



EXPEDITION PROFILE

July 29, 2016 on DISCOVERY Yacht Lady Jo

Students from Ang Mo Kio Secondary School in Singapore participated in a DISCOVERY Yacht Educational Outreach Program aboard the *D/Y Lady Jo* on the 27th of July, initiated by SeaKeepers Asia.

Following a safety briefing by the marina manager, the students climbed on board the *D/Y Lady Jo* which was docked at the Republic of Singapore Yacht Club. On board the vessel, scientist Dr. Ng Ngan Kee and her team from the National University of Singapore facilitated a learning encounter for students geared toward maximizing their engagement with real science.

After an informative lesson on Singapore's marine biodiversity and the effects of its changing coastline, participants were provided plankton nets to collect samples from the water around the marina. They collected many interesting organisms, which were then brought back on board to identify and further examine using a microscope. At the end of the first "floating classroom" session, the students enjoyed a crash course on ocean navigation from the DISCOVERY Yacht vessel owner which left them interested and curious to find out more about marine protection and navigation.

In April 2016, the International SeaKeepers Society established SeaKeepers Asia. This expansion is under the leadership of Julian Chang, a SeaKeepers Board member. As an active member of the yachting and shipping industry in Singapore and China, Mr. Chang will expand the success of SeaKeepers' programs in that region.

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