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Chairman's Column

Our custom now is to print Society records in the *Mirror* twice a year. Also, in line with the Charity Commission advice, the financial report has been expanded to give a better overview for members of our objectives, activities and achievements during the course of the year. Naturally, the Society has been affected by the economic situation, which particularly caused some production problems for our Hon. Editor with regard to the *Mirror* earlier in the year. There will, no doubt, be further, but to date our membership, activities and financial health have held up reasonably well.

The AGM was held at the Royal Naval Museum, Portsmouth on 13 June. We were pleased to have the first report from the new CO of HMS *Victory*, Lt Cmdr 'Oscar' Whilde, and the Director designate of the new National Museum of the Royal Navy, Dr Dominic Tweddle. The relationship between the Society and the RNM has been long and close, and although the new museum will not be launched formally until the autumn, it was good to hear that Dr Tweddle foresees a continuing close relationship between the Society and its successor organization.

Dr Tweddle joined us for dinner on *Victory* in the evening. The event was again excellent, owing to the hard work of our Hon. Secretary, the caterers and the crew of the ship.

During the autumn the final planning for the centenary events will be taking place and a finalized timetable will be produced. Our objective is to provide additional benefits for members during that year, more opportunities to become engaged with the Society, and more reasons why new members would wish to join us.

I wish you all an enjoyable summer.

RICHARD HARDING
CHAIRMAN
August, 2009

THE SOCIETY FOR NAUTICAL RESEARCH

The Society for Nautical Research promotes and publishes research on all matters relating to seafaring, ships and shipbuilding in all periods and in all nations; on the language and customs of the sea; in fact, on any topic of nautical interest.

The SNR:

- publishes the world's pre-eminent English-language nautical journal, [The Mariner's Mirror](#)
- sponsors [conferences, lectures and seminars](#) on maritime historical subjects
- buys [paintings](#) and other works of art for the National Maritime Museum at Greenwich
- funds [projects](#) such as the preservation of Nelson's flagship, HMS *Victory*

The Society was founded in 1910 and is currently preparing for its centenary in 2010.

Editorial

Our former Newsletter Editor, Suzanne Davis has resigned and we wish her well for the future. Owing to time constraints this issue has been compiled by Dr Hugh Murphy with the invaluable assistance of our Administrative Editor, Dr Paula Turner. However, from November 2009 we welcome a new Newsletter Editor and a long-time member of our Society, Barry Coombs, and wish him well for the future in this important post.

Thanks are due to the former Chair of the Society's Publications Committee, Rear Admiral David Pulvertaft, CB who has always been an enthusiastic supporter of this Newsletter and we welcome his successor, Lt Cmdr David Hobbs, MBE.

HUGH MURPHY
EDITOR

SNR Events

The E.G.R. Taylor Lecture, 2009

The annual E.G.R. Taylor Lecture will be given by Susanna Fisher at 18.30 on 15 October 2009 in the house of the Royal Geographical Society, 1 Kensington Gore, London SW7 2AR. Her subject is:

*'Captain Joseph Huddart, FRS (1741–1816),
mariner and distinguished man of science'.*

Although little known today his contemporaries considered Joseph Huddart an outstanding hydrographer and among the greatest engineers of the day. He had commanded his own ship, and then served as a captain of an East Indiaman. On retirement from the sea, he became a respected figure, making significant contributions to hydrography and navigation, and civil and mechanical engineering. His most widely known engineering achievement was the invention of an improved rope-making machine. He was highly regarded by leading engineers of the day and frequently consulted by them, yet has been largely forgotten: an apparent contradiction which merits a closer look.

Susanna Fisher was on the staff of the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich and more recently dealt in antiquarian charts, She is the author of a history of the chart publishers Imrays and of articles of historical interest on hydrography.

The lecture this year is organized by the Hakluyt Society, whose President, Professor Will Ryan, FBA will be in the chair. Members of the Hakluyt and of other sponsoring societies (the RGS, the Society for Nautical Research and the Royal Institute of Navigation) may book supper afterwards at the RGS by telephoning 0207 591 3100 (the Events Office). Supper will cost £25 for a two-course candle-lit meal and coffee, plus two glasses of wine or fruit juice.

ANN SHIRLEY

News and Events

Caird Library Opening Hours

There will be reduced access to the Caird Library at the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich until the opening of the new Library in the Sammy Ofer Wing 2012

Opening hours for the Caird Library from 2 June 2009 until the opening of the new Library in 2012 will be:

	<i>Caird Library E-Library</i>	
Monday	Closed	10.00–16.45
Tuesday	10.00–16.45	10.00–16.45
Wednesday	10.00–16.45	10.00–16.45
Thursday	10.00–16.45	10.00–
Friday	Closed	10.00–16.45
Saturday*	10.00–16.45	Closed
Sunday	Closed	Closed

* *first Saturday in every month only*

Readers are required to make an appointment and order material in advance. Details on how to do this are published on the museum's website, see <http://www.nmm.ac.uk/researchers/library/visiting/access-to-archive-and-library-collections-until-2012>

No appointment is necessary to look at library material in the Caird Library, only for manuscripts and other off-site material.

Retrievals for manuscripts and off-site material are made twice a week. Please order three working days in advance. Readers may order up to fifteen manuscript items per reader per retrieval, and fifteen library items per reader per retrieval. Please order one week in advance for LTE retrievals (identified on online catalogue).

Readers of this *Newsletter* will be pleased to know that when the Caird Library opens in the Sammy Ofer Wing in 2012, the Library will be open 40 hours per week, including every weekday and every Saturday, and one late night per week.

We will continue to provide news regularly on future opening hours and services on our website as these become available.

King's Seminar Series

International Commission for Maritime History King's Seminar Series 2009–10

Thursday, 15 October 2009

Dr Ben Jones RAF College, Cranwell
The Royal Navy without carriers?
The future of naval air power,
1957–1970

Thursday, 29 October 2009

Dr Graeme Milne, University of Liverpool

From Sailortown to Ship Street:
maritime labour and seaport cities in
nineteenth and twentieth centuries

Thursday, 12 November 2009

Tim Clayton
The effect of intelligence on British
submarine operations, 1939–1945

Thursday 26, November 2009

Virginia Preston, I.H.R. London

'To go to sea was everything for a poor boy': joining the Royal Navy before continuous service

Thursday 10, December 2009

Prof. Lars U. Scholl, Deutsches
Schiffahrtsmuseum

** Proctor Memorial Lecture: German shipping companies during the 'great depression', 1929–1933/4*

Thursday, 14 January 2010

Dr Laura Rowe, University of Exeter
Homosexuality and the Royal Navy in the era of World War One

Thursday, 28 January 2010

Dr John McAleer, National Maritime
Museum
*Commerce and conflict at the Cape:
British maritime strategy in eighteenth
century South Africa*

Thursday, 11 February 2010

Dr Brian Arthur, Greenwich Maritime
Institute
*The Royal Navy and North America,
1800–1815. Was the US defeated in
the war of 1812 by the British
maritime blockade?*

Thursday, 25 February 2010

Vice-Admiral Sir Jeremy Blackham, RUSI
New public management in defence

Thursday, 11 March 2010

Prof. L.R. Fischer, Memorial University
Nfld.
*The first battle of the Atlantic:
Merchant shipping and the
competition for the US bulk export
trades, 1850–1913*

Thursday, 6 May 2010

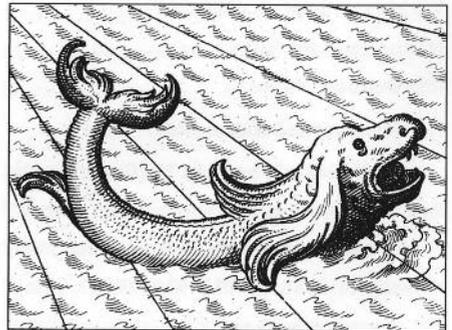
Agustin Guimera
*Amphibious Warfare and reluctant
allies: Cadiz 1810*

Thursday, 20 May 2010

Dr Marcus Faulkner, King's College
London
The Kriegsmarine and sea power in the
Baltic, 1932–39

The seminar programme is organized by the British Commission ICMH, with the generous assistance of the Society for Nautical Research, the Maritime Information Association and the Department of War Studies, King's College, London.

Meetings take place on Thursdays at 5.15 p.m. and are open to the general public and are held in the meeting room of the Department of War Studies, 6th Floor Old Main Building, Strand entrance except for the annual *Proctor Memorial Lecture which takes place at Lloyd's Register, 71 Fenchurch Street, London, EC3M 4BS. Admission to this lecture only is solely by ticket, available from the Proctor Lecture, GMI, University of Greenwich, Old Royal Naval College, London SE10 9LS.



SNR (South) Programme

10 October

Professor Eric Grove, University of Salford

The Shaft of the Spear: the Royal Navy's Contribution to Victory in the First World War

14 November

Annual General Meeting, followed by: Vicki Gibbins

Naval Commemoration of the First World War

12 December

Members' Research

Unless otherwise indicated, all meetings are held in the Royal Naval Club & Royal Albert Yacht Club, 17 Pembroke Road, Old Portsmouth, PO1 2NT, and commence at 14.00. Persons wishing to lunch with the Society in the Club beforehand should contact Roy Inkersole, tel: +0044 2392 831387 at least 72 hours in advance. For further information, contact R. E. G. Harris, Senior VP, tel: +0044 2392 386032.

The SNR Members' Area

Individual members of SNR can visit our website at [and](#) use the Members' Area.

In this password protected area you will find:

A Discussion Forum

Where you can post research queries and engage in debate with other members. This is proving popular and gives access to the wide range of knowledge within the Society.

Publications

The latest newsletter, bibliography and the list of members.

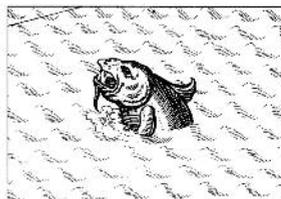
The Mariner's Mirror Database

A fully searchable list of the titles of all Articles and Notes from 1911: this is not available elsewhere online and provides you with the ability to search for over 9,660 articles, written by more than 3,000 authors. This is an invaluable key to opening up the wealth of information

held in past volumes of the journal. We have also added the full text of one volume of *The Mariner's Mirror* from 1961.

Registration is simple, just visit the website, follow the link from the **Home Page** and then click on **Register Now**. You will then be asked for your email address and membership number (you will find this on the back of your SNR card). An automatic email will confirm your successful registration with details of your password.

If you have any difficulties in registering please consult webmaster@snr.org.uk



Maritime Websites and Forums

Maritime Information Association and Online Forum

The Maritime Information Association (MIA) is designed for everyone who deals with information about ships and other maritime matters. It exists to foster a community of those using and providing such information, from researchers, historians, enthusiasts, publishers, through to librarians, archivists and curators. The MIA offers a forum to exchange ideas through face-to-face contacts, through our newsletter, *Maritime Informer*, an annual conference, a website with an online forum, and by occasional visits and social events. Above all, the MIA offers a friendly way for busy people to keep in touch with each other. Details of membership can be obtained from: L. Verity, Membership Secretary, MIA, West Wing, National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, SE10 9NF, UK. www.maritime-information.net

University of Hull Online in Maritime History

The University of Hull's Maritime Historical Studies Centre is launching two new online programmes in maritime history.

Commencing in September, 2009, the Certificate in British Maritime History comprises modules on the Royal Navy in the age of sail, British merchant shipping history, the rise and fall of the trawl fisheries and the Steam Navy.

Building on the certificate, the Diploma in Maritime History will focus on such subjects as the transatlantic slave trade, film and the sea, and the sea in European culture. Both programmes are delivered over two years, and students can then choose to progress from the Diploma to the BA in History with Maritime History.

For further details on the Certificate and the Diploma, contact Michaela Barnard.

Email: m.g.barnard@hull.ac.uk

Conferences, Meetings and Exhibitions

National Maritime Museum British Maritime History Seminars Series, 2009–2010:

'War and Peace in the Eighteenth Century'

Dates include: 13 & 27 October, 10 & 24 November, 8 December 2009; 12 & 26 January, 9 & 23 February, 9 & 23 March 2010

Time 17.15–18.15

The annual British Maritime History Seminars this year celebrates its tenth anniversary, alongside the 350th anniversary of the famous 'year of victories', 1759. This year the seminars will span 'war and peace in the eighteenth century' – including that famous year – with papers ranging from new research on the Royal Navy in the War of Spanish Succession, to the intriguing and little-known plans for a naval expedition by

the South Seas Company in 1712; to Olaudah Equiano's experience with the navy in the Seven Years War, the famous battle of Quiberon Bay in 1759 itself and the manning of the Royal Navy in the French Revolutionary Wars. Full details of all papers will be published later (see below).

Speakers will include: Dr Michael Duffy, University of Exeter; Dr Shaun Regan, Queen's University Belfast; Dr Nuala Zahedieh, University of Edinburgh; Julia Bannister, University of Southampton, Jeremiah Dancy, University of Oxford; James Davey, Greenwich Maritime Institute; Jeremy Michell, National Maritime Museum, Shinsuke Satsuma and Britt Zerbe, both University of Exeter.

Full details will shortly be available online at www.nmm.ac.uk/conferences and in a publicity leaflet. Or contact Sally Archer, Curatorial and Research Planner, National Maritime Museum, Greenwich
Tel: +4420 8312 6772.
E-mail: sarcher@nmm.ac.uk

Convenors: Sally Archer, Dr Margarette Lincoln, Dr Nigel Rigby, Professor N.A.M. Rodger

University of Exeter
43rd Maritime History Conference
Officers and Seamen: Management in
Naval and Maritime History:
A Conference in Honour of Dr Michael
Duffy

18–20 September

The 43rd annual maritime conference at the University of Exeter to mark the retirement of Dr Michael Duffy who

will be very well known to many SNR members from his time as Hon. Editor of *The Mariner's Mirror*.

Draft Programme – subject to change

Friday 18 September

Venue: Lecture Theatre C, Streatham Court

13.00 Registration

14.00 Introduction

Session I: Shipboard Hierarchies

14.10 Dr Gareth Cole, University of Exeter

Who has Command?: The Royal Artillery aboard Royal Navy vessels, 1793–1815

15.00 Kate Hamblin, University of Exeter

Officer, Engineer, Professional, Trade Unionist: Marine Engineering Officers and their organization in Britain, France and Germany, 1860–1960

15.50 Tea, Coffee

16.20 Dr Roger Morriss, University of Exeter

High exertions and difficult cases: the work of the Transport Agent in Portsmouth and Southampton, 1797–97

17.10 Dr Sam Willis, University of Exeter

Command in Crisis: Shipwreck and Mutiny

18.0 Conclusion

18.30 Wine Reception and Buffet in honour of Dr Michael Duffy, hosted by the Department of History, University of Exeter, held at the Quadrangle, Streatham Court

Saturday 19 September

Venue: Thistle Hotel, Queen Street,
Exeter

Session II: Officers and Management Training

- 09.15 *Introduction:* Professor Roger Knight, Greenwich Maritime Institute
- 09.30 Dr Mary Jones, University of Exeter, *Towards a Hierarchy of Management: The Victorian and Edwardian Navy, 1860–1918*
- 10.30 Dr Duncan Redford, University of Exeter, *Hierarchies of the Modern Navy*
- 11.10 Tea and Coffee
- 11.40 Elinor Romans, University of Exeter, *Boat work for Royal Navy midshipmen*
- 12.30 Buffet lunch
- 13.30 Mike Farquharson-Roberts, University of Exeter, *Forgotten or ignored, the Officers at Invergordon; ‘We are doing this for you as well you know’.*

Session III: Leadership

- 14.20 Peter Ward, University of Exeter, *Admiral Rainier’s Management Challenges*
- 14.50 Dr Augustan Guimera, CSIC, Madrid, *Leadership versus Command in Eighteenth-century European Warships: Admirals Mazzaredo and Jervis in comparison.*
- 16.00 Tea
- 16.30 Professor Richard Harding, University of Westminster, *Neglect or Treason: Leadership Failure in the Mid-Eighteenth-century Royal Navy*

- 17.20 Dr Stephanie Jones, Maastricht School of Management and Jonathan Gosling, University of Exeter, *Inspirational Leadership: Nelson’s way of crew management*
- 18.15 Conclusion
- 20.00 Black-Tie Gala Dinner in Honour of Dr Michael Duffy

Sunday 20 September 2009

Venue: Lecture Theatre C, Streatham Court

Session IV: Crew Management and Training

- 09.10 Andrew Little, University of Exeter, *Foreign NCOs in the Dutch navy, 1642–97*
- 10.00 Dr Oliver Walton, *New Kinds of Discipline: The Royal Navy in the Second Half of the Nineteenth Century*
- 10.50 Coffee

Session V: Command in Battle

- 11–20 Dr David J. Starkey, University of Hull, *‘To excite the whole Company to courage and bravery’, the incentivisation of British privateering crews*
- 12.10 Professor A.D. Lambert, King’s College, London, *Taking the President: Command and Leadership in the war of 1812.*
- 13.00 Buffet lunch

Session VI: Power Authority and the Impact of Communications

- 14.00 Dr Helen Doe, University of Exeter, *Who’s in Charge? The Role of the Master and the Managing Owner in Nineteenth-century Merchant Shipping*

14.50 Professor N.A.M. Rodger, All Souls College, Oxford, *Command and Control in the Age of Electricity*

15.30 Tea

End of Conference

To reserve a place and accommodation, contact Clare Keyte.

Tel.: +0044 1392 263289

Email:

The Conference fee is £200 includes full attendance at conference, evening meals and overnight accommodation (2 nights bed and breakfast en-suite accommodation at Holland Hall, University of Exeter) on Friday 18 and Saturday 19 September, wine reception on Friday evening and Gala Dinner, entrance to all conference sessions, buffet lunches and refreshments. Additional overnight accommodation at a rate of £50 per night can be arranged on request.

Daily rates: *Friday*, no charge; *Saturday*, £20, students £15; *Sunday*, £20, students £15. Price of Gala Dinner on Saturday evening; £30, students, £20.

Naval Dockyards Society

Building Victory:

Mid-18th-Century Naval Warfare – Roles of Dockyards and Shipbuilding 26 September

This year is the 250th anniversary of the British ‘Year of Victories’ – the series of military victories in North America and India and naval victories in Guadeloupe and Quiberon Bay. It was the decisive year of the Seven Years War and was the year the keel was laid for HMS *Victory*

in No. 2 Dock, Chatham, on 23 July. HMS *Victory* was designed by Surveyor of the Navy, Thomas Slade, the leading naval architect of his day, who had been appointed by George Anson, First Lord of the Admiralty.

The Naval Dockyards Society (NDS) will be holding a conference to commemorate this (at a venue to be decided).

Details from Dr Ann Coats, Secretary, Naval Dockyards Society, 44, Lindley Avenue, Southsea, PO4 9NU, England.

Tel: +0044 23 9286 3799

Email: ann@dockyards.org

www.navaldockyards.moonfruit.com

National Museums Liverpool Merseyside Maritime Museum Queered Seas

12–14 November

The first international conference on homosexuality and the sea will take place at the Merseyside Maritime Museum, organized by National Museums Liverpool, the Centre for Gender and Women’s Studies and the Centre for Mobilities Research, Lancaster University.

Building on the book by Dr Jo Stanley and the National Museums Liverpool touring exhibition, *Hello Sailor!*, the conference will aim to draw together a range of multidisciplinary work, which will include maritime history, together with cultural and gender studies, cultural geography, art, literature film studies and fashion.

Key questions will include: what was it about the culture of life at sea that permitted what was often outlawed ashore, such as homosexual activities; to

what extent was this acceptance of behaviour beyond socially perceived norms different within maritime contexts; how have these maritime environments influenced alternative social behaviours historically and in the contemporary world; what codes of identity (sexual, gender, racial, class etc.) are produced in the seafaring world; what is the relationship between these codes and work practices within the maritime environment.

Details from Eleanor Moffat, Curator of Maritime Collections, Merseyside Maritime Museum. Email: Ellie.Moffat@liverpoolmuseums.org.uk

**British Commission for Maritime
History,
University of Exeter
New Researchers in Maritime
History Conference 2010**

12–13 March, 2010

Call for Papers

The eighteenth New Researchers in

Maritime History Conference, managed by the British Commission for Maritime History and sponsored by the Society for Nautical Research, will be hosted by the Centre for Maritime Historical Studies at the University of Exeter.

The conference provides an opportunity for those who have recently become engaged in research in maritime history (broadly defined) to present a twenty-minute paper and then answer questions from a supportive audience.

Anyone interested in attending the conference without presenting a paper is also warmly invited to register an interest: further information will be sent shortly. Proposals should take the form of a 200-word abstract and a one-page CV, containing details of degrees or other qualifications; current student or employment status; and publications (if any). Proposals should be sent by 6 November, 2009 to:

c.e.keyte@exeter.ac.uk

Books by Members

Captain Peter Hore RN, *Sydney, Cipher and Search: Solving the last great naval mystery of the Second World War.* Woodbridge, 2009.

In November 1941 the Australian light cruiser, HMAS *Sydney*, with a crew of 645, disappeared off the coast of Western Australia. Shipwrecked German sailors told an incredible tale of how their ship, *Kormoran*, a lightly armoured merchant raider, had sunk the pride of the Australian navy. Almost at once conspiracy theories sprang up to

explain the tragic loss of the ship and so many lives. Based on the author's decryption and interpretation of German coded accounts, interviews with German survivors and other research; this book pieces together the desperate fight to the death between the two ships, whose wrecks were finally located on the sea bed in March 2008.

In the DVD, which goes behind the scenes of a ten-year investigation, the author relates how he travelled the world to carry out research in dusty archives and museums, as well as

interviewing key eye-witnesses to the November 1941 battle in which the cruiser HMAS *Sydney II* was lost, along with all 645 members of her ship's company. Peter Hore reveals how the trail of clues took him from the UK to Germany, South America and Australia, enabling him to clarify vital aspects in the investigation, including breaking a code that had remained a mystery for more than six decades. Covering some aspects not found in the book, this 56-minute DVD, by 112 Productions on behalf of Seafarer Books, contains an absorbing main feature outlining Peter's odyssey to solve the mystery of HMAS *Sydney's* loss. The DVD also includes five short modules in which Peter Hore provides further insights into how he cleared the fog of myths surrounding *Sydney's* loss. It is a tale worthy of detective fiction, only in this case what we find out in *Sydney, Cipher and Search: The Inside Story* is true.

Captain Peter Hore is a former Head of Defence Studies for the Royal Navy and, among other appointments, Chairman of the Research, Technical and Programmes Committee of The Society for Nautical Research

*The book is available to SNR members at £9.95 each (free of the mail order postage and packing charge) or for £14.95, which includes the book and a DVD from Seafarer Books, 102 Redwald Road, Rendlesham, Woodbridge, Suffolk IP12 2TE

David Hobbs, *A Century of Carrier Aviation. The Evolution of Ships and Shipborne Aircraft*, 200 illustrations, 304

pages, hardback. Seaforth Publishing, 47 Church Street, Barnsley, South Yorkshire S70 2AS. Tel: +441226 734555

This book charts the progress and growing effectiveness of naval air power, concentrating on the advances and inventions, most of them British, that allowed shipborne aircraft to match their land-based counterparts, and looking at their contribution to 20th-century warfare.

Written by a retired Fleet Air Arm pilot and award-winning historian of naval flying, this is a masterly overview of the history of aviation in the world's navies down to the present day. Heavily illustrated from the author's comprehensive collection of photographs, the book will be essential reading to anyone with an interest in navies or air power.

Seaforth are happy to give a 20 per cent discount to SNR *Newsletter* readers. The Recommended Retail Price is £40 so readers will pay £32 if they mention that they are members of the SNR when ordering.

Joe Flatman, *Ships and Shipping in Medieval Manuscripts*, 150 colour illustrations, hardback. London, British Library, 2009

Ships were integral to medieval life, to travel, transport and trade, linking villages and towns, land and sea, countries and continents. Focusing on medieval illuminations, drawn mainly from the British Library's unparalleled collection, Joe Flatman traces the changing shape of ships in European life and culture from the eleventh to the sixteenth centuries.

Available to readers of *Mariner's Mirror* at the special price of £25.00* (RRP £30.00), including P & P. To claim your discount order online at

and enter the discount code BLMARINERS in the voucher box before checking out.

*Discount valid until 20/09/09.

The Fenland Lighter Project

In economic terms, the regional role of the Fenland lighters was eclipsed around 1850 due to the rapidly developing railway system of that period. However, the type survived for another century or so, albeit in dwindling numbers and with modified operational procedures. Thus, up to 1900, some Fenland lighters found a niche as 'feeders' for railway traffic involving varied agricultural produce. Peter Waszak is to be congratulated on his detailed work regarding this distinctive phase: he is bringing to light surprising evidence of high-handed abuses that played a part.

On a separate matter, the Fenland Lighter Project is involved in ongoing discussions with the authorities of Greater Peterborough regarding plans for development of the Nene riverside near to the city centre. It is hoped that increased publicity for Peterborough's links with bygone water transport, including the coasting trade, can be a feature of such development, thereby supplementing the information-boards installed along the Nene some years ago.

More on the Fenland Lighter Project can be found at

www.gla.ac.uk/~aj12x/flp.html

H.J.K. Jenkins

University courses, Grants and Resources

John Carter Brown Library Research Fellowships 2010–11

The John Carter Brown Library will award approximately thirty short and long-term Research Fellowships for the period June 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011.

Short-term Fellowships are available for two to four months with a monthly stipend of \$2,000 and are open to foreign nationals as well as to US citizens who are engaged in pre-and post-doctoral, or independent research. It is mandatory that graduate students pass their preliminary or general examinations before the application deadline and be at dissertation writing stage.

Long-Term Fellowships are under-written by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH); Inter-Americas; Donald R. Saunders; and R. David parsons. (NEH recipients should either be US citizens or resident in the US for three years immediately preceding the application deadline). Long-term awards are five to ten months with a monthly stipend of \$4000. Applicants for long-term fellowships are required to have their PhD before January 2010

Research proposals must be suited to the holdings of the Library. The Library's collection is focused on the history of the Western Hemisphere

during the colonial period (1492 to about 1825), emphasizing the European discovery, exploration, settlement and development of the Americas, the indigenous response to the European conquest, the African contribution to the development of the hemisphere, and all aspects of European relations with the New World, including the impact of the New World on the Old. All fellows must relocate to Providence and be in continuous residence at the Library for the entire term of the fellowship. The JCB retains a comfortable residence nearby for its research fellows.

Several fellowships are restricted to particular areas of research: history of cartography; maritime history; the West Indies and the Caribbean basin as a whole; comparative history of the colonial Americas; family and women's history; the history of printing and bibliography; the Jewish experience in the Americas; early exploration and discovery; Luso-Brazilian studies; Spanish-American history; and other special categories. A few fellowships are available only to scholars who are citizens and permanent residents of countries in Spanish America.

The application deadline for 2010–11 is 10 January 2010. For application forms or more information, contact: The John Carter Brown Library, Box 1894, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island 02912
Tel: 401-863-2725
Fax: 401-863-3477
E-Mail: JCBL_Fellowships@brown.edu
Website: <http://JCBL.ORG>

Greenwich Maritime Institute, University of Greenwich MA Maritime History

Located in the historic setting of the Old Royal Naval College, the Greenwich Maritime Institute offers a unique environment for the study of maritime history. Taught courses focus on the Merchant Navy and the Royal Navy in the late eighteenth century; Twentieth-century International Maritime History; Sources, Methods and Archives for Maritime Historians; Twentieth-century International Naval History and Case Studies in Maritime History. Teaching is in small groups led by leading experts in the field. The staff currently include Professor Sarah Palmer, Professor Roger Knight, Dr Roger Morriss, Chris Ware, Patricia Crimmin, and Dr David Hilling.

The programme is available full-time (1 year) or part-time (2 years) and further information can be obtained from the Greenwich Maritime Institute, University of Greenwich, Old Royal Naval College, Park Row, Greenwich, London, SE10 9LS, UK.

Tel.: +0044 208 331 7688.

Email: gmi@gre.ac.uk

Website www.gre.ac.uk/gmi

University of Hull

BA History with Maritime History

This BA course is designed for students wishing to specialise in maritime history, with a wide range of modules, including medieval maritime history, the Age of Discovery, piracy and privateering, seafaring in war and peace, Britain's twentieth-century maritime interests. For further details, contact

Richard Gorski, details below.

University of Hull
PhD in Maritime History

For further information about the MA and PhD programmes and maritime history in general, contact Dr Richard Gorski, Department of History, University of Hull, Hull, HU6 7RX, UK.

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Website: www.history.hull.ac.uk

University of Exeter
MA and PhD at the Centre for Maritime Historical Studies,

The Centre was the first of its kind in a British university. It can call on a wide range of expertise in maritime historical studies within the university and seeks to promote research into economic, social, political, naval and environmental aspects of the British maritime past from the earliest times to the present day.

The MA in Maritime History includes modules on technology, trade, ports, exploration, mariners and fishing. The medieval and early modern module explores European maritime expansion and the creation of commercial empires.

The MA in Naval History has modules on British naval power in the era of sail, 1650 to 1815, and in the era of steam and motor, 1816 to 1945. It examines the contribution of sea power as an instrument of defence and conquest, and the Navy as a part of society.

In each MA, students research and write a dissertation on their chosen topic. These courses can be taken part time over 2 years or full time in 1 year.

For more information on these programmes, contact Dr Maria Fusaro, University of Exeter, Amory Building, Rennes Drive, Exeter, EX4 4RJ.

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University of Exeter
New MA in Naval History by distance learning

The University of Exeter has just announced that its new MA in Naval History is now open for admissions. This unique course is delivered wholly on-line and was initiated by Professor Nicholas Rodger who continues to be closely involved. Exeter is the only university that offers MAs and PhDs in Naval History and can call upon a wide range of academic expertise in the subject. For more information visit <http://www.exeter.ac.uk/postgraduate/degrees/history/navaldlma.html>

Canadian Nautical Research Society
The Keith Matthews
Best Book Award

A prize of \$1,000 awarded for a book by a Canadian author on any topic of maritime history, or by a scholar of any nationality on a topic of Canadian maritime history, published in a calendar year.

The Gerry Panting
New Scholar's Award

For a scholar new to the field of maritime history, by which is meant within five years of their last degree: \$1,000 to travel to a CNRS annual conference to present a paper. The recipient is expected to offer the paper to *The Northern Mariner/Le marin du nord* for publication.

The Jacques Cartier MA Prize

An award of \$500 for the best masters thesis on a topic of maritime history completed by a student at a Canadian university, or a Canadian at a foreign university.

The Keith Matthews Best Article Award

A prize of \$250 awarded for the best article published in *The Northern Mariner/Le marin du nord* in a calendar year.

All awards are normally announced at the CNRS annual conference, held between May and August. All inquiries about eligibility and application procedure should be directed to Professor Serge Durflinger, CNRS Awards Committee Chairman, History Department, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Ontario KIN 6N5, Canada.

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New Members and Reported Death **1 April–4 June 2009**

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Reported death

Dr M.S. Partridge, BA, PhD, FRHistS,
Surbiton (April 2009)

SNR SUBSIDIARY PUBLICATIONS ON THE WEBSITE

The SNR is looking at new ways of communicating with its members and making the website more interactive.

The SNR Newsletter now appears on the Society website, www.snr.org.uk, as will future editions of *The Annual Bibliography* and *The SNR List of Members*.

Some members have already opted to view the subsidiary publications on the web site and no longer have hard copies delivered with their *Mariner's Mirror*.

Other members who would like to adopt this arrangement are asked to inform the Membership Secretary, Peter Garvey, by email: peter@garveyp.fsnet.co.uk or by letter to The Lodge, The Drive, Hellingly, Hailsham, East Sussex, BN27 4EP.