

Alumni Profile

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Where are you now?

Pacific Ocean. Super Yacht Medic, SY Encore

My official role is “Medical Officer” aka chief band aid applicator. Everything you have seen on “Below Decks” is a lie!! Life onboard is rarely that glamorous or dramatic and the hours can be the stuff of nightmares!

The flip side is the incredible people I work for and the places we have sailed too. Nothing beats a sunset at sea with the wind in your hair except maybe the first night on dry land after a long passage.

What is your career highlight to date?

Having our kids travel with us on ocean passages all around the Pacific has been an amazing opportunity. Pulling them from mainstream school to just experience the world was the most awesome (and most stressful!) times we’ve had to date.

What advice would you give to young people wanting to enter a similar profession?

Just get out there! Day-working on boats on the Great Barrier Reef to gain sea time can lead to huge opportunities in the Mediterranean, Caribbean and the US East Coast. Be tidy! Be meticulous!! Never underestimate the value of quality hospitality skills.

What is your most memorable moment at TAS?

School Musicals and Rock Eisteddfod. Sports and Swimming Carnivals and Interhouse everything!

What advice would you give to current TAS students?

Work like a Captain. Party like a Pirate. Essentially, remember to do the boring stuff first so you can enjoy the fun stuff later.