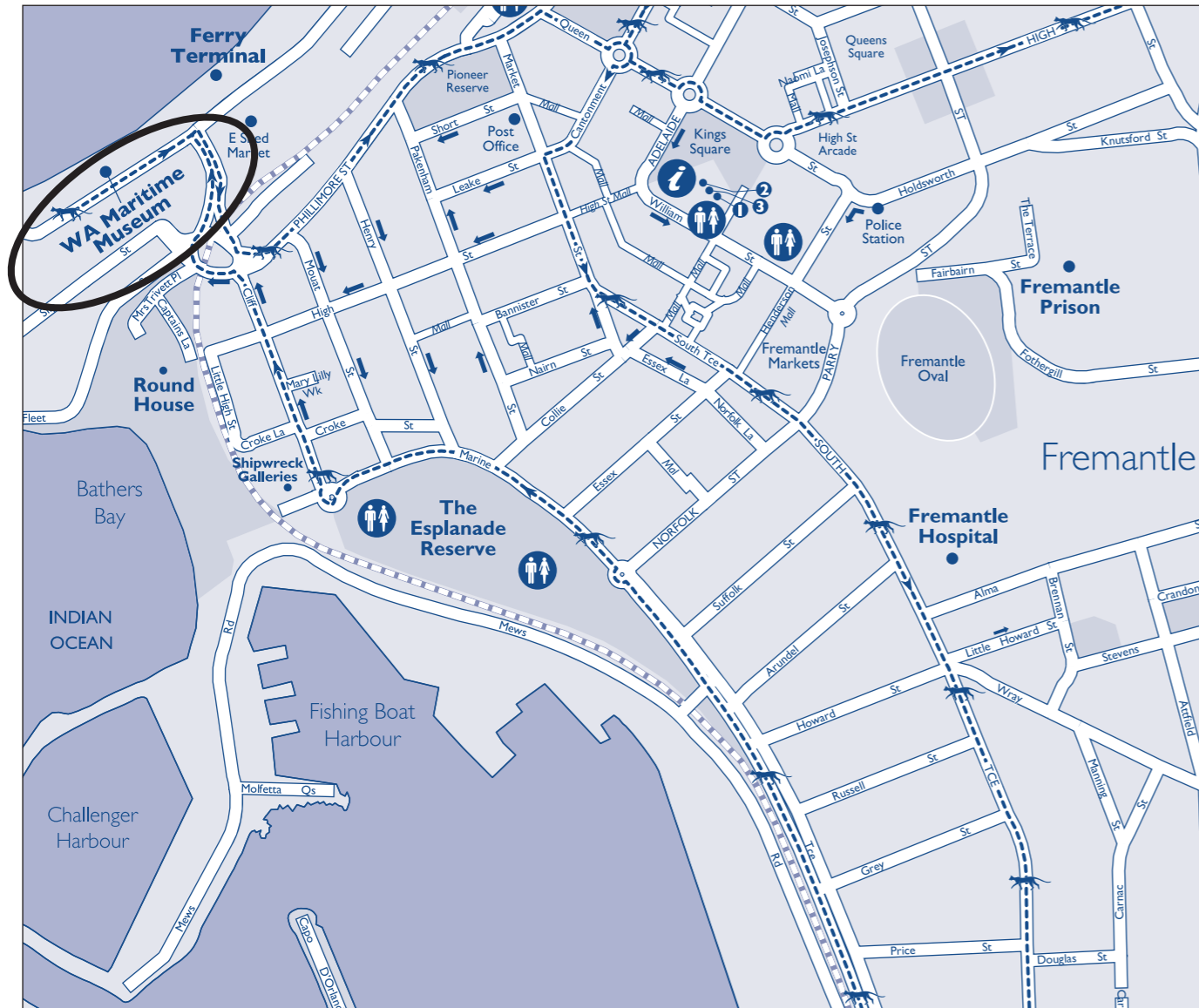


Venue

Western Australian Maritime Museum
Cliff Street (Victoria Quay)
Fremantle WA 6160

The Seacare HSR Forum 2009 will be held at the Western Australian Maritime Museum in Fremantle, Perth. Looking out over the majestic Indian Ocean, the Maritime Museum is symbolic of Fremantle's past, present and future as a coastal town. The Museum houses six unique galleries, each focusing on a different aspect of Western Australia's relationship with the sea.



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Seacare HSR Forum 2009 Program

Involving HSRs and onboard employees in OHS

22 October 2009
Western Australian Maritime Museum, Fremantle



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About the Seacare HSR Forum 2009

Time 9.30am – 5.00pm
Date Thursday 22 October 2009
Venue Western Australian Maritime Museum, Cliff Street (Victoria Quay), Fremantle, WA
Cost There is no charge to attend the Forum.
Theme Involving HSRs and onboard employees in OHS

Purpose

The purpose of the 2009 Seacare HSR Forum is to assist Health and Safety Representatives (HSR)s, other onboard employees and other operator/employer personnel to participate in improving OHS outcomes in the Seacare jurisdiction. The Forum will provide an opportunity to identify the issues confronting HSRs and to share information and knowledge. Copies of the HSR Handbook (long and short version) will be available at the Forum.

Objectives

The objectives of the Forum are to:

- improve operator/employer awareness of the workplace OHS consultative processes provided by the *Occupational Health and Safety (Maritime Industry) Act 1993* (the OHS(MI) Act)
- encourage consultation between operators/employers and their onboard employees, including HSRs, regarding OHS matters
- encourage greater onboard employee involvement in achieving improved OHS outcomes
- improve mechanisms for HSRs to share knowledge and information
- identify key issues facing HSRs and the development of possible solutions.

Outcomes

The expected outcomes of the Forum are for:

- operators to be more aware of the processes provided in the OHS(MI) Act
- onboard employees to be more aware of how they can be involved in OHS
- HSRs to have strategies to assist them in promoting or ensuring the health and safety of onboard employees at work.

Who should attend?

The Forum program will be relevant to:

- seafarers – HSRs and other onboard employees
- operators/employers – management, OHS/HR staff
- employee representatives (union representatives)
- operator/employer representatives (industry organisations)
- providers of accredited HSR training courses
- OHS, legal and medical professionals.

Registration

Register to attend the Forum by emailing seacare@comcare.gov.au, with 'Seacare HSR Forum 2009' as the subject by **COB Friday 9 October 2009**. Please provide your full name, position title, organisation, phone number, email address and any dietary requirements. Limited places are available. Acceptance of your registration will be advised by email.

Program

Involving HSRs and onboard employees in OHS

9.00am-9.30am	Registration and welcome tea/coffee
9.30am-11.10am	Session 1
9.30am-9.40am	Opening remarks Chairperson, Seafarers Safety Rehabilitation and Compensation Authority (Seacare Authority)
9.40am-10.00am	Model OHS laws Melissa Ryan, General Manager, Research & Policy Branch, Comcare
10.00am-10.20am	OHS obligations Greg Smith, Consultant – Employee Relations, Freehills
10.40am-11.00am	Industry performance briefing Gerry Newman, Director, Secretariat & Seacare Management Section, Comcare <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OHS, RTW and Workers compensation performance
11.00am-11.10am	Questions & answers
11.10am-11.30am	Morning Tea
11.30am-1.00pm	Session 2
11.30am-11.50pm	HSRs – representatives of employees Jamie Newlyn, South Australian Branch Secretary, Maritime Union of Australia (MUA) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the role of an HSR is an under utilised area of the OHS(MI) Act • potential to use HSRs to achieve real improvement in meeting national strategy targets
11.50am-12.10pm	How AMSA can assist HSRs Reza Vind, Manager, MOD West, Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA)
12.10pm-12.30pm	HSR training needs Pat Lawrence, Senior Manager & Adam Parsons, Senior Lecturer, Australian Institute of Technology Transfer (AITT) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how can a HSR be a safety leader? • how does a HSR assist an operator with its onboard OHS?
12.30pm-12.50pm	Employer experience Tony Martinovich, QHSE Manager, Offshore Marine Services Pty Ltd <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the onboard safety issues faced by the Offshore sector • the role of HSRs and onboard employees in addressing these issues
12.50pm-1.00pm	Questions & answers
1.00pm-2.00pm	Lunch (free access to WA Maritime Museum)
2.00pm-3.30pm	Session 3
	Workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify key OHS issues and possible strategies to address them
3.30pm-4.00pm	Session 4
3.30pm-3.50pm	Wrap up Gerry Newman, Director, Secretariat & Seacare Management Section, Comcare
3.50pm-4.00pm	Closing comments Chairperson, Seacare Authority
4.00pm-5.00pm	Seacare HSR Forum Drinks

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