



BRITISH TITANIC SOCIETY 2023 CONVENTION Southampton ITINERARY

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Welcome to the British Titanic Society Convention 2023

It gives us great pleasure to welcome you to our 2023 annual Convention, here at the Leonardo Royal Hotel Southampton Grand Harbour. We hope that you will find the following information helpful as a guide to what to expect over the next three days. Please also refer to your Excursion Programme, which is in your Delegate Pack, for further details. If all else fails, ask one of our Committee members or helpers.

FRIDAY 14th April

From 11:30 a.m. Register, and pick up your Welcome Pack. Enjoy a tea/coffee, available from the bar.

NOTE: Convention Registration is on the first-floor mezzanine, NOT in the hotel reception area.

Please book a table for your evening meal, and don't forget to buy your raffle ticket

After registration, you may want to take advantage of our offer for visits to the *Sea City* or *Solent Sky* museums. See your Excursion Guide for more information.

Delegates can check into the Hotel from 3.00 p.m. If you are travelling by car, please ask the hotel reception about parking options.

2:00 p.m. Official opening of Convention by special guests.

3:30 p.m. Visit to *S.S. Shieldhall*. See your Excursion Guide for travel options.

6:00 p.m. Lecture: '*Olympic and Aquitania: Eyeing Up the Competition - Cunard's 'White Star Liner'*' by Mark Chirnside.

7:30 to 9:00 p.m. Dinner in *Marco Pierre White* restaurant.
(for delegates booked into Leonardo Royal Hotel Southampton Grand Harbour)

9:00 p.m. BTS Annual General Meeting *(open to members only)*

9:30 p.m. Bring 'n' Buy Sale.
Delegates are invited to bring along maritime items to sell or swap.

11:30 p.m. Candlelit 'Remembrance & Reflection' ceremony *(in the Atrium)*

Make our Convention Safe - Please and Thank You

It is the sad state of the world today that event security is something that has to be considered with events such as our Convention. To satisfy the hotel security protocols, and to ensure we properly exercise our duty of care to delegates, may we please ask that you carry your Convention Tickets at all times, and wherever practical, wear your identification lanyards, particularly for the excursions.

SATURDAY 15th April

7:00 to 11:00 a.m. Breakfast served in the *Marco Pierre White* restaurant.
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09.30 a.m. Coach trip to *The Watercress Line* for a *Titanic* steam train experience. See your Excursion Guide for more information.
(Returns to hotel approximately 3.00 p.m.)

3.30 p.m. Lecture: '*Sea of Death' - The Baltic, 1945'* by Claes-Göran Wetterholm.

GALA DINNER

6:30 p.m. Bucks Fizz Reception. *(Mezzanine bar).*

7:15 p.m. Please be seated for a welcome from our Honorary President Commodore Ronald Warwick.

7:30 p.m. Gala Dinner served. *(Mezzanine Suite)*

After dinner, there will be speakers, followed by our traditional auction of unique items, and raffle, before adjourning to the bar.



Gala Dinner musical entertainment by Bobby Cole, playing excerpts from his fabulous immersive show, now touring the country.

SUNDAY 16th April

7:00 to 10:30 a.m. Breakfast served in the *Marco Pierre White* restaurant.
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10:30 a.m. Titanic Walking Trail No.1.
See your Excursion Guide for travel options.

11:40 a.m. Titanic Walking Trail No.2. Including the laying of wreaths at places of memoriam.

For those returning home, rooms need to be vacated by 11.30 a.m.

We hope you enjoy this year's Convention, and your stay at the Leonardo Royal Hotel Southampton Grand Harbour.
We look forward to seeing you again next year.



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