

**LIVERPOOL
NAUTICAL RESEARCH SOCIETY**

**IN RETROSPECT
1938-1955**



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I am grateful to all those members, past and present, who have responded to my request for information. This outline is as accurate as memory and record can make it, but should anyone having a knowledge of the Society's affairs, detect any omission or inaccuracy, intimation to me at 28, Exchange Street East, Liverpool, 2, would be appreciated. Any necessary corrections will be notified in News, Notes and Queries.

December 1955.

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A brief outline of the foundation, growth, and achievement of the Liverpool Nautical Research Society.

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The idea of a Research Society was certainly in the minds of a number of independent research workers in 1937, notably the late Mr. Arthur C.Wardle and the late Mr.W.Stewart Rees, as is evidenced from correspondence which passed between them.

Some local ship model makers drawn towards research in their quest for accuracy in their models, were also thinking on similar lines, notably Mr. W. McQ. Mather, Mr. Harry Owen, Mr. V.H. Green, the late Mr. H.N. Leask, A.M.I.C.E., and others.

Stimulus was given to the idea by an article in the magazine Sea Breezes - "Preserving a Maritime Epoch" - and also some paragraphs in the Liverpool Daily Post.

The return from Burma to Merseyside of the late Captain E.A.Woods, an authority on sail, and a member of the Flag Circle, undoubtedly had some influence on subsequent events.

Mr. J.F. Smith, M.A., F.R.S.A., at that time the City Librarian, lent his support, and at his invitation a private meeting was held at the Picton Reference Library, William Brown Street, Liverpool, on Wednesday, 23rd March, 1938, attended by the late Mr. Arthur C.Wardle, in the Chair, the late Captain E.A. Woods, the late Mr. W. Stewart Rees, and Messrs. H.Owen, J.F.Hall, and K.Hopkins. Mr.J.F. Smith had kindly arranged a special exhibit of shipping records, marine pictures, and books.

The meeting resolved that the Liverpool Marine Research Society be formed with the following objects :-

1. To encourage a public interest in Liverpool's maritime and ship history.
2. To collect and collate all available material relating to Liverpool ships and seamen of the past.
3. To undertake an historical survey of locally-owned vessels, their masters, and their owners.

It was also resolved that an Inaugural Meeting be held on Monday, 11th April, 1938, to elect a Chairman, Officers and Committee.

The Liverpool Daily Post in a short article on the 25th March, 1938, referred to the foregoing particulars and wrote of the "promising start" the new Society had made.

Messrs. Wardle and Hall acted as Conveners of the Inaugural Meeting, and a letter of invitation was circulated amongst people likely to be interested.

The Inaugural Meeting on 11th April, 1938, was held in the Accountants' Hall, Fenwick Street, Liverpool, and was fully reported in the Liverpool Daily Post and the Journal of Commerce the next day.

The subscription was fixed at 5/- per annum, and the following Officers and Committee were elected :-

Chairman: Captain E.A. Woods.

Secretary and
Treasurer: Arthur C. Wardle.

Recorder: W. Stewart Rees.

Committee: H. Owen, T. Hughes, K. Hopkins,
H.N. Leask, J.F. Hall, V.H. Green.

The question of President and Vice-Presidents was left to the discretion of the Committee and a number of well known gentlemen were to be approached in this connection.

Colonel Vere E. Cotton, C.B.E., T.D., M.A., Chairman of the Liverpool Libraries Sub-Committee spoke on the enormous amount of work there was for members of the Society to tackle and Mr. Robert Gladstone, B.C.L., suggested the name should be "Liverpool Maritime Research Society". For a month, however, the name continued as "Marine" rather than "Maritime", and letterheadings were printed with "Marine" in the title.

Others present at this meeting included Messrs. John S. Rees, E.B.Royden (now Sir Ernest, 3rd baronet), and W.McQ.Mather.

The next meeting of the Society was held at the School of Commerce, Tithebarn Street, Liverpool, on Monday, 9th May, 1938, where, in addition to adopting a Constitution and Rules, Mr. Arthur C.Wardle presented the first paper to be read before the Society entitled "Early Liverpool vessels and Trade". This paper was reported in the Liverpool Daily Post on 10th May.

By the 11th May the name of the Society had been finally decided, for on that day the Liverpool Daily Post recorded that:

"The newly formed society which is to study Liverpool shipping history has at last decided what its name shall be. Originally it chose 'The Liverpool Marine Research Society'; then it was changed for a short time to 'The Liverpool Maritime Research Society'; then it went back to the original title tentatively; and finally it has chosen 'The Liverpool Nautical Research Society'. Rightly or wrongly, some supporters thought that 'Marine' would suggest to the man in the street a biological interest, and 'Maritime' a commercial interest".

A short notice under the heading "Maritime Research" appeared in Lloyd's List, 26th May, 1938.

The late Lord Derby accepted the Presidency by letter dated the 4th June, and on the 23rd June, 1938, the following announcement appeared in the Liverpool Daily Post, under the heading "Nautical Research":

"In discussing some time ago the formation of the Liverpool Nautical Research Society, I mentioned that it was assured of influential support. I am now able to announce that the Earl of Derby has accepted the presidency, while vice-presidencies have been accepted by Sir Edgar Rennie Bowring (to whose inspiration the excellent history of the Bowring ships recently published was due, an example which might be followed by many other shipping firms in Liverpool), Sir Geoffrey Callender (Director of the National Maritime Museum at Greenwich, who from the start has been keenly interested in the new Liverpool move), and Messrs. Robert Gladstone and Ernest B. Royden, both of whom joined the Society at the outset".

"The Society is rapidly getting together a membership of men and women genuinely interested in local shipping history, which includes that of the people who built, owned and manned the ships".

On the 9th July the Liverpool Daily Post announced that Mr. Ronald Stewart-Brown and Sir Sydney Jones had joined the list of Vice-Presidents, making six altogether.

Some reference to these early days also appeared in the magazine Sea Breezes for May, 1938, page 64, and June, 1938, page 104.

Four further papers and one lecture were given during the season 1938/39, when the advent of the war caused the Society to close down temporarily for a year or two.

Finding that Liverpool still stood firm after the worst the enemy could do, a number of the Founder Members were ready and anxious to take up the threads again.

Apart from the enforced interval of more than three years and the loss of many valuable documents and records through enemy action, enthusiasm and incentive had not suffered, and the Society re-formed at a meeting held in Richmond Street, on Saturday, 3rd October, 1942.

This meeting was, in fact, the first Annual General Meeting, and after the election of Officers and Council, a paper, "The White Star Australian Packets", was read by Captain E.A.Woods, who continued as Chairman of the Society. Meetings were held on Saturday afternoons as a safety measure whilst hostilities lasted, but a return to evening meetings was made in October, 1945.

The subscription, maintained at 5/- at the resumption in 1942, was increased to 7/6 for the following season and to 10/- for the 1944/45 season, at which level it has remained ever since.

From that rebirth in 1942, a series of papers and illustrated lectures has been given before the Society, interspersed with open soirees, dock visits, film shows, etc. The total number of meetings of all kinds has now reached 97 and the number of papers 53 (April, 1955).

In 1947, Mr. Arthur C. Wardle was elected a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society for his researches into the history of Liverpool.

With a desire to widen the scope of the Society, a sub-committee was appointed in 1948 to consider, and if thought necessary, to revise the Constitution and Rules, originally drafted in 1938. In November, 1948, at the Adjourned Annual General Meeting, the new Constitution and Rules were approved and adopted. They appear in this booklet on pages 10-13.

In February, 1952, the Society became affiliated to the Historic Society of Lancashire & Cheshire, and members are invited to their lectures whenever they are of a nautical character.

In March, 1954, Mr. A.N. Ryan, M.A., Honorary Secretary of the Society, was elected to the Council of the Navy Records Society.

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A new feature, a quarterly pamphlet, "News, Notes and Queries" was commenced in January, 1951, edited by Mr. Keith P. Lewis, and has continued under his care ever since. This includes a report of the previous paper or lecture read to the Society, news of, and contributions from members, and items of local maritime interest.

A number of books dealing with nautical subjects have been published by past and present members, amongst which may be mentioned the following :-

Liverpool Ships in the Eighteenth Century.	}	(the late) R.Stewart-Brown, M.A.,F.S.A.
Birkenhead Priory and the Mersey Ferry.		
Steam conquers the Pacific.	}	(the late) Arthur C.Wardle, F.R.Hist.S.
Benjamin Bowring and his descendants.		

- The Sea Casualties on the Southport Coast. 1745-1946.)
 A History of the Southport Lifeboats.) (the late)
 J. H. Lawson Booth.
- The Rise of the Port of Liverpool.)
 Trade in Eastern Seas 1793-1813.)
 Portsmouth Point. The Navy in) Dr. C. Northcote
 fiction 1793-1815.) Parkinson, M.A.
 The Trade Winds, General Editorship.)
 Samuel Walters, Lieut., R.N.,)
 Edited Memoirs.)
- The Shipping World. A Collection) (the late)
 of Lectures. General Editorship.) John A. Todd, M.A., B.L.
- Thomas Royden & Sons, Shipbuilders. Sir Ernest B. Royden, Bart.
- The Rise & Progress of Wallasey. E.Cuthbert Woods, F.R.Hist.S.
 (in conjunction with
 P.Culverwell Brown, M.A., F.S.A.)
- History of the Liverpool Pilotage)
 Service.) John S. Rees.
- Records of Bristol Ships)
 1800-1838.) Grahame E. Farr.
 Somerset Harbours.
- Mersey Ferry Tales. Keith P. Lewis.
- Passenger Liners of the Western) Cdr.(S) C.R.Vernon Gibbs,
 Ocean) R.N. (ret'd).
- Ship Modelling Hints and Tips. Lt.Cdr.J.H.Craine, R.N.R.(ret'd)
- Records of the Early British) Captain Nigel W. Kennedy,
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PAST AND PRESENT OFFICE BEARERSPresident:

(the late) The Earl of Derby, K.G., G.C.V.O., G.C.B., P.C. 1938-1948

Sir Ernest B. Royden, Bart.

Since 1948

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Vice-Presidents:

(the late)	Sir Edgar R. Bowring, K.C.M.G.	1938-1943
"	Sir Geoffrey Callender, M.A.	1938-1946
"	Sir Sydney Jones, J.P., M.A., LL.D.	1938-1947
"	R. Stewart-Brown, M.A., F.S.A.	1938-1940
"	Robert Gladstone, B.C.L., F.S.A.	1938-1948
	Ernest B. Royden	1938-President.
	G. Lysaght Finigan	Since 1943
"	W. Stewart Rees	1947-1948
"	Arthur C. Wardle, F.R.Hist.S.	1948-1949
	W. Ernest Corlett	Since 1948
	John S. Rees	Since 1951
	E. Cuthbert Woods, F.R.Hist.S.	Since 1953

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Chairman:

(the late)	Captain E. A. Woods	1938-1944
"	W. Stewart Rees	1945-1947
"	Arthur C. Wardle, F.R.Hist.S.	1947-1948
	W. McQ. Mather	1948-1949
	John S. Rees	1949-1951
"	John A. Todd, M.A., B.L.	1951-1952
	(Chairman/Secretary)	
	R. B. Summerfield	1952-

Hon. Secretary/Treasurer:

(the late)	Arthur C. Wardle	1938-1942
	W. McQ. Mather	1942-1946
	G. F. Howard, Ph.D.	1946-1948
	Michael H. Smye	1948-1949

Hon. Secretary:

	Alex. M. Fletcher, B.Sc.	1949-1951
(the late)	John A. Todd, M.A., B.L.	1951-1952
	(Chairman/Secretary)	
	A. N. Ryan, M.A.	1952-

Hon. Treasurer:

R. B. Summerfield	1949-1953
Miss E. M. Hope	1953-
(Asst. Treasurer 1952)	

Hon. Archivist:

(the late)	W. Stewart Rees	1938-1942
"	Arthur C. Wardle, F.R.Hist.S.	1942-1949
	Vacant	1949-1951
	Guy R. Sloman	1951-

Hon. Editor. Transactions:

Alex. M. Fletcher, B.Sc.

Hon. Editor
News, Notes and Queries:

Keith P. Lewis

Council 1955-56

Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Archivist,

W. P. Raine

T. D. Tozer

J.A. Howard-Watson, F.R.G.S.
 F.R.S.Lit., F.R.Hist.S.

Captain George Ayre
 F.R.G.S., A.I.N.A.

Alex. M. Fletcher, B.Sc.

The President and Vice-Presidents are ex-officio members.

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Revised Constitution and Rules as
approved at the adjourned Annual
General Meeting held 26th November 1948

CONSTITUTION

1. The objects of the Society are :-
 - (a) to encourage interest in the history of shipping (particularly local shipping) by collecting and collating material relating thereto;
 - (b) to undertake an historical survey of Liverpool vessels, their builders, owners and masters;
 - (c) to disseminate such information by publications or by any other available means;
 - (d) to co-operate in every suitable way with other organisations in Liverpool or elsewhere having similar or cognate objects;
 - (e) to encourage the making and collection of scale ship models, and their exhibition.
2. Membership of the Society shall be open to all persons interested in the objects of the Society who are elected in accordance with the Rules and pay the Subscription fixed from time to time, together with those appointed under Section 5 of the Constitution.
3. The affairs of the Society shall be managed by a Council who shall carry out the policy of the Society as decided at each Annual or other General Meeting, and shall report its proceedings to the next subsequent General Meeting.
4. The Council shall consist of the following officers :-

Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Archivist,
and five other members, all of whom shall
be elected at the Annual General Meeting.

5. The Council may nominate a President, Vice-Presidents, and Honorary Members, for appointment by the Society at any General Meeting, provided that in the case of Vice-Presidents, not more than four shall hold office at any one time. These appointments shall not be subject to annual election, and the President and Vice-Presidents shall be Ex-Officio Members of the Council.
6. This Constitution shall not be altered except at the Annual General Meeting of the Society, after due notice in accordance with the Rules.

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RULES

1. Application for Membership shall be considered by the Council and submitted to the next General Meeting for approval.
2. The financial year of the Society shall begin on the 1st September, when the annual subscription shall be payable. At the Council Meeting immediately prior to the Annual General Meeting, the Treasurer shall read out the name of any member whose subscription has not been paid for the previous year. The Council shall have the power to fix a special subscription in respect of any publications of the Society, subject to the approval of a general meeting.
3. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in October, and not less than seven days' notice in writing shall be given, stating the business to be transacted.
4. The business to be transacted at the Annual General Meeting shall be :-
 - (a) to receive the annual report of the Council;
 - (b) to receive the annual report of the Treasurer together with his audited accounts;
 - (c) to elect the Officers of the Council together with the five other members of the Council;
 - (d) to transact such other business as shall have been notified in the circular convening the meeting.

5. Nominations for election as Officers of the Society may be made by any member in writing to the Secretary, prior to the commencement of the Annual General Meeting, provided that the nominee has signified in writing, or in person, his readiness to serve. Members of the Council may be nominated during the meeting, if the nominee signifies his or her agreement.
6. The council shall meet not less than four times a year, five members being a quorum. All members of the Council shall be given seven days' notice thereof in writing. The Agenda for each Council Meeting shall be drawn up by the Secretary after consultation with the Chairman.
7. The Council may appoint Ad Hoc Sub-Committees, as may be found desirable. Sub-Committees shall report their proceedings to the next Council Meeting, and shall cease to function after the Council Meeting immediately prior to the Annual General Meeting. The Council shall have the power to fill any unforeseen vacancies. Persons so appointed shall hold office for the same period as those they replace would have held office.
8. The Chairman shall be empowered to take emergency action when necessary but shall first consult two other members of the Council. Any action taken to be reported within 21 days to a meeting of the Council called in accordance with the rules.
9. The Council shall arrange a syllabus of papers to be read at General Meetings of the Society which will be held from time to time throughout the session.
10. Members shall be entitled to not less than seven days' notice in writing of each General Meeting, stating the business to be transacted.
11. At all General Meetings, eight shall constitute a quorum, of whom at least four shall be ordinary members.
12. At all meetings of the Society, or of the Council, in the absence of the Chairman, or any prior arrangement, the Chair shall be taken by the senior member of the Council present.

13. The author of any paper read before the Society shall supply a copy to the Archivist which shall be available to the members of the Society.
14. The annual subscription for the ensuing year shall be fixed at the Annual General Meeting of the Society.
15. No alteration of these rules shall be made except at the Annual General Meeting of the Society called in accordance with Rule 3.
16. A General Meeting of the Society may be called at any time at the discretion of the Chairman, or at the request of four ordinary members, who must state the business to be transacted thereat.

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By a resolution passed at the adjourned Annual General Meeting, December 7th, 1951, student and junior membership was instituted at a reduced annual subscription of 5/-d, age limit to be 21.

At the Annual General Meeting held October 13th, 1953, the previous resolution was amended so as to include all students and other members under 21, at a reduced annual subscription of 5/-d.

The annual subscription for full members and subscribing libraries fixed at each Annual General Meeting in accordance with rule 14, has remained at 10/-d for the past ten years.

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LIVERPOOL NAUTICAL RESEARCH SOCIETY

Record of meetings held, with titles of Papers and Lectures

1938

- March 23. Picton Reference Library
Private Meeting to consider formation
of a Research Society.
- 1. April 11. Accountants' Hall
Inaugural Meeting of the Society.
- 2. May 9. School of Commerce
Paper No.1. Arthur C. Wardle.
EARLY LIVERPOOL VESSELS AND TRADE
- 3. October 26. Houghton Street
Paper No.2. Captain E.A.Woods.
JAMES BAINES.
- 4. November 30. School of Commerce
Paper No.3. John S. Rees.
LIVERPOOL PILOTS & PILOT BOATS FROM EARLY TIMES. *
- 5. December 16. School of Commerce
Extempore Lecture. Robert Gladstone.
THE LIVERPOOL SLAVE TRADE.

1939

- 6. January 11. School of Commerce
Paper No.4. Arthur C. Wardle.
LIVERPOOL AND THE NEWFOUNDLAND TRADE.
- 7. February 15. School of Commerce
Paper No.5. W. Stewart Rees.
LIVERPOOL - ITS SHIPS & THEIR OWNERS A
CENTURY AGO.

* Subsequently incorporated in his book, the History of the
Liverpool Pilotage Service.

The Society closed down on the outbreak
of war and re-formed in 1942.

1942

8. October 3. Richmond Street
FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING followed by:
Paper No.6. Captain E.A.Woods.
THE WHITE STAR AUSTRALIAN PACKETS. *
9. November 7. Richmond Street
Paper No.7. Arthur C. Wardle.
BRITISH BUILT BLOCKADE RUNNERS OF THE
AMERICAN CIVIL WAR.
10. December 5. Richmond Street
Paper No.8. E. W. Argyle.
SHIPS DEPICTED ON POSTAGE STAMPS.

1943

11. January 16. Richmond Street
Paper No.9. W. McQ. Mather.
BRIGANTINES & SCHOONERS. THEIR ORIGIN &
DEVELOPMENT.
12. February 13. Richmond Street
Lecture. W. Hughes.
TROOPING.
13. March 13. Richmond Street
Lecture. H.N. Leask, A.M.I.C.E.
THE RAIDER ALABAMA. (Read posthumously)
14. September 18. Richmond Street
SECOND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.
15. October 9. Richmond Street
Paper No.10. W. McQ. Mather.
A MODEL OF THE "SHAMROCK" CLASS SLOOPS.

* Subsequently read to the Historic Society of Lancashire and
Cheshire, and printed in their Transactions, Vol.96, 1945.

1943

16. November 13. Richmond Street
 Paper No.11. Arthur C. Wardle.
 THREE EARLY LIVERPOOL SCREW STEAMERS.
17. December 11. Richmond Street
 Paper No.12. Captain E.A.Woods.
 CAPTAIN JAMES NICOL (BULLY) FORBES.

1944

18. January 15. Richmond Street
 Paper No.13. B.W. Bathe.
 AN OUTLINE OF NAUTICAL BIBLIOGRAPHY.
19. February 12. Richmond Street
 Paper No.14. W. Stewart Rees.
 SOME MERSEYSIDE SHIPBUILDERS.
20. March 25. Williamson Square
 Paper No.15. B.J. Herrington.
 SAILORS ARE SUPERSTITIOUS.

None of the foregoing papers has appeared in Transactions.
 Copies can be seen at the Picton Reference Library, Liverpool.

21. October 7. T '44 Richmond Street
 THIRD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING followed by:
 Paper No.16. Arthur C. Wardle.
 THE SHIP "THOMAS" OF LIVERPOOL.
22. November 4. T '44 Richmond Street
 Paper No.17. John S. Rees.
 LIVERPOOL TUGS AND THEIR OWNERS.

T indicates the date the paper was printed in Transactions.

1944

23. December 2. T '46/47 Richmond Street
Paper No.18. Nigel W. Kennedy.
EARLY STEAMSHIP TYPES.

1945

24. January 6. Richmond Street
Lecture and Exhibition of
ship photos and prints. J.Henry Iredale.
EXPERIENCES OF A LIVERPOOL SHIPOWNER.
25. February 3. T '44 Richmond Street
Paper No.19. B.J. Herrington.
OLD "CUSTOMS".
26. March 3. Richmond Street
Paper No.20. Capt. E.A.Woods.
THE "MARCO POLO".
27. October 8. T '45 Crane Studio
FOURTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING followed by:
Paper No.21. Capt. A.T. Pope, D.S.O.
A TRANSATLANTIC TOW.
28. November 15. T '46/47 Cunard Building
Paper No.22. Dr. S. Rowlands.
MODEL SHIPBUILDING.
29. December 20. Cunard Building
Illustrated Lecture. Arthur C. Wardle.
HOUSE FLAGS.

1946

30. January 17. Cunard Building
Paper No.23. Nigel W. Kennedy.
SOME NOTES ON CONTEMPORARY AND OTHER
RECORDS OF THE EARLY BRITISH STEAMERS.

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1946

31. February 21. T '45 Cunard Building
 Paper No.24. B.J. Herrington.
 SMUGGLING - AND THE REVENUE CRUISERS.
32. March 21. T '45 Cunard Building
 Paper No.25. B.W. Bathe.
 SOME INTERESTING NAUTICAL DOCUMENTS AND
 PAMPHLETS.
33. September 19. Crane Studio
 FIFTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.
34. October 17. Cunard Building
 Discussion on lighthouses, led by John S.Rees.
35. November 9. Cunard Building
 Lecture. Arthur C. Wardle.
 THE INMAN LINE.
36. November 21. Bootle
 Lecture. M.E. Fisk.
 OUTSTANDING SHIPS OF THE WHITE STAR LINE,
 illustrated by his own models.
37. December 19. T '48 Common Hall
 Paper No.26. Nigel W. Kennedy.
 SOME EARLY MERSEY STEAMSHIPS AND THE RISE
 OF LIVERPOOL.

1947

38. January 16. T '48 Common Hall
 Paper No.27. Dr.C.Northcote Parkinson, M.A.
 THE IDEA OF A MARITIME MUSEUM.

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1947

39. February 20. T '46/47 Common Hall
 Paper No.28. W. Stewart Rees.
 "BROCKLEBANKS" Part I. The early history
 of the Brocklebank Line. *
40. March 20. Common Hall
 Lecture. Cdr.Hilary P.Mead, R.N.(Ret'd)
 DEVELOPMENT OF SIGNALLING AND SIGNAL FLAGS.
41. May 17. M.D. & H.B.
 Visit to Southern Dock System.
42. July 12. Tarleton
 Visit to the Shipyard of James Mayor & Co.Ltd.
43. September 18. Common Hall
 SIXTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.
44. October 22. Bedford Street
 Lecture. Dr.C.Northcote Parkinson, M.A.
 NELSON.
45. November 20. Common Hall
 Discourse. Captain A. T. Pope, D.S.O.
 REMINISCENCES.
46. December 18. Common Hall
 Illustrated Lecture. R.K.Gresswell,
 M.A., F.R.G.S.
 THE FORMATION AND STRUCTURE OF THE S.W.
 LANCASHIRE COAST LINE. **

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1948

47. January 29. Common Hall
 Paper No.29. W. Stewart Rees.
 "BROCKLEBANKS" Part II. The later history
 of the Brocklebank Line. *
48. February 19. Common Hall
 Lecture. W. Salisbury.
 SHIPBUILDING IN THE NORTH-WEST.
49. March 18. T '48 Common Hall
 Paper No.30. A. L. Bland.
 MERCHANT SHIPPING WAR LOSSES 1939-45.
 THE COMPILATION OF A LIST OF WAR LOSSES.
50. September 30. Common Hall
 SEVENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (Adjourned)
51. November 12. Common Hall
 Discourse. Captain A.T.Pope, D.S.O.
 SEA GOING IN THE SEVENTIES.
52. November 26. Exchange Street East
 ADJOURNED SEVENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.
 Adoption of Revised Constitution and Rules.
53. December 17. Open Soiree. Common Hall

1949

54. January 14. T '48 Common Hall
 Paper No.31. Alex.M.Fletcher, B.Sc.
 STEAM AT SEA.
55. February 11. T '48 Common Hall
 Paper No.32. Keith P. Lewis.
 MINIATURE SHIP MODELS.

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56. March 11. Common Hall
 Illustrated Lecture. John S. Rees and
 E. Cuthbert Woods, F.R.Hist.S.
 BUILDING OF THE SMALLS LIGHTHOUSE. *
57. May 21. Birkenhead
 Visit to Cammell Lairds' Shipyards.
58. September 30. "Landfall"
 EIGHTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.
59. October 14. T '49/50 "Landfall"
 Paper No. 33. John S. Rees.
 THE FIRST AND SUBSEQUENT CHESHIRE LIGHTHOUSES.
60. November 11. "Landfall"
 Paper No. 34. John Smart.
 THE FORGOTTEN FLEET. **
61. December 9. "Landfall"
 Illustrated Lecture and Discussion.
 W. McQ. Mather.
 SHIP MODEL TYPES.

1950

62. January 13. "Landfall"
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63. February 14. "Landfall"
 Lecture. Dr. C. Northcote Parkinson, M.A.
 RISE OF THE PORT OF LIVERPOOL. ***

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1950

64. March 14. "Landfall"
Open Soiree, including short paper on
BIDSTON TELEGRAPHS by Alex.M.Fletcher, B.Sc.
65. October 18. T '49/50 "Landfall"
NINTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING followed by:
Paper No.35. Miss E.B.Saxton, M.A.
LIBRARIES AND RESEARCH.
66. November 15. "Landfall"
Lecture. Captain A.O.M.Cooper.
SAILING SHIP DAYS.
67. December 6. "Landfall"
Lecture. R.G.Nixon.
WILLIAM HUTCHINSON, DOCK MASTER.

1951

68. January 12. "Landfall"
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69. February 16. T '49/50 "Landfall"
Paper No.36. Captain H.F.Pettit.
THE SOUTH AMERICAN MEAT TRADE.
70. March 16. T '49/50 "Landfall"
Paper No.37. Captain A.Henderson.
TUGBOATS.
71. October 19. Bootle
TENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (Adjourned).
Formation of an emergency Committee. This
Committee met at 28 Exchange Street East,
on November 9th, and plans for the expansion
of the Society were formulated for presenta-
tion to the Adjourned Annual General Meeting.

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1951

72. December 7. Ocean Club
 ADJOURNED TENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.
 To approve the findings of the emergency Committee.

1952

73. January 11. T '51/52 Ocean Club
 Paper No.38 Michael M. Smye.
 A HUNDRED YEARS OF WEST AFRICAN SHIPPING.
 THE SERVICES OF THE ELDER DEMPSTER LINES.
74. February 8. T '51/52 Ocean Club
 Paper No.39. Keith P. Lewis.
 SOME NOTES ON THE PORT OF HOLYHEAD.
75. March 14. T '51/52 Ocean Club
 Paper No.40. A.S.Mountfield.
 NOTES ON THE CONSTITUTIONAL HISTORY OF THE
 PORT OF LIVERPOOL.
76. April 4. Ocean Club
 Illustrated Lecture. W.B.Hallam.
 SHIPS OF THE WHITE STAR LINE.
77. May 17. Gladstone Dock
 Visit to Port Radar Station.
78. October 17. Ocean Club
 ELEVENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.
79. November 14. T '52/53 Ocean Club
 Paper No.41. John S. Rees.
 GILL'S CHANNEL.
80. December 12. T '52/53 Ocean Club
 Paper No.42. J. W. Foley.
 THREE LIVERPOOL WORTHIES.

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1953

81. January 9. T '52/53 Ocean Club
 Paper No.43. Guy R. Sloman.
 SOME LESSER-KNOWN LIVERPOOL SHIPPING COMPANIES.
82. February 13. Ocean Club
 Open Soiree, including contributions by
 E.Cuthbert Woods, F.R.Hist.S., John Smart,
 and R.B. Summerfield.
83. March 13. T '52/53 Ocean Club
 Paper No.44. J.H.Hodson, B.A.
 SOME ASPECTS OF THE LIVERPOOL SLAVE TRADE.
84. April 10. T '52/53 Ocean Club
 Paper No.45. D.B.Cochrane, A.S.A.A.
 SOME NORTH LANCASHIRE SEAPORTS.
85. October 13. "Landfall"
 TWELFTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.
86. November 10. * "Landfall"
 Paper No.46. Captain E.W.C.Beggs.
 LOOKING BACK.
87. December 9. * "Landfall"
 Illustrated Lecture. E. Jones.
 MERSEY MEMORIES.

1954

88. January 12. * "Landfall"
 Paper No.47. Major E.H.Pattinson.
 WINDERMERE STEAMERS.

The February meeting was cancelled owing to heavy snow.

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1954

89. March 9. * "Landfall"
 Paper No.48. Captain Geo.Ayre, F.R.G.S.,A.I.N.A.
 THE LIFEBOAT SERVICE
90. April 13. "Landfall"
 Open Discussion GUEST SPEAKERS:
 Captain G.W.Whitman and Lieut.Brian Fraser, R.N.R.
 SHIPPING CASUALTIES, SALVAGE, RESCUE AND PREVENTION.
91. October 14. "Landfall"
 THIRTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.
92. November 11. "Landfall"
 Paper No.49. A. N. Ryan, M.A.
 THE NAVY IN NELSON'S TIME.
93. December 9. * "Landfall"
 Paper No.50. E. W. Argyle.
 RESEARCH ON SHIP STAMPS.

1955

94. January 13. * "Landfall"
 Paper No.51. E.Cuthbert Woods, F.R.Hist.S.
 and John S. Rees.
 WAS THE RIVER ALT (FORMBY) EVER A POSSIBLE RIVAL TO
 THE RIVER MERSEY FOR THE FIRST DOCK.
95. February 10. "Landfall"
 Open Soiree and Display of Maritime Exhibits including
 pen and ink sketches by P.S.P. Morter, A.R.I.B.A.,
 and George Dickinson, Editor of "Sea Breezes".
96. March 10. * "Landfall"
 Paper No.52. John R.Biglands, F.C.I.I., J.P.
 MARINE INSURANCE.
97. April 14. * "Landfall"
 Paper No.53. Roderick A.Stephenson, A.M.I.C.E.
 THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LIVERPOOL DOCK SYSTEM.

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Members are reminded that they have the privilege of bringing a guest to any of the meetings, and it is hoped that full advantage will be taken of this facility, with the object of increasing membership.

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THE WAY AHEAD

In the preceding pages you will have read of the aspirations of the Founder Members of this Society, and how some of the work on which they embarked has been accomplished.

Now to the future: This Society, although largely a technical Society, has something to offer in current maritime affairs, as well as plenty of work in connection with the past.

There is still a great deal of research work to be done; information to be collected and records completed. Fresh facts come to light and existing records need revision.

Our research into the past is tempered with a current interest in the activities of the Port of Liverpool, and the ships which sail from the Mersey Estuary today.

We intersperse the more serious papers with lectures in lighter vein, and discussion on topical subjects.

But our aim is always the same: to record fact. The record of today is the history of tomorrow.

We have it on the authority of Mr. R.C. Jarvis, F.S.A., F.R.Hist.S., Librarian to H.M. Customs & Excise, that Liverpool possesses the most complete shipping-register records in the United Kingdom, and this fact, which inspired the Founders of this Society, must be the inspiration of the younger research workers of today.

This booklet, therefore, is written not only for the present members of the Society who may not have been aware of its early history, but is addressed to a greater audience. We are worthy of more support, not only from those merely interested in ships, but from those whose livelihood, or duty, lies on or by the sea.

The sea is our lifeblood, and this Society confidently looks to the many commercial companies engaged in shipbuilding and ship repairing, shipowning and managing, importing and exporting, and to the many trades concerned with the sea, to support and encourage our activities, and enable us to fulfil the aims of our Constitution, set out on page ten.

To those readers who are not members, we would remind you that our subscription for individual members is truly modest: Ten shillings annually, and your support and co-operation is invited.

Increased support from commercial companies, however, would enable the Society to expand and so provide Liverpool not only with further records of her maritime history, but would ensure a strong local nautical research society, known the world over for the value of its work.

Details as to how this can be achieved will gladly be given by the Chairman if firms willing to encourage and support further research in Liverpool will communicate with him at 28 Exchange Street East, Liverpool, 2.

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Through the kindness of the Master and Committee of the Merseyside Master Mariners' Club, the Society has, for some time, held its meetings on board the club ship "Landfall", berthed permanently in Canning Dock. These comfortable quarters provide just the right atmosphere for maritime matters, and this gesture is greatly appreciated by the Members of the Society.

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On Wednesday, 7th December, 1955, the Society will hold its One Hundredth Meeting, a fact which inspired this booklet.

Through the courtesy of Dr. G. Chandler, M.A., City Librarian, and with the kind permission of the Libraries & Reading Rooms Sub-Committee of the Liverpool City Council, Chairman, Councillor Lewis Edwards, this meeting will be held in the Picton Reference Library, William Brown Street, Liverpool, when Mr. Frank G.G. Carr, C.B.E., M.A., Ll.B., Director of the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, will address the Society.

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LIVERPOOL NAUTICAL RESEARCH SOCIETY
(Founded 1938)

Revised Constitution and Rules
adopted the 26th of November, 1948
(with subsequent amendments)

CONSTITUTION

1. The objects of the Society are :-
 - (a) to encourage interest in the history of shipping (particularly local shipping) by collecting and collating material relating thereto;
 - (b) to undertake an historical survey of Liverpool vessels, their builders, owners and masters;
 - (c) to disseminate such information by publications or by any other available means;
 - (d) to co-operate in every suitable way with other organisations in Liverpool or elsewhere having similar or cognate objects;
 - (e) to encourage the making and collection of scale ship models, and their exhibition,
2. Membership of the Society shall be open to all persons interested in the objects of the Society who are elected in accordance with the Rules and pay the Subscription fixed from time to time, together with those appointed under Section 5 of the Constitution.
3. The affairs of the Society shall be managed by a Council who shall carry out the policy of the Society as decided at each Annual or other General Meeting, and shall report its proceedings to the next subsequent General Meeting.
4. The Council shall consist of the following officers:-
Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Archivist, and five other members, all of whom shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.

5. The Council may nominate a President, Vice-Presidents, and Honorary Members, for appointment by the Society at any General Meeting, provided that in the case of Vice-Presidents, not more than four shall hold office at any one time. These appointments shall not be subject to annual election, and the President and Vice-Presidents shall be Ex-Officio Members of the Council.
6. This Constitution shall not be altered except at the Annual General Meeting of the Society, after due notice in accordance with the Rules.

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R U L E S

1. Application for Membership shall be considered by the Council and submitted to the next General Meeting for approval.
2. The financial year of the Society shall end on the 31st of March, but subscriptions for that year shall be due on the previous 1st of September. At the Council Meeting immediately prior to the Annual General Meeting, the Treasurer shall read out the name of any member whose subscription has not been paid for the previous year. The Council shall have the power to fix a special subscription in respect of any publications of the Society, subject to approval of a general meeting.

Change of financial year end, from the 31st of August, authorised at the Annual General Meeting on the 9th October, 1958.

3. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in April, and not less than seven days' notice in writing shall be given, stating the business to be transacted.

Change of month, from October, authorised at the Annual General Meeting on the 9th of October, 1958.

4. The business to be transacted at the Annual General Meeting shall be:-
 - (a) to receive the annual report of the Council;
 - (b) to receive the annual report of the Treasurer together with the audited accounts;
 - (c) to elect the Officers of the Council together with the five other members of the Council;
 - (d) to transact such other business as shall have been notified in the circular convening the meeting.
5. Nominations for election as Officers of the Society may be made by any member in writing to the Secretary, prior to the commencement of the Annual General Meeting, provided that the nominee has signified in writing, or in person, his or her readiness to serve. Members of the Council may be nominated during the meeting, if the nominee signifies his or her agreement.
6. The Council shall meet not less than four times a year, five members being a quorum. All members of the Council shall be given seven days' notice thereof in writing. The Agenda for each Council Meeting shall be drawn up by the Secretary after consultation with the Chairman.
7. The Council may appoint Ad Hoc Sub-Committees, as may be found desirable. Sub-Committees shall report their proceedings to the next Council Meeting, and shall cease to function after the Council Meeting immediately prior to the Annual General Meeting. The Council shall have the power to fill any unforeseen vacancies. Persons so appointed shall hold office for the same period as those they replace would have held office.
8. The Chairman shall be empowered to take emergency action when necessary but shall first consult two other members of the Council. Any action taken to be reported within 21 days to a meeting of the Council called in accordance with the rules.
9. The Council shall arrange a syllabus of papers to be read at General Meetings of the Society which will be held from time to time throughout the session.

10. Members shall be entitled to not less than seven days' notice in writing of each General Meeting, stating the business to be transacted.
11. At all General Meetings, eight shall constitute a quorum, of whom at least four shall be ordinary members.
12. At all meetings of the Society, or of the Council, in the absence of the Chairman, or any prior arrangement, the Chair shall be taken by the senior member of the Council present.
13. The author of any paper read before the Society shall supply a copy to the Archivist which shall be available to the members of the Society.
14. The annual subscription for the ensuing year shall be fixed at the Annual General Meeting of the Society.
15. No alteration of these rules shall be made except at the Annual General Meeting of the Society called in accordance with Rule 3.

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SUBSCRIPTION

By resolution passed at the Annual General Meeting on the 13th of October, 1953, the annual subscription for all members under 21 was fixed at five shillings.

The annual subscription of ten shillings for members other than those under 21, was increased to one pound at the Annual General Meeting of October 1957, the increase to apply to the Season 1958/59.

At the Annual General Meeting held on the 28th of April, 1960, it was agreed that the annual subscription of one pound should only apply to local members, living within a 40 mile radius of Liverpool; to overseas members and to subscribing libraries. The annual subscription of country members reverted to ten shillings, as from the 1st of September 1960.

At the same Annual General Meeting, a 'Husband and Wife' membership was instituted, at a joint annual subscription of one pound, seven shillings and sixpence, to be retrospective to the 1st of September 1958.

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