



THE 1805 DISPATCHES

THE REGULAR NEWSLETTER OF THE 1805 CLUB

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EDITORIAL

A sad time for British people, and everyone who admired and valued the contributions made by our late Queen to all our lives.

However, as ever in this situation, we say,

“Long live King Charles III and the Queen Consort”.

Meanwhile, here is a relatively short edition of *TD*, because the October *TD* (and the April edition) has to be prepared concurrently with publication of the *The Kedge Anchor*.



REQUEST FOR HELP

If you are a member of The 1805 Club who is familiar with, and active upon, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram or any other social medium, we would welcome some help with keeping the Club in the public eye using these methods.

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Not our period, but there is currently an exhibition of the American painter, Winslow Homer, at the National Gallery in London, UK, which is well worth viewing for anyone in the area.

He was not a sea painter, but did paint the sea very well.



THE VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE

Observations From The Chairman, Capt. John Rodgaard (USN Retd)

I trust all of you and your families have found time for taking a holiday, enjoying the company of family and friends and now find life returning to some semblance of normality.



Now autumn is upon us in the northern hemisphere, and for our members south of the equator, spring has arrived. It is a time of change; more so than just the change in the seasons.

I am sure you will agree that change in our lives came rather suddenly when we heard the news of the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. To me, and I am sure to all of you, she was always there; a steady presence for us. I know you feel as I do, that the Queen was a monarch to whom all of us felt a sense of connection. For some of us, the connection was more personal. But, I think we can agree that she defined an era of constant and tumultuous change with dignity and grace through the power of her example. We thank you Ma'am.

As a Club, we experienced another sad and unexpected change with the loss one of our stalwart members, Randy Mafit. You will see in the autumn edition of *The Kedge Anchor* (due out on about Trafalgar Day) a tribute to him by Kenneth Flemming, about how much of a change he made in The Club. On a personal note, it was Randy who encouraged me to become more active in The 1805 Club, by succeeding him as the North American Secretary. Thank you Randy. We have the watch.

The AGM event in May has kicked off a very active series of Club events for 2022/2023 — a positive change indeed. Do check out the Events Diary in this issue.

Another happy change has been reported by our Membership Secretary, Dr Sue Carr'. It is indeed gratifying to see so many new members. Her report, that you can also see in *The Kedge Anchor*, is complemented by our editor's section showcasing many of the new members. I think you will agree with me that they comprise a distinguished and diverse group. The Club can say it is truly international in its appeal.

Yes, change is inevitable; the only thing that we can say is a constant in our lives. With us heading towards the end of 2022, I wish all good health, happiness and success in your endeavours.

Yours aye,



HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II – 1926-2022

The 1805 Club record sadly the death of the United Kingdom's longest reigning monarch.



WHAT WE DO

I often get asked, "What does The 1805 Club do?" When asked I am rarely in front of a computer screen, so although our three core aims are easily remembered, I can't recall all our past achievements. I assume other members may share this experience, so as an aide memoire here is a straight copy (slightly edited) from our website, where links can be found to details of most of these items.

Conservation & Preservation Projects

The 1805 Club was founded in 1990 to preserve and care for the memorials and graves of those associated with the sailing navy of the Georgian era. They are a vital yet often neglected part of Britain's naval heritage. No other organisation is dedicated to their preservation.

The 1805 Club has already ensured the survival of many Nelson monuments, and the memorials of those associated with him, both in the UK and overseas. Hitherto, we have undertaken at least one major conservation project each year, as well as watching over and tending those already restored. However, in the Club's present fiscal situation it is proving impossible for us to actually fund conservation works.

The Club's intention is to concentrate in future on being a conduit to help those with a project in need of conservation, including, where possible, facilitating the raising of funds towards achieving their aims.

Contacts for all these things are on the website.

Major Projects since 1990 include:

- ☪ The Copenhagen Captains' Memorial
- ☪ The Nile Captains' Memorial
- ☪ The Trafalgar Captains' Memorial
- ☪ Lady Frances Nelson's tomb, Littleham, Devon
- ☪ The Nelson Pillar, Gt Yarmouth, Norfolk
- ☪ Tomb of Capt. John Richards Lapenotiere RN, Menheniot, Cornwall
- ☪ The Trafalgar Pillar, Baslow, Derbyshire
- ☪ The tomb of Admiral Sir Sidney Smith, Pere Lachaise Cemetery, Paris
- ☪ Vault and monument of Admiral Sir Home Riggs Popham, Sunninghill, Berkshire
- ☪ The first memorial to Emma, Lady Hamilton, Parc Richelieu, 185 Rue Richelieu, 62100 Calais, France
- ☪ The Nelson and Collingwood plaques, Greenwich, London
- ☪ The grave of Horatia Nelson Ward, Pinner, Middlesex
- ☪ Tomb of Admiral James, Lord de Saumarez, Castel, Guernsey
- ☪ Gravestone of Admiral Sir Charles Bullen, South Stoneham, nr Southampton
- ☪ Grave and plaque to Capt. Sir Edward Berry RN, Walcot, Bath
- ☪ The Bolton memorials, All Saints' Church, Burnham Thorpe, Norfolk
- ☪ Gravestone of Admiral Sir Richard Grindall, Wickham, Hampshire
- ☪ The Battle of Copenhagen memorial plaque, Great Yarmouth, Norfolk

In addition, the Club has completed the following Projects:

- ☪ Tomb of Vice Admiral Sir Thomas Dundas, Hurst, near Reading
- ☪ Surgeon William Beatty memorial plaque, Kensal Green Cemetery, London
- ☪ The vault of Alexander Davison, Nelson's prize agent, Northumbria. (Grade II Listed)
- ☪ The tomb of Thomas Atkinson, Sailing Master of HMS Victory, Farlington, Portsmouth
- ☪ The Nelson Display, All Saints' Church
- ☪ Gravestone of William Brown Wood, Timberscombe, Somerset
- ☪ The Henry Poole replica Nelson captain's uniform for the Nevis Historical and Conservation Society, Nevis, Caribbean
- ☪ The replanting of the Battle of the Nile "HMS Vanguard" memorial clump of trees, Amesbury, Wiltshire
- ☪ The memorial to Captain Edward Thornborough Parker RN, St George the Martyr, Deal, Kent
- ☪ Tomb of Captain John Quilliam RN, HMS Victory's 1st Lieut. at Trafalgar, Arboury parish church, Ballabeg, Isle of Man
- ☪ Gravestone of Capt James Robert Mosse RN, Wickham, Hampshire
- ☪ Gravestone of HMS Victory's Assistant Surgeon Niel Smith, Cawdor, Scotland



SHIP'S WORD WHEEL

Take a ten-minute break and find as many words as possible, using the letters in the wheel. Each must use the hub letter and at least 3 others, used only once. No plurals (if only made by adding an 's' or 'es'), no foreign words not in common usage in English, nor proper nouns. There is at least one nine-letter word to be found.

10 = Average; 15 = Good; 20 = Amazing!

Answers on page 5

Remember that there is a whole treasure trove here

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HMS VICTORY MODEL IS ALMOST FINISHED - 50 YEARS AFTER BEING STARTED

Our Club Secretary, Stephen Howarth, spotted this story in The Times newspaper recently. It was a syndicated story, so these details were extracted from the version published in *The News*, Portsmouth, UK, under the byline of Tom Morton.

Michael Byard, of Abingdon, Oxfordshire has been building a 1:48 scale model of HMS *Victory*, which he began in 1969 when he

was working in Australia. Eighteen months after starting, life got in the way, and Mr Byard had to pack it away until he retired six years ago. Altogether he estimates that he has spent 600 hours working on it, and is nearly finished. Mrs Anne Byard must be very forgiving!

The newspaper story was prompted because Michael Byard is looking for help from someone who can help him with producing a 3D printed

copy of the sternworks. He has produced one by hand, but is unhappy with it.

Your editor attempted, unsuccessfully, to trace Mr Byard, because of a contact with a similar model-maker who may be just such a person to help. If any readers know Mr Byard, please get in touch.

(Details of the other model-maker will be featured in the autumn edition of *The Kedge Anchor*.)

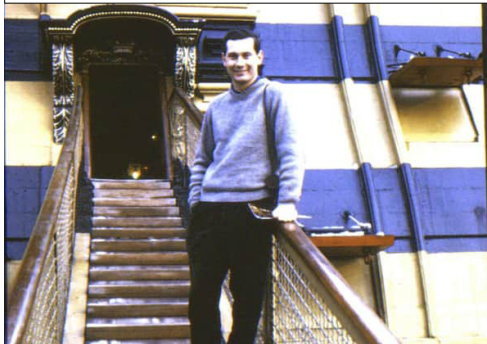


Below: Michael Byard on the brow of HMS *Victory* in about 1960.

Photo: Michael Byard/Solent News

Right: Michael Byard with his model of HMS *Victory* in his workshop.

Photo: Jordan Pettit/Solent News & Photo Agency



EVENTS DIARY

The Events Committee are discussing additions to this calendar on a monthly basis.

Event Date	Event Title	Event Description	Club Lead	
21 Oct 2022	Trafalgar Wreath Laying	Laying wreath at St Paul's at 1100 (15 members can attend)	Stephen Howarth	Names to Stephen Howarth
22 Oct 2022	Trafalgar Night Dinner	Trafalgar Night Dinner in HMS <i>Nelson</i> Wardroom	Stephen Howarth	
25 Oct 2022	In Conversation with John Rodgaard: From Across the Sea	Event at Army & Navy Club. Open to both Rag and 1805 Club members	John Rodgaard	
12 Nov 2022	NYC Pickle Night	Pickle Night Dinner at the New York Yacht Club		
17 Nov 2022	The Trafalgar Way Story	Talk on the TW to 'Friends of the Willis Museum' Basingstoke	Kathy Brown	
20 Jan 2023	Lecture and lunch at Langar Hall, Nottinghamshire	Social event open to Club and public	Stephen Howarth	
3 Feb 2023	The Trafalgar Way Story	Talk on the TW to the Sidmouth RNOCA	Kathy Brown	
11 Feb 2023	Battle of Cape St Vincent Luncheon	Luncheon to commemorate the Battle of Cape St Vincent at Chart House Restaurant Alexandria VA	Pete Stark	
16 Jun 2023	Unveiling Cornwallis Plaque	Ceremony to unveil stone plaque commemorating Cornwallis at St Ann's Church, HRNB Portsmouth	Stephen Tregidgo	
16 Jun 2023	Cornwallis commemorative dinner	In HMS <i>Warrior</i> 1860, Portsmouth	Stephen Howarth	
17 Jun 2023	Annual General Meeting and Members' Day	Royal Maritime Club, Portsmouth	Stephen Howarth	
Autumn 23	Return of Nelson's Marriage Certificate	Return of the Marriage Certificate and delivery of new Uniform to Nevis	John Wills	
21 Oct 2023	Trafalgar Night Dinner	Trafalgar Night dinner HMS <i>Nelson</i> Wardroom	Stephen Howarth	



HM THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE QUIZ



1805 Club Platinum Jubilee Prize Quiz
75 questions on Georgian era naval history from around the world



The Jubilee Quiz in honour of Her Majesty The Queen concluded on 11th August. We have a Prize Winner and two runners-up, who will be announced in full in the autumn edition of *The Kedge Anchor*, due to be issued later in October.

THE 1805 CLUB SHOP

The 1805 Club online Shop is now up and running. Go to our website, where you will find links to gain entry and buy all those essential things, some of which you did not realise you needed until you found them available.

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NEW MEMBERS

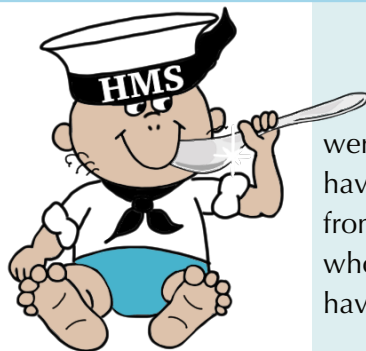
The Kedge Anchor now has a 'New Members' feature.

We would like every new member to make contact with the Editor and say a few words about themselves, for inclusion in the next edition of *KA*, please.

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SHIP'S WORD WHEEL ANSWERS

HIERARCHY,
archery, cherry,
achey, chary, carry,
hairy, harry, cryer,
eyrir, achy, cray,
racy, yeah, eyra,
yare, year, hiya, airy,
yech.



NAVAL TERMS THAT HAVE 'COME ASHORE'

Born with a silver spoon – Old navy expression, of the 'young gentlemen' of privilege and advantage, who were said to have been so born with one in their mouth, and to have entered the navy through the cabin windows, as distinct from those who worked their way up through the ranks by merit, who were said to have been born with a wooden ladle and to have entered the navy through the hawseholes.

The Newsletter for Anyone Interested in The 1805 Club

PURPOSE. The purpose of this newsletter is to support and advance the Club's objectives. The newsletter provides anyone who is interested with brief items of news about the club and its activities, in the hope that it can help the club attract wider interest in naval history and new members. Much of the content will be a précis of articles that will appear in *The Kedge Anchor*, the six-monthly club magazine.

EDITORIAL POLICY.

The editor has full editorial responsibility for the newsletter. Views expressed in the newsletter are those of individual authors, unless claimed by the editor. Articles which appear do not express the official position of The 1805 Club on any subject unless specifically noted as such. Content of contributions to the newsletter may be edited for grammar, space allocation, or to better serve the purpose of the newsletter. Contributors wishing to be alerted to editorial decisions should notify the editor at the time that their contribution is submitted. Otherwise the submission will be published within the scope of the editorial policy.

ISSUE AND COPY DATES

The proposed issue dates for *The 1805 Dispatches* are: February, April, June, August, October and December. Anyone wishing to contribute an article or news item to the editor for inclusion in the newsletter should do so by the beginning of the month preceding the issue in which it is to be inserted. Any articles that are not time-specific can be submitted at any time, with a note advising him of that fact.

All copy is welcome,
but not all copy may be used!

THE 1805 CLUB

Founded in 1990, the Club:

- Promotes research into and education about the Royal Navy, merchant maritime service and other state navies of the same era; and
- Promotes and engages in the preservation of monuments and memorials relating to the Royal Navy and seafaring people of the later sailing-navy era; and
- Organises relevant cultural, historical and social events.

The Club is charity No. 1071871, registered in England and Wales.

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