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BRANCH NOTES

Eric Brett

It is with great regret that we record the death of Eric Brett, one of the Branch's longest serving members.

He joined the Branch in 1966, and remained a loyal and constant member until ill-health forced him to give up his membership about two years ago. Eric always had a smile on his face and thoroughly enjoyed the companionship of fellow members - he especially enjoyed the ship visits, which were more easily to arrange in past years. A life long resident of Yaverland, he was famed for the hedge in the shape of the old *Queen Mary* which he painstakingly maintained in his garden.

Thursday, 22nd April. The next meeting of the Branch will be held in the Riverside Centre, Newport Quay commencing at 1915. Following an opportunity for liquid refreshments, including coffee, there will be an illustrated talk on Istanbul 2008 by Neil Davison.

Forthcoming meetings

Thursday, 27th May. DVD on the IW Branch in earlier years.

Thursday, 24th June. Evening boat trip to Portsmouth Harbour, viewing the *Norwegian Epic* on route.

Car Boot Sale A Car Boot Sale will be held on **Sunday, 18th April**, at North Fairlee Farm. Will members donating articles for sale please ensure that they reach Chris Bancroft by the previous week..

SHIPPING INFORMATION

Cruising Boom

The schedules for 2010 show the record total of 39 different cruise vessels calling in this area, eight of these are over 100,000 gross tons. Should the new-building *Allure of the*

Seas emulate her sister *Oasis of the Seas* with a call in the Solent in December the total will reach 40, with one over 200,000 gross tons.

Southampton Ships - February

1st - **FEDORA** 71,583/08 Swedish (vc); **AQUARIUS J** (ex - C2C Aquarius - 07 Aquarius J - 04) 6,454/04 Antiguan (cf).
2nd - **APL FINLAND** 88,089/08 Panamanian (cc); **MAERSK WIND** 51,770/00 Singapore (vc)
3rd - **HELEN** (ex - Urgence - 02) 1,425/81 Bahamas (cg); **WESTERN TRADER** (ex - Gracechurch Meteor - 97, Western Trader - 91) 4,164/91 Antiguan (cf).
4th - **NICOLE-C** 2,990/07 British (cg); **TENERIFE CAR** 13,112/02 Spanish (vc).
5th - **X-PRESS MATTERHORN** (ex - Enforcer - 09) 7,642/03 Dutch (cf).
6th - **ALMADIEP** (ex - MTL Kauris - 03) 2,954/02 Cypriot (cg); **OOCL NAGOYA** 40,168/09 Hong Kong (cc), **APOLLOGRACHT** 7,950/91 Dutch (cg).
7th - **ELATION** (ex - Conceiver - 09, Gerdia - 05, Gracechurch Star - 02, Gerdia - 96, Alum Bay - 96, Gerdia - 94) 5,026/94 Dutch (cf); **SIRRAH** 6,386/02 Dutch (cf), **MORNING CARINA** 60,876/07 Panamanian (vc).
8th - **ANIARA** 71,673/08 Swedish (vc); **CMA CGM AZURE** (ex - Marte Rickmers - 07) 39,906/07 Singapore (cc)
9th - **SEA EMS** (ex - Holland - 06, Ladon - 05) 1,682/96 Antiguan (cg); **NYK ARTEMIS** 75,484/03 Panamanian (cc).
10th - **DYVI ATLANTIC** 60,868/09 Norwegian (vc), **AMSTELGRACHT** 7,950/90 Dutch (cg), **VELOX** 2,033/92 Isle of Man (cg); **SCL NICOLE** (ex - Merwedelta - 09) 5,599/09 Liberian (cg).
11th - **ICE RUNNER** 7,545/08 Antiguan (cf); **CHRISTINA G** 2,545/08 Antiguan (cg).
12th - **UNION DIAMOND** 2,998/09 Isle of Man (cg); **GRANDE NAPOLI** 44,408/03 Italian (rr).
13th - **UNDEN** 2,577/84 Netherlands Antilles (cg); **TOMAR** 61,328/08 British (vc).
14th - **OSTEREMS** (ex - Merwekreek - 06, Baltic Shamrock - 05, Polar Star - 02) 2,780/99 Gibraltar (cg); **AS SCOTIA** (ex - Turin Express - 09, Scotia - 06, P&O Nedlloyd Scotia - 02, Scotia - 01) 19,131/00 German (cc).
15th - **CIMBRIA** 3,999/98 German (cf); **CEPHEUS LEADER** 62,400/06 Panamanian (vc).
16th - **L'AUDACE** 15,224/99 Spanish (vc); **KUALA LUMPUR EXPRESS** 93,811/08 German (cc).
17th - **BBC NITEROI** (ex - Beluga Negotiation - 09) 6,351/09 Antiguan (cg); **GRANDE ROMA** 44,408/03 Italian (rr).
18th - **KALIAKRA** (ex - Vera Maretakaya - 07) 16,502/84 Maltese (bu); **MORNING COMPOSER** 57,542/08 Panamanian (vc), **SARA** (ex - Sarabelle II - 03) 4,156/90 Maltese (bt) *called at the container port to bunker the NYK Venus.*
19th - **OOCL SEOUL** 89,097/10 Hong Kong (cc); **RMS RIGA** (ex - RMS Homberg - 06, Tudor - 02, Kirsten - 88) 1,296/84 Belize (cg).
20th - **INDEPENDENCE II** (ex - Titus - 08) 55,598/94 American (vc); **OOCL NORFOLK** 40,168/09 Hong Kong (cc).
21st - **OOCL WASHINGTON** 89,097/10 Hong Kong (cc); **VANCOUVER EXPRESS** 91,203/09 Liberian (cc); **PACIFIC SPIRIT** (ex - Hual Trophy - 05, Hual Favorita - 00) 53,578/87 Liberian (vc).
22nd - **VILLE D'ORION** (ex - ANL California - 03, Ville d'Orion - 03) 40,465/97 Cypriot (cc); **ANJA C** 5,604/06 British (cg).
23rd - **SEA KESTREL** (ex - Union Sapphire - 04, Hoo Kestrel - 03) 1,382/93 Cayman Islands (cg); **CATTLEYA** 39,895/09 Panamanian (wc), **CSCL AMERICA** (ex - MSC Baltic - 09, CSCL America - 07) 90,645/04 Cypriot (cc); **STEVEN C** 23,400/09 Marshall Islands (bu); **PRIWALL** 2,446/92 Antiguan (cg)
24th - **MICHIGAN HIGHWAY** 36,408/08 Japanese (vc); **SEASON TRADER** 7,627/99 Philippines (rf).
25th - **GRAND DIAMOND** 59,217/06 Panamanian (vc); **MORNING MIDAS** 46,800/06 British (vc), **EIDER** (ex - Gretchen Muller - 03) 2,452/03 Antiguan (cg).
26th - **GALICIA** 15,224/03 Spanish (vc); **MSC MAGNIFICA** 95,128/10 Panamanian

(ps) a showcase visit straight from the builders – the first call of a MSC cruise ship, although the company's cargo ships were regular callers in the 1980's. **CSCL AFRICA** 90,645/05 Hong Kong (cc), **DANICA HAV** (ex – Union Arbo – 01, Birka – 94) 1,536/84 Bahamas (cg), **KERKYRA** 4,580/09 Liberian (bt) another tanker at the container port, this time to provide bunkers for the X-Press Matterhorn.

27th - **SYMPHORINE** 10,030/88 Luxemburg (rr); **LEO LEADER** 57,566/99 Panamanian (vc).

28th - **SUNSHINE ACE** 58,917/09 Bahamas (vc); **MAJESTIC MAERSK** 52,181/90 Danish (cc); **SEA RUBY** (ex – Union Ruby – 04, Hoo Larch – 03) 1,382/92 Cayman Islands (cg); **ORION LEADER** 57,513/99 Panamanian n (vc).

Hamble Shipping – February

TORM ISMINI 42,432/04 Danish (pt)
NORDVENUS 42,432/04 Cypriot (pt)
ATLANTIC DIANA 29,266/07 Hong Kong (ch)
TRIDENT STAR 56,385/05 Panamanian (cr)

Fawley Shipping – February

NAVIG8 STRENGTH 30,075/09 Marshall Islands (ch)
VOIDOMATIS 35,711/05 Liberian (pt)
NORTHERN DAWN 28,822/03 Panamanian (pt)
URALS STAR 63,619/06 Liberian (cr)
TRIPLE A 8,539/06 Marshall Islands (ch)
CLIPPER BRUNELLO 2,999/08 Bahamas (ch)
HOLLY GALAXY 11,728/05 Panamanian (ch)
MONTAUK 4,012/05 Maltese (pt)
MARATHON 58,127/03 Greek (cr)
SALAMIS (ex – Overseas Aquamar – 05, Aquamar – 05, Alam Berkat – 02) 28,400/98 Bahamas (pt)
SICHEM MISSISSIPPI 7,598/08 Panamanian (ch)
BRITISH FALCON 63,462/06 Isle of Man (cr)
BM MIMOSA 56,172/07 Panamanian (cr)
DALE (ex – Pacificator – 07) 8,539/07 Singapore (ch)
BRO ALEXANDRE (ex – Port Alexandre – 00) 28,226/95 British (ch)
SIGAS LYDIA (ex – Lydia Kosan – 06) 2,223/93 Singapore (lp)
SCF NEVA 29,844/06 Liberian (pt)
APOSTOLOS A (ex – Minerva Zen – 08) 28,246/99 Maltese (ch)
BONITA 57,111/06 Greek (cr)
CLIFFWATER 2,144/01 Dutch (ch)
STENA NATALITA 63,051/01 Bahamas (cr)
BALTIC FAVOUR 23,337/06 Cypriot (ch)
ALMI STAR (ex – Rainier Spirit – 09) 62,877/05 Liberian (cr)
CASPIAN GALAXY 59,408/09 Panamanian (cr)
CARIAD (ex – Libertad – 00) 28,337/96 Barbados (pt)
NAVION OSLO (ex – Bertora – 08) 56,756/01 Bahamas (cr)
TORM LILLY 29,283/09 Danish (pt)
SIGAS COMMANDER (ex – Kilgas Commander – 01) 2,458/96 Singapore (lp)
NAVION OCEANIA 72,449/99 Bahamas (cr)
CLIPPER CULLIN 2,616/05 Bahamas (ch)
AGRARI 58,418/09 Greek (cr)
SALLIE KNUITSEN (ex – Knock Sallie – 03) 87,827/99 Isle of Man (cr)
DELTA SAILOR 62,320/05 Greek (cr)

Portsmouth Shipping – February

ATLANTIC REEFER 10,991/98 Netherlands Antilles (rf)
STADT HAMELN (ex – APL Galapagos – 07, Stadt Hameln – 07) 9,957/07 Antigua (cf)

STAR PRIMA 14,030/06 Panamanian (rf)
BBC ADRIATIC 5,261/08 Gibraltar (cg) *put in for repair with engine problems*
PAULINE 9,981/06 Antiguan (cf)
ARMORIQUE 29,468/09 French (pf)
TAURUS J (ex – Delmas Lisboa – 10, Maersk Rostock – 07, Taurus J – 02) 14,062/02 Antiguan (cf)
OPUS (ex – Nadine – 02, Canopus 1 – 00, Canopus – 94) 2,862/79 Antiguan (cg)
CAP FINISTERE (ex – Superfast V – 10) 32,728/01 French (pf)
TIMOR STREAM 9,307/98 Liberian (rf)

Solent Anchorages

CAPE HENRY (ex – Avon – 98, Halla Liberty – 98, Kinabalu – 97, Tiger Ocean – 96, ACX Aster – 95, Ratana Manee – 94, TSL Bravo – 93, Cape Henry – 92) 10,376/92 Liberian (cf)

Cowes Shipping – February (submitted by Brian Ralfs)

13th - **VISCOUNT** (ex – Lass Saturn – 08, Greifswald – 94, Lass Saturn – 93) 1,513/93 Barbados (cg) (M)

23rd - **SEA KESTREL** (ex – Union Sapphire – 04, Hoo Kestrel – 03) 1,382/93 Cayman islands (cg) (M)

26th - **CITY OF CHICHESTER** 2,074.97 British (dg) (M)
M = Medina Wharf

Key to Ships - bt = bunkering tanker; bu = bulk carrier, cc = container carrier; cf = container feeder; cg = general cargo; ch = chemical tanker; cr = crude carrier; dg = dredger; lp = lpg carrier; pf = passenger ferry; ps = passenger ship; pt = product tanker; rf = reefer; rr = roll-on, roll-off; vc = vehicle carrier; wc = wood chip carrier.

Question of the Month

Where in the local area is DARSA?

Last month's answer - Portsea Island.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting
2. Matters arising
3. Chairman's Report
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Election of Officers:
 - Chairman
 - Vice Chairman
 - Branch Secretary
 - Branch Treasurer
 - Visit Secretary

Publicity Officer
Newsletter Editor
Auditors
Committee Members

6. Any other business

NB. Guest members do not have a vote when electing Branch Officers, except they can elect among themselves a representative to serve on the Committee if they so desire.