

Peter Linders

24/01/1939 – 23/01/2024

Roll No.183

Peter was born in Holland and came to Sydney with his parents and sister in 1952.



Peter started his apprenticeship in Fitting and Machinery at Mort's Dock and Engineering Company at Balmain at the age of 15 and on completion joined Burns Philp in Dec 1959 as 4th engineer on MV 'Tulagi'. 12 months later he joined the MV 'Montoro' during which time he studied and obtained his 2nd class Motor certificate. Mr Monteith from Burns Philp asked Peter to join a whale chaser as 2nd engineer, being a favour to Norfolk Whaling Company for a few months during the whaling season. They only caught four whales during that time, but Peter found it a fantastic and action-packed experience of his sea years.

Peter sailed on the MV 'Braeside' for about the next three years and completed his Part A 1st Class Certificate. Burns Philp sold their MV 'Malaita' to Manners Navigation which was renamed the MV 'Pilar Regidor'. Peter decided on a change and went to join Manners and the MV 'Pilar Regidor'. Following his time on the 'Pilar Regidor,' Peter went ashore to study and pass his Part B 1st Class Motor Certificate.

Peter was invited to return to Manners and sail on Manners newly built ship MV 'North Breeze' as 2nd engineer and soon after join Manners' MV 'Thames Breeze' as Chief Engineer. Peter met his wife to be Maria, who also worked for Manners at their Sydney Office. Peter was keen to obtain his Steam and Motor Certificates so that he could find more work options ashore, so subsequently Joined BHP's SS 'Iron Flinders' and E&A's SS 'Aramac'. On obtaining all his Certificates, Peter used his engineering skills to work ashore at Shell Refinery, Aust Glass Manufacturing, State Abattoir at Homebush and finally at Sydney Water Board.

Peter was born on 24 January 1939. In April 2023 he does not know what he did, but somehow fell onto his back on the balcony of his home. Unfortunately, he then suffered a stroke to his spinal cord resulting in quadriplegia. He spent the next nine months in and out of Royal North Shore Hospital and Ryde Royal Rehab and died on 23 January 2024 (one day shy of his 85th birthday) due to complications arising from his injuries. He is survived by his wife, three children and seven grandchildren.



Peter was an esteemed Life Member and Past President of the Chatswood Rangers Sports Club.

Peter joined the League of Ancient Mariners on 28 November 2007.