

# **Maltese Falcon Crew Profiles**



### **Robert Bell - Captain**

British • Joined: November 2005

MCA Master Class IV, 3000 GRT

Robert has been working in the Super Yacht industry since completing his University Degree in Economics. He started as a deckhand and worked his way up to Captain of Condor of Bermuda - an 80 foot sloop for seven years - before he took a position as 2nd officer on board the 303 ft Motor Yacht Tatoosh. During his 3 years on Tatoosh he also spent 18 months as the on board Computer Technician. Robert has cruised much of the world, including the Caribbean, Alaska, Pacific, Micronesia, Australia, and New Zealand.

Returning to his first passion, sailing, Robert joined the Maltese Falcon in November 2005, he is therefore very familiar with her systems especially those relating to her innovative sailing design. Robert has a Class IV Masters Ticket and is a qualified diver, in his spare time you could find him either playing with new gadgets, roller blading, reading or watching movies.



# Justin Christou - 1st Officer

• Joined: February 2013

Profile coming soon...



# Matteo Marelli - 2nd Officer

Italian • Joined: June 2011

The son of an Italian Butcher, Matteo, was born and raised in Milan, Italy. Prior to joining The Maltese Falcon, Matteo worked on Antara, a 46 metre Perini Navi, where he sailed 52000 miles cruising around the American East coast, Mediterranean and Caribbean Seas respectively.

He joined the Falcon in Newport RI, just before the beginning of the Transatlantic Race. His rigging skills and 'rope work' are becoming well known and he wears the title of Spar Master quite well.

Matteo's enthusiasm for this sailing lifestyle is a joy to watch and rather contagious. He takes nothing for granted and every landfall we make and any culture we touch is continuously exciting to Matteo.



### Rahim Boudjellal (Larry) - Bosun

French • Joined: April 2006

#### STCW 95, Yacht Masters

Larim has been working in this industry for over 18 years on yachts, competing in several regattas throughout Europe. He worked for 6 years onboard SY Mariette, most often seen in the rigging. Larim is more than happy to share his knowledge, teach you splices, and even whip you up a Turks head.



### William Hudleston - Sparmaster

British • Joined: December 2009

#### Yachtmaster Offshore

Will comes from Blighty and spent a lot of his younger years sailing in the Isle of Wight and the west coast of Scotland. From an early age he was out on the sea involved in racing anything from tall ships to maxis, one-design classics and high performance dinghy's.

He went on to achieve his Yachtmaster Ocean ticket straight after school and after four years working on a number of performance cruiser and racing yachts is now well underway to achieving his next goal aboard the Falcon as an Officer of the Watch.

In his spare time will enjoys riding fast motor bikes and a good time cruising the local bars meeting new people.



#### Justice Bentz - Deckhand

#### American • Joined: July 2012

Justice was raised in Ft Lauderdale, Florida. He spent much of his childhood travelling the Bahamas where at a very young age he became a proficient freediver and spearfisher. For the past 8 years he has been traveling the world for his passion, kiteboarding. He graduated from the University of North Florida with a degree in Political Science and Business Administration. Previous to joining The Maltese Falcon, he sailed onboard other sailing yachts P2 and Ganesha. He looks forward to furthering his yachting qualifications and traveling onboard the world's greatest yacht, The Maltese Falcon.



# Maria Hawkes - Deckhand

British • Joined: August 2012

Maria was raised in England however moved to Perth, Australia at the age of 15. Her family spent much of their weekends onboard their personal yacht. She loves travelling, skiing, cars and jet skis. She has worked on several other yachts including MY Palladium and MY Harle. Maria attended the University of Western Australia where she graduated with a Bachelors degree in Psychology and Marketing. She has her yachtmaster offshore certificate however is considering a move to the engineering aspect of yachting.



# Michalis Kentros - Galley/Deckhand

Greek • Joined: June 2011

Michalis has only recently joined the yachting industry after having worked in a number of high profile restaurants in Greece and as a private chef in Mykonos where he cooked for such celebrities as Hugh Jackman and Tom Hanks. Prior to this Michalis studied for two years in the Culinary Institute of Greece and one year in the private Greek Culinary Institute, AKMH.

When Michalis is not whipping up a culinary storm in the galley he enjoys playing Tennis, Football and Handball. He was also a professional Handball player for ten years before he began cooking.



#### Natalia Yeomans - Head Chef

• Joined: February 2013

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#### Jessica Marks - Sous Chef

New Zealander • Joined: February 2013

Originally from NZ, Jess has previously worked in the music and hospitality industries, yet in search for a more adventurous lifestyle Jess became involved in the yachting industry. With her love for travel and new found love for sailing Jess is a super enthusiastic addition to the Falcon crew.

Jess' interests include photography, music, film, politics, nature, delicious foods & extreme rollerblading.".



# **Richard Tatlow - Chief Engineer**

British • Joined: November 2010

HND Marine Engineering & Engineering Officer MCA Class 2 unlimited licence.

Richard comes from a strong sailing community, raised in England a town called Warsash on the South coast. From an early age he has been interested in sailing and engineering, he joined the Merchant Navy at 17, studied at Warsash Maritime Centre and has worked on a large variety of vessels, container ships, oil & gas tankers, and ferries. Richard joined the Maltese Falcon in November 2010. In his spare time he enjoys lots of sporting activities, with a passion for diving.



### **Philip Scofield - 3rd Engineer**

New Zealander • Joined: April 2010

Phil's relationship with the water started at a very young age. Coming from Auckland N.Z., yachting was destined to be in his blood. He began sailing small dinghies at nine years old and later progressed to large ocean yachts. He competed in his first ocean race at the age of 19, but before long, Phil veered away from yachting to open his own bar/ restaurant. After eight years in the restaurant biz, he decided his love for the ocean was too great and moved to the Mediterranean to pursue a career in engineering. After working on a number of smaller yachts, Phil ended up on his dream yacht, the Maltese Falcon.

Phil is an avid snow skier when the opportunity arises and thoroughly enjoys fashion.



### Noel Walsh - 2nd Engineer

Irish • Joined: November 2012

Noel lives in a small village called Kilbehenny in Cork, Ireland with his wife Marina. He enjoys keeping fit and regularly walks the Galtee Mountains with his Labrador dogs. He also enjoy swimming, cycling and kayaking and takes part in adventure races back home. He has a keen interest in rebuilding and restoring old Ford cars. He is a member of the Institute of Marine Engineers and likes to keep up to date with the latest marine innovations.



### Lee Shaw - 3rd Engineer

British • Joined: March 2012

Hi my name is Lee and I'm one of the Engineers on-board this beautiful yacht. I'm one of the newest members of the crew joining in March this year after spending the last 12 years of my life below the waves as a Royal Navy submariner. I'm now looking forward to seeing life on top of the ocean and relish this opportunity to work with such a great team.



### **Zoe Stenger - Chief Stewardess**

British • Joined: August 2006

STCW 95, Divemaster

Zoe has a sense of adventure and a love of the great outdoors; having spent a couple of seasons snowboarding in the French Alps and Breckenridge she decided to join the yachting industry and continue her explorations by sea. The last four years have taken her across the Pacific accruing sea miles and an abundance of experience in hospitality and service. Her other interests include skiing, diving, horse riding, dancing and of course, travelling.



### **Cleonie Greenall - 2nd Stewardess**

British • Joined: 2006-2010, April 2012

#### STCW 95

One of two Scots on board she started her adventures with 3 years running chalets in the ski fields and another season running large villas in the South of France. After this she began her career in Super Yachts, Cleonie was on board the Falcon from 2006 until 2010 when she left the boat to join a Perini Navi New Build, in April she decided to come back and re-join the Falconettes as the Second Stewardess.

Cleonie loves the sea and has taken the time to gain a Yachtmaster certificate, so now she is well placed to enjoy two of her favorite things in life traveling and the sea.



# Jessica Reynolds - Stewardess

British • Joined: November 2012

Jess was raised in Hampshire and spent her teens in beautiful Somerset where she studied Dance, Performing Arts and Sociology at college. Before joining the Maltese Falcon she lived in Jersey in the Channel Islands and worked as an events co-ordinator. As a child Jess spent summers in West Sussex sailing competitively in toppers, lasers and 4'20s. Jess can normally be found surfing or snowboarding, though her greatest passion is dancing when not at sea or on ski-ing on a hill. She is one of the newest members of the Maltese Falcon and is extremely excited for the season ahead.



# Mischa Knox - Stewardess

• Joined: February 2013

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