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# In memory of all who died in the crash of the Pilot Tower in the Port of Genoa on 7 May, 2013



# Our deepest condolences go to the Admiral Commanding the Port of Genoa and to the Head of the Port Pilots for the terrible tragedy that occurred in the Port of Genoa

on 7 May, 2013



# The evolution of Maritime Schools

By Mario Gandolfi



In the past century, the schools that prepared the Officers of the Merchant Marine in Italy equipped the students with a wealth of theoretical knowledge adequate to undertake the career of the sea and to become, in due time, Ship Masters or Chief Ingineers on ships that were recognized all over the world as among the most beautiful and efficient. An outstanding example is provided by the 'Rex' that is being remembered, right now, by a beautiful exhibition in Genoa.

Quite a lot has changed over the years and the theoretical preparation needed to become an Officer on the ships of our Merchant Marine has been updated to follow the trend of the times.

On board, it is no longer necessary to make a fix using the sextant since the fix can be read on the appropriate electronic device. It is no longer necessary to stand on watch in the engine room since there is an engine control room equipped with air conditioning.

The very name of our schools has changed and the curricula are no longer just aimed at preparing Deck and fingine Officers. They include other courses with various subjects such as shipping and the conduct of aircraft.

I believe that we should not be nostalgic about the past because evolution is inevitable and changes are necessary in the modern world.

I do hope that the new courses may give the same high standards of professionalism to the Officers of the Italian Merchant Marine who have always been respected and admired round the world.



## Presentation of the second edition of 'The history of *I.T. Nautico San Giorgio* of Genoa'

The book, updated and expanded, by our counselors Virgilio Bozzo e Armando Fioravanti, will be officially presented in the Hall of I.T Nautico San Giorgio (Darsena) on 31 May 2013,

at 5:00 pm.



The book will be presented by both prof. Aldo Marletta, who was Head of the School for 25 years and Professor Maria Stella Rollandi, lecturer at the Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Genoa, author of many books on maritime education and maritime work.

The book (400 pages) includes a brief history of the school from the early nineteenth century to the present; the subjects and their numbers of hours per week in the different reforms from the origins to the current 'Gelmini's Reform'; an information sheet per each Head from 1865 to 2013; the list of the teachers who have taught at the school for a minimum of three years; all the names of the students (Deck Officers Cadets, Engine Officers Cadets and Shipbuilders) who got their diplomas from 1868 to 2012; photos, graphs, statistics and trivia.

It also contains the list of all the maritime graduates of Palazzi-Rossi School, thus providing a full list of all maritime graduates of Genoa.

The presentation will be followed by refreshments.

### The Trip to Langhirano.

The Board of Directors has decided to replace the dinner at the end of the school year, with a cultural-gastronomic trip by coach to Langhirano with the following schedule:

Date - Sunday 16 June, 2013.

**07:15am** - Departure from Piazza della Vittoria (INPS side)

10:15am - Visit to the ham factory Sant'llario di Lesignano de' Bagni, considered one of the best in the area

11:30am - Visit to the Abbey of Badia Cavana.

The abbey stands by the side of a road leading from the town of Parma to Tuscany, through Lagastrello Pass and by the Monastery of St. Salvatore and St. Bartolomeo di Linari, an important stopping place for travellers and pilgrims

Founded between 1097 and 1106 by the Benedictines of Vallombrosa, the abbey was ruled by this monastic order until 1485

The abbey church, built at the beginning of the twelfth century with small square blocks of stone, consists of a single nave covered by trusses with a projecting transept and a semicircular apse.

**1:00 pm** - Lunch in Casatico at the 'MONTEFIORI FARM, run by Ivan , the son of our member Piero Lampredi.

#### **MENU**

#### STARTERS:

- Felino salami, coppa, bacon, ham, fried cake with culaccia
- Chunks of pumpkin with melted parmesan cheese
- Salami with smoked cheese and radicchio

#### FIRST course:

- Tortelli with herbs
- Risotto with salted pork and pumpkin flowers

#### SECOND course:

- Pork fillet with red onions and sweet Malvasia
- Beef stew

#### SIDE DISHES:

- Roast potatoes
- Mixed salad of the season

#### **DESSERT:**

Cakes of the house

WINES from Carra Wine Cellar, WATER, COFFEE, AND DIGESTIVE



**5:00pm** - Sale of meat and parmesan at *Lino Salumiere's* that is open just for us

**9:.00pm** - : Estimated time of arrival in Genoa, Piazza della Vittoria.

The cost of the trip for 50 participants is € 50.00 and includes the return journey by private coach, lunch and tip to the driver.

You are advised to book as soon as possible calling either the Association (338 5993370 )or Armando FIORAVANTI (339 7210618) or Aurelio BANCHETTI (339 4194190) or Luigi SARTORI (342 1214372)



# Rem inders

If you wish to renew your association (it goes from 1 January to 31 December), you can 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").

Our premises are open from 10.00 to 11.30 am Modays to Fridays

#### N.B. We are closed from 1 July to 31 August. Enjoy you holidays!

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





All contributions will be employed for the scholarships bestowed by our Association.

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