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The Company of Master Mariners of Canada NL Division would like to extend heartfelt THANKS to all the sponsors for their generous contribution to this great Annual Competition. These young people are going to be the future of the marine industry filling in various positions onboard all kinds of vessels. Once again THANK YOU to all sponsors.



Captain Jim Thorpe

“Captain Jim Thorpe was born in Bridgeport, Connecticut. He passed away in January 2009 here in St. John’s. At our first Nautical Skills Competition in 2012 his wife Dawna Vivian and his son Lydon Thorpe presented the 1st Place Award, Captain Jim Thorpe Plaque.

Jim was a native of Stratford, Connecticut, and a member of a sailing family, all of whom were active in the Housatonic Boat Club. He attended Maine Maritime Academy in Castine, Maine, where he was involved with sailing and club activities.

Jim sailed the world with American Export Isbrandtsen Lines as Deck Officer and Navigation Officer, obtaining a USCG license of Master, any gross tons. He managed Bannister’s Wharf and Newport Yachting Center in Newport, Rhode Island. Vessels he operated included the barquentine Gazela Primero, the New York Yacht Club committee boat Black Knight, and the Hinckley-built yawl Nirvana. Jim retired to Newfoundland with his family, where he collaborated with the Company of Master Mariners of Canada among other projects. Jim was a mariner of the old school, a community builder, and a loving family man with an active circle of friends.”



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Group Picture of the Students and Judges



This is the 8th Nautical Skills Competition (NSC). At this competition we had **fifty nine** nautical science students, **eight** NL high school students and **one** student from Millwood High School, Lower Sackville, Nova Scotia (NS).

Our very sincere thanks go to all the Judges, some of whom are members of the Division and some are volunteer master mariners.



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The eighth (8th.) Annual Nautical Skills Competition (NSC) took place at the Marine Institute of Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John's, NL.

This Competition is an annual project of the Company of Master Mariners of Canada (CMMC) NL Division. **The Marine Institute (MI) provides great support by making their facilities available for these events.**

The Competition had the following events:

- 1- Seamanship
- 2- Stability / Ballast and Cargo Work
- 3- Shiphandling / Navigation
- 4- Offshore Operations
- 5- Dynamic Positioning

The Competition is open for the first year, second year and the third year Nautical Science students. These students, we believe are the future of our marine industry. This Competition is extremely valuable and educational for the students.

Ms Maria Halfyard joined the Division in September 2010. The Division, after months and months of discussions decided to conduct the NSC in 2012. Maria decided to volunteer as the Coordinator of the NSC. Since then she has not slacked off. She has made the NSC better and better year after year. Maria receives great support from several dedicated individuals who see the fantastic benefit of this NSC. The majority of the marine industry understands the undeniable

benefit of this great Annual Nautical Skills Competition.

This Annual Nautical Skills Competition would not be the way it is without Maria Halfyard. We are very grateful and extend our most sincere THANKS to her for taking such keen interest in this project.

This is our eighth (8th) year and this has turned out to be our best year.



Ms Maria Halfyard, the Coordinator of the Annual Nautical Skills Competition (NSC)

We would like to extend special thanks to **Ms Jennifer Howel**, Enrolment Management Coordinator, MI and **Ms Angie Clarke**, Director, Student Affairs, MI, for providing great help to Maria.

We also would like to thank **Mr. Greg Hicks**, Graphic Designer, MI, for spending the full day taking pictures of the events.



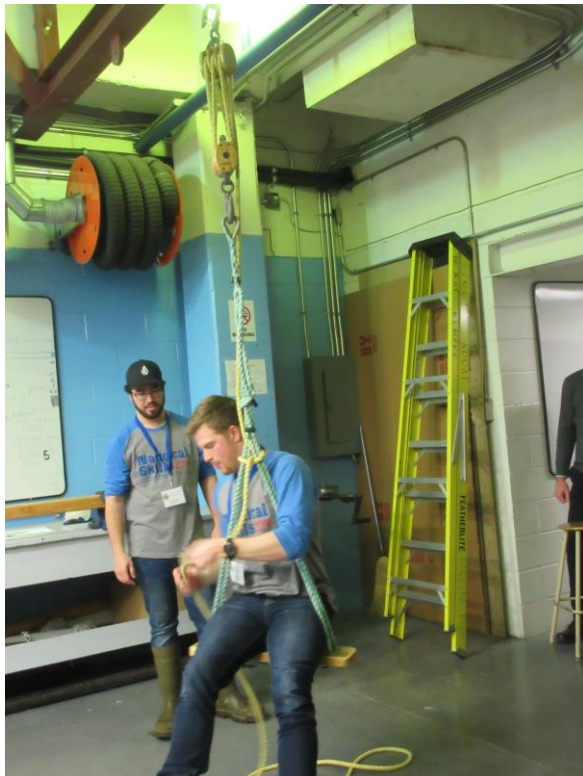
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Here are some pictures from the events:

Seamanship:



Stability / Ballast and Cargo Work:



Simulator Operator and Judges

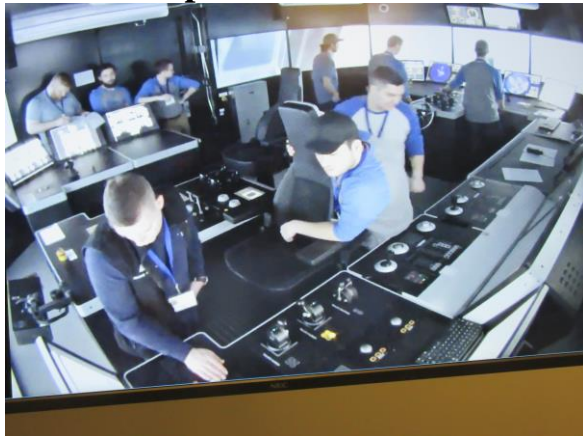


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Dynamic Positioning:

Offshore Operations:



DP Operators and Judges



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Shiphandling and Navigation:



After a very successful competition it was time to get together for some refreshments and some socializing. This was followed by a very lovely banquet and the awards presentations.

Various Awards:

Here is the picture of the two high school students who received the CMMC Tuition Vouches (the voucher is only for the first term of the first year of Nautical Science programme).



Shiphandling and Navigation Control Room



L-R: Maggie Lewis, Angie Clarke (Director, Student Affairs, MI) and Riley Collier



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Social Media Champs (Sponsored by the Marine Institute)



L-R: Patrick Harris, Drenaud Moncur, Jordie Pierce, Ken Butler-Thorne, Jennifer Howell (Enrolment Management Coordinator, MI), Luke Gatherall, Ryan Brushett, Tyler Yard and Ben Tobin

Stability Award (Sponsored by McKeil Marine)



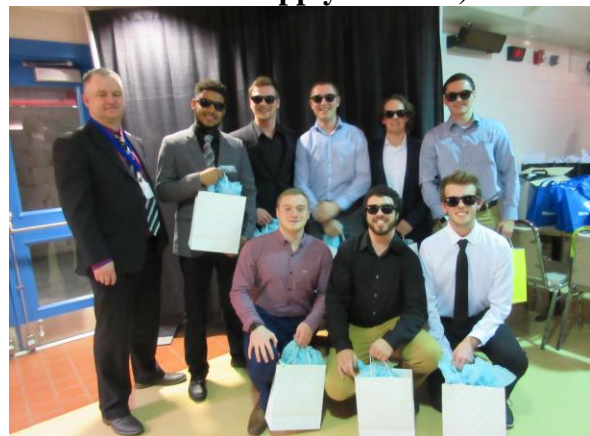
L-R: Dave Porter, Benjamin Cooper, Dylan Saunders, Liam Doyle, Nick Power, Jordan Murphy, Connor Edwin Oliveira, Brandon Goodyear and Brandon O'Brien

Seamanship Award (Sponsored by the Canadian Coast Guard)



L-R: Captain Matthew Wheaton (CCG), Tyler Yard, Drenaud Moncur, Ken Butler-Thorne, Ryan Brushett, Luke Gatherall, Patrick Harris, Jordie Pierce and Ben Tobin

Shiphandling Award (Sponsored by Maersk Supply Services)



L-R: Steve Dwyer, Drenaud Moncur, Luke Gatherall, Tyler Yard, Ryan Brushett, Ken Butler-Thorne, Jordie Pierce, Ben Tobin and Patrick Harris



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Problem Solving Award (Sponsored by Suncor)



L-R: Captain Paul White, Benjamin Cooper, Dylan Saunders, Nick Power, Liam Doyle, Jordan Murphy, Connor Edwin Oliveira, Brandon Goodyear and Brandon O'Brien

Professionalism Award (Sponsored by Algoma Central Corporation)



L-R: Jamie regular, Darcy O'Brien, Blake Loveys, Matt Martin, Clara Doane, Kyle Gaudet, Ashley Neary, Patrick Thompson and Adam Tanner

Spirit Award (Sponsored by Husky Energy)



L-R: Darcy O'Brien, Kyle Gaudet, Blake Loveys, Patrick Thompson, Clara Doane, matt Martin, Ashley Neary and Adam Tanner

Safety Award (Sponsored by Horizon Maritime)



L-R: Captain Cliff Gaetz, Kyle Whelan, Tanner Bennett, Kendra Knowles, Joshua Antle, Thomas Heppner, Ben Mouland and Jean-Sebastien Gregoire

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Honourable Mention Award (Sponsored by Marine Institute)



L-R: Tyler Yard, Ken Butler-Thorne, Drenaud Moncur, Ryan Brushett, Patrick Harris, Mr. Glenn Blackwood (Vice President Memorial University of Newfoundland, for the Marine Institute), Luke Gatherall, Ben Tobin and Jordie Pierce

Third Place Award (Each student received \$250.00)



L-R: Benjamin Cooper, Jordan Murphy, Dylan Saunders, Captain Chris Hearn (President, Company of Master Mariners of Canada), Nick Power, Brandon O'Brien, Connor Edwin Oliveira, Brandon Goodyear and Liam Doyle

Second Place Award (Each student received \$500.00)

Leadership Award (Sponsored by Federal Fleet Services)



L-R: Captain Sean Quinlan and Thomas Heppner



L-R: Ben Mouland, Tanner Bennett, Kyle Whelan, Kendra Knowles, Jean-Sebastien Gregoire, Thomas Heppner, Capt. Chris Hearn (CMMC) and Joshua Antle

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First Place Award (Captain Jim Thorpe Plaque and \$1000.00 each)



L-R: Matt Martin, Kyle Gaudet, Blake Loveys, Ashley Neary, Clara Doane, Paddy Thompson, Adam Tanner, Darcey O'Brien and Captain Chris Hearn (CMMC)

High School Student Participants



L-R: Jessica Baldwin (MI), Noah Boudreau, Riley Collier, Daniel Walsh, Maggie Lewis, Cameron Dolliver, Jaimie Feener (MI), William Perrett and Jennifer Howell (MI)

January 15, 2019 at our AGM, Capt. John Ennis proposed to confer Honorary Memberships to three very special people. This was unanimously agreed by the members.

They are: **Mrs. Elizabeth Clouter** (School of Maritime Studies, MI; **Ms Maria Halfyard**, Manager, Applied Research and Industrial Projects, CMS, MI; and **Mr. Glenn Blackwood**, Vice President, Memorial University of Newfoundland for Marine Institute.



Capt. John Ennis and Mrs. Elizabeth Clouter

"Elizabeth has been involved with the Division since its inception, attending various functions. She always promotes the Division to the 1st Years and encourages them to join the Division as cadet members. She also brings students to Speaker Nights with her."

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Capt. John Ennis and Mr. Glenn Blackwood

“Mr. Blackwood is Vice President of MUN for MI. This is an acknowledgement of the tremendous in-kind support that the MI provides to the Division especially the use of the facilities for the NSC”



Capt. John Ennis and Ms Maria Halfyard
“Maria’s unwavering commitment to the NSC continues to make it an annual successful integration of Masters, cadets and industry promoting a high level of ability and professional conduct”

Now here are some pictures from the Banquet





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