Day 5 Report – Wednesday 19th June 2019 By Captain Phil Wade

Sorry about the delay in getting this report out. With me in hospital I was not getting the information so started ad libbing a bit but then finally got a report from the kids themselves thanks to Terry. So now I have left my stuff in and added what they had to say, interesting!

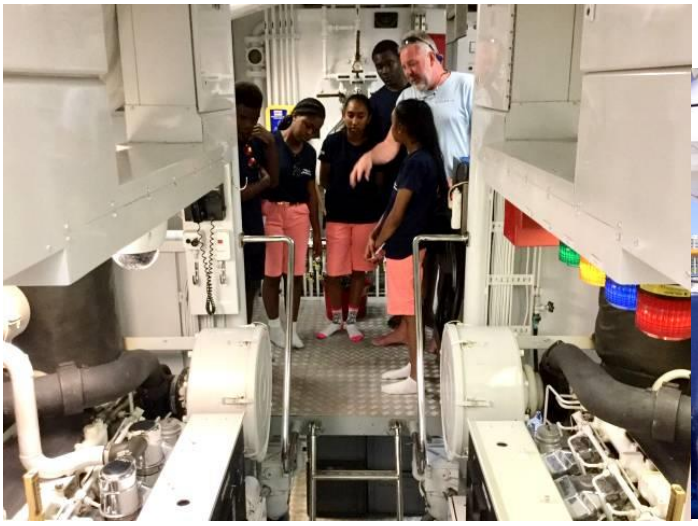
The day started with a visit to Oscar Siches at Metalnox, who specialise in straightening propellers but are also general metal engineers and fabricators, always an interesting tour and very educational. Oscar is a good friend and very good at explaining it all.

THIS IS WHAT THE YOUNGSTERS WROTE: We started the day by meeting Oscar who works at Metalnox. We experienced how they do repairs and how they build metal parts of yachts using raw metal. We saw them repair an actual propeller with the latest technology that uses cameras. They explained how they use their equipment to prevent corrosion. The company has a good teamwork spirit and we learned more about Oscar who in fact was a retired Captain who was a regular customer at MetalNox; and got offered a job because he knew the company well.

Plans had to be changed a bit so the next visit was to see our good friend Harry Molenaar who is the captain on Mary A. He gave a comprehensive tour of the 46 meter Feadship Thanks once again Harry!

YOUNG ONES : We went on a 46 meter Fed ship captained by Harry (South African). A very detailed yacht built in Holland, 2001. It was a very traditional boat and comfortable too. It's very safe and has a lot of storage. The boat has

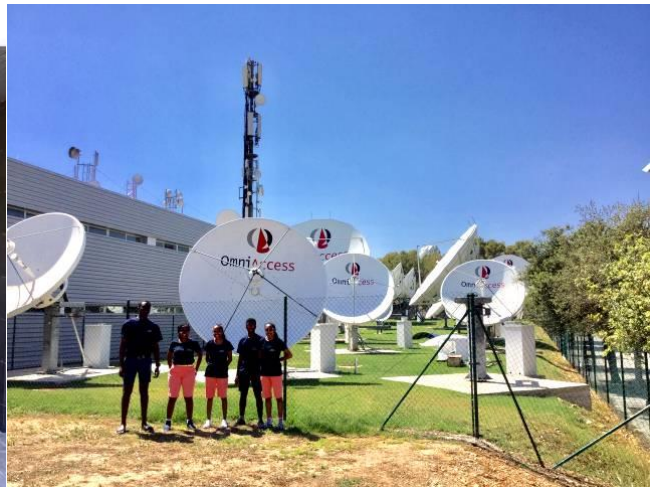
a good working environment and has a lot of space. The technology is up-to-date.



After a lunch stop at Club de Mar, Anthony took them out to Omniaccess, the major supplier of satelite services, not only to yachts but also shipping and even bases in Antartica – it is well worth looking at their website (omniaccess.com) and to watch the video - https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=12&v=8DSK6BfnZ2E

The short video not only shows their company but also gives you a good insight into super yachting in general and to the Island of Mallorca which we all love. (Voted the best place in the world to live by the Financial Times)

Omniaccess is also a unique business model, more like a big family of over 70 employers working shifts around the clock. They have a fantastic retro diner in house as well as their own lounge come night club made to look like an aeroplane fuselage, just for the staff to mingle and relax. The way to work!!



FROM THE YOUNG ONES VIEWPOINT. A company pioneered by Capt. Anthony. It deals with providing internet access to yachts. We saw different departments within the company. After the tour we went out of the building and had a look at the huge and amazing satellite dishes.

The evening was well spent having a good look at the yachts participating in the Superyacht cup which starts tomorrow. The schooner Meteor really stood out, amazing boat.

We met Zack who is a chief mate on a super yacht named Topaz. Soon we found out that he was from Simons Town and previously sailed with Linsay Oberholzer, our sailing manager who also hosts the youth sailing at False Bay Yacht Club.

Zack also mentioned that he sailed on Hooligan, one of the boats that we currently train and race on. We also met many South Africans who are a part of the yachting industry and are passionate about what they do.