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SYDNEY PORTS APPOINTS NEW HARBOUR MASTER

Sydney Ports Corporation welcomes Captain Steven Young from Southampton, UK who is the new Harbour Master for the Ports of Sydney and Botany.

“Captain Young officially commenced in the position of Harbour Master and General Manager Navigation Services this month,” Sydney Ports Corporation Chief Executive Officer Grant Gilfillan said today.

“Captain Young joins Sydney Ports with extensive port and management experience and will be integral in future developments with our Port operations.

The Harbour Master is responsible for the safety of navigation and management of the Sydney Pilot Service and Navigation Services in Sydney Harbour and Botany Bay and reports to the Chief Operating Officer, Paul Weedon.

His role includes overseeing the navigational aspects of the Port Botany Expansion and the Second Bulk Liquids Berth, ensuring the safe operations for the upcoming cruise season as well as ensuring the safe navigation of approximately 2500 ship visits per year

The position is almost 200 years old, dating back as far as 1811 when the first harbour master, Robert Watson was appointed to control the Port of Sydney.

Sydney Ports mounted a comprehensive global search to recruit an internationally experienced Harbour Master.

“Captain Young is a Master Mariner and an experienced Harbour Master, having worked at one of the UK’s busiest container ports in Southampton.

“Southampton is also the U.K’s busiest cruise ship port, handling one million cruise passengers and 300 cruise ship visits.

He was formerly Harbour Master and more recently Deputy to the Port Director at Associated British Ports (ABP), Port of Southampton, England and has extensive experience in navigation safety, Vessel Traffic Services (VTS), oil pollution and incident management as well as the leadership of strategic port development projects.

“Captain Young will work closely with industry to ensure Sydney Ports continues to meet the navigational and operational safety needs of commercial shipping,” Mr Gilfillan said.

Sydney Ports would also like to thank Richard Lorraine who has acted in the role of Harbour Master since February this year and has managed this critical responsibility with a high level of professionalism.

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