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News from the Propeller Club Liverpool & North West

The International Propeller Club of the United States - Liverpool & North West

A global business network dedicated to the promotion of the maritime industry, commerce and global trade.

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DECEMBER 2014 UPDATE:

Ship's bells ring are you listening, in the shipping lanes snow is glistening....ahem, that's enough of that. It may be Christmas but the real present for the Propeller Club has come a little early.

On the 9th of December the Directors of the International Propeller Club met in the United States, on their agenda was our application for Charter.

It was a stressful day as we awaited news to emerge from over the Atlantic. We are thrilled to be able to tell you that this Charter was unanimously accepted and the Liverpool Chapter has been welcomed formally into the fold of other international ports around the globe and US.

This is no mean feat, and is something which we believe will really help kick start our presence on the international scene. Our Chapter has actually been one of the quickest to ever go from inception to Charter, and this has not gone unnoticed. We have been such an example of how to get things done, that our group has been asked to assist the Propeller Club in getting other European ports involved.

There was a lot of work involved in the application - and we had to provide a great deal of information, details of membership, plans moving forward, and to convince the powers that be, that we deserved our place at the top of shipping's table.

Thank you to all of the individual and corporate members who have supported us so far, it is your efforts which have made all of this possible and we hope you feel rightly proud of having played an important part in a new landmark for the shipping industry in Liverpool and the North West.

New website coming very, very soon... according to our web developer we will have our shiny new website up and running in the next week or so. There you will be able to find out more of what we are up to, and you will be most welcome to contribute articles and pictures. It is your platform to use the Propeller Club to best effect.



Meetings

Committee Meeting:

We have been forced to change the date of the Committee meeting. New proposed date: Tuesday 13th January, 1730-1830 is that ok with committee members? Email propellerclubliverpool@gmail.com to confirm.

Events

To tell us what kind of events you would like to attend please answer a few short questions:

<http://goo.gl/n4CpTY>

Christmas Maritime Hostelry "Tour"

Friday 19th December 2014, 1300-last standing Gathering at The Caledonian at 1500

Contact:propellerclubliverpool@gmail.com for full details

NO JANUARY First Thursday There will not be a January First Thursday...owing to this being New Years Day, and even we aren't that daft.

Propeller Club "Charter Party"

We need to welcome the Charter of the Chapter in style, so would like your suggestions of an event worthy of this auspicious occasion.

Contact:propellerclubliverpool@gmail.com with your ideas.

What's Been Happening

To share news of your exploits email Gianna or Sue:

propellerclubliverpool@gmail.com

For our first Propeller Club event we invited best selling author Horatio Clare to tell us of his exploits at sea.

Horatio sailed as "writer in residence" onboard Maersk container vessels, aiming to find out about life at sea today. For a full review of the event, and to find out more see <http://goo.gl/ckE7tB>



Maritime Piracy Humanitarian Response Programme (MPHRP) is running a training course in Liverpool on 23rd January - Email us for details on this excellent crisis response one day course.

The 100 Club: We have been asked to spread news of this Mayoral backed scheme raising funds for the 2015 River Festival. The club offers businesses a unique opportunity to be part of a 'club' to grow one of the city's most popular maritime events. Email us for more details or to get involved.

Our Friends in the North

Our wonderful corporate supporters have been out and about and doing things of late.

Nothing says Christmas like sausage...so when our good friends, the travel experts at, CTI Marine invited us over to Manchester to sample the delights of the German market we couldn't resist.



Once in Manchester we met with the CTI team, as well as representatives from AirFrance KLM and MIRIS International.



It was a great chance to network and tell some of the Manchester based business community all about the Propeller Club and our aims. We hope to

welcome a few new supporters from there soon.

First Thursday

To sponsor a First Thursday event email Anneley apickles@kvh.com

The past few First Thursdays have been incredibly busy...we seem to be growing and growing. So thank you to all who have dropped by to get a little "wet networking" done.



As ever it is the sponsors who make it happen - so thank you to **InExpress**, **Port2Port** and **MIRIS International** who have sponsored the most recent events.

November event sponsor Port2Port offered a meal at the excellent Smugglers Cove in the Albert Dock to the lucky winner.

The card drawn out was none other than that of a delighted Debbie Simpkins of InExpress. Seen smiling in the picture above. Congratulations!