

160TH ANNIVERSARY, AGM AND DINNER 2019

Weekend date: 6th – 8th September 2019



In 2019 it will be 160 years since the first boy joined the ship and so to celebrate, we are having a very special weekend in London.

The date has been chosen to coincide with the Merchant Navy Day Service at Trinity Square, Tower Hill on Sunday 8th September where it is customary for the President to lay a wreath. This annual service remembers all Merchant Seamen who lost their lives in WW1 and 2 and in further conflicts up to the present day.

Hotel accommodation has been reserved at the Tower Hotel in St Katharine's Dock. St Katharine's Dock is a lively marina surrounded by shops bars and restaurants. The hotel has lovely views over the River Thames and the banqueting suite has stunning views of Tower Bridge. We are privileged and have been fortunate enough to secure the wonderful and historic Trinity House for our reception on Friday evening.

On Saturday there is a tour of HQS Wellington which is the home of the Honourable Company of Master Mariners which has many Old Conways, past and present as members. The ship, which was first launched in 1934, is a Grimsby Class Sloop and was formally Royal Navy. She served as a convoy escort Ship in WW2. The ship is moored at Temple Pier and is 5 stops from Tower Hill on the Circle and District Lines.

The hotel is a 10-minute walk to Tower Hill. This is a special event and we are hopeful that as many members as possible will attend from far and wide. The activities for the weekend are as follows:

- A drinks reception to include wine and champagne with a finger buffet at Trinity House, Tower Hill London on Friday evening. This is about a 10-minute walk from the hotel.
- A tour of HQS Wellington on Saturday including a light lunch.
- The AGM which will be held in the Tower Hotel at 16.00.

- Your Annual dinner which will be a superb banquet on Saturday night.
- The Merchant Navy Day annual service at Trinity Square, Tower Hill on Sunday morning, where our President will lay a wreath. Please note this is standing only – if you require seating, I can arrange this, but numbers are strictly limited. Please indicate on the booking form if seating is required.
- Bed and full English breakfast in the hotel for up to 3 nights
- An early bird discount on the full price for those making a booking before 28th February 2019

As you will see from the price structure it is possible to “pick and mix” your activities according to pocket and taste. In other words, you can choose to do all or some of the activities.

The AGM will be held in the hotel at 16.00 hrs

COSTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

PACKAGE A TOTAL COST £60

Dinner only

PACKAGE B TOTAL COST 290

Staying Saturday night, including breakfast in the hotel and the annual dinner.
Double/Twin room (2 people sharing)

PACKAGE C TOTAL COST £220

As above for single occupancy

PACKAGE D TOTAL COST £460

Arriving Saturday and leaving Monday - 2 nights hotel bed and breakfast and the annual dinner (2 sharing)

PACKAGE E TOTAL COST £380

As for package C but for single occupancy

PACKAGE F TOTAL COST £550

A Double/Twin room for 2 nights, including breakfast, arriving Friday and leaving Sunday morning. (2 sharing)

- Drinks and a finger buffet reception at Trinity House
- The annual dinner in the Tower Hotel

PACKAGE G TOTAL COST £425

As above but for single occupancy.

PACKAGE H TOTAL COST £720

A Double/Twin room for 3 nights, including breakfast - arriving Friday and leaving Monday morning for 2 people and including

- Drinks and a finger buffet reception at Trinity House
- The annual dinner in the Tower Hotel

PACKAGE I TOTAL COST £585

As for package A but for 1 person

Anyone wishing to attend part of the activities or make their own accommodation arrangements the costs are as follows:

1. Drinks reception including a finger buffet at Trinity House £45pp (please note numbers are limited for this event so will be on a first come first served basis).
2. A guided tour of HQS Wellington - £20 pp to include the tour and a light lunch. Note, the cost of this is not included in any of the packages.
3. Merchant Navy Day service – no charge

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT –

This is offered to any one booking package E F G H and I. The discount is £10 per person if you pay £100 deposit per person before 28th February 2019 this should be accompanied with a post-dated balance cheque dated 1st July.

After 28th February 2019

You can still pay in 2 instalments a Deposit of £100 pp with a balance cheque post-dated 1st July. No discount.

After 1st July full payment is required.

All Bookings should be made by 16th August.

Anyone wishing to pay by Bank transfer must contact me for details.

All bookings must be made and accompanied by full payment using the booking form and sent to the dinner secretary: Mrs M Smith 67 Nightingale Road Rickmansworth Herts WD3 7BU

Please include a stamped addressed envelope suitable for holding tickets and hotel confirmation documents.

Email and telephone number for queries only:

archibald.smith@virgin.net

01923 771743

2019 BOOKING FORM FOR HOTEL AND DINNER

Please copy and use for your booking – **PLEASE READ AND FILL IN CAREFULLY. Don't forget your SAE**

YOUR NAME	YOUR TITLE	YOUR DATES	*DECORATIONS To be shown on the menu and welcome book
Your Guest's names			

ADDRESS

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Telephone no:

Email:

Type of package – all packages include the annual dinner on Saturday night.	Cost	Number of people	Total
Package A Annual dinner only	£60 each		
Package B	£290 per couple		
Package C	£ 220 per person		
Package D	£460 per		

	couple		
Package E	£380 per person		
Package F	£550 per couple		
Package G	£425 per person		
Package H	£720 per couple		
Package I	£585 per person		
Trinity House reception – Included in packages D E F G H and I	£45 pp		
Tour of HQS Wellington	£20 pp		
Deduct £10 pp for early bird discount			-
TOTAL PAYMENT			
Tick if you require a seat at the service on Sunday morning			

Please state:

1. Single, Double or Twin Room (please specify)
2. Disabled access Room
3. Any special dietary requirements
4. Seating requests in addition to term seating
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