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# The Future of Our Cadets

*By Com.te Mario Gandolfi*

All major Italian daily papers devoting their attention to the shipping world agree that the trend for young people to abandon the career of the sea has reversed.

Today the major issue, in fact, is no longer the number of those who wish to become Merchant Navy Officers but the level of their proficiency.

The new S.T.C.W. (Standards of Training, Certification & Watchkeeping) regulations, agreed upon in Manila, have entered into force this year making things more complex.

Everybody insists on how important the mastery of the English language is since it must be used on board with the crew members who are not Italian and do not know our language but can speak English. It is essential to be fluent in English to communicate effectively and not only on the work place but also in everyday life.

Our Association and ITN San Giorgio are prepared to help cadets to improve in this field.



I would like to remind you of the June cruise organized by our Honorary President, Prof. Aurelio Banchetti. The Association members, as well as I, wish to thank him for organising the cruise and the end-of-term time dinner. We look forward to it as it gives us the opportunity of getting together.

ZUMBAI !!!

## General Meeting and Women's Day

On 8 March, after the annual meeting for the presentation of the 2011 budget, drawn up by our treasurer Giuseppe Russo and approved by the auditor, Francesco Livellara, there was a party at I.T.N. San Giorgio which was attended by about 80 members



The refreshments included: sangria, tapas, pizza bread, Parma ham, focaccia, parmesan, cakes, etc.

A mimosa branch was offered to the ladies to celebrate Women's Day.

On this occasion, a beautiful painting of the vessel Amerigo Vespucci was donated to the Association by the author, the painter Ida

Piattelli, who is one of our members.

On behalf of all the Association members,. the President and the Board of Directors wish to thank her for this superb gift.

The organization of the event, much appreciated by the participants, was superb thanks to our "chef" Dino Fioravanti, not to mention his wife Mariella, who made all the cakes.

## Van Gogh's and Gauguin's voyage

On Saturday, 17 March, a visit to the Palazzo Ducale exhibition "*Van Gogh e il viaggio di Gauguin*". was guided by .Prof. Francesco Pivetta.

The participants had to be divided into three groups since there was a large crowd of visitors and stopping for explanations inside the exhibition was not allowed.

We wish to thank Prof. Francesco Pivetta who, being well verse in the exhibition themes, was very clear in his explanations and was willing to repeat them to each one of the groups before they entered the building.

# End-of-term time dinner

The traditional end-of-term time dinner will take place at the restaurant Piedigrotta, piazza Savonarola 27 R at 8:00pm on Friday, 22 June.

The dinner is open to all members, their families and friends.

## Menu

- Welcome drinks
- Starters:
  - Mixed sea food (octopus, squids, muscles, shrimps)
  - Mixed 'land' food (cold cuts, mozzarella cheese, pies)
- First course: Sea stars with squid ink pasta topped with shrimps and julienne of zucchini. Portofino lasagne with pine nuts and baked beans
- Sorbet
- Main course: Medallion of beef with mushrooms  
Fish Ligurian style (sea bass / sea bream)
- Side dishes: green beans, salad, grilled vegetables
- Fruit salad
- House cake
- Water, wine, champagne, coffee, digestive

Cost (service included): €32 per person

Booking deadline: 16 June.

To book, please call one of the following numbers:

- 339-7210618 or 010-810637 (prof. Fioravanti),
- 339 4194190 or 010-5701994 (prof. Banchetti),
- 3385993370 (the Association mobile).

Alternatively, you can send an email to: [armandofioravanti@fastwebnet.it](mailto:armandofioravanti@fastwebnet.it)

N.B. If you book and then you cannot come, will you please contact the restaurant (tel. 010 580553) to inform them, otherwise the Association would have to pay for the expenses arising from no-shows.

Best wishes for a pleasant holiday season from the Board of Directors

***N.B. You can find the attachments to La Carretta (\*pdf format)  
in the SHOWCASE - Members' Contributions***

# Reminders

Your association has now expired, if you have not renewed it (as it goes from 1 January to 31 December). If you wish to renew it, as we hope, you can still do it by paying the yearly fee of €20 in cash at our premises or by postal order (c/c n° 13793161 made payable to "Associazione ex allievi e docenti" Nautico S.Giorgio".

As a member you are entitled to request:

- the Association crest
- the Association tie.
- the volumes:
  - *"La storia dell'Istituto Nautico San Giorgio di Genova"* by Virgilio Bozzo and Armando Fioravanti.
  - *"Nino Bixio e le questioni del mare"* by Virgilio Bozzo and Armando Fioravanti.



Your contributions will be entirely devoted to our scholarship funds.

All Cruise bookings must be confirmed as soon as possible by paying the fare and supplying all the data required.

If you have an Internet hook-up, will you please let us have your mail account by writing to:  
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