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(REPRESENTING SHIP BROKERS, AGENTS AND MANAGERS)

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Liverpool Branch Annual Dinner 2018

The 54th Liverpool Branch Annual Dinner will be held at the **Crowne Plaza Hotel, St Nicholas Place, Pier Head, Liverpool, L3 1QW on Thursday 26th April 2018.**

The cost this year will be £700.00 for a table of 10 persons. They will be round tables.

A booking form can be obtained from the Branch Secretary whose contact details can be found at the end of this Newsletter.

Included in the price is the opportunity for your company to have their logo displayed in a rolling display on a screen during the dinner. Logos to be provided to us.

There will also be an opportunity for companies to sponsor the Dinner and details can be obtained from the Branch Secretary (contact details at the end of this Newsletter).



Happy Falcon on the Manchester Ship Canal ©
Alan Faulkener

Whilst the Booking Form states that bookings are per table we will have some places available for anyone who wishes to attend on their own or with a small number of guests but are unable to occupy a full table. Please indicate this on the Booking Form.

We have a number of meeting rooms available that can be used for private pre and after Dinner entertaining. If you would like to be considered for one of these please indicate this on the Booking Form.

For our entertainment, we have booked local comedian John Evans. Just a few words about John: His performance exudes professionalism and his warm style coupled with a great personality has won him many plaudits from audiences and peers alike. Priding himself on clean humour with a gift for outstanding timing John is the ideal choice for mixed audiences.

We hope that you will be able to join us on what we hope will be a very enjoyable evening.

Branch AGM

This was held on Wednesday 6th December at the Khrua Thai Orchid restaurant in Heswall and was attended by 40 Members and guests.

The current Chairman, Alyson Loughlin FICS and Vice Chairman, Vikki Whitfield FICS were elected for a further term of 12 months.

In her Branch report Alyson advised that “2017 has been another reasonably busy year for the branch.

Education and exams, this year the Institute held two exam periods, one in April and one in November. This year we had 5 students sitting their exams in April and 3 in November. We held our annual revision on exam technique session presented by Rita Barnish. This was an informative and productive session which was available to all local students sitting their exams. I hope that next year this will continue. Thanks to Viorel for his support in organising this and to Bibby for once again hosting.

In April we held our branch Annual Dinner with 272 guests. We collected for our two local charities KIND and Stick ‘n’ Step. Through our guests’ generosity we were able to raise £2658.00 on the night which was thoroughly appreciated by both charities. We also raised a further £960.00 for our branch education fund. For the first time we held an award to “Local contributor to Education” which was won by JMU, I believe this was a great addition to the evening and I know London thoroughly supported this new venture of ours. This year we had Lousie Ellman as our guest speaker who was a great addition to the evening and I would really like to continue along this route for the 2018 dinner.

In June we held our first Social evening aboard the Daniel Adamson. I believe the evening was an overall success with around 70 guests attending. It was our first event of this type and it brought in some new faces and raised the profile of the branch outside our usual circuit. I would like to thank all committee members who supported the event and I hope to organise another event similar to this in 2018.



Daniel Adamson © Alan Faulkener

In September we held the branch Annual Golf day. A total of 10 teams of 4 players entered the competition and despite the weather everyone had a good day. The day was completed with an excellent evening meal which was attended by 60 golfers and their guests. The team competition was won by MA Logistics for the second year in succession. I would like to thank Barry and Seb for organising another successful event.

I would like to congratulate Zara Giles on becoming a member of the Institute and Vikki Whitfield whose application for promotion to FICS was approved.

In summary, as a Branch, we have achieved a lot this year, coordinating with JMU for the apprenticeship scheme and reaching out to new students and members. None of which would have been done without the support and assistance of you, the members, so thank you all.

Next year, I would like to keep the numbers up at the dinner, organise another social evening, keep the golf event as popular as ever. Try and coordinate the open days with Head Office and encourage new and existing students.

To conclude I wish to offer my thanks to Spencer, Barry, Seb and Joanne for hosting some of the monthly committee meeting at their offices. Thanks to Roy and Vikki for their help with the annual dinner, David for his help with the ICS open day event and Paula for her help with Danny event. I would like to thank Vikki for her support as Vice Chairman. Finally, thanks to Roy for keeping the website updated and producing the informative newsletters and for all his assistance and support this year.”

ICS Open Day

The Branch will be joining the other ICS Branches worldwide with an Open Day.

We will be available to answer any questions you may have with regard to our Education Courses on Thursday 25th January between 12.00hrs and 14.00hrs in the foyer at Liverpool John Moores University, James Parsons Building, Byrom Street, Liverpool.



If you are unable to attend the Open Day but would like further information please do not hesitate to contact the Branch Secretary.

Branch matters

We would like to congratulate Vikki Whitfield on her recent promotion to Fellowship of the Institute.

We would also like to welcome two new members to the Branch – Zara Giles MICS and Mike Akoh MICS

Congratulations also to local Member and former Branch Chairman Viorel Raducanescu FICS who, on 1st December 2017, on the occasion of the National day of Romania, was decorated by the President of Romania with the National Order for “Faithful Service” in the rank of ‘knight’. This Order of Merit is for civil or military individuals for exceptional services to the Romanian State and the Romanian people. The Order was awarded to Viorel for his personal contribution over many years in the process of consolidation and strengthening of the bilateral relations between Romania and the UK. The award does not, however, include the title associated with a Knighthood in the UK.

Cammell Laird to build type 31e Frigates

By George Allison

BAE Systems will partner with Cammell Laird, who would ‘Prime, build and assemble’ the vessels at their Merseyside facility while the Clyde will focus on the Type 26 Frigates. Cammell Laird would be main contractor with BAE providing design and combat systems. BAE say the move will allow them to ‘appropriately support the National Shipbuilding Strategy’ whilst ensuring the delivery of the five Offshore Patrol Vessels and the first three City class Type 26 frigates currently on contract, ‘to time, budget and to the highest quality standards.



Iain Stevenson, Managing Director, BAE Systems Naval Ships, commented: “Type 31e is an exciting and important programme. Our expertise in warship design and engineering, combat management systems and export campaigns means we are in a great position to contribute to the success of this programme. We are pleased to be working with Cammell Laird with whom we have a strong and

effective relationship, having worked with them on the Carrier and Astute programmes.”

John Syvret CBE, Cammell Laird CEO, added: “Cammell Laird has very much welcomed the National Shipbuilding Strategy and the Type 31e competition. We will offer a UK warship design, a UK combat system, a UK build and a supply chain with high UK content. We will be working with BAE Systems and A&P to deliver certainty, speed and agility on this nationally important project. Cammell Laird is proud to be responding as a Prime Contractor for Type 31e.”

In a press release BAE say: “In response to the Ministry of Defence’s (MOD) evolving requirements as outlined in the National Shipbuilding Strategy, BAE Systems will bring together its warship design and engineering capability and combat systems expertise with Cammell Laird, the commercial shipbuilder, in a Teaming Agreement to bid for the manufacture of the Type 31e, an adaptable general purpose frigate. BAE Systems is focused on the manufacture and delivery of the two QE Class carriers, the five River Class Offshore Patrol Vessels (OPV) and the first three City class Type 26 warships, as well as continuing to develop and upgrade combat management systems on all Royal Navy ships. Taking account our current and future workload, including Type 26, our shipbuilding capacity on the Clyde will be full until the mid 2030s. BAE Systems has a capable workforce delivering flexible, next generation platform engineering and combat systems’ design, integration and security technologies that Royal Navy crew members can rely on.” **source : ukdefencejournal.**

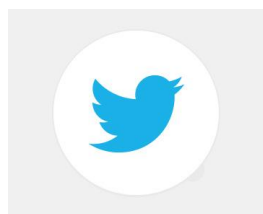
Good news for liner shipping

News that both COSCO and Tang Ming have delayed delivery of vessels from 2018 to 2019 is a positive sign for market developments in 2018. Of particular importance is that the postponement of deliveries means that COSCO now stands to receive only half the number of vessels larger than 14,000 TEU in 2018 than originally planned. One of the major risks for 2018 has been the risk that COSCO would be forced into aggressive pricing action to ensure proper utilization of the phase-in of the larger vessels they get delivered in 2018. With the postponements this risk is not eliminated, but certainly reduced – in turn shifting the market outlook for 2018 to a higher likelihood of relative stability. Source: SeaIntelligence Consulting

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