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Online Report Writing Seminar

Monday 26 February
online seminar
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12.00 to 15.00
(London UK time)

Dear Member

Welcome to this News Bulletin from the International Institute of Marine Surveying (IIMS). This bulletin is available in PDF format from the IIMS website. It aims to keep members and non-members up to date with information on a monthly basis. Members are encouraged to share and forward this newsletter to colleagues, who they think might like to join the Institute, or who may be interested in its content. For more information about the Institute visit: www.iims.org.uk.



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CEO Chat

The marine year got off to a troubled and sombre start. I am referring to the tragic accident and substantial loss of life and potential environmental melt down caused by the collision between the Iranian owned tanker MV Sanchi and the Hong Kong-flagged cargo ship CF Crystal, leading to the subsequent sinking of the former. That such a shocking event can still occur in 2018 seems hard to understand. It is not known yet if the cause will ever be discovered. What can we learn from this awful incident? It is a reminder that being at sea is perilous for those who choose this life aboard ship and yacht – but it remains dangerous for marine surveyors too, as you will read below.

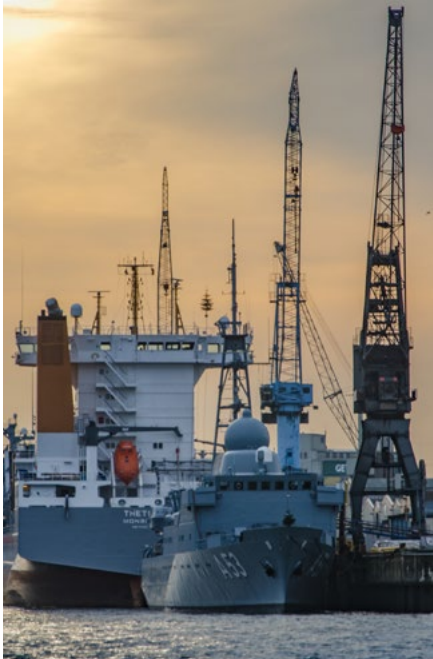
So, continuing on a downbeat theme, news has reached me of the death of two well respected, senior IIMS full members. New Zealand surveyor, Terry Reynolds MIIMS, tragically lost his life in a work related incident at the end of 2017. Another tragedy has recently resulted in the death of Peter Green MIIMS. Although located in Germany, Peter spent a good deal of his time surveying in Spain and the Balearic Islands and was well known in that area. May you both rest in peace.

Full obituaries for both members will be published in the next edition of the Report Magazine, available to read from 1 March.



CEO Chat *(continued)*

I issued a hard hitting IIMS press release to the yachting and boating press worldwide a couple of weeks ago on the subject of the worth and value of a marine surveyor and shared the details online too. The result has been a surge of online debate, much of it thought provoking and the offer by several editors of well-known publications to publish the article. You can find a link to the article elsewhere in this bulletin.



The first IIMS training event of the year, held just a few days ago, attracted an audience of nearly 50 real-time and online delegates from the UK and much further afield. Dr Mike Lewus, Technical Advisor, British Stainless Steel Association joined forces with IIMS and delivered a one day seminar entitled 'Marine Corrosion and its Prevention in Small Vessels', well received by all who attended.

Preparation is now well advanced with the next tranche of training events too in the coming weeks. I recommend Karen Brain's online seminar on 6 February entitled 'Mediation and the marine surveyor' which proved popular last year. A completely redrafted and right up to date report writing online seminar is scheduled for 26 February. Ideal as a refresher, or for those with limited surveying experience, it seems the world of report writing is evolving. And finally, Kim Skov-Nielsen is running a one day course entitled 'How to conduct a complete mast and rigging survey' in Southampton on 26 March. Full details on these three events can be found in this news bulletin and also on the IIMS web site.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mike".

Mike Schwarz
Chief Executive Officer

Survey well!

Terry Reynolds Obituary

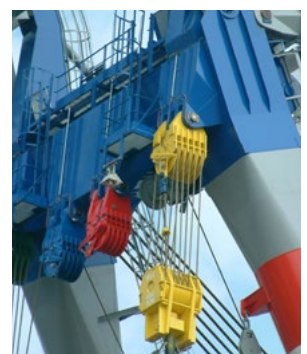
A tribute to marine surveyor and IIMS member, Terry Reynolds, who passed away in late 2017 written by his friend of many years, Peter Dawson.

When approached to pen this tribute to Terry Reynolds, my first thoughts were: How do I fit a large life into a short article? How do I follow in words, the footsteps of a larger than life character in the marine industry?

I knew Terry first as his lawyer and then as his friend. He was one of the first and most loyal supporters of my then fledgling maritime law practice and we voyaged together through litigation that would have destroyed a lesser man.

At the age of 15 Terry's parents shifted to Whangarei and Terry started his life-long love affair with the sea. Knowing his son, his father wisely told him not to train on the deck side but to become an engineer. He served his apprenticeship at Whangarei Glass as a fitter/turner. His then boss, Owen Davies, who called him "Terence" when he blew it or played some prank on one of his fellow workmates, was to eventually become his father-in-law when he married Jean in 1984.

Terry started his sea-going career with a Swedish merchant shipping company as an oiler, and eventually, through hard work and perseverance with his exams, became one of the youngest chief engineers in the foreign-going merchant marine at the age of 32. Study for Terry was never easy, and it was only in the past two years that he was finally assessed and declared to be, what he termed 'special', with a spelling/reading age of nine, as a result of dyslexia.



In 1987 he began his journey to become an engineer surveyor by joining the Ministry of Transport Marine Division. Ironically, one of his first tasks in this role was learning all there was about the building, installation and running of lifts, a skill that ultimately cost him his life.

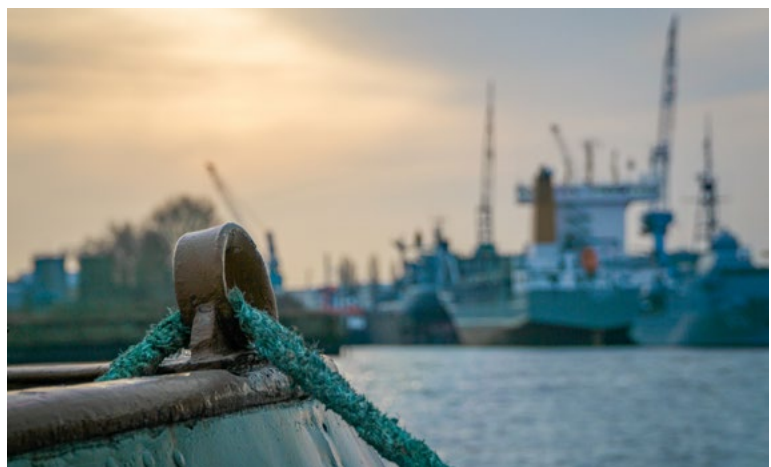
His first task in his new role was to clean up a large number of legacy problems with the Marine Division in the top of the South Island. It was around this time that the then government decided to get out of the vessel inspection business, and Terry and Jean started Survey Nelson Limited, which quickly became one of the largest safe ship management companies in New Zealand. However, in 2008, the then Director of MNZ commenced a process to remove Survey Nelson's right to operate as a safe ship management company. During this period, I had the privilege of walking next to Terry and Jean as they endured three high court actions, one Court of Appeal hearing and resisting an application to the Supreme Court, which is the highest court in our land. In the end the courts found what Terry and Jean knew all along, that the then Director's poorly articulated concerns about Survey Nelson and its directors were without foundation.

Terry and Jean were successful in having their right to operate as a safe ship management company restored. But it is testimony to the man that the very reason that made him vulnerable to the actions of the regulator, was his desire to come alongside struggling fishing and marine businesses and guide and mentor them from noncompliance to compliance, from being indifferent operators to good operators.

I cannot repeat his accurate and descriptive characterisations of some Maritime New Zealand staff, and those who crossed him. On the other hand, one of Terry's greatest compliments to someone was to refer to a person as "He or she is 'good people'". High praise indeed from a man who left big footprints across the marine industry and who was in his own words 'good people'.

He was taken too soon, and the maritime industry is a less colourful place for his passing.

Terry's obituary will be published in full in the March Report Magazine.



Mediation and the marine surveyor online seminar Tuesday 6 February

This online seminar will be broadcast at 16.00 London UK time on Tuesday 6 February. The seminar is open to IIMS members and non-members.

Your presenter is Karen Brain, Matrix Insurance Ltd, who is well known to many IIMS members. Karen is not only an insurance broker, but also a non-practising lawyer and, therefore uniquely qualified to deliver this valuable content.

Sometimes accepting mediation may be the best solution and route for a surveyor as a basis of dispute resolution. But what does mediation involve and how does one engage in it? This seminar will help you assess and understand when to consider mediation as an option. And as Karen says, "Love it or hate it mediation, insurance and risk management are all here to stay and influence the world of business. So it is prudent to understand their importance, use and effect on our everyday lives."

Who should attend this seminar?

It is aimed at and relevant to all marine surveyors no matter what their workload or survey type.

For more details and to reserve your place online go to: <http://bit.ly/2DCrnJS>

Online Report Writing seminar - Monday 26 February 2018

This online seminar will be broadcast from 12.00 to 15.00 London, UK time on Monday 26 February 2018 using the zoom video conferencing platform. The seminar is open to IIMS members, students and non-members.

Your hosts and presenters for this seminar, featuring brand new content, are Paul Homer, IIMS Chairman of Standards and Mike Schwarz, IIMS Chief Executive Officer.

IIMS receives too many surveyor complaints each year, generally caused by poor writing standards and skills. A report is the surveyor's intellectual property and he/she lives or dies by it. This three-hour course, featuring fresh content brings the art of report writing bang up to date. It aims to provide the essential information that a yacht and small craft surveyor needs to consider when gathering the information and then compiling his/her report. There are suggested clauses for use in the report to protect against possible litigation and advice in the event that something goes wrong. Additionally, there is advice on contracts and terms of business and how, when and where these should be used. There is also, for the first time, a practical session and delegates will be required to do a little preparation before the seminar in readiness. Scope of the Seminar

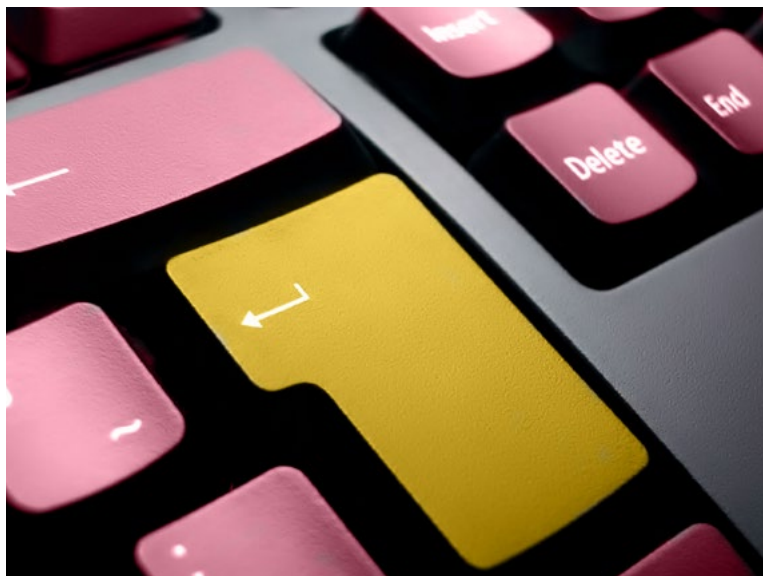
Part I:
Preparing for survey, gathering data and compiling your report

Part II:
Giving the client what they want and not what the surveyor thinks they want

Part III:
Complaints, examples and practical exercises

Who should attend this seminar?
The report writing seminar is aimed specifically at yacht and small craft surveyors, both those who are less experienced, but also those who feel they would benefit from a refresher.

For more details and to reserve your place online go to: <http://bit.ly/2DFYQTW>





How to conduct a complete mast and rigging survey one day course – Southampton - Monday 26 March

Join tutor, Kim Skov-Nielsen, real time or online (morning only) for a comprehensive classroom and practical based training day taking place in Southampton, UK on Monday 26 March 2018 that will explain how to carry out a complete mast and rigging survey.

The morning session

Kim will give a 3 hour classroom presentation and will provide a checklist for delegates. In this session, he will talk about:

- how to inspect the mast and rigging
- when to inspect the mast and rigging
- what to expect
- what to look for

In his presentation, Kim will cover all types of rigging from rope to galvanic to carbon, as well as looking at different types of masts too. The morning session only is also open to online delegates.

The afternoon session

Delegates will head over to The Rig Shop. How many and what type of rigs are available will be determined on the day. Working in small groups, those present will look at and survey the laid out rigs, noting their comments and coming up with a list of faults and issues for later group discussion before close.

About the tutor and course leader

To those who know him, Kim Skov-Nielsen MIIMS, or KSN to his friends, is a larger than life individual. He is a well-known and experienced marine surveyor who knows his subject.

KSN has worked full-time in the marine industry since 1979, initially as a yacht skipper and ocean racer and then as a marine surveyor. KSN has sailed almost 150,000 blue water miles worldwide, amassing a wide range of valuable experience – from building boats to sailing them around the world. KSN established a surveying business in Estepona, Spain delivering a range of survey and consultancy work to clients worldwide.



Non IIMS members and students are welcome to attend.

Full details about the day long course and how to reserve your place are available at: <http://bit.ly/2DhGdJ2>





IIMS issues a hard hitting press release to the yachting and boating press

In a bid to remind the yachting and boating public of the value of a marine surveyor and that they are professionals in every sense of the word, IIMS has prepared and issued a one thousand word press release recently, which has been circulated to the top 40 consumer boating and yachting magazines around the world for publication.

The press release entitled "What's a yacht and small craft marine surveyor worth?" is simply to inform the public of the value and importance of a surveyor as well as giving some tips and advice on what to look for when choosing one. It highlights the fact that a marine surveyor is no different to professionals in other walks of life, such as accountants or solicitors and that people should be prepared to be charged accordingly for the surveyor's skills, expertise and time.

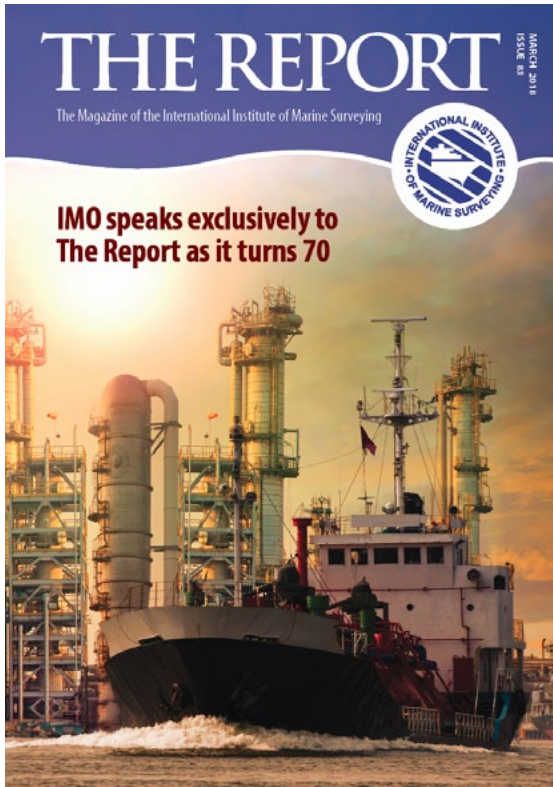
Read the article in full: <http://bit.ly/2DtvLhC>

Tari van der Merve the first female surveyor to qualify through the new Professional Qualification

It is pleasing to report that Tari van der Merve (pictured) has become the first female marine surveyors (and one of the first) to qualify for the IIMS Diploma in Commercial Ship Marine Surveying through the new IIMS Professional Qualifications, which were introduced two years ago.

Commenting on her achievement, Tari said, "I'm still working with my father at his company (Walvis Bay Diving). This course has helped me to understand a lot more about the industry in general and also some very specific areas. The knowledge gained has increased business opportunities for us as well. We are looking forward to taking on new challenges. As a Diving Supervisor, the knowledge I have gained helps a lot when we are on a job. The clients and IACS surveyors are always impressed and happy to see that there are some people in the industry who understand and have knowledge".





Report Magazine March 2018, edition 83, publishing soon

Watch out for the link, published from 1 March that will enable you to download and read the March Report in either e-reader or pdf format.

Here's the trailer:

- The International Maritime Organization (IMO) celebrates its 70th anniversary in March 2018. IIMS has been granted an exclusive interview with IMO to recognise and celebrate the birthday.
- The path to Digital Classification
- Microbial contamination in marine industry and the blight known as diesel bug
- 50 Shades of Insurance
- Member and marine news; plus a round-up of new products
- A Day in the Life of John Walker

If you missed the December edition of The Report Magazine, it can be found and read by following this link:
<https://www.iims.org.uk/report-magazines/>



IIMS in exploratory marine surveyor apprenticeship talks

IIMS often debates with others within IIMS and externally too about where the next group of younger marine surveyors will come from and how the Institute might help to develop them. The UK Maritime & Coastguard Agency has recently concluded a highly successful recruitment exercise and as a consequence has employed a considerable number of new surveyors, so it seems the talent is about.

So, it was with great interest that IIMS found itself with a place at a meeting in London to discuss the development of a trailblazer apprenticeship scheme for marine surveyors. It was an eye opening meeting, consisting of IMARest, other surveying organisations, a couple of employers and various interested seats of learning in the form of maritime universities.

But the most important delegate at the table was the man who has implemented similar apprenticeship schemes before, including one for marine pilots. He knows who to engage with, how to prepare and execute the paperwork and so on. There is a willingness by all who attended the inaugural meeting to explore further. Watch this space.



Report on the IIMS and BSSA special one day seminar: 'Marine Corrosion and its Prevention in Small Vessels'

A combined audience of nearly 50 real-time and online delegates assembled on 23 January at a venue near Portsmouth UK for the first joint IIMS and British Stainless Steel Association training day under the auspices and guidance of tutor and course author, Dr Mike Lewus. The subject for the day? Corrosion and lots of it too. There was plenty of hard science taking delegates back to their early school and education days, but interspersed with practical reviews and discussion around particular types of corrosion, from pitting and crevice to stress cracking corrosion using photographic and anecdotal evidence.

Mike and his team produced a fabulous, comprehensive and very thick course manual for delegates a copy of which now sits in the IIMS library at head office.

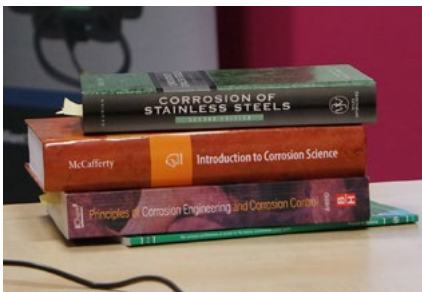
The content of the day was themed and structured by Mike as follows:

- 1) Corrosion: Fundamental Principles
- 2) Forms of corrosion in 'marine metals'
- 3) Corrosion above the waterline
- 4) Corrosion below the waterline
- 5) Corrosion prevention strategies
- 6) Failure analysis and case studies



Feedback from those who attended has been hugely positive. As a result, it is likely that IIMS and BSSA will collaborate on future training events. Many thanks to Graham Haines and Cygnus Instruments for their generous support on the day.

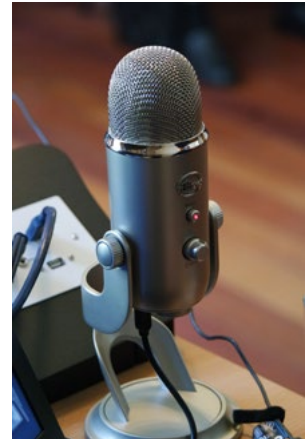
Mike Lewus is happy to take calls from IIMS members on any aspect of corrosion and if he can, is happy to help and advise. He can be contacted by email at: ssas@bssa.org.uk, or by telephone on + 44 114 292 2637.



International Marine Surveying Fest 2018

Various professions and activities increasingly recognise their own special international days. Three such examples are World Radio Day, World Puppetry Day and International Firefighters' Day. It is high time that marine surveyors have their own day – a day that celebrates their work and profession.

So, IIMS has decided to create the International Marine Surveying Fest 2018, a 24 hour celebration of marine surveying. The provisional date for this innovative and eye catching event is Wednesday 12 into Thursday 13 September, depending on your time zone!



IIMS will be preparing a major PR offensive ahead of the event, not just for the benefit of those in the surveying profession, but also for anyone who touches the sector, or engages with surveyors on any level to promote the art of marine surveying.

International Marine Surveying Fest 2018 is an online only event and will start on 12 September at 12 noon and run until 12 noon the following day. Each hour on the hour, a new presentation will be delivered live by a presenter somewhere in the world on a surveying topic. For one fee, you can join the Fest taking advantage of as many of the 24 presentations over the 24 hours as you wish. And if you miss any presentations because the time does not work for you in your location, your fee gives access to the entire content after the Fest, which will be videoed. The programme is being put together now and more details will be announced soon.



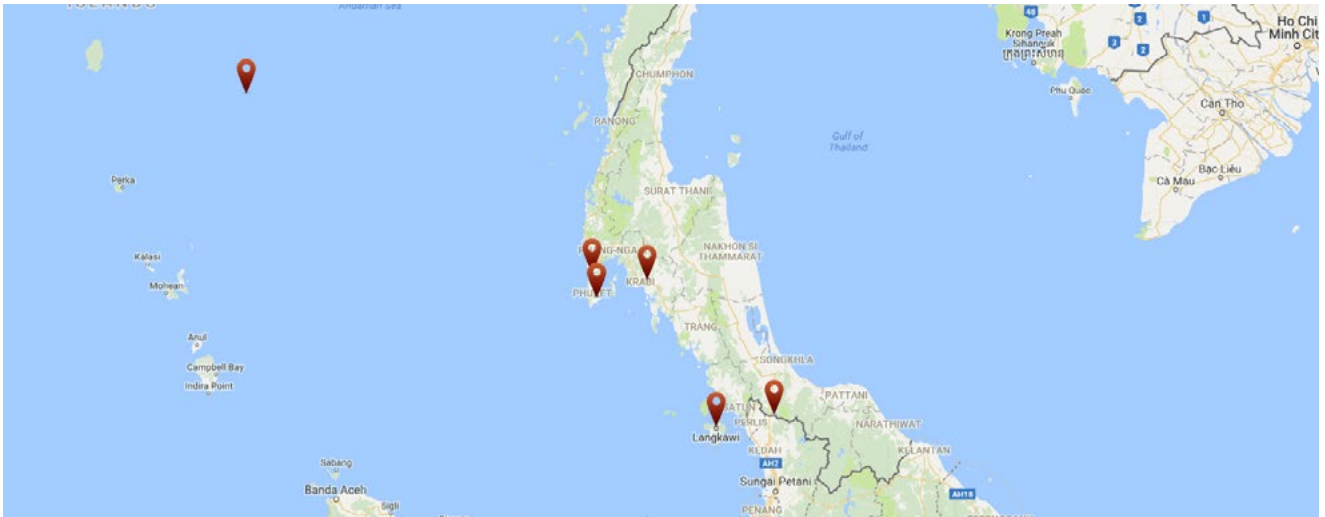
Make sure you claim for CPD points for 2017 before 31 March

The window for claiming your Continuing Professional Development points for 2017 is still open, but it will close on 31 March 2018. So there is still time to log on to the IIMS CPD App and make sure you secure your points.

Remember in some instances you will be required to supply appropriate evidence to substantiate your claim via the App. IIMS reviews every claim personally, but if there is no supporting evidence where it is required, your claim will be rejected. So please take care when submitting your points claim to avoid disappointment.

You are required to obtain just 10 points to be CPD compliant for 2017. Using the IIMS CPD App means it has never been easier to claim your points.

The reward for those who successfully claim their CPD points is a special commissioned CPD Compliant roundel, which will be applied to the IIMS web page listings of those members who qualify. These have started appearing in the past few weeks. If you experience technical issues using the App, or simply do not know what to do and how to use it, do not hesitate to contact the IIMS head office by email at: info@iims.org.uk and they will ensure you get the necessary technical support and advice you need to resolve things and get you started. See here for details: <http://bit.ly/2vrA5tu>



Have you checked your location pin on the website new map search?

IIMS launched a new benefit for its members in January. Your IIMS web site listing can now be searched by geographic location using one of the new regional online maps we have created. The world has been divided into the following areas: Africa, Australasia, Europe, Middle East, North Asia, United Kingdom, South Asia, The Americas. So, finding an IIMS member has become even easier. From our research, it became apparent that often people use the search facility to find a surveyor local to them. This new innovation makes that simple to do.

Every member is now represented on the maps with a unique red coloured pin by location. When hovered over, the pin shows the name of the member. When opened by clicking, it reveals the surveyor's telephone number and specialisations (where appropriate).

IIMS asks you to do three things as a matter of urgency.

- 1) Ensure you can find your own pin on one of the maps
- 2) Make sure that we have placed your pin in approximately the right geographic location
- 3) Open the pop up and check that the details that are displayed are correct



If something is incorrect, please email IIMS at info@iims.org.uk with your corrections.



IIMS Membership Travel Service scheme

Norad Travel Group is running the Membership Travel Service scheme for IIMS members. The scheme offers a range of exclusive benefits for IIMS members only.

The Norad team of Marine Specialists are based in their Liss (UK) European Headquarters. They operate alongside their Global partners in Greece, The Philippines, India, UK, Ukraine, South Africa and Australia. Norad Travel Management holds marine fare contracts with all major airlines.

Why not make contact for a quotation for your travel requirements? Norad's UK office can take your telephone calls on +44 (0) 1730 894700 from 08.30 -18.00 (GMT) Monday to Friday, or any time by email on: marine@noradtravel.biz or see the web site: <http://iims.org.uk/membership/membership-benefits/iims-membership-travel-service>

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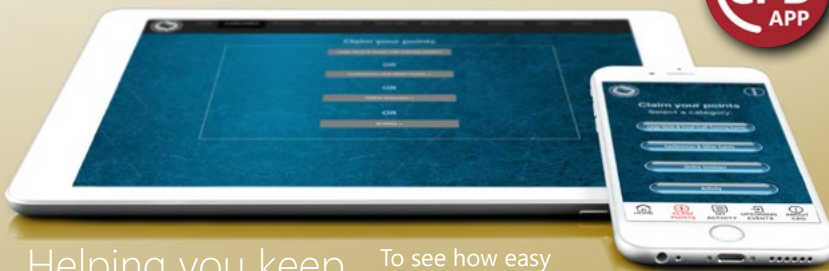
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 Search 'IIMS CPD' and install the app.
 Login using your IIMS **credentials**.

Or the "**My CPD Program**" link on the IIMS membership details page, re-directs the user to the new CPD Program Website.

Web version, the login panel can be found at: <http://cpd.iims.org.uk/CPDWeb/Private/Login.aspx>

Contact the IIMS Head Office team

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