



International Institute of Marine Surveying

# NEWS BULLETIN

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## 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, or who may be interested in its content. For more information about the Institute visit: [www.iims.org.uk](http://www.iims.org.uk)



## CEO Chat

The biggest news this month I have to impart is that Vicky Lawrence has resigned her position as Financial Controller with IIMS. She formally left the organisation on 31st August. Over more than a decade, Vicky, who is well known to many members, has been at the heart of the Institute and has seen it develop from a cottage industry to what it has become today over that time. On behalf of the members, management board and myself, we thank Vicky for what she has done and wish her well for the future. Also it is sad to have to report the departure of Elle Hardham. Elle has run the Professional Qualifications distance learning programme for the past couple of years. We wish Elle good luck.





## CEO Chat (*continued*)

The three day IIMS and eCMID seminar and training event in Singapore last month was an excellent event with good attendance on the first two days and some informative presentations, most of which are now available to view on the IIMS YouTube channel (see elsewhere in this newsletter for details). Judging by the positive feedback, the event was beneficial to and enjoyed by all who attended. The third day saw over 20 eCMID AVIs complete the accreditation validation course. I am grateful to the speakers, all of whom spoke eloquently and knowledgeably during the event.

And so the Institute's London Conference and AGM, being held at Regent's University, Regent's Park - now just over a week away. I thoroughly recommend both the content over the two days and the knowledge of the speakers who will deliver it. There is still time to reserve your place at this event right up until Friday 8th September. Some members have asked about offering the opportunity to take a live feed of the Conference online. In response (and for the first time) we have opened the Conference up and online delegates are most welcome. To view the three sessions on offer to online delegates and to reserve your place, please go to:

<http://bit.ly/2xMmkSS>

Survey well!

**Mike Schwarz**, Chief Executive Officer

## Your last chance to book your place at the IIMS London Conference on 11 and 12 September

A selection of excellent speakers covering a wide range of topics will be presenting at the London Conference. Don't miss this final opportunity to either come to Conference in person, or join as an online delegate.

The Conference dinner is taking place on the evening of 11 September and will be held at the Churchill Cabinet War Rooms, Winston Churchill's secret World War II underground bunker and command centre.

The first day comprises eight presentations. Day two presents a mix of six workshop style presentations taking place in two adjacent rooms. The Conference speaker programme is as follows:

- Mike Lewus (British Stainless Steel Association: Corrosion of Stainless Steel in Marine Applications - Factors that Influence Performance)
- Peter Solvang (Surveying vessels with a dynamic positioning system)
- Alessio Gnecco (Raising the floating dock Mediterraneo in Livorno)
- Richard Jennings (From GA to finished coating and what is the responsibility of the inspector)
- Jukka Kuuskoski, Norsepower (Rotor Sail Propulsion technology)
- Mike Proudlove (The challenges of surveying wind farm vessels)
- John Excell (Report writing refresher)
- Capt Zarir Irani (Flag state inspections – an important instrument for commercial gains)
- Phil Thompson (Simulation technology for the investigation of navigation incidents)
- Jennefer Tobin (Gathering, interpreting and using data)
- Mike Schwarz (The state of the Institute and future developments)

Day one, dinner and day two are all priced separately, or a discount applies if you book all three options. As an online delegate you have the option to book session either 1 (Monday morning), and/or session 2 (Monday afternoon) and/or session 3 (Tuesday morning).

Registration for the IIMS London Conference in person can be made at: <http://bit.ly/2iGkeBs> Alternatively, to join as an online delegate via Zoom go to: <http://bit.ly/2xMmkSS>

## AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the International Institute of Marine Surveying will be held at Regent's University, London on Tuesday 12 September commencing at 14.00 in the Tuke Cinema.

The AGM Agenda, CEO report, Directors' reports and proposal for 2018 membership fees are available to read in pdf format on a password protected page on the IIMS web site. The password (which is case sensitive is Survey). See: <http://bit.ly/2wRZTiT>

## Vicky Lawrence leaves IIMS

It will come as a surprise to many IIMS members who have known Vicky Lawrence, IIMS Financial Controller, for many years to learn of her resignation and departure from the organisation on 31st August. Vicky had been with the organisation for more than a decade.

Rather than rushing to appoint a replacement, the IIMS management team is taking this opportunity to review and refresh how the business operates, which may possibly lead towards a change of structure.

So an appointment to replace Vicky will not be made until that period of reflection and assessment is complete. In the short term, financial assistance will be provided by the IIMS accountants, Jim Walker and his colleagues at FAB.



**IIMS says goodbye to Vicky Lawrence (right) and Elle Hardham (left).**



## New video content added to the IIMS YouTube channel

Several new recordings made at the recent Singapore seminar brings the total of original videos to more than 100, compiled over the past couple of years. The videos are free to watch and can be found on the IIMS channel at: <http://bit.ly/2iInWun>

New content available to watch includes:

- The future of marine surveying by Hari Subramaniam, Shipowners P&I Club
- Capt Zarir Irani presents - Every warranty surveyor's knowledge based toolkit
- Rama Chandran presents - What we need from marine surveyors in a challenging hull insurance landscape

And for those with an interest or involvement with eCMID audit and inspections:

- Mike Vanstone speaks about the eCMID programme from a vessel operator's perspective
- Lead eCMID AVI tutor Ian Coates gives an overview of the scheme so far
- IMCA eCMID - a perspective by Ken Livingstone
- ISM Code - not just a tick box by Joe McWilliam
- The importance of eCMID and AVI in the process by Mike Meade

# IIMS publishes three handy guides about insurance damage surveys

IIMS has just released three new handy guides for sale on the subject of insurance damage surveys. The series of 'What a marine surveyor needs to know about' now boasts sixteen titles in total following the launch of these new handy guides, all of which have been written by the doyen of marine surveyors, Capt Barry Thompson.

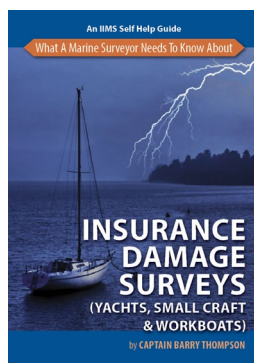
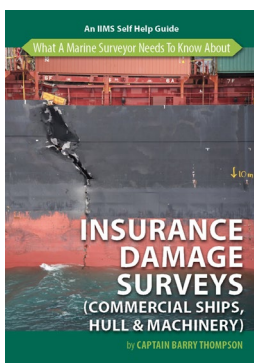
Although there is a common theme running through the series of the handy guides, each is bespoke for different parts of the sector. But as Barry Thompson himself says, "If a surveyor receives a request to carry out an insurance claim survey, its purpose is still fundamentally the same as with most surveys – to investigate and provide the facts relating to the incident and then report his findings. In his enquiries he uses his knowledge and experience to consider the facts and evaluate them to assist in establishing the cause and to determine the best means of minimising the loss."

The principle aims of the three guides is to convey both the basic requirements and the special ones, and to help the surveyor to become conversant with the customary protocols surrounding surveys for insurance claims. A surveyor's lack of knowledge of the marine insurance sector should not be a cause for concern, or restraint in accepting an instruction to carry out a survey which may become concerned with an insurance claim.

The new titles are:

- Insurance Damage Surveys (Commercial Ships, Hull & Machinery)**
- Insurance Damage Surveys (Cargo Claims)**
- Insurance Damage Surveys (Yachts, Small Craft and Workboats)**

The three handy guides are priced at £20 each plus post and packing and are available directly from the IIMS web site. For details of how to purchase one or more of these guides, or other titles in the 'What a marine surveyor needs to know about' series, click here <http://bit.ly/2wl0HXc>



## Senior Coating Consultant and IIMS member, Jan Koudstaal, celebrates 50 years in the paint industry

On September 1st 1967, Jan Koudstaal started in the paint industry when he was just 18 years young as an assistant manager/calculator at a blasting and painting company. In the following years, Jan worked in several functions at (among others) Sigma Coatings and International Paint Benelux. His specialty became tank coatings and corrosion protection.

From 2006, he travelled the world for CCS Coating Consultants for Superyachts as senior coating consultant and Technical Manager. Jan has contributed a lot to the superyacht industry for his involvement in setting the standard for Acceptance Criteria, acting as an expert witness, being the (co)writer of the RMCI course and several ISO standards.

Paul Bournas, Managing Director of CCS says: "Jan has so much passion for paint and superyachts. He is a professional in heart and soul. He is a great consultant with a huge knowledge of paint and defects."

Jan officially retires in April 2018 when it's time for other things, especially spending time with his wife, children and grandchildren.

# Certifying Authority workboat themed training event

IIMS is especially grateful to Mike Proudlove MIIMS, who has agreed to host this special two day workboat themed Certifying Authority training event at his place of work, Offshore Turbine Services Ltd (OTS). The OTS yard is located at 3 Maypool Building, Dartside Quay, Galmpton, Nr Brixham TQ5 0GD.

Mike and his team have arranged to have one of their fast crew transfer vessels from their fleet out of water in readiness, so that delegates can undertake a mock coding survey methodically gathering the data on the first day, before completing the WB2 form required to gain MCA code compliance on day two.

*The agenda, which is subject to change, is as follows:*

## Monday 20 November

- 10.00 Meet up at Dartside Quay for initial briefing
- 10.15 Split into two groups (depending on numbers) to start the coding survey on the vessel compiling the necessary information and notes to enable a WB2 form to be completed on the second day
- 12.45 Lunch break
- 13.45 Regroup to continue coding survey – groups to switch between Mike and Fraser at an appropriate time

- 16.30 Close for the day
- 19.00 Group dinner for those who want to join at a local venue

## Tuesday 21 November

Classroom based training will take place at Dartside Quay, unless numbers are beyond OTSs capacity, in which case a nearby venue will be booked for the second day.

- 09.00 Work in small groups (depending on numbers) to compile the WB2 form followed by coming together as one group to go through the completed forms, highlighting areas of disagreement, followed by discussion and agreement
- 12.45 Lunch
- 13.45 Continuation of WB2 form work
- 15.00 Speaker 1 (tbc): SAN 75 – Dangerous Goods and Fuel Transfer
- 15.45 Speaker 2 (tbc): Hydraulic pumps and crane installation. Crane inspection and related stability.
- 16.30 Close

The cost of attendance for both days in person is £190 to include lunch on both days. Dinner and accommodation is at own cost. The second day only will be available to view online at a cost of £95 via zoom online conferencing. 5 CPD points are awarded to those who attend and 3 points for those who join online.

To reserve your place simply complete the registration form online at <http://bit.ly/2wJadcF> and we will invoice you the appropriate amount, or email Tania Bernice at [ca@iims.org.uk](mailto:ca@iims.org.uk), or call her on + 44 (0) 23 9238 5223.



# LYSCWG super training event

The venue for the event is the Spindle Room, Building 1000, Lakeside North Harbour, Western Road, Portsmouth PO6 3EN. There is ample free parking on site. Lunch will be served and is included in the cost.

*This is a provisional schedule and maybe subject to change:*

**09.00 IIMS update by Mike Schwarz, IIMS CEO**  
Mike will bring those present and online up-to-date with what has been a busy and productive year

**09.35 Surveying large yachts by Simon Burt, Winterbothams**  
Simon will speak about the challenges of surveying ever more complex large yachts and the range of skills you need to have in your locker

**10.45 Report writing refresher by John Excell**  
This old nugget again, but poor report writing remains the single biggest cause of complaints from the boating public and it is on the increase. John will give some helpful tips and reminders

**11.45 The latest thinking from Tritex NDT gauges by Jon Sharland**  
Jon Sharland will bring delegates up-to-date with the Tritex range of products, in particular their recently launched GRP thickness gauge

**12.15 The Boat Safety Scheme – what it is and what we know by Graham Watts**  
Something of particular interest to those who survey inland waterways craft, Graham Watts BSS Manager will talk about the activities of the Boat Safety Scheme

**13.15 Lunch**

**14.00 Small craft surveyor PI claim reviews – lessons learnt and how to avoid them by Paul Winter, Winter & Co Ltd**

**14.45 How to spot imperfections in coatings and the equipment to do it with, a practical session by Tim Jennings, Akzo Nobel**  
Tim is one of eighty professionals who have qualified through the Registered Marine Coatings Inspectors course run by IIMS and now cited in the soon to be launched ISO as a recognised standard. He will introduce delegates to the equipment and then let them use it on a number of flawed test plates

**16.15 Business management skills by Mike Schwarz**  
Mike will close the day with one of his many presentations dedicated to helping surveyors hone their business management skills

**16.45 Close**

This training event will also be broadcast by video conferencing for distant delegates, or those unable to travel to Portsmouth.

The cost of the day is £120 (non IIMS members £125) to include lunch and refreshments, plus copies of the various presentations. 5 CPD points are awarded to those who attend and 3 points for those who join online.

To reserve your place simply complete the registration form online at <http://bit.ly/2vELrXt> and we will invoice you, or email Tania Bernice at [ca@iims.org.uk](mailto:ca@iims.org.uk), or call her on + 44 (0) 23 9238 5223.



## Watch out for the Report Magazine September edition coming soon

The finishing touches to the September Report Magazine will be made immediately after the London Conference with a report of proceedings before the magazine is published in mid-September. Look out for separate notification of its publication.

Highlights of this issue include:

- New ISO 19030 standard for measurement of changes in hull and propeller performance explained
- An innovative solution for end of life boats
- Rescue procedures for semi and submerged confined spaces
- Beware the perils of undertaking valuations
- Special feature on the wind and renewables sector and the opportunities for surveyors
- The usual round up of members and marine news, plus new product information
- A day in the life of Ian Nicolson

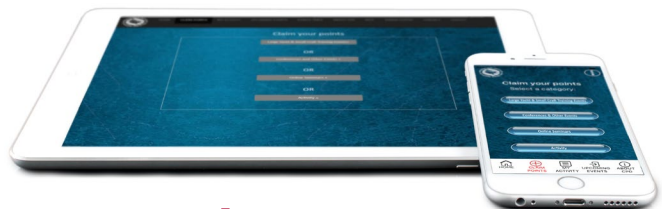


## UAE Branch Conference

IIMS Regional Director and Deputy President, Capt Zarir Irani and the UAE Branch Committee are pleased to announce the dates for an important one day Conference.

The IIMS UAE Branch's fifth biennial one day conference is set to take place on Monday 27th November 2017. The venue is the Sheraton Jumeirah Beach Resort, Al Sufouh. The Sheraton Jumeirah is one of the most pleasant beach resorts set on the Jumeirah Beach in the Dubai Marina.

The theme this time? "Marine Insurance and Surviving the New Reality". At this time the call for sponsors and speakers is on. A full speaker programme will be unveiled shortly, but for now keep the date free!



## Keep those CPD points claims rolling in

It has never been easier to claim your Continuing Professional Development points and to keep your CPD up-to-date. Using version II of the IIMS CPD app, launched in June, you can use it real time to make your claims. And remember just 10 points are required in this calendar year.

IIMS has just recorded its 1,000th claim for points, which have been made by over 300 members. However, there are still many who have yet to make a claim.

If you experience technical issues, do not hesitate to contact IIMS head office who will ensure you get the necessary technical support to resolve things.

For full details about the new App and how to access it see: <http://bit.ly/2vrA5tu>

## Are your details correct on the IIMS web site?

Periodically the IIMS head office staff check the IIMS web site and keep an eye on its content for accuracy. Of particular note is the lack of members' websites listed. If you have a website, you are urged to let IIMS know so that we can add it to your listing or you could be losing valuable business and sales leads.

Also we would ask you to make sure that your postal address and contact telephone numbers are accurate. If you need any amendments to your website listing making, please email Dave Parsons at [info@iims.org.uk](mailto:info@iims.org.uk).



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Title: Mr

Company Name:

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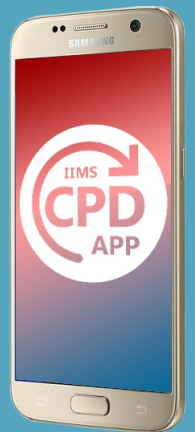
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To see how easy it is to acquire points, you can view the CPD points table here: <https://www.iims.org.uk/membership/continuing-professional-development/>



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