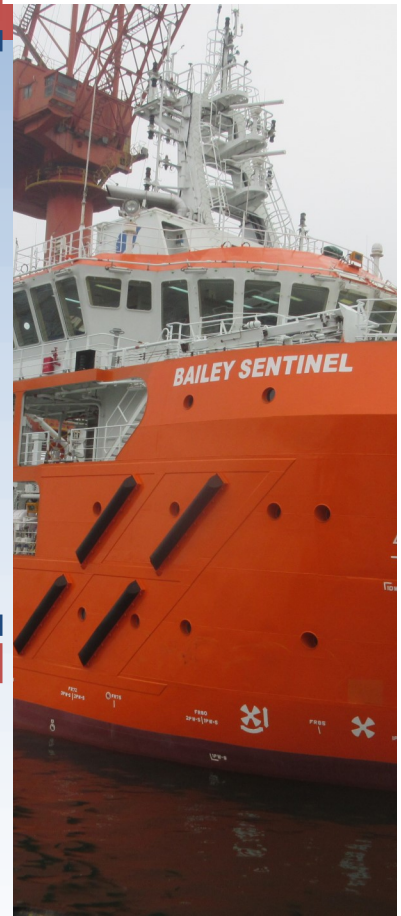


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# FLAGGING UP

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## Welcome from UKSR Director Doug Barrow

Summer's almost over and it has been a busy time for the UKSR. We've seen green performance indicators all the way for the UKSR in the International Chamber of Shipping Industry Flag state performance table. We've been endorsed again as a quality Flag by the Paris MOU; great news for the UKSR and its customers! Our fleet now tops the 16.5 million GT mark for the first time since June 2013 and we're continually proving that we are a quality Flag for quality customers.

We're determined to build long-term relationships with our customers to ensure a smooth customer journey, so we've embarked on an extensive visit plan. You can read about some of our visits below.

Enjoy your read,

Doug Barrow

Director UK Ship Register



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## Stats and Flag-Ins

Our flag total now stands at 16,531,278 GT, and is the highest it's been for five years.

Recent flag-ins include:

Carisbrooke Shipping's *Xiaoyi C*, a general cargo vessel of 5,629 GT, Anglo International's bulk carrier *Anglo Alexandria* 63,940 GT, and Nordic American Offshore (NAO) vessels *Horizon*, *Galaxy* and *Guardian*, a combined total of 10,545 GT.

Red Funnel's latest in the great tradition of Isle of Wight passenger ferries, *Red Jet 7*, also joined the Flag in July, as did Forth Ports tug

*Craigleith* and the *Ailsa*, a Floating Production, Storage and Offloading Systems (FSO), of 66,654 GT operated by Maersk North Sea UK Limited jointly with BRITOL limited and JX NIPPON Exploration and Production (UK) Limited.

We also welcomed two commercial yachts— *Earl of Pembroke* and *Shenandoah of Sark*.

Sentinel Marine's 2,173 GT *Bailey Sentinel*, (pictured) is the latest in Offshore Support Vessels to join the Flag.

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### Green indicators all in the International Chamber of Shipping Industry Flag State performance table

We're one of only 18 registries of the 119 assessed to be given green performance indicators in every category of the Flag State table.

The table provides an indication of the performance of flag states worldwide, analysing how administrations deliver against activities such as port state control, ratification of international maritime conventions and attendance at IMO meetings.

## Up to 5th on Paris MoU White list

### Paris MoU



Consistent high performance has seen the UKSR move up to 5th place in the Paris MoU flag state performance table for 2017 effective from 1 July. The table is based on the total number of inspections and detentions over a three-year rolling period for flags with at least thirty inspections in the period.

The Paris MoU committee approved the 2017 inspection results at its meeting in May for flags and Recognised Organisations (RO). The White, Grey and Black Lists show flag state performance, from flags with a high performance to flags with a poor performance that are considered high or very high risk.

Doug Barrow said, “We are absolutely delighted by this recognition of the high levels of service we provide to our owners and operators on a 24/7 basis. The Paris MoU is an internationally recognised standard, and this endorses us as a quality flag for quality owners”.



Pictured: UK Shipping Minister Nusrat Ghani (centre), and from left to right Union of Greek Ship owners (Andonis Lemos, John C Lyras, Theo Veniamis (President), George Angelopoulos (Vice President) and UK Ambassador Kate Smith.

## Visits, shows and exhibitions

The summer season was packed with opportunities to network and meet with customers. Our highlights include:

June saw the UK Ship Register's third visit to Greece in the last six months. We were able to update participants at the prestigious Posidonia networking event, **about** the growth of the UK Flag. Productive discussions continued between the UK Shipping Minister Nusrat Ghani MP, Ambassador to Greece Kate Smith, Doug Barrow and the Union of Greek Shipowners. The Minister also addressed the maritime industry at the British Embassy reception, enabling the UKSR to network with many new business contacts.

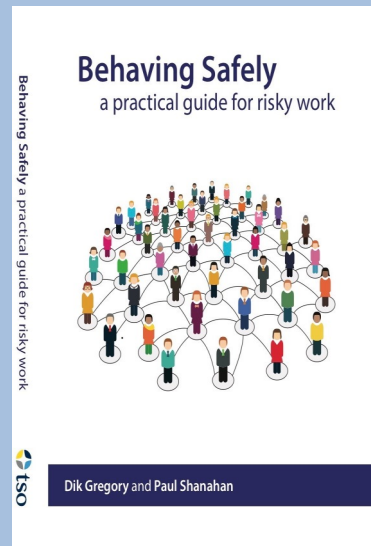
Sarah Fraser, Commercial Head of UKSR Large Yacht Services (LYS), met with existing and potential clients at the MYBA Charter Show in Barcelona. She enjoyed responding to seafaring questions and discussed the benefits of the UK Flag with brokers, yacht managers and industry influencers. "We're looking forward to attending as an exhibitor next year," said Sarah.

The LYS also attended the Palma Yacht Show, as it features several UK-flagged yachts over 24m, including *Leopard*, *Shenandoah* and *Nostromo*.

Meanwhile sharing best practice and knowledge were the main themes at the 30th Red Ensign Group (REG) Conference in Guernsey. The conference was co-chaired by Sir Alan Massey, CEO of the Maritime & Coastguard Agency and Chad Murray of Guernsey. Priority topics included: sharing surveyor resources, a review of the Red Ensign Group Yacht Code (which comes into force next year) and the IMO III Code audit (2020).

"We are very proud to be part of the REG and to be celebrating this 30th anniversary," said Doug Barrow.

### Behaving Safely – pocket guide now available



A practical guide for those dealing with risky work in the maritime industry has been published by the Maritime & Coastguard Agency.

"Our industry can be inherently dangerous," says Doug Barrow. "This book is a useful guide to looking again at the environment seafarers and others in the industry are working in today with the potential to prevent accidents and injuries."

For further information go to: [www.tsoshop.co.uk](http://www.tsoshop.co.uk)

### Can you help us build our photo library?

We're looking to build our image library and what better way than by having photos of your ships and vessels flying the Red Ensign all over the world?

If you have some great photos that you would be happy for the UKSR to use in our publicity material, then please send a high resolution copy to:

**ukshipregister@mcga.gov.uk**



## Merchant Navy Day

On Monday 3 September 2018, Merchant Navy Day, the nation showed appreciation for our Merchant Navy seafarers past, present and future. People were encouraged as part of the Seafarers UK campaign to fly a Red Ensign ashore.

Doug Barrow, Director of UKSR commented, "Having sailed under the Red Ensign for seven years, it has a place in my heart and I now have the honour to lead the UK Ship Register to increase the number of ships at sea flying the Red Ensign.

Acknowledging the sacrifice made by so many merchant seafarers over the years, both in times of war and peace, the Red Duster flew over 800 locations across the country, reminding the nation that we are an island and over 90% of global trade, comes by sea.

Merchant Navy Day provided the opportunity to celebrate, across the

nation, what the Merchant Navy has meant to this country over many years. We saluted those who gave their lives, but also acknowledged the many thousands of British



seafarers at sea today manning ships around the world".

The campaign raised awareness of our island nation's dependence on seafarers and shipping and saw the British Merchant Navy's official flag flying atop civic and historic buildings across the UK and in prominent public locations.

For more information, go to

## World nations agree to at least halve emissions by 2050

At Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) IMO in May, nations agreed to continue efforts to phase out emissions. Owners and operators are encouraged to review the recommendations to reduce shipping greenhouse gas emissions in line with the IMO strategy to make shipping greener and

## Old stocks and new stamps

Our forms and notices on the UKSR website have been revised in accordance with the new GDPR regulations. Please destroy any old stocks and download new forms from the UK Ship Register website [www.ukshipregister.co.uk](http://www.ukshipregister.co.uk)

Our Registry of Shipping & Seamen have also updated their official stamps. From now on, our certificates of registry and certificates of corporate liability will come stamped with the UKSR logo.

## Introducing our team

Customer Account Managers (CAMs) Suzanne Landolfi and Celia Ghoshroy have worked in shipping for most of their careers, with the last ten years spent with the MCA. Both are self-confessed 'ship enthusiasts' who love nothing better than to take a walk down the quayside and spot the Red Ensign flying on ships that they may have flagged in. Suzanne and Celia provide a 24/7 service to our ship owners and are the main point of contact for all customers on the UK flag.

Celia (pictured top right) started her career in shipping after attending hotel school as a graduate trainee on the QE2, ending as a Purser. She then went on to work with Regent and Silver Sea as Guest Relations Manager, where she dealt with everything from guest complaints, customs and immigration enquiries, medivacs and embarkation to liaising with port agents and chasing lost luggage around the globe!

"One of the best aspects of the job was getting to meet lots of guests through hosting tables and organising cocktail parties" Celia explains.

Joining the MCA as Customer Insight Co-ordinator, she learned how to market campaigns to suit customer needs and got to know the varied nature of the MCA and customers of the UK Ship Register.



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Suzanne (pictured bottom right) began her career as a Communications Officer in Barry, South Wales for the Natural Environment Research Council. She worked with the RRS *Discovery*, *Challenger* and *Charles Darwin*, dealing with the operational requirements of the ships and the scientists.

A move to Southampton saw Suzanne become the first ever female port agent, boarding all different ship types including tankers, bulk carriers, container and ROROs, in all ports from Portland to Shoreham. She then joined P&O Nedlloyd as the team leader of the American Imports Customer Service Team, working with blue chip customers.

Almost ten years ago, Suzanne joined the MCA as team leader of the Certificate of Equivalent Competency (CEC) team, and then spent

five years in Inspection Branch, dealing with Port State Control and giving policy advice and technical support before joining the UKSR and becoming a CAM.

"Using my experience, I aim to do the best for our customers and the UK flag", says Suzanne. "I understand and can help our customers to overcome any hurdles and in doing so make sure that our customers receive the very best levels of customer service."

### How to contact the CAMs

To get in touch with Celia or Suzanne please email them at:  
[cam@mcga.gov.uk](mailto:cam@mcga.gov.uk)





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