

Notice to Members of European Maritime Heritage (EMH)

We are delighted to announce further details of the European Maritime Heritage 2018 Conference, organised in association with the UK's Maritime Heritage Trust (MHT), and we hope we will be joined by members of the MHT.

Please register your intention to attend - email Mrs Gwyneth Wright (friends@maritimeheritage.org.uk)

Booking/payment is via the MHT website www.maritimeheritage.org.uk

Accommodation – Delegates are responsible for booking and paying for their own accommodation. A number of rooms are being held at the Royal Maritime Club (RMC) at special conference rates of Single room £51; Double room single occupancy £76; Double room double occupancy £94 (a few superior Double rooms are available for £81 single occupancy and £104 double occupancy). **Early booking is essential** to take advantage of these rates. Delegates must **telephone the club direct** on +44 23 9282 4231 from outside the UK (023 9282 4231 from inside the UK), using the **booking reference 63737**. For further information on the RMC – www.royalmaritimeclub.co.uk. **The preferential rates only apply to telephone bookings. Un-booked rooms will not be held after 19th March.**

Friday 6 April: Our two councils will meet at 14:00 at the RMC followed by a meeting of EMH's General Board at 16.30. Later, a welcome reception with drinks and networking opportunity will be held at 19:00-20:00 (free of charge). Tables have been reserved in Horatio's Restaurant at the RMC, with delegates paying for their own meals and drinks.

Saturday 7 April: We gather in the Princess Royal Gallery in Portsmouth's Historic Dockyard. This first-floor reception room looks across to HMS Victory and houses a number of artefacts.

10:00 **Welcome** by EMH President, David Morgan

10.10 **Maritime Heritage in the UK** - achievements and challenges around our coasts - Hannah Cunliffe, Director, National Historic Ships

10:30 **Pointers from EMH** - how EMH can help with preservation of the maritime heritage – Thomas Hoppe, EMH Vice President

10.50 **Engaging young people in working historic ships** - Richard Titchener, Executive Officer, Sea Change Sailing Trust.

11.10 **Training the next generation** – Diggory Rose – Director of Marine Operations, International Boatbuilding Training College (IBTC), Portsmouth.

11.30 Short break

11.50 **Keeping old ships sailing safely and sustainably**- John Megoran - MHT Trustee and EMH Safety Council.

12.10 **Operating historic and replica vessels successfully as a business** - EMH speaker ???

12.30 **Panel discussion** - all speakers - and questions.

13.00 **Hot buffet lunch**

13:45 **Proceed to Boathouse 4.**

14:00 **Private tour** of the International Boatbuilding Training College (IBTC) and tours of selected vessels moored on the pontoon or in Boathouse 4. Followed by study visits to exhibits in the dockyard (please note your complimentary pass does not include access to the Mary Rose (see below), nor does it entitle you to fast-track entry at busy times.

17:00 **MHT Annual General Meeting** in the Nelson Room of the RMC, 1 hour – all delegates welcome to attend.

19:00 **Gala Conference Dinner** in the Albert Room of the Royal Naval Club and Royal Albert Yacht Club, 17 Pembroke Road, Portsmouth PO1 2NT. Gather in the downstairs Spinnaker Bar. The Albert Room has views over Governor's Green, the Royal Garrison Church and beyond. Admiral Lord Horatio Nelson walked across Governor's Green on his way to HMS Victory before departing on his last voyage.

Costs: The cost for attending the conference, the hot buffet fork lunch and free admission to the National Museum of the Royal Navy attractions in the Historic Dockyard, including vessels moored on the pontoon

adjoining Boathouse 4 will be £50 per delegate. Admission to the Mary Rose, which is not included, will be available to delegates at the discounted rate of £12.75 for adults and £11.05 for Senior Citizens – payable on the day.

Saturday daytime activities £50 per person (to include hot buffet lunch)

Gala Conference Dinner £45

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Sunday 8 April: We again gather in the Princess Royal Gallery. Please note, the dockyard does not open until 09:30.

10:00 **EMH General Assembly** – MHT delegates also welcome to attend.

11:50 **Farewell speech** by EMH President, David Morgan.

12:00 Delegates are free to pursue further study visits at the dockyard or depart according to their travel schedules. If wishing to eat in the dockyard, proceed to Midships Cookhouse for informal lunch, where a number of tables have been reserved for delegates to choose, and pay for, their own food. Midships Cookhouse overlooks the IBTC on one side and has views over HMS Warrior (1860) and Portsmouth Harbour on the other.

All delegates need to book and pay for themselves, with those entitled to a refund reclaiming this.

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Any queries, please email Mrs Gwyneth Wright friends@maritimeheritage.org.uk who will do her best to assist you.