CSPCWG Officers



Jeff WOOTTON Chairman (Australian Hydrographic Service)



Nick WEBB Vice-chairman (UK Hydrographic Office)

Jeff joined the Australian Hydrographic Service as a nautical cartographer in 1986 after completing an Associate Diploma of Cartography and spending 5 years gaining experience in the field of topographic mapping. For the next 13 years Jeff progressed through the ranks of nautical chart production and maintenance, culminating in heading up a production team responsible for the modernization of the charts covering the Great Barrier Reef and the production and publication of the first official Australian ENC's. In 2001, Jeff commenced his involvement with IHO Technical Working Groups through coordination of the revision of the S-57 Use of the Object Catalogue for ENC for the TSMAD Working Group. In 2006, he took up the newly created post of Manager of Australian Charting Specifications, and expanded his IHO involvement by becoming the Australian representative to the TSMADWG, DIPWG, CSPCWG and HDWG, including the roles of coordinator of the TSMAD S-57 Maintenance and S-101 Data Classification and Encoding Guide Sub-Working Groups. In 2008, Jeff was promoted to the position of Deputy Director, Chart Specifications and Standards and Chart Quality Assurance, and became responsible for the newly formed Chart Quality Assurance Section of the AHS in 2011.

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Nick has worked at the UKHO for more than 36 years in a variety of roles. He has spent many years in chart branches, both as a compiler and manager, engaged in both UK waters and overseas charting. He moved to the newly formed Marketing branch to become the ARCS Product Manager before becoming Training and Promotion Manager - promoting new digital services around the world and training our global network of distributors in the use of new navigational software packages. He then took up the role of Regional Sales Manager – managing several of our distributors both in UK and abroad and providing support to them in the form of training, representation at trade shows and helping to organise and host seminars. Nick took part in the 2002-2003 Clipper Round the World Yacht Race, sailing from Hawaii to Hong Kong via Japan and China before moving to the International Liaison team providing coordination between UKHO and international bodies such as IHO and IMO. Nick then became a Geographic Manager (GM) with a responsibility first for Sweden and Finland, then for East Asia. Nick is now the Geographic and Data Acquisition Manager – managing a team several GMs who operate with our partners globally. Nick has been married to Helen for 31 years and has two married children, Daniel and Charlotte.

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Andrew HEATH-COLEMAN Secretary (UK Hydrographic Office) Andrew joined the UK Hydrographic Office from school in 1969, as a cartographic draughtsman. Most of the first twenty-five years of his career were spent, at progressively higher levels of responsibility, on chart compilation, mainly as part of the UK Waters metrication programme and later on the charting of the Mediterranean, where he gained extensive experience of chart scheming. Shorter spells of duty were spent in specialist charting areas and two years in Management Support, including International Charting and Liaison, which brought experience in providing briefs and other support to senior management. In 1994, Andrew was promoted to Head of Chart Branch level and has held responsibility for the charting of the North Sea and Baltic Sea areas, before working in the 'Standards' office. He is now partially retired (which allows more time for working in his garden and also voluntary work). Andrew is married to Frances, with three grown up children and seven grandchildren.

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