



Latest AMWS E-News for January 2023

"Welcome to the January 2023 Edition of the AMWS E-News" - Chairman, Mr David Parmeter



Hello everyone and welcome to the first AMWS e-newsletter for 2023. Every since AMWS started life as the Sydney Sailors Home in the 1860s, we have been concerned about the welfare of seafarers everywhere. One of the goals of AMWS is to speak out on issues affecting their welfare.....

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STS Young Endeavour, Voyage 14/22
Sponsored by the Salvation Army and funded by the Australian Mariners Welfare Society as part of its Jim Israel Sail Training Scholarship programme, Jaydon was part of the STS Young Endeavour Voyage 14/22 "youthie" team. On the last day of the voyage, the ship welcomed on board members of the Windgap Foundation for a day of adventure on Sydney Harbour. The Foundation supports people with intellectual disabilities. Well done "youthies", well done Windgap Foundation members and well done STS Young Endeavour. Photos taken by the YE team on the day appear below.



Update. Abandoned livestock carrier off Portland. Daily Cargo News 20th January 2023.
Nineteen crew members have left the Yangtze Fortune, a livestock carrier that has been abandoned off the coast of Victoria, Australia since September. The ship, which is owned by Dan-Bunkering (Singapore) and has been arrested for outstanding debts, is currently up for auction and is set to be sold by February 10th. The Australian Maritime Safety Authority and International Transport Workers' Federation have been monitoring the welfare of the remaining crew members and ensuring that they are repatriated home. The remaining crew members are considered essential by the ship's flag state, Liberia, under international conventions and are required to ensure that the vessel is adequately resourced to be able to relocate if necessary or respond to emergency situations.

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Human Rights at Sea Recognized by United Nations Economic and Social Council (UN ECOSOC). January 2023
London, UK – Human Rights at Sea is proud to announce that it has been granted "Special Consultative Status" by the United Nations Economic and Social Council (UN ECOSOC). This recognition will allow the NGO to directly participate in the work of the UN by sharing innovations, findings, and related reports, and forming beneficial partnerships with governments, the private sector, and civil society to elevate awareness and widen the collective platform to address human rights abuses at sea.

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"Into the Storm". The loss of the livestock carrier Gulf Livestock 1. An ABC Special Report published 11th December 2022
The Panama-flagged livestock carrier GULF LIVESTOCK 1 capsized in southwest Japan on September 2, 2020 during typhoon Maysak, equivalent to a Category 4 hurricane with winds of at least 130 mph. The 2002-built 133.6-meter-long (438 foot) ship had on board thirty-nine (39) Filipinos, two New Zealanders, and two Australians as well as 5,800 cattle. The vessel left Napier, New Zealand on August 14, 2020 and was sailing to Tangshan, China when it experienced an engine issue and sent a distress signal before it went missing. Two crew members were found alive, and another was pronounced dead on arrival at a Japanese hospital. One of the survivors narrated that the ship's main engine failed before the vessel was struck by a big wave and capsized.

[Read the ABC's full report here >>](#)



Examples of life at sea in the 2020's. Youtube Video Links.
The first video takes the viewer around an American Flag container ship. The second video shows life at sea onboard a geared bulk carrier as it enters a Norweigan Fjord. Both videos (please disregard the adds) will no doubt be of interest to members, retired mariners and to those who support seagoing operations from a shore-based perspective.

[Video 1 Touring a modern-day container ship](#)
[Video 2 Sailing into a Fjord. Joe Franta](#)

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Be a part of our mission to ensure that all seafarers and their dependents are treated with dignity, respect, and compassion. By joining AMWS, you can help make a difference in the lives of seafarers and their families, regardless of their nationality, gender, or beliefs. Join us today and support the Societies' goals in providing maritime scholarships, tall ship training opportunities, grants to the Mission to Seafarers & Stella Maris, subsidised accommodation for retired seafarers of modest means, financial support to the Seafarers International Relief Fund, and as a representative on the Australian Seafarers Welfare Council. Interested? Please contact the AMWS Secretary at secretaryamws@gmail.com or simply complete the membership application form on our webpage at marinerswelfare.com



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