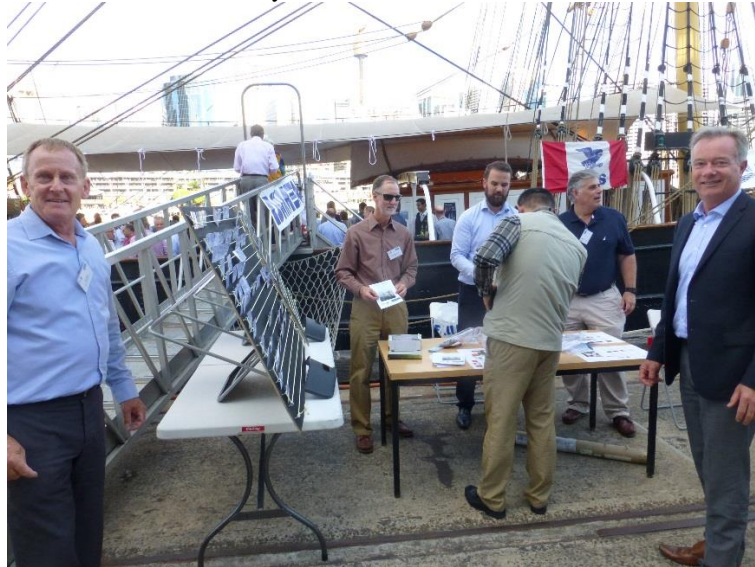


SMIX Bash – 1 December 2016

The seventeenth SMIX (Sydney Marine Industry Christmas) Bash was held on Thursday 1 December aboard the beautifully-restored *James Craig* alongside Wharf 7, Darling Harbour, from 1730 to 2130. The Bash was organised jointly by the IMarEST (Sydney Branch) and RINA (NSW Section). More than 200 guests came from the full spectrum of the marine industry, including naval architects, marine engineers, drafters, boatbuilders, machinery and equipment suppliers, regulators, classifiers, surveyors, operators, managers, pilots, navigators, researchers, and educators. Equally importantly, the full spectrum of age groups was represented, from present students to the elders of the marine community.



The Welcome Committee: Bill Bixley, Adrian Broadbent, Nate Gale, Craig Boulton and Craig Hughes
(Photo courtesy Graham Taylor)

It was also great to see intrastate and interstate visitors in the throng, including Martin Renilson, Jonathan Duffy, Dean Cook, Gregor Macfarlane and Michael Woodward from Tasmania, Annette Hill, Liz Hay, Werner Bundschuh and Tom Charter from Brisbane, Karl Slater, Trevor Dove, Ashley Weir and Jesse Millar from Melbourne, and Craig Hughes from Perth.

Sydney turned on a perfect evening, and many partners in attendance enjoyed the view from the decks of *James Craig*. Drinks (beer, champagne, wine and soft drinks) and finger food (spring rolls and prawns) were provided. A delicious buffet dinner of stuffed turkey, salads, pasta and bread rolls for mains, and mini ice-creams and cheese platters to finish, was served in the 'tween decks, and many tall tales and true were told.



Some of the crowd enjoying drinks on board *James Craig*
(Photo courtesy Graham Taylor)



More of the crowd enjoying drinks on board *James Craig*
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More of the crowd enjoying drinks on board *James Craig*
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Finger food on board *James Craig*
(Photo courtesy Graham Taylor)



Sue-Ellen Jahshan, Bradley Abdilla and RhysWilliams on board *James Craig*
(Photo courtesy Graham Taylor)

“Early bird” pricing and credit-card facilities for “early bird” payments continue to be successful, and all tickets were sold before the event — you really do have to be early!

Formalities were limited to

- a short speech by the Chair of the SMIX Bash Committee, Nate Gale, who welcomed the guests and thanked the industry sponsors; and
- the presentation of the Walter Atkinson Award certificate 2015 by the President of the Australian Division of RINA, Martin Renilson, to Shaun Denehy for the paper Denehy, S.P., Duffy, J.T., Ranmuthugala, D. and Renilson, M.R., (2015), Mooring Arrangement Design to Minimise Berthed Ship Motions due to a Passing Ship, *Proceedings Pacific 2015 International Maritime Conference*, RINA and IMarEST, Sydney.

The lucky-door prize of a \$130 champagne Christmas hamper was drawn by Tom Charter from Damen, and won by Scott Thacker from BAE Systems Australia.

The raffle prizes of \$100 Christmas hampers were drawn by David Parmeter from Teekay Shipping, and were won by Annette Hill from Lloyd’s Register International and Elizabeth Sandeman-Gay. The proceeds of the raffle will be donated to the Sydney Heritage Fleet.

This year’s event was sponsored by the following organisations:

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Our thanks to them for their generosity and support of SMIX Bash 2017, without which it could not happen.



Chair of the SMIX Bash Committee, Nate Gale,
welcoming guests and thanking sponsors
(Photo courtesy Graham Taylor)



Presentation of the Walter Atkinson Award 2016
by Martin Renilson (R) to Shaun Denehy
(Photo courtesy Graham Taylor)



Servery in the 'tween decks
(Photo courtesy Graham Taylor)



Dinner in the 'tween decks
(Photo courtesy Graham Taylor)