



## HGS Conference Day – Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2023

The Millennium Memorial Hall, Littleton, Winchester. SO22 6QL

### Programme

- 09.30 – 10.00 **Registration**  
Coffee/Tea and Biscuits served
- 10.00 – 10.15 **Welcome and Housekeeping**  
Tony Sinclair, Acting Chairman
- 10.15 – 11.15 **Andy Skinner – “A Titanic Conspiracy?”**  
Was the sinking of Titanic an elaborate insurance scam, did poor-quality rivets sink her and was a raging fire responsible for her sinking? This talk looks at the conspiracy theories associated with Titanic
- 11.15 – 11.30 **Comfort Break**
- 11.30 – 12.30 **HGS 49<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting**  
Members Only
- 12.30 – 13.30 **Buffet Lunch**
- 13.30 – 14.30 **Jane Glennie – “Violet’s Titanic Escape”**  
Jane talks while in character as Violet, a Stewardess in First Class on board the Titanic for its maiden voyage in April 1912. She describes her job looking after the people in First Class, as well as what happened to her as she survived the ship's sinking.
- 14.30 – 15.00 **Afternoon Tea/Coffee and pastries**
- 15.00 – 16.00 **Lucy Browne – "Rock and Tempest, Fire and Foe"**  
  
Lucy's talk explores merchant seamen in war and peace, identifying, tracing and finding out more in published, online and archival sources. She describes exploits of her own seafaring ancestors as well as other people's over a period spanning the heyday of steam ships, two world wars and the advent of satellite navigation.
- 16.00 **Wrap up & Close**  
Nick Barratt – President, HGS  
& New Chairman, HGS
- 16.15 **Close**