

THE WORLD SHIP SOCIETY - Founded in 1947, the World Ship Society brings together some 1,500 members worldwide who are interested in ships, past and present. Its monthly digital journal *Marine News*, eight digital *Supplements* and four digital *Warships* and are bywords for accurate information.

MARINE NEWS – Provides the most comprehensive and convenient listings of merchant ship activity for enthusiasts – some 10,000 entries a year covering launches, name and ownership changes, details of casualties and demolitions, all available as a 64-page digital magazine delivered to members' computers around the first of each month and backed by an annual index. In addition, there is topical warship coverage, feature articles, photographs and Society news.

MARINE NEWS SUPPLEMENT – This digital supplement to *Marine News* was introduced to allow use of supplementary photographs grouped under the title of the news section in which they occur in *Marine News*, Fleet Lists and long feature articles covering modern and historical subjects. This digital *Supplement*, which is published eight times a year, takes nothing from the main journal and is a bonus.

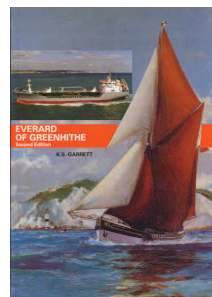
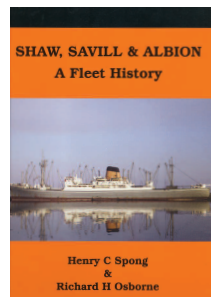
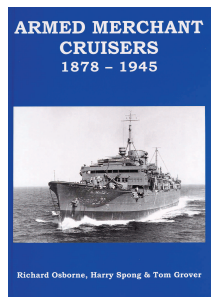
WARSHIPS – Published in February, May, August and November every year, this digital supplement to *Marine News* offers in-depth exploration of naval matters both historical and current.

WORLD SHIP SOCIETY EVENTS

ANNUAL NAVAL MEETING – Held in Bristol on the first Saturday in June each year since 1979, this event features presentations from 4 expert speakers and a quiz as well as the opportunity to purchase books and photographs.

BIENNIAL MERCHANT SHIP MEETING – Held in Liverpool and features presentations from expert speakers, a quiz as well as the opportunity to purchase books and photographs.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & DINNER – Held in a different location every year on the second or third weekend in May, this event also features additional shipping and social events during the weekend.



PUBLICATIONS – Fifty excellent WSS fleet lists and specialist history books are available to members at greatly discounted prices with up to three new titles each year. The Society's hundred-plus books are regarded as definitive key sources of information on practically every ship type. Written by members who have often made a lifetime study of their subject, they are more deeply researched than can be done by authors making a living out of writing. Recent titles have covered topics ranging from coasters, ferries, tramps, bulk carriers, invasion fleets, destroyers Admiralty coastal salvage vessels, armed merchant cruisers, the Soviet Merchant Fleet from 1917 to 1950, Shaw Savill & Albion, Everard of Greenhithe and Maritime Reviews of 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019.

PHOTOGRAPHS – The World Ship Society has over a million ship photographs – one of the largest and most wide-ranging collections in the world. It includes black & white and colour prints and negatives as well as colour slides.



CELIA ashore at El Saler Beach Valencia 2.10.2012.

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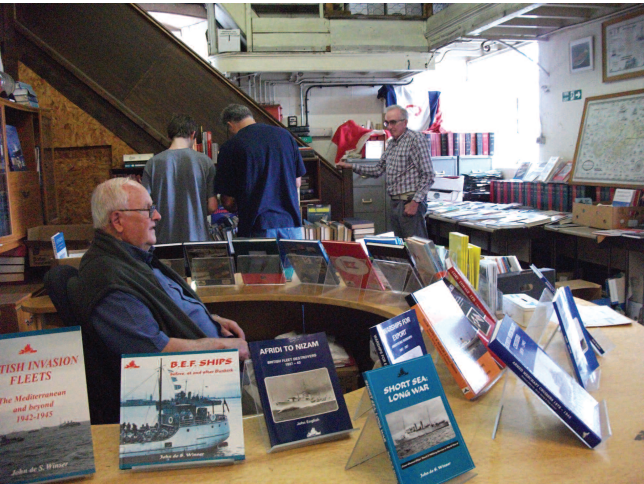
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BRANCHES – The World Ship Society has over 50 local Branches worldwide! Branches hold regular monthly meetings involving slide shows, DVDs, Powerpoint presentations, illustrated talks given by invited speakers and Branch members. Branches also run photographic competitions and quizzes as well as outings in addition to developing and maintaining links with other like-minded organisations in their locality. Some Branches used *Zoom* and *Google Meet* to continue their programme of events during the Covid pandemic and are continuing to use these media to reach a greater number of enthusiasts around the world.

LIBRARY & RESEARCH COLLECTION – The Society's Library & Reading Room and Store housed in Chatham Historic Dockyard in Kent is open most days and members can research using the mass of maritime material available. This facility is also open to members of the public.



Research material donated by WSS members and held in the Society's archives at Chatham includes that used by Noel Bonsor in his much-acclaimed *North Atlantic Seaway* and *South Atlantic Seaway* and by Jim Colledge in his widely-used *Ships of the Royal Navy*.

MEMBERS' QUESTIONS – Using e-mail or the cost of a SAE or IRC members can tap into this unique resource of historical material covering merchant ships and warships dating from the 1830s or earlier!



MARINA at Lisbon at Lisbon 6.10.2017. Richard Osborne



QUEEN ELIZABETH at Portsmouth 16.8.2017. Leo van Ginderen



MAERSK GIBALTAR 18.9.2017. Lynn Connolly

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

I wish to apply for annual membership of the World Ship Society (includes 12 digital copies of *Marine News*, eight digital *Supplements* and four digital *Warships* per annum) and enclose the sum of £22 made payable to the World Ship Society.

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I am enclosing a cheque (payable to the World Ship Society) for £22
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Please send your remittance to the:
WSS Membership Secretary, 17 Birchdale Road, Appleton,
Warrington, Cheshire WA4 5AR

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Signed: Date:

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Magazine advert ____ Maasmond advert ____
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