

# 23rd MWCC CONVENTION - SOUTHSEA

Tuesday 20th September to Friday 23rd September 2022

**T**his Convention is to be a mid-week one! It will be held in Southsea, part of Portsmouth. Portsmouth is the home of the Royal Navy and has many hundreds of years of seafaring history. Members will have the opportunity to visit Portsmouth's Historic Dockyard.

## Southsea and Portsmouth

Southsea is located in the Southern part of Portsmouth. It developed as a fashionable Victorian resort in the 19th century. Portsmouth is a port city in Hampshire. It is the only island city in the UK, home to the Royal Navy and also to Portsmouth Historic Dockyard, HMS Warrior, Tudor ship Mary Rose and Nelson's flagship HMS Victory.



## The Hotel



We will be staying at The Royal Beach Hotel situated on Southsea seafont opposite the South Parade Pier. Built in 1866 the hotel is warm and welcoming. Guests will enjoy magnificent views over the Solent, with many of the beautifully furnished bedrooms overlooking the Solent and Isle of Wight. Victorian, this hotel is draped in history and splendour. A grand staircase and a chandelier filled restaurant await guests. It is a place where you can relax and enjoy traditional hospitality.

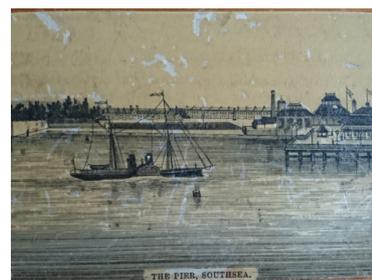
This is an ideal hotel in which to hold our Convention.

## Provisional Programme

**Tuesday**—Welcome reception and displays of Mauchline Ware featuring transfers of Southsea, Portsmouth and the Isle of Wight.



**Wednesday**—A day for sightseeing! Maybe a trip to the Dockyard (exploring Mary Rose, HMS Victory, HMS Warrior and the other museums and sights that the Dockyard and Portsmouth harbour have to offer). Alternatively you may wish to head off to another of the city's attractions - The D-Day Story, Charles Dicken's Birthplace, the Spinnaker Tower or even have a trip to the Isle of Wight on the hovercraft.



**Thursday**—Mauchline day! Speakers and displays. A light lunch will be provided. This evening will see a reception and our Gala Dinner. There will be entertainment to follow our dinner.



**Friday**—Dealers' Fair, Members' Meeting and displays.

**BOOKING**—A booking form is included with this journal. As Southsea has good road, rail and air (Southampton) links, we are expecting a good number of attendees. The hotel has accepted our booking in good faith so please send John Downer your booking and deposit as soon as possible.

**Please note - any previous bookings for the Southsea Convention have been cancelled. You must now book for September 2022.**

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**See you all in Southsea in 2022!!**