

## Australian Mariners Welfare Society AMWS E-News

### Top AMWS Stories - May 2022



#### A video message from the AMWS Chairman, Mr David Parmeter

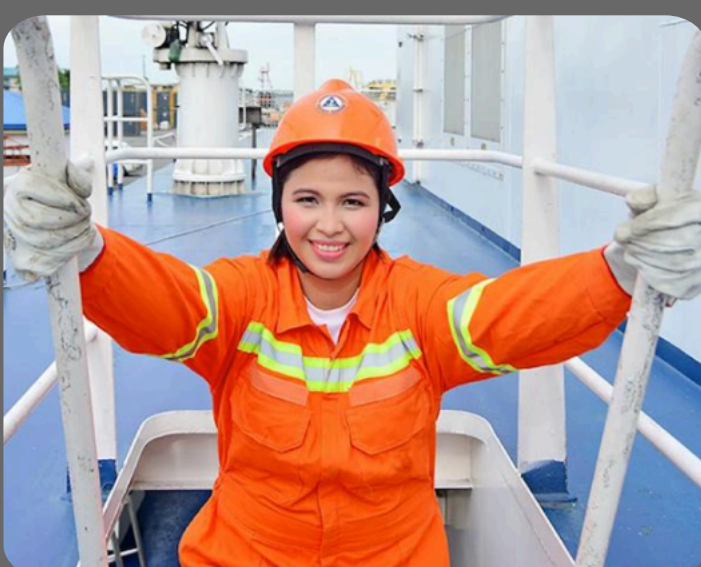
Hello everyone, and welcome to this edition of the AMWS monthly newsletter. One of the things I am constantly reminded of is the importance of the work we do at the Australian Mariners Welfare Society. The need to promote and protect the welfare of seafarers is always with us; the issues may change but the need does not go away.....  
See the complete video message via the link below

[LINK TO DAVID's VIDEO MESSAGE](#)



**AMWS 2022 Annual General Meeting and May Council Meeting.**  
On 17 May AMWS held its Annual General Meeting, followed by a function for members and guests. The purpose of the event was to enable AMWS members and individuals involved with seafarer welfare to meet and discuss issues of mutual interest.

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#### International Day for Women in Maritime.

The 18th of May was the inaugural International Day for Women in Maritime, a day dedicated to acknowledging and celebrating women across the maritime industry. The International Maritime Organization formally adopted the International Day for Women in Maritime in December last year. It will be observed on 18 May annually from this year onwards.

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**AMWS provides additional \$10,000 to the SIRF.**  
At its recent May 2022 Council meeting, AMWS agreed to provide an additional \$10,000 grant to the Seafarers International Relief Fund to assist seafarers and their families affected by the Ukrainian crisis.

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**How COVID 19 continues to impact on the lives of seafarers.**  
East of Shanghai, on Changxing Shipyard Island -- post-COVID lockdown, April/May 2022. Following a crew of merchant mariners as they go about their day-to-day lives, locked down in a Chinese shipyard.



[Youtube Video Link >>](#)



**The June 2022 Edition of the Mariners' Lifeline will be published on the AMWS webpage at [marinerswelfare.com](http://marinerswelfare.com) shortly.**

Articles in the June edition will include;

1. The Chairman's Report
2. The AMWS Malcolm Longstaff Memorial Scholarship update
3. An article from MIAL on future fuels for the maritime industry
4. Seafarers' Health & Safety - Impacts caused by Covid-19 & the war in Ukraine
5. The Seafood Industry of Australia's article on the local fishing industry
6. An update on AMWS' contribution's towards seafarers' welfare
7. Piracy at sea - ongoing impacts on seafarers

#### Newcastle Merchant Navy Memorial Service.

The Newcastle Merchant Navy Memorial Service will be held at the Newcastle Mission to Seafarers commencing **1100 hrs on Saturday 4th June 2022**. Visitors are welcome.

Additional parking for attendees will be available at the Carrington Public Car Park with bus transfers available from the Water Police station from 1015.

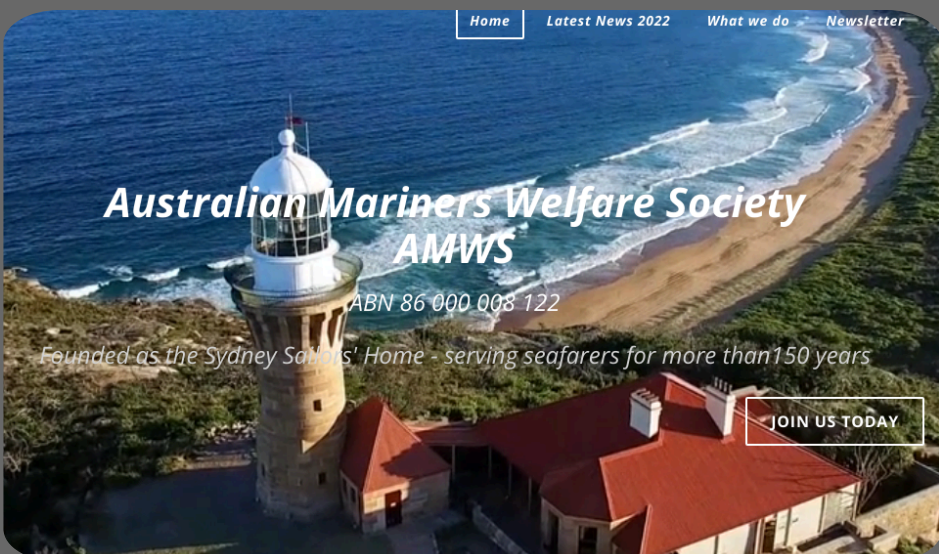


#### "From the Vault" - Events and Personalities from AMWS's History

On 12 March 1868, during his second visit to Sydney, the Duke of Edinburgh was invited by Sir William Manning, President of the Sydney Sailors' Home, to picnic at the beachfront suburb of Clontarf to raise funds for the home. At the function an attempted assassination was carried out by Henry James O'Farrell



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