

## P 140 R/V Western Pride

# SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: - 12-Dec-99

Held in the messroom at 13:00 hours.

Committee members:

Richard Dixon Ch. Officer: Glen Laurence Captain: Party Chief: Coordinator: Dave Coughlan **Brent Spooner** Coordinator: Eric Gunderson Ch. Engineer: John McLean Snr. Gun Mech: Ted Curry Snr. Observer: Andy Gibson Lyall Cowin Snr. Navigator: Andy Young HSE Advisor: Snr.Technician: Andy Craven Bosun: Neil MacFarlane

Back Deck Sup John Dean Client: Ken Haig

Chairman: Dave Coughlan – Secretary: Lyall Cowin.

#### **OUTSTANDING BUSINESS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

 Item#:
 99-06-16:06

 Raised by:
 FDQAGL

**Concerning:** Recording Room Temperature

**Comments**: The recording room temperature is still very low although it

does fluctuate. Recent recordings by the HSE Advisor have shown the average temperature in this room to be around 13 degrees C. The Chief Engineer felt that the most practical means to try to remedy this is to attempt to place some sort of baffle (foam or cardboard) underneath the floor limiting air flow from the instrument room to the recording room. The

FDQAGL and the HSE Advisor will look into this.

**Responsibility**: FDQAGL and HSE Advisor

**Target Date**: Earliest Convenience

Status: Need to order materials required for portcall end of job -

transit is perfect opportunity to do this.

Status 12/12/1999 The Chief Engineer will investigate what type of material

to use to reduce air flow.

Item #: 99-10-16:02 Raised by: Intigrated Rating

**Concerning:** Maintenance work on small boats at night

**Comments:** Concern was expressed about maintenance work being carried

out at night. Some discussion took place as to the best

solution. It was decided that when work is to be carried out a security net will be rigged so that it is impossible for a person

to fall overboard. The person working will also have a handheld VHF and the IR on watch will make a check at

regular intervals.

**Responsibility** Chief Officer / Back Deck Supervisor

Target Date Immediate

Status 12/12/99 This was not being done on this swing. The Bosun will

investigate best method of rigging a net and put in

handover notes.

 Item #:
 99-10-16:04

 Raised by:
 Gun Dept

**Concerning:** Designated lifejacket area on Gun Deck.

**Comments:** Some discussion too place as to the possibility of changing the

designated lifejacket area on the gundeck. Several suggestions and ideas were put forward. It was decided that the Captain, Coordinator, Party Chief and HSE Advisor would examine this further and that any recommendation would be put to the Safety Committee on the opposite rotation to ensure that any

change was agreed by all.

**Responsibility** Safety Committee following recommendation

**Target Date** 15/12/99 **Status 12/12/99** This was

This was discussed at length. Proposals were: to make the gun deck aft of the aft gun a life jacket area at all times or to make

wearing of life jackets conditional depending on type of work and sea conditions. A vote taken.

Those in favour life jacket area at all times – Dixon,

Coughlan, Curry, Young, Craven, Dean, Laurance, Spooner,

Cowin, MacFarlane.

Against – Gibson, Gunderson.

Abstained – McLean.

The wearing of life jackets at all times aft of the aft gun is now

compulsory.

The Party Chief will pass this on to his relief.

Closed

Item #: 99-10-16:07 Raised by: Catering Dept.

**Concerning:** Galley stove pan retaining bars

**Comments:** The retaining bars were not always of the correct size for the

pans in use. Additional grooves are to be cut in the retaining

bars to allow adjustment.

**Responsibility** Chief Engineer

**Status 12/12/99** Not done **Target Date** 19/1/00

Item #: 99-10-16:11 Raised by: Catering Dept

**Concerning:** Splash guard between stove and deep fat fryer

**Comments:** The deep fat fryer is located next to the stove, it was felt that

there was a danger from the possibility of water splashing into the hot fat. The Chief engineer will look further at this and

order materials if required.

**Responsibility** Chief Engineer **Status 12/12/99** Not done **Target Date** 19/1/00

### ITEMS FROM THE AGENDA

Item #99-12-12:1Raised byAndy Tilleard

**Concerning** Small boat towing arrangements.

**Comments** The crew were asked to review small boat towing arrangements

because of number of incidents in the Company while small

boats were being towed.

Procedure to be included in vessel SMS.

**Responsibility** HSE Advisor

Status 12/12/99 Hard copy of procedure and schematics available.

**Target date** 19/1/00

 Item #
 99-12-12:2

 Raised by
 Crew

**Concerning** Timing of meetings and drills

**Comments** The majority of the crew want to have meetings and drills held

alternately at 11:00 and 13:00. This is now being done.

**Responsibility** Captain **Status 12/12/99** Closed

Item #99-12-12:3Raised byParty Chief

**Concerning** Define hard hat area on gun deck.

**Comments** The committee decided that the entire gun deck from forward

to aft is to remain a permanent hard hat area.

**Responsibility** Crew **Status 12/12/99** Closed

Item #99-12-12:4Raised byParty Chief

**Concerning** Transducer stem on port side

**Comments** The transducer stem installed in Exmouth will be a hazard to

the lifeboat and FRC when pulled up while the vessel is

transiting. It will be lowered as soon as the vessel begins cable deployment and is to be removed and stored on the chase boat at first opportunity. A crewmember has been assigned to cut the

wires in the event of MOB or abandon ship.

**Responsibility** Party Chief/Captain

**Status 12/12/99** Open **Target date** 19/1/99

Item #99-12-12:5Raised byParty ChiefConcerningCrew change

**Comments** The committee was informed that crew change by helo is likely

but not confirmed at this time.

Responsibility

**Status 12/12/99** Open **Target date** 15/12/99

Item #99-12-12:6Raised byParty ChiefConcerningVessel tidiness

**Comments** Work areas and cabins are to be cleaned up for crew change.

The Captain reminded people not to leave items such as

laundry baskets in busy corridors.

**Responsibility** Crew **Status 12/12/99** Open **Target date** 15/12/99

Item #99-12-12:7Raised byParty ChiefConcerningWeather

**Comments** The committee were warned that we can expect big swells and

rough seas in the next prospect area. The average wind speed is

high.

Responsibility Crew Status 12/12/99 Closed Target date Open

Item #99-12-12:8Raised byParty Chief

**Concerning** Medicals and safety courses

**Comments** The Party Chief asked the committee to remind personnel in

their departments that it is the individuals responsibility to ensure they have current medicals and mandatory safety training when the join a crew. A current medical is required

when attending sea survival and HUET courses.

**Responsibility** Crew **Status 12/12/99** Open **Target date** 19/1/00

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Item #99-12-12:9Raised byAndy Craven

**Concerning** Breaking streamers while power is on.

**Comments** There are no power on alarms/indicators on the reels. Personnel

involved in cable work must remember to check that power is

off before breaking the cable.

**Responsibility** Senior Observers

**Status 12/12/99** Open **Target date** 19/1/00

Item #99-12-12:10Raised byAndy TilleardConcerningInternal HSE audit

**Comments** The scheduled WGC HSE audit that is in progress is almost

complete. Audit team will be debriefing crew before crew

change.

**Responsibility** Andy Tilleard

**Status 12/12/99** Open **Target date** 14/12/99

Item #99-12-12:11Raised byAndy Tilleard

**Concerning** Near miss and incident reporting

**Comments** Reporting of incidents and near misses is down on all crews.

This needs to be improved so that trends can be analysed and

remedial action taken.

**Responsibility** Crew **Status 12/12/99** Open **Target date** 19/1/99

Item #99-12-12:12Raised byHSE AdvisorConcerningHelo crew change

**Comments** Committee was asked to remind personnel to view the

helicopter video and complete weight sheet in heli office.

**Responsibility** HLO **Status 12/12/99** Open **Target date** 15/12/99

Item #99-12-12:13Raised byTed CurryConcerningCrane winch

**Comments** The crane winch is slow and is not considered to be responsive

enough when lifting off supply boats at sea. There is also a problem with a cut out switch that activates for no reason.

**Responsibility** Chief Engineer

**Status 12/12/99** Open **Target date** 19/1/00

 Item #
 99-12-12:14

 Raised by
 Ted Curry

**Concerning** Cargo lifting area on Smit Lloyd 28

**Comments** The SMT 28 crew will be asked to designate a cargo lifting

area on the port side of their vessel which will be kept clear to

facilitate safe efficient lifting.

**Responsibility** Captain **Status 12/12/99** Open **Target date** 19/1/99

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 14:30 hrs.