

**2004 RVOC Meeting
October 19-21, 2004
Bermuda Biological Station for Research**

**Ferry Reach
St. George's, Bermuda**

MONDAY, 18 OCTOBER 2004 (PRE-MEETING RECEPTION)

1830 – Reception in Hanson Hall at BBSR hosted by Dr. Tony Knap, President & Director BBSR

1900 - Presentation by Dr. Maureen Conte in Hanson Hall (adjacent to Reception area)

TUESDAY, 19 OCTOBER 2004 –

0800 Registration and Coffee/Pastry (Guests Invited)

0830 Welcoming Remarks

Lee Black, Marine Superintendent, BBSR
Dr. Tony Knap, President & Director BBSR

Tim Askew, Chairman, RVOC

0900 Old Business

Minutes 2003 Meeting

Group Purchase Update – EEBD (Tim Askew), Immersion Suits (Fred Jones), Automatic Identification System (Tom Althouse), Radars (Fred Jones), SSAS (Al Suchy).

0915 New Business

0925 Committee and Liaison Reports

UNOLS - Mike Prince, Exec. Secretary
Safety Committee - Tom Althouse
Ship Scheduling Committee - Mike Prince

Ship Security-Dan Schwartz

1000 Break

1015 Committee and Liaison Reports (cont'd)

FIC – Al Suchy

DESSC – Mike Prince

RVTEC – Bill Martin (Stuart Halewood)

AICC - Dan Schwartz

SOCP – Tim Askew (Desmond Rolf)

1100 Agency Reports

NSF – Linda Goad

ONR - John Freitag

NOAA/FOFC - Beth White

USCG – Tom Wojahn, Jonathan Berkson

State Dept. – Roberta Barnes

1200 LUNCH

1300 Special Reports (presentations will be limited to 10min/ea.)

Representatives from foreign countries

SACT - Ian Sage

NIOZ - Marieke Rietveld

Others

Research vessel updates

Alpha Helix Replacement - Tom Smith

R/V Tioga Update – Albert Suchy

NMFS Fisheries Vessels - Jim Meehan

Henlopen Replacement - Matt Hawkins

- CMMS Update – Dan Schwartz/Bill Hahn
- Post Cruise Assessments and PCA results - Mike Prince
- Safety Statistics and MAS - Mike Prince
- Winch and Wire Update (Safe Working Loads, Wire Specs., W&W Inventory and F-O cable) - Mike Prince
- Van Pool, Group Purchases, and Standards – Matt Hawkins
- Long Core System – Al Suchy
- Load Handling System Workshop – Matt Hawkins
- Other Special Reports may be added as time permits

1530 Break

1550 Insurance and Liability (any other legal issues?) - Dennis Nixon

1720 Adjourn

Evening events at the Biological Station

1800 WEATHERBIRD II (*Open House*)

1830 Tour of New BBSR lab by Dr. Tony Knap

1930 - 2100 Sponsored Dinner (Meyers Agency) @ BBSR

(Spouses & guests welcome)

WEDNESDAY, 20 OCTOBER 2004 – BBSR

0800 Coffee/Pastry (Guests Invited)

0830 Continuation of Research Vessel Updates

0930 Med Aire (formerly MAS), Bill Mahaffy – Overview, statistics, and questions.

1030 *Break*

1045 Weight and Stability Management for Research Vessels and Tonnage (regulatory vs convention) impact on intermediate vessels – Dirk Kristensen, Glosten Assoc.

1200 *Lunch*

1300 NTSB – Morgan Turrell, Marine Accident Section (What to expect if ship has accident)

1400 Workshops-Suggested topics (2 sessions possible, express your preferences):

- Security plans
- Uniformity for port and EEZ fees (who pays for what – science vs operator)
- Safety
- ISM
- Computer maintenance
- Load Handling System Design Standards – Sub-Chapter U, ABS, DNV, other.
- Other ?

1500 Break

1615 Workshop Reports

1645 *Adjourn*

1900 *Dinner at Grotto Bay Hotel (dress code is casual)*

THURSDAY, 21 OCTOBER 2004 – BBSR

0800 Coffee/Pastry (Guests Invited)

0830 Round Table Discussion (Marine Superintendents and Program Managers)

- Ship Inspection Program
- ISM
- Future Group Purchases
- Other items to be added as needed

1030 Break

1045 Round Table cont'd

1200 Lunch

1300 Business Meeting

- Assignment to Committees
- Review of Action Items Pending
- Suggestion for 2005 agenda
- Nominations and vote on 2005 meeting location

1430 Adjourn