at the 2015 AGM



New professional qualifications announced by IIMS

Recently the IIMS was notified by Pearson Edexcel, the external awarding body for the current HNC and HND in marine surveying qualifications, that they intended to stop supporting specialist, customised course providers such as us. We were not alone in receiving this news, taken by Pearson for reasons known only to them. The final intake for students wishing to gain an HNC/HND is mid October. The scheme will then close for new student registrations, but will remain open for those already registered to complete their studies by 31 October 2018.

On receiving the news, the IIMS education committee met a couple of times to consider the best way forward and quickly came to a consensus. A proposal was submitted to the Board and duly approved. The result is a positive outcome and provides an excellent way forward.

Essentially the units, which are both current and recognised to be of the highest standard in the industry, will continue to be used with a few tweaks made where necessary. Equivalent to a level 4/5 education qualification, IIMS is launching two new formal professional qualifications. The first is the *Professional Qualification for Yacht & Small Craft Surveyors in Marine Surveying*; and the second is the *Professional Qualification in Marine Surveying for Commercial Ship Surveyors*. There will be an option to upgrade either professional qualification to an *Advanced Professional Qualification*. By splitting the course in two, it means the Institute can focus separately on both ends of the surveying industry without causing any confusion to would be students. The course will continue to be conducted on a distance learning basis. There is no examination to sit, but there is an assignment to be completed for each unit which is then marked and assessed. There are 14 units for yacht and small craft surveyors available to study and 27 units for commercial ship surveyors.

Here's how it works. To achieve either professional qualification, students will be required to pass the four core units plus four additional specialist units of their choice and they have two years study time in which to complete the work. Units can be taken and studied in any order. To upgrade to an *Advanced Professional Qualification*, it is necessary to pass a further four specialist units of your choice and a further one year study time is granted.

If you have questions about the new courses, please email Elle Hardham at education@iims.org.uk

IIMS launches handy guides

After several months of preparation, IIMS has launched a series of self help handy guides under the title '*What a marine surveyor needs to know about*'.

The guides are available in a compact and handy A5 size. The series is launched initially with four titles, but over the next year, it is expected to expand to cover over thirty different subjects and topics. Early sales are encouraging too!



Typically the guides are published at various price points between £20 to £30, equivalent to about US\$30 to US\$45. The publications are currently only being sold directly from IIMS in paperback, but will also soon be available electronically to download as e-books through the web site as well as via Kindle.

Commenting on this new initiative, Mike Schwarz, IIMS CEO, said, "It occurred to me that there is a gap in the market place for a range of sensibly priced books that would be of direct benefit to IIMS members as well as many other surveyors and those associated with the marine and maritime world in general. The range of scheduled specialist topics is vast and I expect the series to grow to 30 plus booklets over the coming year. My thanks to the authors who have come forward to get involved in this exciting project"

What a marine surveyor needs to know about small craft metal hulls and ultrasonics
by Jeffrey Casciani-Wood
Size: 64 pages
Published at £25

What a marine surveyor needs to know about working in enclosed spaces
by Capt Michael Lloyd and Adam Allan
Size: 68 pages
Published at £25

What a marine surveyor needs to know about imaging techniques
by Milind Tambe
Size: 96 pages
Published at £27

What a marine surveyor needs to know about small craft, ship and boat-building terminology
by Jeffrey Casciani-Wood
Size: 148 pages
Published at £30

Postage and packaging is charged extra at £3.50 per handy guide.

For full details and a synopsis on each book go to: <http://iims.org.uk/iims-launches-handy-guide-publishing-programme>

4th Biennial IIMS UAE Branch Conference 2015

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Venue: **The Jumeirah Beach Hotel**
along the Arabian Gulf shoreline

October UK Small Craft Working Group 'super' training day

After the success of the small craft working group meeting in March, the team has put together a full on day of surveyor training aimed solely at yacht and small craft surveyors. There is still just time to reserve your slot at what promises to be a great and informative day, but please let us know by noon on Friday 2 October!

Tritex NDT and Paul Winter Insurance have agreed to sponsor the event and our thanks go to them.

To reserve your place at the SCWG super training day, please contact Tania Bernice on 023 9238 5223, or email her on ca@iims.org.uk. The cost of day is just £90, or £100 for non members, including lunch.

Full details and the schedule of presentations can be found here: <http://iims.org.uk/uk-small-craft-working-group-super-training-day-october>



It's all change at IIMS head office

With the departure of Anne and Chloe, the education department has been restructured in readiness for some changes to the programme. So, IIMS is pleased to announce the appointment of Elle Hardham to run the education function. We wish Elle a long and happy career with IIMS. Elly Bryant has been appointed on a 9 months maternity leave basis to support Elle and also Hilary Excell with her Marine Surveying Academy workload.



Elle Hardham (left) and Elly Bryant have joined the head office.



Report magazine

The October issue of The Report magazine has been published and is available to read online now. This issue has a full report including photos from the London Conference 2015.

As well as a wide range of news and membership stories, there are articles on fuel hoses for inboard petrol engines, skin fittings, a look at why containers attract moisture and how to give great customer service.

Access The Report magazine here:

<http://iims.org.uk/media/the-report-magazined>.

Certifying Authority training day

Members of the IIMS Certifying Authority are reminded that there will be the second training day of this year taking place at Portchester Sailing Club on Tuesday 6 October. You can still book just! Please remember that as a CA examiner, you are expected to attend one day's training per year.

To reserve your place at the Certifying Authority training day, please contact Tania Bernice on 023 9238 5223, or email her on ca@iims.org.uk.

The cost of day is just £70 including lunch.

See online for full details:

<http://iims.org.uk/certifying-authority-october-training-day-agenda-released>



IIMS Membership Travel Service scheme



Norad Travel Group is running the newly formed Membership Travel Service scheme for IIMS members. The scheme offers a range of exclusive benefits for IIMS members only.

The Norad team of Marine Specialists are based in their Liss (UK) European Headquarters. They operate alongside their Global partners in Greece, The Philippines, India, UK, Ukraine, South Africa and Australia. Norad Travel Management holds marine fare contracts with all major airlines.

Why not make contact for a quotation for your travel requirements?

Norad's UK office can take your telephone calls on +44 (0) 1730 894700 from 08.30-18.00 (GMT) Monday to Friday, or any time by email on: marine@noradtravel.biz or see the web site: <http://iims.org.uk/membership/membership-benefits/iims-membership-travel-service>



Contact the IIMS Head Office team

As always, the IIMS head office team is here to help you on any matters relating to your membership or education needs. Please contact the appropriate person as follows:

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