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The Captain on the Queen's nose

LeadIn the wake of Alex Thomson's mast- and keel-walks, the Captain of the 'Queen Mary II' has completed his own stunning maritime feat to celebrate his vessel's birthday...



In order for Captain Kevin Oprey to be photographed standing proudly on the nose of his 'Queen', plenty of planning was required – as were perfect weather conditions. Finally, on a Sunday in March, the time was right: the sea off the coast of Bali was still, and the weight of the approximately 151,000-tonne ocean liner was just-so. This meant the nose breached the waterline enough for the captain to stand proud and keep his feet dry; all that was left was for Australian photographer James D. Morgan to capture the once-in-a-lifetime image.

Gallery

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