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Dear Members,

We are looking to increase the flow of information and provide more regular Newsletters to keep you up to date with the ICS and in particular our Branch activities.

Member's Meeting

The latest Member's meeting was held on the 21st March 2013 18:30 hrs at the Curium Palace Hotel. After the Chairman's update on the Institute's latest developments, a presentation was made by Mr. Michalis Hadjistylianou of One Net Ltd. The title of the presentation was:



How "Internet" Communication can improve Vessel's Operations "the power of Broadband on board a vessel"

It was a very informative and interesting presentation, which has been posted on our website for your further perusal.

We wish to thank Michalis and One Net for their time and also for sponsoring the event.

Also during the Member's meeting one of our ex-Chairmen Mr. Soterios Karantonis presented Mrs. Marianna Kyriacoudes with her membership Certificate.





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Social event

The Under35 Sub-Committee arranged a bowling tournament held at Space Bowling on the 28th February 2013 at 1900hrs.

Everyone was invited to come and 'Strike the Routine!' Approximately 30 people attended making it a fun and enjoyable event.

The winning team was (in no particular order):

Yiannis Shittas
Chloe Timmis
Andreas Andreou
Anna Ruszczynska
Svetla Chausheva
Kyriakos Panayides
Vasily Mikhaylov
Mrs. Mikhaylov

The individual Winner on the evening was Andreas Andreou, pictured in action below:



New Books



The new books for the ICS PQE have been released. A copy of the books is available at the ICS Library located at CYMEPA house for those that wish to refer to them.

Membership

The new policy from London for late payment of annual subscriptions states that, Members outstanding for more than 6 months will stop receiving the "Shipping Network" magazine, while members outstanding for more the one year will see their membership cancelled.

These actions are not meant to jeopardise the relationship with our members. As always, we realise that the reasons behind an unpaid member are different in every case. This is why we will continue to make every effort to support members.





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[Professional Qualifying Examinations](#)

The PQE exams will be held at Cymepa house on between 15th and 25th April 2013, with a total of 48 students attending.

We wish to thank CYMEPA for once again supporting this event.

[Understanding Shipping – deadline for Tutors](#)

Based on suggestions from students and discussion with Tutors, the Committee has agreed with a proposal to set a deadline to return marked assignments 15 days from the students submission deadline.

In the event that assignments are not marked and returned by that date, the Course Administrator would then be responsible to advise the Chairman (or the Education Officer in the Chairman's absence) to ensure follow-up.

The ultimate aims are to:

1. Provide clear guidance to Course Administrator, tutors and students on expected return of marked assignments;
2. Further enhance the course standards for the future;
3. Support each other as Tutors;
4. Ensure the Course Administrator is responsible for administering the course on behalf of the Institute and that the committee is ultimately responsible for the standards set for the course.

[Open Day – Meeting with Students of Understanding Shipping - Feedback](#)

The Open day was held on Tuesday 8th January 2013 - 18:30hrs at Marlow Navigation's ground floor conference room.

Students were most pleased to meet their tutors, hear a little more about the course and get some study tips. The event broke the ice





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and was a good promotion of the course, encouraging students to talk positively about their experience.

We wish to thank Marlow Navigation for their continued and active support of the Understanding Shipping Course.

Annual Dinner - 2nd week June yet to be fixed

Our next Annual Dinner is eagerly awaited.

We aim to hold the event in the 2nd week of June at which time we also intend for the ICS Director and Education Officer to attend from the London Head Office. We intend to conduct a 3 day tour in Cyprus promoting the Institutes Membership and Education through PQE and Understanding Shipping.

We will include as many shipping Companies as possible in this schedule and also aim to make a presentation to the Shipping Community.

More details will be announced closer to the time.

Stephen Fyfe - *FICS*
Chairman

