



MASTER CRAFTERS

'Practice Makes Perfect' at the Mission to Seafarers

As part of the National Trust's annual Heritage Festival, the Mission to Seafarers hosted 'Practice Makes Perfect'. With the upcoming renovations of the Mission's heritage listed building, it seemed timely to host a heritage artisan's trade exhibition and to celebrate the extraordinary skills required to create such a magnificent building.

Members of the Artisan's Guild of Australia and other skilled participants set up elaborate displays of their trades throughout the building and audiences were treated to handy tips, stories and demonstrations of rare skills. Gilding a plaster ceiling rose with Bruce Walker, conservation and framing of medals and memorabilia with Neville and Elwyn Crawford, and bespoke shoe making with Duncan McHarg in great detail were just some of the highlights. Everyone was incredibly generous with their time and enjoyed having a chat and sharing information with visitors.

On the Sunday we collaborated with the *Alma Doepel* Restoration Project and Hamish from Classic Riverboat Cruises, to offer tours on the Yarra River between the Mission and the *Alma Doepel*, showcasing a day of Maritime Heritage and heritage skills. It was great to work with our Maritime neighbours under the banner of the National Trust, and also to include passage on the Yarra River in our heritage event. All who attended applauded the event, which we hope to host again next year.



James Charlwood
stonemason & conservator



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Thank you to all the participants for generously sharing their passion and skills:

Our Artisans and craftspeople :

1. Bruce Hutton – *stained glass artist and restorer.*
2. Bruce Walker – *gold leaf, decorative lining and scrolling techniques.*
3. Keiran Dunleavy – *solid plasterer.*
4. Gordon Byrne – *wrought iron design and construction.*
5. Henry Hakopian – *woodworker.*
6. David Stephenson – *traditional sign writing.*
7. Duncan McHarg – *bespoke boot and shoemaker*
8. Barry Smith – *Master knot tyer.*
9. Waverley Spinners & Weavers.

Cover: James Charlwood – *Master stonemason and conservator.*

Not pictured:

Robert Mawditt – *painter and decorator.*

Neville & Elwyn Crawford – *conservators and specialist framers.*

Doreen Burgoyne – *bobbin lacemaker to artisans.*



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Chief Manager's message

The Mission's renovations

From July to October this year the Mission to Seafarers on Flinders Street will be getting a facelift. Not a full blown restoration – but the floors that are sagging will be re-stumped, the broken windows in the St Peters Chapel will be repaired, and the outside of the historic complex will be cleaned and the graffiti removed. The campaign to have the weathervane restored and returned to the roof received a much-needed boost with a benefactor donating the balance of funds to match the grant from the Victorian Heritage Restoration Fund.

The rest of the works are subject to fundraising programs, so if you can help, please get in touch.

The Mission will be closed to the general public from July to September, except to Social Club members of Crew 717 for whom the clubrooms will be relocated upstairs. Seafarers will find a new “home away from home” upstairs too. Volunteers are still needed at the Mission to help the visiting seafarers and to provide a smiling face to greet them when they come to Melbourne.

All of this will not stop the Annual Maritime Art Prize and Exhibition, which will open on October 4. Eighty maritime art works will be on display and entries are now open. See the Mission website for how to enter missiontoseafarers.com.au/artprize

The weather has turned bitterly cold as I write this, however the garden certainly loves the rain. The seafarers really do appreciate what we do here, by providing not only warm beanies, but also a place to sit and relax away from the hum of machinery that is their constant whilst at sea. In the past I have mentioned the Seafarers Happiness Index*. The Index is made up of a standard set of ten questions that cover key areas, such as mental and physical health, diet, rest, workload, connectivity, training, access to shore leave, as well as relationships at home and on-board. These are answered anonymously, and seafarers are encouraged to complete their answers during each trip.

For the first quarter of 2019, the index has dropped the combined figure across ten key questions to 6.31/10, down from 6.69 in 2018. The information within the report and an article in Lloyds List, shows that seafarers are not

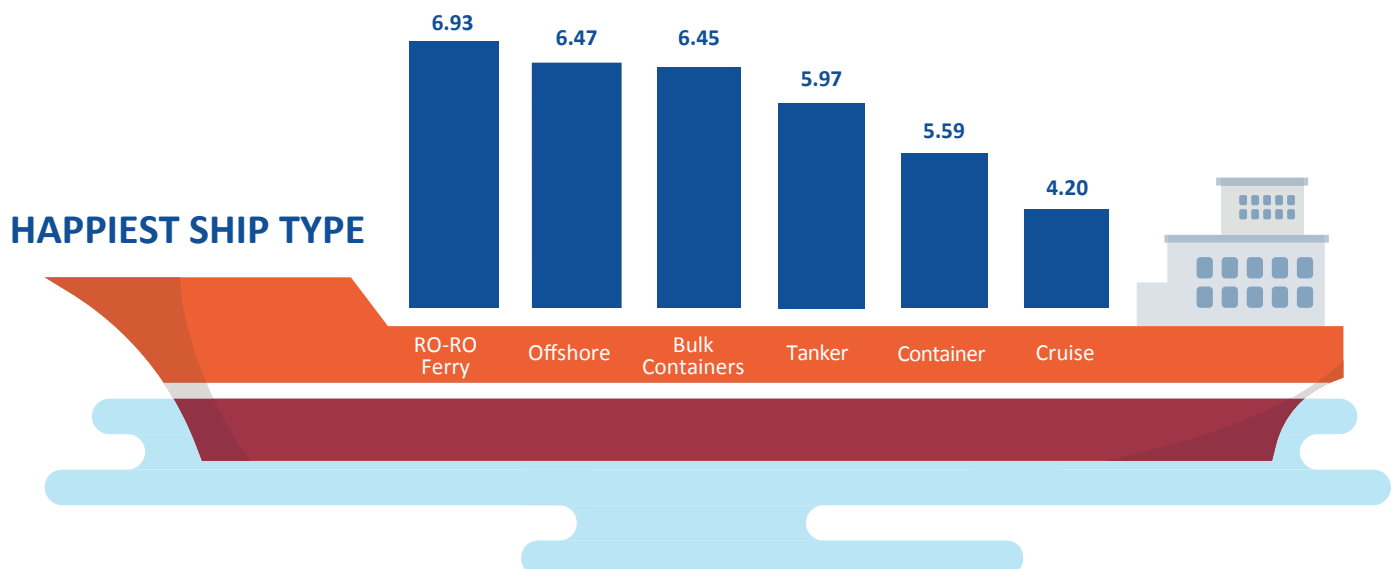
demanding more than before, just the same amount of opportunity to keep them mentally and physically fit. This includes shore leave, which is increasingly offered at lower levels around the world. The Melbourne Mission offers transport on demand seven days a week, thirteen hours each day. We can't do this without our dedicated volunteers or community support. Please consider how you can support the Mission with a donation of your time, a regular financial donation, or a one-off contribution via our Sea Sunday campaign.

Thank you for being a part of the Mission to Seafarers community, and we look forward to welcoming you to the Art Prize in October, and showing you our newly repaired floors and renovation works.

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*Compiled by MtS London

Seafarers Happiness Index 2018



Mission to Seafarers Melbourne: Corporate Memberships

VIVA Energy has been confirmed as the first Anchor Corporate Member for the Mission to Seafarers Melbourne.

Mission to Seafarers Victoria's Sue Dight, said Steven Duniam and the VIVA team are "... great supporters of the work we do here".

"The program provides the Mission with support for operations to ensure our ongoing care for the welfare of seafarers in the ports of Melbourne and in return, VIVA Energy have major sponsor status for the Annual Maritime Art Prize, involvement through a CSR program and the opportunity to hold meetings and events at the Mission".

"We look forward to seeing more of

the shipping industry companies and groups following VIVA Energy's lead and supporting the care of seafarers of whom the industry relies on".

Viva Energy Australia Business Manager marine, Stephen Duniam, said the business was "proud and delighted to be a foundation sponsor of the Missions to Seafarers in Melbourne".

"Viva Energy has had a long history of support for the Mission through our involvement in the Maritime Art Prize, and that expanding our involvement is a natural progression," Mr Duniam said.

"Viva Energy is heavily involved in the maritime industry as a significant shipper of petroleum products, and

through the operation of our three bunker vessels in Sydney, Geelong and Melbourne," he said. "We are committed to giving back to the communities that we operate in and this sponsorship recognises the great work and support that the Mission provides to the maritime community."



Notes from the Garden: Winter 2019

We are well through autumn and still so dry! This is the driest start to a year ever recorded. Melbourne has had half its usual rainfall so far. If you live in the south eastern suburbs you have had a bit more than the rest of us. Lucky things!

As you may have noticed, the lawn has been struggling. I tried to re-seed and plant runners this year but someone unfortunately removed the little fence I put up so that came to nothing. No point trying to do anything now because the water needed would be huge. Perhaps later in the year, or maybe gravel could work? In my own garden in Avondale I removed the lawn about twenty years ago and haven't regretted it. The gardener before me apparently got grass from the MCG but I bet you didn't know that about 10cm under that is FAKE grass! So far I have pulled out about seven pieces. No wonder we're having problems.

I guess everybody has heard that renovations are about to start? The outside walls are to be re-rendered probably early July. This means all the plants around the walls must be removed, put into pots and kept alive for as long as it takes to finish the walls. Plants in pots need watering every couple of days and we are not sure how this will be managed yet. Can you help?

I'm thinking this is an opportunity to take stock of the garden anyway. Some changes are needed and I would like to try different things. The little chapel garden could look so much

better with a bit of planning. Also to consider is that triangle shaped garden bed in the middle of the brick path. It is difficult for tradesmen to carry equipment down that path without stepping on the garden bed. We could take it out all together and just leave the tree there, perhaps with a seat under the tree?

There is another problem area under the peppercorn tree and I'm thinking of adding a compost heap, or perhaps a bird table. A worm farm could be very useful so we can start improving the soil. So you see, there's lots of stuff to think about! Maybe you have ideas as well? I'm going to put a Suggestion Box for the Garden in the bar area so you can have a say in what we do. Please tell me what you would like... after all, this garden is for all of us to enjoy.

Volunteer Maureen Scoble



Can you help?

We'd love to start a worm farm - is there any one who could help set one up for us please?

There are many other ways your organisation can support the MtSV, here are some:

- ESTABLISH a Workplace Giving Program. Including a matched giving incentive to your staff can significantly increase donations.
 - HOST your next event at the MtSV
 - ORGANISE a MtSV talk for your staff or a fundraising activity at your workplace to raise money for our welfare programs and encouraging them to join the fundraising shield competition
 - JOIN our Corporate Volunteering Program
 - GIVE staff the opportunity to join our new fundraising and outreach committee and attend meetings during work hours.
- We are looking for volunteers to help us establish an annual fundraising event for the industry.

Sea Sunday, July 14th, 2019

Sea Sunday is a global celebration of the enduring and vital work of the Mission to Seafarers. It has been happening every year for over 160 years and is our biggest fundraising event of the year.

On Sea Sunday, your church can become a powerhouse of prayer and fundraising for our work. Each year in July you can join in with thousands of other Christians across the world who come together to pray, celebrate and fundraise for our vital work.



Mission to Seafarers

The Mission to Seafarers provides help and support to the 1.5 million men and women who face danger every day to keep our global economy afloat. We work in over 200 ports in 50 countries caring for seafarers of all ranks, nationalities and beliefs. Through our global network of chaplains, staff and volunteers we offer practical, emotional and spiritual support to seafarers through ship visits, drop-in seafarers' centres and a range of welfare and emergency support services. [Tweet us your #SeaSunday photos @FlyingAngelNews](#) or [share with us on Mission to Seafarers Victoria on Facebook or Instagram @MtS_Vic](#).



Please pray for seafarers and their families on Sea Sunday and make a donation to the work of The Mission to Seafarers.

givenow.com.au/missiontoseafarers

Ship Visiting: Chaplain Rev'd Inni Punay

As the Chaplain for the Mission I meet crews on ship visits in the ports of Melbourne. In two separate incidents, ships visiting our port had experienced deaths of crew in horrific accidents. We received the ships in Melbourne days later, informed ahead of time by MtS Sydney. As is the usual case in regards to this kind of incident on-board a ship, the port and most people are not aware of the incident. There is no media coverage; there is no press conference telling everyone that 'all those who are affected by this horrific accident have been offered counseling and support' as would be the case if such a horrific accident occurred here in Australia on a work site. My observation is that the wellbeing of the crew is secondary to the cargo on-board. Disruptions of the ship's journey are unwanted. It is business as usual - pretending nothing has happened is the norm.



On-board both ships, some crews told me they haven't had a good sleep since the incidents. A Chief Cook sat on the couch next to me after lunch and had a nap. He needed company so that he could sleep. A number of crew approached me for a chat. I realise, unfortunately, that it is near impossible to do a debriefing of an incident when crew are not allowed to talk about it (culture or following orders?). For the Christian crew I offered to do a cleansing rite. The cleansing rite, as well as the opportunity to debrief, is significant in relieving the stress and anxiety of crew who are deeply affected by such incidents.

On ship visits I don't have the luxury of time to do interventions to address the traumatic symptoms experienced by affected seafarers as the crews' time is rostered for work. Interventions are usually spontaneous, where and when I see the need (often while seafarers are still busy working). Sometimes I get lucky to find 'free' time during their breaks to run interventions. Sadly, not many shipping companies have recognised the importance of offering support to their seafarer workforce impacted by traumatic incidents.

Filipino seafarers believe that the soul of a dead man lingers with them until religious and cultural ceremonies are fulfilled by his family (delayed until the return of the body). Until then, his soul is not resting in peace and can exhibit this condition through paranormal activities like appearing as an apparition (a ghost) or presenting his presence by feel (smell/sound). The Filipino seafarers on one of the ships were experiencing real fear and that affects their sleep, work and life due to the fatal accident of their mate. Crews have no desire to work where an accident has occurred. They huddle together in the Recreation Room just so they can sleep. They may need a companion to work in secluded areas of the ship or even to go to the toilet at night.

The cleansing rite is opened with a prayer, an invocation of God's help, then a Bible reading of some parts of Book of Numbers: Chapter 19, with some explanations of the Bible Reading but especially noting the use of water for ritual cleansing (a cross cultural practice). I then reinterpret the 'spiritual (psyche) uncleanness' to point to mental health. We then have a group debriefing of the incident and conclude with some advice to enhance their resilience. We say prayers over the water. Then crews lead me all around the ship starting from the area where the fatal accident occurred to sprinkle the water in a ritual practice. In my experience, some of the symptoms of psychological trauma are related to the religious and cultural beliefs and practices of individuals hence these can best be addressed by religious and cultural means.

I was relieved to know that the manning agency of the crews made arrangements to send home most of the crews from one of the ships on return to Asia, and dismayed that no such plans were in place for the other ship. The work of the Mission is constant, and hence we are on-board 365 days a year.

Chaplains of the Mission: 1906 - 1910 Clergy

Part 1

The first decade of the 20th century was a period of great change in Melbourne: two parliaments; two governors; “free trade” or “protectionist”, and women assured of the right to vote following on from South Australia. The Federal Parliament moved into our Parliament House, so the State Parliament was relegated to the Exhibition Buildings and our Governor moved out of his home to make way for the Governor General.

This period of change was mirrored at The Victorian Seamen’s Mission. We had lost our much-loved chaplain, Ebenezer James, in July 1901. Ebenezer had been an energetic force, covering all ships

By 1905 it seemed that the aim of establishing a Mission base on the Yarra was about to be fulfilled; land had been promised but, as always, money was a problem. In an effort to continue Ebenezer’s legacy the organising committee had scoured the country for five years seeking his replacement with many applicants interviewed. The Mission did attract local theological students who greatly reduced our reliance on London to fill these positions, however the need for permanent clergy remained. In two parts we will tell the story of the first five of those. Photographed formally in our cloistered courtyard, these 5 men display the calm exterior of those dedicated to a life of service. They were here

together for a few short months in 1909 & 1910.

Front and centre is the Rev’d Alfred Gurney Goldsmith, a clergyman from Devon, who arrived in Melbourne in 1905 to take over the Anglican Church’s responsibilities to their seafaring flock. In the past this duty had been carried out by their coastal parishes and the sailor’s



coming into Port Phillip Bay from his base at Port Melbourne and travelling regularly to Williamstown, Geelong, and even Warrnambool. Known in most quarters simply as ‘Eb’ he was a great asset to the Mission. As early as 1890 he had seen the need to establish a presence on the wharves along the Yarra as more ships were able to dock closer to the warehouses along the Melbourne waterfront. In 1897 Rev’d James organised a petition to this end which was signed by 21 captains of ships in port at the time. You can see a facsimile of the original, framed, in the Heritage Room at the Mission today.

home. Once located in a grand edifice on Spencer Street opposite the station from 1904 it occupied a new building on Harbour Trust land by the Yarra.

As he settled in, the Rev’d Goldsmith discovered that there was already a Seamen’s Mission in Melbourne which had been doing a great job for the previous 50 years. By 1906 he had brought about the amalgamation of the two organisations under the new name of The Victorian Missions to Seamen and the new building in Siddeley Street was well under way. His priority now, was, to obtain some help with his pastoral work. There were many ladies and gentlemen organising concerts, picnics,



*From L to R:
Rev'd W.F. Haire, Mr H.K. Vickery, Rev'd A.G. Goldsmith, Rev'd A.T. Pitt and Mr C.A. Holmes.*

and such, to entertain the crews ashore but, for the important work of visiting the men on board ship, he needed dedicated assistance.

The acquisition of a motor launch in 1916, the generous gift of an anonymous donor, together with the services of a boatman, made a big difference to the delivery of these services. The vessel, named the *Southern Cross*, was an immediate success ferrying the chaplain and crews up and down the river and out into the bay.

The first of the Rev'd Goldsmith's assistants, Charles Arthur Holmes, arrived in 1906. Mr Holmes was born in Ballarat. He was described as a "lay helper" and was much praised for his dedication to the task. He soon also took on the job of honorary secretary in which capacity he served until 1931 when he received a "life member" badge. In 1909 he was married, in our own chapel, to Ruby Parsons, a member of the Ladies Harbour Lights Guild. They had 2 children and lived for much of their lives in Brighton. He died in 1947 and his obituary

mentioned his involvement with the Missions to Seamen and a number of other institutions – clearly a very hard worker.

Our next edition will feature the remaining three chaplains of the period – William Forster Haire, Arthur Thomas Pitt and Hadden Kingston Vickery.

Heritage Volunteer: Ros Fletcher

References:

MtSV Annual Reports and "Jottings from Our Log"; newspaper clippings via "Trove": family trees from ancestry.com.

Page 6: Image of the Seamen's institute (as it was called in 1907) in Siddeley St with brick façade and used until the new Seaman's Mission was re-built in 1915-17.

Strength to our elbow

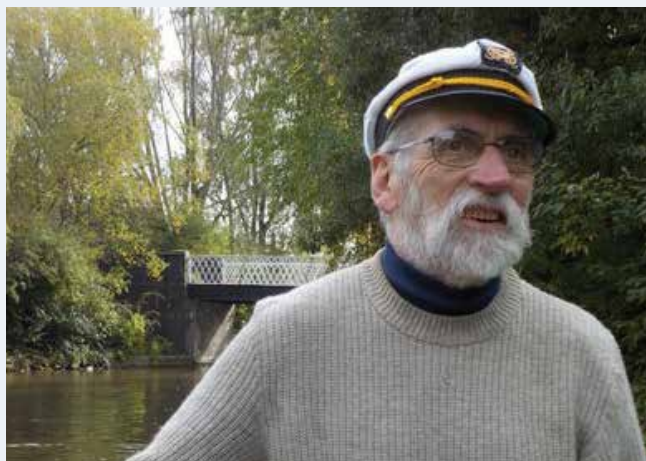
The Mission is grateful to our team of wonderful volunteers who are essential in helping us deliver valuable services to seafarers who are in Melbourne whilst on shore-leave, also visiting seafarers on-board ships when time is too short to leave their floating workplaces. Our volunteers help fill roles across the board at the Mission, including gardening, indoor plant care, data management, IT support, ship visits, bus driving, hosting in the club rooms, and all manner of other intermittent jobs.

Overwhelmingly when asked what they love about the Mission, our volunteers say they enjoy the sense of community they gain from connecting with a variety of people, and the sense that they are giving something back. In this edition of Ship to Shore, we acknowledge the work they do and say Thanks.



Liz is one of our longest serving volunteers – she has been at the Mission since 2013 after finding out about the Mission through playing tennis with a close community member. Liz enjoys the challenge of her work at the Mission, especially the story telling elements of the heritage collection. She has particularly liked typing up the Alan Quinn letters – Alan Quinn was a Seafarer in the 1940's who wrote to his mother regularly and his letters tell of his impressions of New York, Times Square and popular culture in the post war years.

Thanks Liz Moglia!



Tony was asked one evening over dinner with the previous Mission Chaplain if he would like to become a ship visitor. He knew instantly that his person-to-person skills would be invaluable. He quickly learnt that seafarers are away from their families for up to nine months or more at a stretch, and as they deliver our flat screen TVs, cars, and other goods, being a volunteer was a great way to thank them. Seven years later, Tony has made a real difference in seafarers' lives just by being himself – sharing a laugh, and lending an ear.

Thanks Tony Correll!



Gordon began his working life as a seafarer, and ended it in market research for business and tourism. Gordon has always felt a connection to seafarers. Now retired, he has become valuable to the Mission as a volunteer in the Heritage Team, and last year had the opportunity to undertake a curatorial internship at the National Maritime Museum of Australia, which was an “amazing experience”.

Recently Gordon became Chair of the Heritage & Arts Committee, working with the Curator on planning our Heritage Centre and developing themes and stories of the Mission for representation throughout the building.

Thanks Gordon MacMillan!



Ros has volunteered at the Mission since 2016 and found us through her husband Ian, who is a Board member and also a volunteer! Ros assists us with the administration of the heritage and archival collection. The care of seafarers is a priority to Ros, and she has always had an interest in the sea and shipping.

Thanks Ros Fletcher!

Volunteers at the Mission



We recently bid William farewell from the Mission as he left to spend more time with his many grandchildren. He volunteered for more than two years as a driver of our shuttle bus, transporting seafarers from the ports to the Mission.

William was a Seafarer for 21 years and travelled the world with the Royal Navy as a Petty Officer (or smallpox, as they refer to themselves!), the Merchant Navy with BP, and P&O Shipping.

Go well William Hastie!



Melinda has been at the Mission since mid- 2018, working as a host in the Flying Angel Club receiving seafarers and other visitors. She came to the Mission as a Docklands local, looking to contribute something of value to the community. Melinda adores the heritage of the Mission and the opportunities for conversations with our many and diverse visitors.

Thanks Melinda King!



One of our colleagues in the Flying Angel Club is Andrew. He spends his three days per week developing his skills and working in a number of areas such as hosting seafarers and welcoming visitors to the Mission. His administration background is a bonus when assisting us in the endless task of bringing order to the Heritage Collection. Andrew finds volunteering fulfilling and he enjoys chatting to the many people who visit, the variety of tasks and the sense of historic ambience embodied by the century old building.

Thanks Andrew Kutzer!



Simon has volunteered at the Mission for around three years. He has two Missions in his life as he also works as a facilitator of activities with the Sacred Heart Mission; an organisation that delivers trauma informed care. Simon is also a photographer and filmmaker and helps document many of our major events. He drives the bus to and from the Ports and enjoys the camaraderie at the Mission, and helping the young seafarers in their difficult lives whilst they are visiting our shores.

Thanks Simon Burton!



Vale: **Alan Tarpy** – b. 11/4/1941 - d.16/05/2019

Alan volunteered driving the bus at the Mission from August 2016 until he became ill earlier this year.

He did only a short stint at sea, and was an English motorcycle policeman, before immigrating to Australia in the 1970's with his wife Anne.

Everyone who met him described him as such a gentle man. He is missed by the Sunday morning team.



Garry Gangway's Journal

As my name suggests, I usually need to mount a gangway to meet seafarers.

Well, last Sunday I was in the Flying Angel Club after visiting a crude oil tanker which had just arrived from Libya, when a lass walked in off Flinders Street. As I welcomed her to the club, I had no idea of what was about to unfold. Come with me as I recall what followed...

Christina had seen the Mission from the tram as it rolled past on the other side of the Flinders St. The next stop could not come soon enough and she leapt off the tram and hurried back. Almost breathless, she stood in awe and gazed around the main room. It was as if she had come home. Christina was an IR or Integrated Rating (Able Bodied Seaman in the old language) who had served on Offshore and Specialist ships with Farstad and Go Offshore in Bass Strait; on the West Coast from Dampier to the North West Shelf; and in Singapore, Batam and China. Now she is one of the

500 Aussie seafarers listed as seeking work.

After signing the visiting seafarers' log, I shared some of our 160 years history with her, and that led us to the Heritage Room where items of historic interest are on display. Also here are the model ships from OSSA (Offshore and Specialist Ships Australia). She looked at one and said "I served on that ship", her voice touched with emotion.

The Mission has much to offer and as I showed her the Chapel, the Celia Little Room and the Garden her story unfolded.

Christina was here in Melbourne for a health conference. She is the President of the Kimberley Rural Alliance for Students in Health (KRASH); one of twenty-eight clubs nationally. She is working towards a Diploma of Nursing specifically in Seafarer Health, an area that we at the Mission are passionate about.

In 2014 she had attended the International Trade Federation Congress in Bulgaria as an Australian youth delegate and as we talked, I was moved by her passion for seafarers and her concern for their wellbeing, especially at a mental health level. I found I was talking to someone who, unable to continue her chosen career in seafaring, had chosen to go back to school to study nursing so she could help the seafarers among whom she no longer worked. We shared the common desire to work for the wellbeing of seafarers.

Christina walked out the door to return to Broome and I returned to my home, so much the richer, from an ordinary ship visiting day that had become an extraordinary day.

On returning home Christina wrote: 'I left feeling at peace for the first time in a long time after not being at sea...'

Volunteer Ship Visitor: Tony Correll





On this year's International Day of the Seafarer we turn our attention to the importance and value of women within the professional ranks of the maritime world.

Women contribute to a wide range of maritime and seafaring careers and professions, but their numbers are low.

We pay homage to their efforts, and acknowledge the difficulties they face as a minority group at sea.

We encourage you to think about what you would do if you were able to make just one change to improve diversity in seafaring.

WISTA provide information.
<https://wistainternational.com/association/wista-australia/>

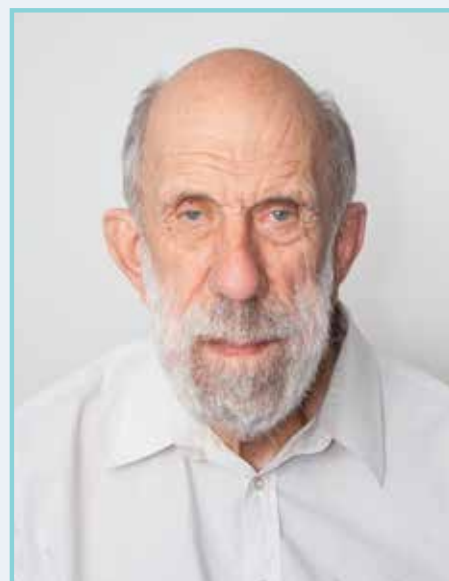


Alan Knott Retires from MtSV Board

Alan Knott is a UK born Master Mariner, who went to sea in 1966 as cadet with the Blue Star Line after completing his pre-sea training at Warsash Nautical College, UK. He remained with Blue Star Line until 1966 and after emigrating to Australia he joined ANL Container Line. He "came ashore" in 1972 joining ANL Terminals and subsequently started a shipping consultancy partnership in 2000, in Melbourne.

In 2002, Alan volunteered as an MtSV ship visitor, and became a board member in 2005. He was one of the initial volunteers to commence identifying and recording photos and reports in the MtSV Heritage Collection. He served as the Board Public Officer and Secretary until 2015 and was instrumental in rewriting the Constitution in 2014. He has also been one of the leading organisers of the annual Seafarers' Memorial Service in St. Paul's Cathedral since 2004.

Alan's contribution to the development of the Mission in Melbourne over the span of two decades has been invaluable.



By Nigel Porteous

EVENTS AT THE MISSION

We've hosted so many wonderful and varied events at the Mission in the past few months. Every event helps to support our work looking after seafarers and maintaining our glorious heritage-listed building. Looking for a unique venue for your next event?

info@missiontoseafarers.com.au

Edible Art and Interpretive Dance

In March, the Mission hosted 'Sensory Experiments' as part of NGV's Melbourne Design Week. An immersive experience combining scent, performance and sound it was an ambitious, one-of-a-kind social experiment-performance art crossover that enthralled and delighted the audience.



Backyard Beats

Analogue Attic, an independent record label based in Melbourne, presented a memorable afternoon of gorgeous ethereal electronic music in the Mission's secret garden.

This is the first program of its kind to deliver a comprehensive overview of the topics and issues that relate to seafarer welfare. This training program costs \$2,500.



YOU MAY QUALIFY

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Love is in the Air

It's always a pleasure to celebrate two people joining in marriage and to welcome their family and friends to the Mission. Recently we've played host to two weddings, an engagement party and even a proposal.

Nevena and Sam celebrated their engagement with a gargantuan grazing table before dancing late into the night



Luisa and Justin were married by MtSV's Rev'd Inni in the Chapel, followed by champagne and cake in the Courtyard.



Mohammad certainly took Mona by surprise with his unforgettable proposal in the Norla Dome (she said yes!).

CALL OUT FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Mission to Seafarers

The Mission to Seafarers is a not-for-profit organisation that cares for the welfare of the international seafaring community.

There are many opportunities for volunteers including: meeting and chatting with visiting seafarers, serving drinks to our regulars, driving our shuttle bus to and from the docks, maintaining the garden, heritage research and IT assistance.

If you have skills and time to share along with a passion for the welfare of others, we'd love to hear from you. Just four hours a fortnight can make a huge difference! info@missiontoseafarers.com.au





ANL 2019 Maritime Art Prize & Exhibition

CALL TO ENTRY: MAY 1 – AUGUST 30

\$27,000 IN PRIZES.

THEME: THE RELATIONSHIP OF HUMANITY TO THE SEA

MISSIONTOSEAFARERS.COM.AU/ART-PRIZE

EXHIBITION 4 - 20 OCTOBER

TOM O'CALLAGHAN 'SET SAIL' 2018



2019 Maritime Art Prize & Exhibition Entries now open

Entries are flooding in for the 2019 ANL Maritime Art Prize! We are very excited to see the fantastic standard of artwork being matched already this year.

See our website for entry Terms & Conditions, and entry forms.

The Call to Entries continues to August 30th – time to get painting!



For 16 years ANL has proudly continued to sponsor the major prize of the ANL Maritime Art Awards in a demonstration of their support of the services provided by the Mission to working seafarers and a passion for Maritime Art.

This year's Judges are:

Dr. Charles Green,
Professor of Contemporary Art at the University of Melbourne, artists, and author of several books on Contemporary Australian Art;

Mr Graeme Williams OAM,
Board Member & Chairman of the Lorne Sculpture Biennale Artistic Committee;

Catherine De Boer,
Artist, Designer & Educator.



Riverlee: Order of Australia

The Mission to Seafarers recognises Clement Lee from Riverlee Property developers, a neighbour of the Mission to Seafarers with the development of the North Bank Goods Shed. Clement Lee, the founder of Riverlee Group, was awarded a Medal of the Order of Australia for service to architecture and to philanthropy in the 2019 Queen's Birthday Honours. Congratulations Mr Lee!

Pictured: Brothers Lee, Clement on right
Bottom: Envisaged development



THANK YOU!

MtSV can only continue its work with the support of donors.

Our beanie bowl is emptying as fast as we can refill it due to the arrival of the icy blast of winter!

Special thanks to:

CWA Booroondara Branch

Ms S. Vance of Qld

CWA Upper Murray Group of Victoria

CWA of Victoria, International & Community Support Committee

Mothers Union & Friends, St Barnabas, Glen Waverly

Holy Spirit Mothers Union Watsonia

Please keep them coming!

How to:

We also have had requests for very simple gloves. They allow the seafarers to go about their work and are an easy introductory pattern for novice knitters.

"Knit a square of 20cm x 20cm. Purl, plain or cable if you are feeling fancy. Stitch it up into a cylinder leaving room for the thumb to pop through, about 6 or 7cm from one end. Just ensure when you cast on and off it is tight, so they don't unravel."

A huge thank you to Rod Georgiou who generously donated brand new glasses for the bar, so we won't run short this Art Prize opening night!

Letting your Legacy live on

Leaving a gift to The Mission to Seafarers in your will is a wonderful way to celebrate all the joy in your life by supporting those who sacrifice so much for us at sea.

Your donation will help the team to be there when seafarers need them most. You can help us to fight for the rights of abandoned seafarers, to care for victims of piracy, to give advice and help to support the seafarers experiencing the mental strain of life at sea.

A gift of any size will make a real difference to the 60,000 seafarers who come to Melbourne and who risk their lives to bring us the vital goods we need to survive.

Please contact Sue Dight to find out more about leaving a tax deductible gift to The Mission to Seafarers Victoria in your will by emailing: sue.dight@missiontoseafarers.com.au



For just \$1 per week your membership helps the Mission provide services to those who work at sea.

Membership benefits include:

- Discount on alcohol at the Mission to Seafarers Bar
- One guest ticket to the Members' Private Preview Evening of the ANL Maritime Art Prize and Exhibition
- 10% discount on venue hire and event packages including Norla Dome or Celia Little Room for private dinners, parties and corporate seminars; and St Peter the Mariner Chapel for weddings and other ceremonies
- Free use of the BBQ in the Spanish style courtyard (booking required)
- Invitation to the annual Seafarers Service at St Paul's Cathedral in October
- Copy of "Ship to Shore" magazine
- Regular member promotions, discounts and events

Renew or join now and your membership is valid for 12 months.

Our website has the full details: missiontoseafarers.com.au/product/crew717



A big THANK YOU to the generous soul who donated a new battery powered leaf blower. It appeared without a word! Thank you so much.



Caring for Seafarers
in Victorian Ports since 1857

This edition of Ship to Shore is dedicated to the tireless volunteers who give up four, eight, as many as forty hours a week to ensure the Mission has drivers, hosts. We also as a voluntary association have a Board and committees that continue to ensure that the Mission in Melbourne keeps its doors open 365 days a year.

We also thank you all for your contributions as a part of the Mission to Seafarers community. By sharing our story with your family and friends, keeping the Seafarers in your thoughts we will continue to remain strong for the next chapter of the Mission.

There are many of ways to be a part of the MtSV community, Social membership, Association membership, or as Corporate member, benefactor, volunteer. Everyone comes together to form the community, and it is evident that as our stories are shared we grow. We are reaching not only more Melbournians, but seafarers as well through our online platforms. Follow us on our social media channels if you want to see more of our stories.

Just a reminder, we are missing items for our Heritage Centre. Items relating to our Centre's history and the Ladies Harbour Lights Guild. We put out a call and have had so many things donated. Do you have anything to add?

Get in touch anytime, as you never know where a conversation might lead.

Sue Dight
Chief Manager.

Dates for your diaries:

- Saturday June 15: *Heritage Tour 10:30am–12:00pm.
Tuesday June 25: International Day of the Seafarer
Thursday June 27: *Final Heritage Tour before renovations! 10:30am – 12:00pm.
Sunday July 14: Sea Sunday
Friday August 30: ANL 2019 Maritime Art Prize and Exhibition entries close
Friday October 4 to Sunday October 20: ANL 2019 Maritime Art Prize and Exhibition open to the public
Sunday October 20: Seafarer Service at St Paul's Cathedral

* Bookings through [eventbrite.com.au](https://www.eventbrite.com.au)
– search Mission to Seafarers

Need to book a function?

Contact our Events Manager, Daria Wray, at daria.wray@missiontoseafarers.com.au to discuss hosting your best ever function!

For any further details, email:
marketing@missiontoseafarers.com.au

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Docklands VIC 3008
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Opening hours
10am to 10pm – 7 days.
t. +61 3 9629 7083

Geelong

MTS Flying Angel Club
7 The Esplanade
North Shore 3214
t/f. (03) 5278 6985

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Bayview Rd (PO Box 209)
Hastings 3915
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Website: missiontoseafarers.com.au

- \$25 supports the provision of phone and internet services for contact with home
- \$35 will support MtSV Ship Visiting
- \$50 will support emergency night call-out to help seafarers in distress
- \$100 will support the upkeep of MtSV on-shore facilities.



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