

Master Mariner's Certificate of Competency (FG)

Fellow of Royal Institute of Navigation

Member Nautical Institute

Freeman of the Honourable Company of Master Mariners

**Member of Southampton Master Mariners' Club
(twice holding position of Sea-Staff Captain)**



PROFILE

Captain Ken Owen has over 50 years seagoing experience, including over 20 years commanding large containerships, including both Panamax and post-Panamax.

He holds a British Master's Foreign Going Class 1 with STCW and GMDSS endorsements, and holds similar qualifications for Bahamas, Marshall Islands, Liberia and Singapore.

He has been involved with containerisation since the early seventies, and as Chief Officer and Master has been responsible for the carriage of approximately one million teu's.

He has commanded ships either directly owned or on charter to most major liner companies including OCL, Scan Dutch, P&O, Nedlloyd, Hapag Lloyd, Sea-Land, Maersk Line, Contship, Straits Container Line, Trans Freight Line, MOL, NYK, NOL and APL.

He acted as a container planning co-ordinator for TRIO consortium (OCL, Ben Line, Hapag Lloyd, NYK and MOL).

He has been involved in a total of six different deep sea rescues, saving the lives of 59 persons.

He assisted with the organisation of the European Navigation Conference at the Manchester International Conference Centre.

In 2005, Captain Owen was awarded the International Ship Master of the Year by the Nautical Institute / Lloyd's List.

In the past year, Captain Owen has presented papers at seminars organized by the Nautical Institute, and the Mission to Seafarers, and in-house to a Lloyds' syndicate.

Employment History

- 2001 - 2004 Master in ER Schffahrt Hamburg; commanding post panamax vessels of 6,000 teu capacity, OOCL Los Angeles, P&O Nedlloyd Vespucci, OOCL Malaysia, and new build, APL Denmark
- 1999 - 2001 Master with A P Moller, Singapore; commanding Sea-Land Lightning
- 1996 - 1999 Master with Hansatic, Cyprus; commanding Sea-Land vessels Sea-Land Mercury & Sea-Land Lightning.
- 1995 - 1996 Master with Jaya, Singapore; commanding Semi ro/ro Maersk Newark, (USA - Middle East)
- 1989 - 1994 P&O Containers; Master of new build Peninsular Bay
- 1985 - 1989 OCL / P&O Containers; Master of Strathconon (trans Pacific, and trans Atlantic)
- 1982 - 1985 OCL; Master of Liverpool Bay; (Europe / Far East)
- 1982- Master Bengal Enterprise; 300 teu geared containership introducing containers to Calcutta and Chittagong;
- 1981 - 1982 Seconded to London planning office as co-ordinator to TRIO consortium;
- 1975 - 1981 Chief Officer, Ocean Fleets Ltd.; OCL Liverpool Bay class;
- 1952 - 1975 Cadet to Chief Officer, Alfred Holt (Blue Funnel and Glen Lines)