

## Chartering course and workshop in Melbourne, October 2016

The Australia and New Zealand Branch ran another successful two day Bespoke Chartering Course & Workshop in Melbourne, on 12 and 13 October 2016. There were 11 attendees including 6 from a Sydney based dry cargo owners/operator, 3 from an oil trading company in Melbourne, 1 from bulk commodity trader in Melbourne and 1 university student trying to get a head start.



The venue was the CAE (Centre for Adult Education) in Flinders Lane and we were well catered for there.

Capt Nigel D'Souza FICS excelled as usual as the Course Director. While others get a bit cynical and jaded with age, Nigel's enthusiasm for shipping is infectious. He was ably assisted by Mr Nick Vann, FICS and current Chairman of the Branch, imparting a bit of chartering knowledge here and there and providing the wet side angle to keep the oil traders in the loop.

The success of the course may be judged by the fact that we already have five expressions of interest to attend the course in 2017.