



“MyOceanWeather Gallery”

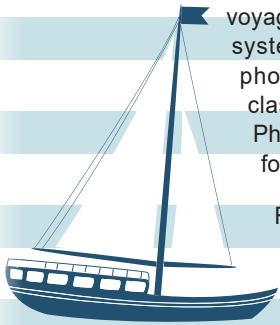
Launched

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The “MyOceanWeather Gallery” was launched in early July, for sharing beautiful photos provided by mariners – allowing members of the public to appreciate the different weather phenomena and scenery that can be observed at sea.

Most of the photos on the webpage were taken by ship masters and crew members on board the Hong Kong Voluntary Observing Ships during their voyages around the world. Through a geographic information system platform, the approximate locations and times the photos taken are also shown. The photos displayed are classified into five categories: “Cloud”, “Ocean”, “Weather Phenomenon”, “Atmospheric Optics” and “Celestial Objects” for viewing via the links at http://url.hko.hk/myoceanwx_en.

For travellers who would like to share weather photos taken during sea voyages through this platform, please refer to the instructions on “How to submit to the MyOceanWeather Gallery” at http://url.hko.hk/myoceanwx_submit_en.



Thunderstorm Warning Regional Information

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(Figure 1)

(Figure 2)

Have you noticed that a red dot sometimes appears on the thunderstorm warning icon on the “MyObservatory” mobile app homepage (Figure 1)? When isolated thunderstorms affect the territory and the Observatory issues a thunderstorm warning that mentions the affected regions, the thunderstorm warning icon on the main page of the app will be marked with a red dot. When you tap the icon, you can see the areas affected by the thunderstorm warning (Figure 2). The new service was launched in the latest version of “MyObservatory” app. Feel free to download and update.

More Than 50,000 Likes for the Observatory Facebook Page



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The content of the Observatory Facebook page was down to earth and relevant to the weather and public; it also attracted considerable public engagement.

The Observatory launched a Facebook page at the end of March this year, featuring Chinese language content that was down to earth and relevant to the weather and public. It gained support from netizens and by the end of July had accumulated more than 50,000 page likes. The page promotes meteorological knowledge in a lively manner, such as through the Cool Met Stuff, to encourage public engagement.

In addition, the Observatory YouTube channel has surpassed 20 million views.

The Hong Kong Observatory Facebook Page (Chinese only).

