

IHO Phase 1 Skills Training Course Fish Hoek, South Africa 26th – 30th Nov 2012







INTERNATIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC ORGANIZATION

Title of the course: Southern African and Islands Hydrographic Commission (SAIHC) Capacity Building Work Programme: Phase 1 Skills Training Course

Host: South African Navy Hydrographic Office

Venue: Calders Hotel Fish Hoek South Africa

Date: 26th to 30th December 2012

Type: Regional (Central African Nations and Indian Ocean Islands)

Organized by: IHO, SANHO and UKHO

Supported by: UKHO

Number of participants: 12 full time

Number of countries: 9

Summary

Description:

A highly practical introduction to the assessment and promulgation of navigationally significant information.

Aim:

To provide delegates with the skills and knowledge to assess

and promulgate navigationally significant information to the wider maritime community. **Designed for:**

Delegates in receipt of navigational information who require basic assessment skills to enable the promulgation of navigationally significant information.

Objectives:

By the end of the module, through a series of exercises, delegates wILL be able to:

- Understand the responsibilities under SOLAS
- Demonstrate a basic understanding of geographical plotting
- Work with some basic chart datum's
- Describe several different sources of information
- Describe and use international chart symbols and abbreviations
- Understand the need to keep nautical charts up-to-date
- Describe the methods used to keep nautical charts up-to-date
- Understand the Maritime Safety Information system
- Describe the WorldWide Navigational Warning Service
- Understand the role of the NAVAREA co ordinator

Venue

The course was held at the Calders Hotel in Fish Hoek nr. Cape Town, South Africa. The facilities were good and the Calder's staff were most supportive in response to any requests for assistance. An air-conditioned conference room was provided, equipped with projector with connection to laptop computers, projection screen, and flip-chart and good internet access. An extra classroom made available for chart work.

Opening & Closing Ceremonies

Capt Abri Kampher (SANHO) and Ms Ruth Farre (SANHO organiser) opened the course which involved the participants and trainer Gary Summers (UKHO) giving a short resume of their role within their organisation. The former outlined the rationale for the course and summarized the potential benefits to participants' nations in developing phase 1 hydrographic capabilities.

Capt Kampher closed the course after presenting each participant with a certificate of attendance which was well received.

Participants

There were 12 participants were from the following 9 countries: Comoros, Seychelles,

Mauritius, Kenya, Mozambique, South Africa, Madagascar, Namibia and Malawi.

The enthusiasm and involvement of all the participants was impressive, they were clearly keen to learn and to derive full benefit from the course.

<u>Course</u>

This one week course brought together participants with a diverse range of background, age and experience, but who were united by their desire to develop their skills in the assessment and promulgation of navigationally significant information.

The group worked mainly from individual workbooks supplemented by chart size exercises (see full programme at Annex A) facilitated by UKHO trainer Gary Summers.

Participants were encouraged to explain their concerns and relay stories of note for all to learn by. This interactive approach was key to the success of the course, as the training objectives were enhanced by ensuring that each lesson was delivered with a shared learning objective.

Attendees were required to have proficiency in English, since that was the language of delivery; however, many were from countries where French is the first language. This dictated the pace of delivery and explanation of hydrographic terminology to suit those less familiar with English.

A summary of the participants' feedback forms is included at Annex B, from which it is concluded that the course was successful in achieving its aims.

Expenses for Gary Summers at Annex C

Assessment A multiple choice test was completed on the final day by all participants which covered the week's subjects. The results were as follows:

Country	Student	Score 30 max
Comoros	Mohammed Said	20
Seychelles	Capt Andrea Valmont	24
Mauritius	Capt Jean Noel	25
Kenya	Grace Oima	25
Mozambique	Domingos Parraque	23
South Africa	Xolisa Memese	26
Madagascar	Nary larivo	25
Namibia	Mark Eiman	26
Malawi	Collins Kufunda	22
Malawi	David Longwe	18
Mauritius	Phillippe Domingo	26
South Africa	Gailen Pietersen	26

Annex A

	Programme	
1	Course Aims & Objectives Introduction History, role and responsibilities of an Hydrographic Office Understanding the role of IHO/IMO SOLAS Types of chart and chart users;	
2	Re cap: Look at charts and chart scales/marginalia/titles/notes [optional] Chart Projections Chart Datum (Horizontal) Latitude and Longitude Bearing and Distance	
_3	Depth Selection and Units / Contours, whiteboard [optional] Chart Symbols and Abbreviations [S4] Nav aids – Lights and buoys Navigational Dangers Source material: types, analysis and depiction (paper and digital material) Data Assessment and Chart Maintenance (Paper and Digital) Short term Chart Maintenance the need.	
4	Describe the WorldWide Navigational Warning Service. Understand the role of the Nav Area co-ordinator. GMDSS Maritime Safety Information Methods of updating	
5	Chart Maintenance the need Notice to Mariners Drafting Notice to Mariners ENC usage bands [optional] Introduction to ENC – transition from Paper charts via ARCS [optional] Evaluation Quiz	

Annex B TRAINING ANALYSIS - End of Course

NUMBER OF DELEGATES

COST OF TRAINING

Q1 The information covered on the course was new to me

Strongly Agree	\checkmark				\checkmark	\checkmark					
Agree		\checkmark					$\mathbf{\nabla}$	\checkmark	$\mathbf{\nabla}$		
Neutral											
Disagree			\checkmark	\checkmark						\checkmark	\checkmark
Strongly Disagree											

Q2 The course content was well organised

Strongly Agree				\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Agree		\mathbf{N}	\mathbf{N}						
Neutral									
Disagree									
Strongly Disagree									

Q3 The course content too elementary

Strongly Agree		\checkmark			\checkmark	\checkmark				\checkmark	
Agree								$\mathbf{\nabla}$			
Neutral											
Disagree			\checkmark	\checkmark			\checkmark		\mathbf{V}		\checkmark
Strongly Disagree											

Q4 The balance between presentations and exercises was satisfactory

Strongly Agree	\checkmark			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Agree		\checkmark							
Neutral									
Disagree									
Strongly Disagree									

Q5 The workbook was very usable

Strongly Agree	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	
Agree				$\mathbf{\nabla}$						\checkmark
Neutral										
Disagree										
Strongly Disagree										

Q6 The delivery matched my learning style

Strongly Agree						\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	
Agree	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark				\checkmark			\checkmark
Neutral												
Disagree												
Strongly Disagree												

Q7 The training room was appropriate for the course

Strongly Agree		\checkmark							
Agree	\checkmark								
Neutral									
Disagree									
Strongly Disagree									

Q8 The breaks were the right length

Strongly Agree		\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	
Agree	\checkmark						\mathbf{A}			\checkmark
Neutral										
Disagree										
Strongly Disagree										

Q9 The presentation screen was clearly visible

Strongly Agree		\checkmark			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Agree	\mathbf{N}		\mathbf{N}	$\mathbf{\nabla}$						
Neutral										
Disagree										
Strongly Disagree										

Q10 The instructor was easily understood

Strongly Agree	\checkmark	\checkmark			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Agree			\mathbf{N}	\mathbf{N}				\mathbf{A}			
Neutral											
Disagree											
Strongly Disagree											

Q11 The instructor was helpful

Strongly Agree	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\mathbf{N}	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Agree										
Neutral										
Disagree										
Strongly Disagree										

Q12 The instructor was fully prepared

Strongly Agree	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Agree										
Neutral										
Disagree										
Strongly Disagree										

Q13 The instructor listened and answered all questions

Strongly Agree	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Agree				\checkmark	\mathbf{N}				\checkmark			
Neutral												
Disagree												
Strongly Disagree												

Q14 I understand my role and responsibility within the hydrographic field

Strongly Agree						\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Agree	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\mathbf{N}	$\mathbf{\nabla}$						
Neutral											
Disagree											
Strongly Disagree											

Q15 I have a much better understanding of the assessment of nautical charts

Strongly Agree			\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	
Agree	\checkmark	\checkmark		\mathbf{N}				$\mathbf{\nabla}$			\checkmark
Neutral											
Disagree											
Strongly Disagree											

Q16 I have a clearer understanding of chart updating

Strongly Agree		\checkmark			\mathbf{N}	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Agree	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark						\checkmark
Neutral										
Disagree										
Strongly Disagree										

Q17 I believe the course was well worth my time and met my requirements

Strongly Agre	e ⊠	\checkmark			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark
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Agree	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	
Neutral							
Disagree							
Strongly Disagree							

Comments

Training of this kind should continue. What I really need now is more practicals. Very well organised. Had a real good time on course. Met a really great

person - Gary Summers. The course I just followed was very important even if until now there is no service in my country hydrography and help me to understand some information which I was not aware in English.

Increase the duration of the training. Encourage many more participating countries for a good awareness.

What needed improving on the course?

Needs of power point files. Invitation to training should be done in good time, I was informed very late. Duration/practicals. Nothing since it's Phase one. Keep on-going. Nothing - it's perfect. Nothing to say, I'm satisfied.

Any other comments

Need of level higher after this one. More hydrographers, cartographers and captains should be included in the training. Thanks. None.

Annex C Expenses

Type of Expense	Supplier/Description	Amount
Rail Travel	Train ticket to London	£22.50
Travel and Sus	Flight to South Africa	£1,564.89
Travel and Sus	Heathrow express	-£18.00
Travel and Sus	Refund from Heathrow express	£8.00
Travel and Sus	John Attrill/Taxi - return to Heathrow	£300.00
Travel and Sus	Flight to South Africa	£1,564.89
	Total	£3,442.28