

Research Vessel Operators' Committee 2001 RVOC Meeting October 23-25, 2001

Narragansett and Newport, Rhode Island
Hosted by the Graduate School of Oceanography, University of Rhode Island

The 2001 RVOC Meeting will be hosted by the Graduate School of Oceanography (GSO), University of Rhode Island (URI). The first day of the meeting will be a joint session with the Research Vessel Technical Enhancement Committee and will be held in Corliss Auditorium at the GSO Campus in Narragansett, RI. The second day of the meeting, October 24th, will be held at The Hotel Viking in Newport, RI. On day-three, October 25th, the RVOC meeting will convene again at the GSO Campus in Narragansett.

Directions to the Graduate School of Oceanography, URI and a map of the campus can be found at: <http://www.gso.uri.edu/howtoeach.html>.

Directions to The Hotel Viking can be found at: <http://hotelviking.com/>.

A map of Newport can be viewed at: <http://www.ripta.com/programs/newport.php>.

If you plan to attend the RVOC meeting please submit your on-line registration form no later than September 30, 2001. The form is posted at:
<http://archive.unols.org/meetings/2001/200110rvo/registration.html>.

Tuesday, 23 October 2001

Corliss Auditorium, Graduate School of Oceanography, URI, Narragansett

2001 Research Vessel Operators Committee Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, 23 October 2001

8:00 Meeting Check-in and Informal Discussion Period

- Pre-registration for the meeting is requested. An on-line registration form will be available prior to the meeting. Payment for meals is requested prior to the meeting (see registration form for details).

9:00 Meeting Called to Order

- Bill Hahn, Marine Superintendent, URI and John Freitag Manager of Marine Technicians, URI
- Dr. David Farmer, Dean, URI, Graduate School of Oceanography
- Steve Rabalais, RVOC Chair and Dale Chayes, RVTEC Chair

9:20 UNOLS Reports

- Summary of UNOLS Activities - Bob Knox
- UNOLS Committee reports (RVTEC, RVOC, FIC, AICC, DESSC, Ship Scheduling)

9:50 Agency Reports:

- NSF - Mike Reeve, Dolly Dieter, Linda Goad, Sandy Shor
- ONR - Tim Pfeiffer
- NOAA - Jon Rix/Bill O-Clock
- NAVO - Gordan Wilkes/Paul Taylor/
- USCG - Joe Bodenstedt/Jonathan Berkson
- State Dept - Liz Tirpak

10:15 Break

10:35 Agency Reports (continued)

11:00 UNOLS Quality of Service Initiative/Post Cruise Assessments - Mike Prince

12:00 Lunch Break

- Lunches will be available in the Coastal Institute Building - Hazard Room

1:15 Winch and Wire Discussion

- Next Generation Wire/establishing Wire SMRs - Jon Alberts, Woods Hole Oceanographic
- Safe Working Loads- Tom Althouse, Scripps Institute of Oceanography
- New Over the Side Handling Gear - James Stasny, Dynacon, Inc.
- Future Science Needs- Dr. Peter Wiebe, WHOI

2:30 Break

2:50 ISM

- U.S. Class I & II Operators - Morgan Terrell, University of Washington
- Foreign Operators - Paul Stone, Southampton Oceanography Centre
- NOAA - Doug Friske, NOAA

5:00 Adjourn Day One Meeting

6:30 pm RVOC/RVTEC Joint Social – The [Museum of Yachting](#), Newport, RI

Wednesday, 24 October 2001

The Hotel Viking, Conference Room C, Newport, RI

0830 Old Business

- Minutes of the 2000 Meeting
- Mystic Seaport Display - Update on activities
- Accident Statistics - Mike Prince
- Safety Committee - Tom Althouse
- Pay Compensation, Small Vessels - Matt Hawkins
- CMMS Update - Bill Hahn

0900 New Business

- SOCP Update - Steve Rabalais, et.al.
- Buyers Conference Report - Lee Black, Dan Schwartz
- Group Purchase Update - Steve Rabalais, Matt Hawkins
- NSF Inspection Program/ SSSE Update - Dolly Dieter
- Personnel Conference in New York/Ad Hoc Personnel Committee- Lee Black
- Safety Committee - Tom Althouse

0930 Special Reports

Reps. from other countries

SACLANT - Chris Gobey

NERC - Edward Cooper

Canadian Defense Research Establishment - Major Michel Caron

1000 Break

1020 Special Reports (cont'd)

Reps. From foreign countries

NIOZ - Marieke Rietveld

Others -

Research vessel updates

AGOR 26 - Robert Hinton

R/V Hatteras Mid-Life- Quentin Lewis

R/V Asteriasn Replacement - Joe Coburn/Dutch Wegman

R/V Pelican Mid-Life - Steve Rabalais

R/V Alpha Helix Replacement- Tom Smith

New NMFS Fisheries Vessels - Jim Meehan

Sea Education Association - Phil Sacks

R/V Suncoaster Replacement- Gene Olson

Univ. of Delaware-Matt Hawkins

R/V Savannah - Baxton Tesh

WHOI Swath - Joe Coburn

Z Drive Problems -Tom Althouse, other AGOR operators

California oil spill regulations - Tom Althouse, others

Deep Coring - Joe Coburn

LBVDS - Joe Coburn/Dutch Wegman

Asterias Replacement - Joe Coburn/Dutch Wegman

Other Operators with special reports

LUNCH

1300 Medical Services Contract

Update on MAS activities and comments on new contract

1330 Fuel Cells - Jack Bash, University of Rhode Island

1400 Human Factors in Ship Design. Dr.Thomas Dobie , University of New Orleans's National Biodynamics

1445 Break

1500 New Drug Testing Policies - LCDR Scott Budka, USCG

1600 Insurance and Admiralty Law Review - Dennis Nixon

Thursday, 25 October

Coastal Institute Building Auditorium, URI/GSO, Narragansett

0830 INMARTECH 2002 Plans - Marieke J. Rietveld (NIOZ)

0845 Security aboard vessels working in high-risk areas.

0915 RVOC Meeting Wrap-up

Round Table (to immediately follow RVOC general meeting wrap-up)

- NSF Inspection
- Proposal Sharing
- Group purchase
- Charter Change
- Newsletter CD Format
- SWAB Test Program
- Pay Compensation Survey for large vessels
- ISM compliance in small vessels
- SOCP membership
- Van Standards and inventory
- Medical capabilities on board.
- Unique operational situations on Class 3-4 vessels.
- Crosby Training
- Mailing List to Vendors

1000 Break

1015 Continue Round Table

1100 Business Meeting

- Assignment to committees
- Review of Action Items
- Suggestions for 2002 Agenda
- Vote on host for 2003 Meeting