

FREE PROGRAMME

GLASSON Maritime Weekend

21st - 24th March 2008

Good Friday Evening to
Easter Monday

Lancaster District's
20th Annual Celebration
of Sea Songs, Shanties and
Matters Maritime.



Featuring the world's biggest gathering of sea song & shanty singers.
Supported by a wide array of maritime-themed entertainments and activities.



Lancaster – Glasson Express Vintage Coach Service

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Special Free Shuttle Service:

Glasson Village Hall – The Stork Inn, Conder Green.
Journey time less than 10 minutes.

Sat & Sun 22/23 March

Depart Glasson V. Hall	Depart Stork Inn
11.30	11.40
11.50	12 noon
12.10	12.20
12.40	12.50
13.10	13.20
13.30	13.40
14.00	14.10
14.20	14.30
14.40	14.50
15.00	15.10
15.20	15.30
15.40	15.50
16.00	16.10
16.20	This service operates to Stork to drop off, then returns to depot

Monday 24 March

Depart Glasson V. Hall	Depart Stork Inn
15.00	15.10
15.20	15.30
15.40	15.50
16.00	16.10
16.20	16.30
16.40	16.50
17.00	17.10
17.20	17.30
17.40	17.50
18.10	18.20
18.30	18.40
18.50	19.00*

*This service operates to Glasson, to drop off, then returns to depot.



The bus used here was brought into service 1980 and acquired by Ribble Vehicle Preservation Trust about five years ago. The Leyland Atlanean chassis, was built in Lancashire, and the body by Eastern Coachworks in Lowestoft – neither company exists today. It has been restored to its original appearance of poppy red livery, adopted by Ribble when it became part of the National Bus Co.

Ribble Vehicle Preservation Trust (RVPT) is focussed on preserving the history of Ribble Motor Services. Its collection of Ribble buses, cover 1931 to 1981. For more information, visit www.rvpt.org

TIMETABLE for Saturday, Sunday and Bank Holiday
Monday, 22nd to 24th March 2008.

Full service between Glasson & Lancaster, incorporating Glasson Maritime Weekend Classic Coach Express and the Stagecoach service bus.

Depart Lancaster	Depart Glasson Dock		
0840	S	0805	S
0930	C	1000	C
1030	C	1015	S
1040	S	1100	C
1130	C	12 noon	C
1230	C	1215	S
1240	S	1400	C
1400	C	1415	S
1430	C	1430	C
1440	S	1500	C
1500	C	1530	C
1530	C	1600	C
1600	C	1615	S
1640	S	1630	C
1700	C	1800	C
1830	C	1815	S
1840	S	1900	C
1930	C	2015	S
2040	S	2215	S
2240	S	Late Night Classic Coach Service to Lancaster	
	Sun	00.15	(Sat. night Service)
	Sun	23.30	(Sun. night Service)
	Tues	00.15	(Mon. night Service)

Important Notes

S = The Wyre Villager Service 86 & 89, operated by Stagecoach, runs from Lancaster to Fleetwood, calling at Glasson. Leaves from Lancaster Bus Station and Glasson bus stop. Full Wyre Villager service timetables available from Lancaster Bus Station, Lancaster TIC and Festival Supporters Information Point.

C = Special Festival Service, operated by Cumbria Classic Coaches. Departs from and arrives at Lancaster Maritime Museum, St George's Quay and Glasson bus stop. This service has a journey time of approximately 25 minutes. Please note that the late night service will stop on request at all bus stops en route and terminate in Lancaster City Centre at the Sainsbury's bus stop, not at the Maritime Museum.

All Cumbria Classic Coach festival express services stop at the Stork Inn, Conder Green, about 5 or 6 minutes before arrival at, or departure from, Glasson.

Classic Coach fares: Single £1.50 all classes
Late Night Bus single to Lancaster, £2 all classes

GLASSON

Maritime Weekend

Lancaster District's 20th Annual Celebration of Sea Songs, Shanties and Matters Maritime.

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Talks by Roy Palmer • Guided Walks
Inner State Theatre Co's Nautical Dramas
Mr Tranter's Pusser's Navy Rum, Grog Tub Promotion
Visits by the Environment Agency's RV Coastal Guardian and
classic Manx fishing boat, Master Frank.

*Various stalls and displays, including
Lancaster Canal Trust, Ramblers Association,
RSPB and Mission to Seafarers.*

Special Classic Coach link between
Lancaster Maritime Museum and Glasson Dock.
Free bus shuttle between Glasson Village Hall
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THE FESTIVAL

Welcome to Glasson Maritime Weekend 2008, the world's premier gathering of sea song and shanty performers, which also features a treasure chest of events and entertainments, celebrating many aspects of maritime culture. For the second year running, Lancaster District's annual seafaring celebration is berthed downstream from Lancaster's quayside, at the historic C18th port of Glasson Dock, where the River Lune and Lancaster Canal meet the sea.

Glasson began to be developed by the Lancaster Port Commission in 1779, to accommodate the bigger ships, which could not easily make their way up the river to Lancaster. The sea dock was opened in 1787 and a branch of the Lancaster Canal arrived in 1826. A dry dock was excavated around 1840, to provide a ship building and repairing facility. It was here that the tall ship, 'The Ryelands', was built in 1887, for the china clay trade. Towards the end of her days, she became a film star, appearing in Moby Dick, Treasure Island and The Buccaneers. She came to a tragic end when destroyed by fire, while serving as a visitor attraction on Morecambe seafront.

This year we have greatly improved accommodation for concert performances, with the Village Hall available as the main concert venue. There will also be entertainments and activities again, on the two quayside greens (East and West), in the centre of Glasson and also at the 'Canal Village', on the edge of the canal basin, two or three minutes walk from the centre. The village's Dalton Arms pub and the Stork Inn, at nearby Conder Green, have also signed up as shanty and sea song venues. The parish church will, again, host talks by eminent folklorist, Roy Palmer and, new this year, will be guided churchyard tours, on a maritime theme. Guided walks will take place daily and, on the water, weather permitting, will be The Brocklebank tug, the Coastal Guardian research vessel and classic fishing boat, Master Frank.

On Saturday, Lancaster's Maritime Museum will have regular tours and a talk, with sea song and shanty performances featuring on Sunday afternoon. Cumbria Classic Coaches will again be providing a special express vintage coach link, between the Maritime Museum and Glasson, from Saturday to Bank Holiday Monday. This year, the Ribble Vehicle Preservation Trust will also operate a free shuttle, between Glasson Village Hall and The Stork Inn.

VENUES

The Maritime Weekend encompasses much of Glasson and beyond, to Conder Green. However, there will be three focal points of activity, the Village Hall, set on the hillside above the village, the two green areas adjacent to the dock and either side of the sea lock and the temporary Canal Village, which will be situated on the eastern end of the Canal Basin. The Dalton Arms pub; Christ Church parish church and The Stork Inn, Conder Green, also provide venues.

The Village Hall

The Village Hall will be the main sea song and shanty venue, with performances on Good Friday evening and then from 11am till late, on Saturday, Sunday and Monday. The venue hosts the renowned 'Last Night Do', on Bank Holiday Monday evening. This, and the Saturday night concert, are the only festival events with a charge, all other entertainments being free. Entry for the Saturday night concert is £3 at the door, while tickets for the Last Night Do cost £10, and are available from

Lancaster Maritime Museum

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Special Easter Events

Sat. 22nd March – Museum tours by
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Museum, at 15 mins past the hour;
2pm talk, 'Wrecks and Mishaps
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Sun. 23rd March – An Afternoon of
Sea Songs and Shanties – see Diary
Section for details of performers

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27th - 29th June TRADITIONS FESTIVAL.
Lostock Hall Community High School, Todd Lane North, Lostock Hall,
Preston, Lancs. Details Angie & Ken Bladen 01257 -263678
Folkus is supporting various workshops

27th - 29th June DENT FOLK FESTIVAL.
Dent, Cumbria, Folkus is supporting various workshops.
Details Alec Lyon 01524 781496

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VENUES *(continued)*

the Chantey Cabin, during the weekend and, if still available, on the door. Telephone the Festival Supporters Information Point for availability (07951 619232). The venue will have a full licensed bar and, by the entrance, will be a refreshment facility, selling hot drinks and muffins.

Quayside West Green

The green is the location for two of the festival's perennial favourites, Punch & Judy and nautical (tongue-in-cheek) dramas. This year the Punch & Judy Palace showcases the renowned Professor Chandler, of the prestigious College of Punch & Judy Professors. In a nearby booth, Lancaster's own Inner State Theatre Co present two of their maritime themed shows. The full running orders are in the Diary section. Both entertainments take place over the three days, Saturday to Bank Holiday Monday. The Festival Supporters Information Point and the Mission to Seafarers stall are also located here.

Quayside East Green

Here will be found the maritime crafts pavilion, with ships-in-bottles and knot-tying and ropework demonstrations. At various times, there will also be stands representing the RSPB and Ramblers Association. The Chantey Cabin will be across the way, next to the swing bridge. The best range of shanty CDs and related material that you are likely to find, will be on sale here.

The displays and stalls open from approximately 10.30am to 5.30pm, Saturday to Bank Holiday Monday.

The Dalton Arms and Stork Inn

The two pubs will be entering into the spirit of the Maritime Weekend, both serving real ale and the best of pub grub. The Dalton Arms has the distinction of recently becoming the county's 100th 'Taste Lancashire' accredited eating establishment. During the day, sea songs and shanties will be performed in a marquee adjacent to the pub. In the evening they take place in the dining room.

The Stork is an historic, characterful inn, about 15–20 minutes walk from Glasson, via the coastal footpath and cycleway. The festival's special express Classic Coach Service stops at the Stork, as does the regular service bus. In addition, and new this year, is a free shuttle bus, linking the inn with Glasson Village Hall. Johnny Tranter will be present with his Pusser's Navy Rum, Grog Tub promotion during the Saturday and Sunday daytime. There will be sea song and shanty performances in the dining room, each evening, Good Friday to Sunday. Around teatime on Bank Holiday Monday, the Inn hosts the 'Seafarer's Farewell Singaround'. The free shuttle bus service is conveniently timed to carry visitors between Glasson and the Stork for this, with return services to the Village Hall, in time for the 'Last Night Do'.

Around the Old Port

Over the weekend it is likely that Glasson will be visited again by a curious, yet familiar, procession of ancient mariners – The Strangelings. Visitors should also be on the look out for the Press Gang, scouring the quayside in search of recruits for the King's Navy.

The Canal Village

Temporarily located on the eastern edge of the Canal Basin, the Canal Village will include the Sea Song & Shanty Tent; coracle displays; Kipperland; the Lancaster Canal Trust stand; a small number of catering concessions and public conveniences. The displays and stalls will be open from about 10.30am to 5.30pm, Saturday to Bank Holiday Monday. Pedestrian access is by the canal towpath or from the main road into Glasson.

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VENUES *(continued)*

Christ Church, Glasson

The Church is situated on the outskirts of the village, near the canal, and is accessible both from the main road into Glasson and the towpath. It was built in 1840 to a design by Edmund Sharpe, with additions by Austin & Paley, in 1931-2. The Church will be open to visitors for much of the Easter Weekend. It provides the venue for a talk each afternoon, Saturday to Bank Holiday Monday, given by Roy Palmer. Following the talks, parishioners will provide refreshments, with profits going to Church funds. There will also be guided tours of the churchyard, following a maritime theme. Full details of the Christ Church Easter Services and other religious activities are given in a separate advert.

On the Water

Attractions in the dock will be the Brocklebank Tug and, subject to weather, the classic fishing boat, Master Frank, with the Environment Agency's RV Coastal Guardian berthed in the canal basin.

Lancaster Maritime Museum, St George's Quay, Lancaster

Linked to Glasson by the festival's classic coach express service, the Maritime Museum will be open from 11am to 5pm over the festival period. The Museum houses exhibits on the history of the Port of Lancaster, Lancaster Canal, local shipbuilding and fishing industries and the wildlife of Morecambe Bay. There is also a shop and café. On the Saturday, the Friends of the Lancaster Maritime Museum lead guided tours of the displays and present a talk, entitled 'Wrecks and Mishaps in Morecambe Bay'. On Sunday afternoon, the Museum's Warehouse Meeting Room is the venue for a programme of sea songs and shanties – details in the Diary section. For admission arrangements, see the Museum's advertisement.

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EASTER OPENING TIMES

- Good Friday
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5pm – 7.30pm
(Fish & Chips night)

- Saturday & Sunday
8.30am – 5.30pm

- Bank Holiday Monday
8.30am – 4pm



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GLASSON MARITIME WEEKEND

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ACCESS & SAFETY

Glasson and its immediate coast and countryside are very special, relatively remote areas of high landscape and ecological value. We are again unequivocally encouraging all visitors to try and use an alternative to car travel. Realising, though, that some people will need to arrive by car, we are providing two official festival car parks this year - see map on back cover of programme for location. One is the 'Canalside Car Park', located next to the Canal Basin, off the road leading into Glasson. The other is the 'Village Hall Car Park' located next to the Klarius industrial complex, opposite the Village Hall. These car parks are provided courtesy of British Waterways & Lancaster Port Commission and Klarius, respectively. There will be a £3.50 daily charge for vehicles. Camper vans, but not caravans, can be accommodated on a first come / first served basis at the Village Hall Car Park only, with a charge of £5 for a full day and night. If you are travelling by car and know of anyone else planning to do so, please consider car sharing.

There is a limited Stagecoach bus service linking Lancaster, Glasson, Knott End and Fleetwood. We will be supplementing this service with a special express classic coach link (Saturday to Bank Holiday Monday), between Lancaster Maritime Museum, the Stork Inn and Glasson Bus Stop, including a late-night return from Glasson, for those requiring transport back to Lancaster, when the evening music sessions finish. In addition, new this year is a free shuttle bus service, running over the three days, between Glasson Village Hall and the Stork Inn. See page 2 for full details.

The area is also accessible on foot and by cycle, using the coastal footpath and cycleway link to Lancaster. Some temporary cycle racks will be provided at the Canalside Car Park.

Sharing a taxi could be a relatively low cost way of travelling to and from Lancaster and surrounding area accommodation. Contact Lancaster TIC (Tel. 01524 32878) or visit the Festival Supporters Information Point for taxi telephone numbers. It is also possible, of course, to travel by canal or sea!

Wheelchair access, sometimes with assistance, should be available to all the main venues, but please contact the two pubs direct, should you need help or have particular requirements or needs.

IMPORTANT NOTICES

- Please take extra care when near the sea dock and canal basin and especially keep a watchful eye on children in your care.
- Walkers and Cyclists – The roads and lanes around Glasson do not have pavements and will be very busy. Wear something bright /reflective if venturing onto them, particularly at night, and observe the Highway Code. A limited stock of free 'dayglo' reflective waistcoats will be available, for walkers and cyclists, at the festival information point. Please only take one if you intend to use it over the Maritime Weekend.
- If you are likely to be walking between venues in the dark, to be safe, bring and use a reliable torch.
- **MOTORISTS, please look out for cyclists, horseriders and pedestrians, who might just be around the next bend!**
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 - **Holy Saturday**
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 - **Easter Sunday**
9.30am. Holy Communion with Festival Hymns.
6pm. Easter and Maritime Service (Preacher, Mission to Seafarers' Chaplain). Musicians particularly welcome.
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- Refreshments and Stalls, Easter Sunday and Monday, 11am to 4pm.
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 - Festival Talks in Church, Saturday to Monday at 1pm.
See Programme Diary for details.



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THE PERFORMERS

At this year's 20th anniversary festival, 24 acts will provide 146 individual performances, totalling 82 hours of sea song and shanty entertainment! At the heart of the festivities are the hardcore shanty crews, re-creating the work songs of the great days of sail – an exuberance of sound that, once heard, is never forgotten.

We are particularly pleased to be able to present the Portsmouth Shantymen, after a number of years absence from the festival. Following the sad death of Brian Ingram and limited availability of Sooty Broughton (both founder members), the exciting new line up for Glasson 2008 will see original member Nick Gough, joined by long-standing shipmates Pete Luscombe and Pete Watkinson, complemented by newcomer 'Long John' Causley. We are also fortunate in hosting a return visit from Dutch shanty group, Armstrong's Patent, who first appeared in Lancaster in 2005. The Endeavour Shantymen, named after Captain Cook's famous ship, will be arriving from the North East to entertain us with their own popular brand of the sailor's worksongs. Look out for several members of the group appearing as solo artists and as members of other crews, throughout the weekend. Liverpool's Stormalong John first came together in 1984 for the Tall Ships visit to the Mersey and take their name from a benevolent, mythical sea captain. Their powerhouse shanty performances, contrasting with more sensitive renditions of songs sung by sailors in their free time (forebitters) are always a special feature of our seafaring celebration. Completing the groups and new to the festival are Hartlepool trio The Young'uns.

As always, most of our indomitable crew is made up of solo artists, the majority also well known as performers of more broadly-based, traditional folk music. On board this year are: Dick Miles; Bernie Davis; Richard Grainger; Derek Gifford; Geoff Higginbottom; Tim Laycock; Paul Sirman; Keith Kendrick (who performs some sets with Sylvia Needham); Johnny Collins and Jim Mageean. Jim and Johnny join together for some performances, as do Keith, Geoff and Derek, as 'Three Sheets to the Wind' and (the hopefully self-explanatory) 'One Sheet Short'! Completing the solo artists are Sid Kipper and Hughie Jones. Enigmatic Norfolk legend, Sid, presents Part One of his 'Cod & Ships' show on Saturday night, with Part Two following on Sunday afternoon. Hughie has been a stalwart supporter of this festival, almost since it was invented. Originally scheduled to perform regularly throughout the programme, recent health problems mean that Hughie will now perform occasional guest appearances, during the proceedings. I know that all those who take part in and attend this much-loved celebration, will join the festival production team in wishing him a speedy return to good health.

The maritime music element is completed by a veritable mixed cargo of duos: Steve Dawes & Helen Pitt and LocTup Together (who, additionally combine to perform as quartet, Four 'n' Aft); Dave Webber & Anni Fentiman, whose standing on the British folk scene needs no further acclamation here; the flashy and ever-so saucy, Trim Rig & A Doxy and the grand old men of Lancaster's Maritime Festival, Bitter End.

Please check the programme's Diary section, for full information on who is performing where and when.

All hands will be able to join in at the popular seafarers singarounds, with the Salty Sealadies Singaround devoted to songs by or about women, and the Lancashire Landlubbers Singaround focussing on Lancashire and North Country songs, poems and tales – strictly no sea songs or shanties please! These take place in the Village Hall on Saturday and Sunday, and at the Stork Inn on Monday – see Diary for details of times.

Not to be forgotten are those additional people, not mentioned above, who are in the spotlight, undertaking essential roles of Master of Ceremonies and running the singarounds – namely: Ali O'Brien; Kerry & Mandy Hearn; Linda Sirman; Ron Baxter; Jan Lardner and, of course, the Production Team, without whom...!

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DIARY

Good Friday 21st March

The Village Hall *Good Friday*

Doors open 6.45pm

MCs – Jan Lardner and Glynis Johnson

7.30 LOCUP TOGETHER

8.00 DEREK GIFFORD

8.30 TIM LAYCOCK

9.00 *Interval*

9.15 JOHNNY COLLINS

9.50 DAVE WEBBER & ANNI FENTIMAN

10.30 *End of performances*

Dalton Arms *Good Friday*

MC – Paul Sirman

9.30 PAUL SIRMAN

10.00 STEVE DAWES & HELEN PITT

10.30 KEITH KENDRICK & SYLVIA NEEDHAM

11.00 *End of performances*

Stork Inn *Good Friday*

MCs – Bitter End

8.15 BITTER END

8.45 BERNIE DAVIS

9.15 *Interval*

9.30 DICK MILES

10.00 ARMSTRONG'S PATENT

10.40 *End of performances*

Saturday 22nd March

The Village Hall *Saturday*

Doors open 10.30am

MCs – Ali O'Brien and Joanne Levey

11.00 DICK MILES

11.30 BITTER END

12noon ANDY KENNA

12.30 THREE SHEETS TO THE WIND

1.00 PAUL SIRMAN

1.30 FOUR 'N' AFT

2.00 *Interval*

2.15 ARMSTRONG'S PATENT

2.45 RICHARD GRAINGER

3.15 DAVE WEBBER & ANNI FENTIMAN

3.45 PORTSMOUTH SHANTYMEN

4.15 JIM MAGEEAN

4.45 ENDEAVOUR SHANTYMEN

5.15 *Interval*

5.30 SALTY SEALADIES SINGAROUND
led by SYLVIA NEEDHAM

6.45 *Interval* *continued*

Saturday *continued*

MCs for evening session – The Production Team.
Please note that there is an admission charge on the door for the evening concert of £3.

7.15 TRIM RIG & A DOXY

7.45 BERNIE DAVIS

8.15 TIM LAYCOCK

8.45 *Interval*

9.00 DICK MILES

9.30 PORTSMOUTH SHANTYMEN

10.00 SID KIPPER – 'Cod and Ships' *Part One*

11.00 STORMALONG JOHN

11.40 *End of performances*

The Sea Song & Shanty Tent *Sat.*

11.30 ARMSTRONG'S PATENT

12noon PORTSMOUTH SHANTYMEN

12.30 ENDEAVOUR SHANTYMEN

1.00 JIM MAGEEAN

1.30 DAVE WEBBER & ANNI FENTIMAN

2.00 BERNIE DAVIS

2.30 THREE SHEETS TO THE WIND

3.00 TRIM RIG & A DOXY

3.30 STEVE DAWES & HELEN PITT

4.00 JOHNNY COLLINS

4.30 TIM LAYCOCK

5.00 PAUL SIRMAN

5.30 *Venue closes*

Dalton Arms Marquee *Saturday*

12noon TRIM RIG & A DOXY

12.30 BERNIE DAVIS

1.00 JOHNNY COLLINS

1.30 TIM LAYCOCK

2.00 BITTER END

2.30 DICK MILES

3.00 ANDY KENNA

3.30 LOCUP TOGETHER

4.00 *Venue closes*

Dalton Arms Pub *Saturday*

Evening session MCs – One Sheet Short

9.30 ONE SHEET SHORT

10.00 BITTER END

10.30 DAVE WEBBER & ANNI FENTIMAN

11.00 ARMSTRONG'S PATENT

11.40 *End of performances*

Saturday *continued*

The Stork Inn Saturday

JOHNNY TRANTER'S Pusser's Navy Rum, Grog Tub promotion, from around 12 noon to 4pm. Free daytime shuttle bus service, to/from Glasson Village Hall, provided by Ribble Vehicle Preservation Trust.

Evening session MCs Four 'n' Aft.

8.15 FOUR 'N' AFT

8.45 PAUL SIRMAN

9.15 ANDY KENNA

9.45 *Interval*

10.00 JOHNNY COLLINS & JIM MAGEEAN

10.30 ENDEAVOUR SHANTYMEN

11.10 *End of performances*

Christ Church Saturday

1.00'Dauber': A performance, by ROY AND PAT PALMER, of John Masefield's dramatic narrative poem of 1913, on the experiences and adventures of a young, would-be sea painter, aboard a sailing ship, bound round Cape Horn. Duration approximately 90 minutes, with a 10 minute interval.

1.00, 2.00, 3.00 & 4.00:

Guided maritime themed tours of Churchyard.

On Quayside West Green Saturday

Punch & Judy *with* PROFESSOR CHANDLER, at 12 noon, 2pm and 4.30pm.

INNER STATE THEATRE CO *present* 'Viking Invaders' at 1pm & 3.30pm.

The Brocklebank Tug Saturday

Tours available between 10am & 12 noon and 2pm & 4pm.

Guided Walks Saturday

Meet at grassed area, adjacent to village public conveniences.

1.30 & 5.00 'Explore Glasson', *guided walk around the old port and environs, led by* JANET NELSON.

Lancaster Maritime Museum Sat.

St George's Quay, Lancaster

If travelling to the Maritime Museum by car, please park in the Parksafe Car Park, next to the Three Mariners pub, at the end of the quayside. Better still, take the bus, special classic coach service, bike or share a taxi. Thank you.

Guided tours at quarter past the hour, *led by the* FRIENDS OF THE MARITIME MUSEUM.

In the Warehouse Meeting Room

2.00'Wrecks and Mishaps in Morecambe Bay' *a talk by* JOHN HARMAN and DICK WHITE.

For details of admission charge and opening times, see Maritime Museum advert.

Easter Sunday 23rd March

The Village Hall Sunday

Doors open 10.30am

MCs – Ali O'Brien and Joanne Levey

11.00 KEITH KENDRICK & SYLVIA NEEDHAM

11.30 JOHNNY COLLINS & JIM MAGEEAN

12 noon ENDEAVOUR SHANTYMEN

12.30 STORMALONG JOHN

1.00 SID KIPPER – 'Cod and Ships' *Part Two*

2.00 *Interval*

2.15 DAVE WEBBER & ANNI FENTIMAN

2.45 FOUR 'N' AFT

3.15 THE YOUNG'UNS

3.45 GEOFF HIGGINBOTTOM

4.15 ARMSTRONG'S PATENT

4.45 TIM LAYCOCK

5.15 *Interval*

5.30 Lancashire Landlubbers Singaround, *led by* Ron Baxter

6.45 *Interval*

MCs for evening session, Kerry & Mandy Hearn and Glynis Johnson

7.15 PAUL SIRMAN

7.45 DAVE WEBBER & ANNI FENTIMAN

8.15 BITTER END

8.45 JOHNNY COLINS

9.15 *Interval*

9.30 ENDEAVOUR SHANTYMEN

10.00 TIM LAYCOCK

10.30 PORTSMOUTH SHANTYMEN

11.00 *End of performances*

The Sea Song & Shanty Tent Sun.

11.15 BERNIE DAVIS

12noon ANDY KENNA

12.30 PORTSMOUTH SHANTYMEN

1.00 FOUR 'N' AFT

1.30 DICK MILES

2.00 RICHARD GRAINGER

2.30 DEREK GIFFORD

3.00 PAUL SIRMAN

3.30 STORMALONG JOHN

4.00 ENDEAVOUR SHANTYMEN

4.30 DAVE WEBBER & ANNI FENTIMAN

5.00 THE YOUNG'UNS

5.30 *Venue closes*

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DIARY

Sunday *continued*

Dalton Arms Marquee *Sunday*

12noon DEREK GIFFORD

12.30 PAUL SIRMAN

1.00 THE YOUNG'UNS

1.30 TRIM RIG & A DOXY

2.00 GEOFF HIGGINBOTTOM

2.45 PORTSMOUTH SHANTYMEN

3.30 KEITH KENDRICK

4.15 BITTER END

4.45 TRIM RIG & A DOXY

5.15 *Venue closes*

Dalton Arms Pub *Sunday*

Evening session MC – Linda Sirman

8.30 ANDY KENNA

9.00 TRIM RIG & A DOXY

9.30 STEVE DAWES & HELEN PITT

10.00 JIM MAGEEAN

10.30 STORMALONG JOHN

11.00 *End of performances*

The Stork Inn *Sunday*

JOHNNY TRANTER'S Pusser's Navy Rum, Grog Tub promotion, from around 11am to 3pm. Free daytime shuttle bus service, to/from Glasson Village Hall, provided by Ribble Vehicle Preservation Trust.

Evening session MC, Ali O'Brien.

8.15 DICK MILES

8.45 LOC TUP TOGETHER

9.15 *Interval*

9.30 ONE SHEET SHORT

10.10 ARMSTRONG'S PATENT

10.50 *End of Performances*

Christ Church *Sunday*

1.00 'A.L. Lloyd (1908 - 1982) and Sea Songs' – A Centenary Tribute. *Talk, with musical illustration, by ROY PALMER. Duration about 75 minutes, including time for questions.*

1.00, 2.00, 3.00 & 4.00, Guided maritime themed tours of the Churchyard.

On Quayside West Green *Sunday*

Punch & Judy *with* PROFESSOR CHANDLER at 12 noon, 2pm & 4.30pm.

INNER STATE THEATRE CO PRESENT 'The Rime of the Ancient Mariner', at 1pm & 3.30pm.

Sunday *continued*

The Brocklebank Tug *Sunday*

Tours available between 10am & 12 noon and 2pm & 4pm.

Guided Walks *Sunday*

Meet at grassed area, adjacent to village public conveniences.

1.30 & 4.30 'Explore Glasson', guided walk around the old port and environs, led by Dr Andrew White.

2.15 Cocksands Abbey walk, led by

THE RAMBLERS ASSOCIATION

(Please read advice in 'Walks' section of Programme, before undertaking this walk)

Lancaster Maritime Museum *Sun.*

St George's Quay, Lancaster

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In the Warehouse Meeting Room

MCs – Bitter End and Andy Kenna

12.30 BITTER END

1.10 TIM LAYCOCK

1.50 ARMSTRONG'S PATENT

2.30 *Interval*

2.45 ANDY KENNA

3.25 JOHNNY COLLINS & JIM MAGEEAN

4.05 DICK MILES

4.45 *End of performances*

For details of admission charge and opening times, see Maritime Museum advert.

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Festival Opening Times

Friday 21st 7am – 6pm.

Saturday 22nd 7am – 5pm.

Sunday 23rd 8am – 5pm.

Monday 8.30am – 5.30pm

Hot and cold snacks, sandwiches, cakes, drinks, confectionary, tobacco and off-licence.

Bank Holiday Monday 24th

The Village Hall *Monday*

<i>Doors open 10.30am</i>
MCs – Ali O'Brien and Joanne Levey
11.00 STEVE DAWES & HELEN PITT
11.30 TRIM RIG & A DOXY
12noon ENDEAVOUR SHANTYMEN
12.30 JOHNNY COLLINS
1.00 JIM MAGEEAN
1.30 STORMALONG JOHN
2.00 <i>Interval</i>
2.15 PAUL SIRMAN
2.50 ANDY KENNA
3.25 KEITH KENDRICK & SYLVIA NEEDHAM
4.05 GEOFF HIGGINBOTTOM
4.40 DEREK GIFFORD
5.15 <i>Interval</i>
5.30 'Cyril Remembered' – you are invited to take a break, relax and listen to recordings of the late Cyril Tawney, who was a great supporter of this festival.
6.30 <i>Interval</i>

Glasson Maritime Weekend 2008 'LAST NIGHT DO'

Doors open 6.45 Admission charge for entry - see venue section for details.

MCs – Paul Sirman and Derek Gifford.

7.15 PAUL SIRMAN
7.45 GEOFF HIGGINBOTTOM
8.15 KEITH KENDRICK
8.45 ARMSTRONG'S PATENT
9.15 <i>Interval</i>
9.30 DEREK GIFFORD
10.00 DICK MILES
10.30 ANDY KENNA
11.00 STORMALONG JOHN
11.40 'All Hands on Deck' for the Finale
11.55 <i>End of performances</i>

The Sea Song & Shanty Tent *Mon.*

12noon LOCUP TOGETHER
12.30 DICK MILES
1.10 ARMSTRONG'S PATENT
1.50 KEITH KENDRICK
2.30 GEOFF HIGGINBOTTOM
3.10 TRIM RIG & A DOXY
3.50 STORMALONG JOHN
4.30 <i>Venue closes</i>

Monday *continued*

Dalton Arms Marquee *Monday*

1.00 FOUR 'N' AFT
1.45 DEREK GIFFORD
2.15 DICK MILES
2.45 ARMSTRONG'S PATENT
3.30 <i>Venue closes</i>

Dalton Arms Pub *Monday*

5.00 PAUL SIRMAN
5.45 ANDY KENNA
6.30 <i>End of performances</i>

The Stork Inn *Monday*

Free daytime shuttle bus service, to/from Glasson Village Hall, provided by Ribble Vehicle Preservation Trust.

4.30pm to 6.30pm. 2008 Glasson Maritime Weekend, Seafarer's Farewell Singaround, *led by* Kerry & Mandy Hearn.

Christ Church *Monday*

1.00 'The Captain's Apprentice': A Song and its History, in Commemoration of Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872 - 1958). *Talk, with musical illustration, by* ROY PALMER. *Duration about 75 minutes, including time for questions.*

1.00, 2.00, 3.00 & 4.00, Guided maritime themed tours of Churchyard.

On Quayside West Green *Monday*

Punch & Judy *with* PROFESSOR CHANDLER, at 12 noon, 2pm & 4pm.

INNER STATE THEATRE CO *present* 'VIKING INVADERS' at 1pm & 3pm.

Guided Walks *Monday*

Meet at grassed area, adjacent to village public conveniences.

11.15 *Thurnham Fields and Towpath walk, led by* THE RAMBLERS ASSOCIATION
(Please read advice in 'Walks' section of Programme, before undertaking this walk)

1.30 & 5.30 'Explore Glasson', guided walk around the old port and environs, led by JANET NELSON.



EVENTS & ENTERTAINMENTS

Mirth and Mayhem returns to Glasson, with the arrival in port of the infamous Mr Punch, accompanied by his wife, Judy. Shows take place on Quayside West Green, daily, Saturday to Bank Holiday Monday, courtesy of Professor Clive Chandler.

In an adjacent booth, Lancaster's own Inner State Theatre Co perform 'Viking Invaders' and 'The Rime of the Ancient Mariner'. In the former, Eric and Hilda Viking come ashore, looking for somewhere nice to settle down, or plunder and in the process, provide a quick history of the Viking nation. They are accompanied by their captured Saxon sheep, Dolly. 'The Rime ...' is presented by Sir Henry and Lady Lydia Greatham, making a return visit to the area, with their version of the epic poem - or at least Henry will attempt, gallantly, to do so, before Lydia totally disrupts the proceedings. Also features a bottle of gin, a passing seagull and, of course, the audience!

The Festival Supporters Information Point is on Quay West Green too, providing essential information and stop press news, together with a stall representing the Mission to Seafarers.

Over on Quayside East Green, the maritime craft pavilion showcases the work of Des Newton and Eric Greenough. Des is arguably the country's leading exponent of putting ships in bottles and was previously employed to display the craft at the National Maritime Museum on Merseyside. Eric is a member of the International Guild of Knot-Tyers, as well as an auxiliary coastguard. There will also be stands here representing the RSPB and Ramblers Association. The Chantey Cabin, with the UK's best range of sea song and shanty CDs and related material, has a pitch across the road. The pavilion and displays will be open over the three days, Saturday to Bank Holiday Monday.

Adjacent, in the dock, berthed at West Quay, will be the preserved Mersey Tug, Brocklebank and the classic fishing boat, Master Frank. The Brocklebank was built in 1964 by W. J. Yarwood & Sons Ltd, of Northwich. She served as a shiphandling tug on the River Mersey throughout the 60s and 70s, with occasional duties at



Heysham and Barrow for ship launches. The vessel was withdrawn from commercial service in 1988 and was purchased by the Merseyside Maritime Museum in 1989. She is now in the care of the MV Wincham Preservation Society and will be open for tours on Saturday and Sunday. Weather permitting, we also hope to welcome into port the Master Frank, a Ramsey half-decker, built in 1895. She will be skippered, single-handedly, from the Isle of Man, by Joe Pennington, who was also responsible for rebuilding the boat, in 1996.

Down by the dockside is where you are most likely to see an animated array of curious nautical characters, apparently recently brought up from the depths, by one of the dock's dredgers - the amazing Strangelings.

At the Canal Village, on the north eastern edge of the Canal Basin, we provide another opportunity to sample kippers and coracles. For here will be 'Kipperland' - an exhibition, telling the history of the once great herring fishery and highlighting the nutritional effects of eating this oil-rich fish. 'Kipperman', Mike Smylie, will also be smoking fish on site, in his little Kipperhouse, producing kippers before your very eyes and



providing samples to try. Mike trained as a naval architect and owns several fishing vessels, being a co-founder of the 40+ Fishing Boat Association. He is a past winner of the BBC Radio 4 Food Programme's 'Campaigners/Educators Award'.

'Coracle Man', Dave Purvis, will be mounting a display about the 22 types of UK coracles, each designed for different river conditions. In addition, he will be demonstrating how to build one of the craft and also showing off a variety of others, both on land and water. Alongside, will be an example of a Curragh, of the type used in the Dingle Peninsula. This boat is one of the Eyemouth International Sailing Craft Association's collection in Berwickshire, which comprises over 200 vessels and 300 model ships and boats. She has been brought south, especially for Glasson Maritime Weekend, by Bo'sun of the Collection, Ridley Youngman, who will be with Dave on the display.



The Lancaster Canal Trust also has a display here, illustrating the work of the organisation in its support, promotion and development of the waterway. Nearby, moored in the basin, weather permitting, should be the Environment Agency's RV Coastal Guardian, a now regular and popular visitor to the festival. The vessel is likely to be open to visitors at various times throughout the weekend.

Following its successful introduction as a venue last year, Christ Church will be the location for daily talks, presented by eminent folklorist, Roy Palmer. This year's programme is: 'Dauber', a performance by Roy & wife, Pat, of John Masefield's dramatic narrative poem, written in 1913, on the adventures of a young, would-be sea painter, aboard a Cape Horn bound sailing ship (Saturday); 'A. L. Lloyd and Sea Songs', a centenary tribute' (Sunday) and 'The Captain's Apprentice: A Song and its History', commemorating Ralph V. Williams (1872-1958). All talks start at 1pm. The first finishes at approximately 2.30pm and has an interval. The other two, which are illustrated with musical examples, last about 75 minutes, including time for questions. New at the Church this year will be churchyard tours, on a maritime theme - see Diary for times.

Finally, there will be plenty of opportunity to explore the locality, both near and further afield. 'Explore Glasson' guided walks around the old port and environs, take place at 1.30pm and 5pm on Saturday & Bank Holiday Monday and at 1.45pm and 4.30pm on Sunday. They last about 60-75 minutes, with Dr Andrew White leading them on Sunday and Blue Badge Guide, Janet Nelson, on the other days.

Lancaster Ramblers Association have organised two walks for the Weekend - one exploring coast and countryside, the other, fields and towpath. The Cockersands Abbey Walk leaves at 2.15pm on Sunday, over a fairly flat route of 5½ miles, that should take just over 2½ hours to complete. On Bank Holiday Monday, the Thurnham Fields and Towpath Walk leaves at 11.15am, past Thurnham RC Church to Thurnham Hall and returns via the canal towpath. It is a little over 4 miles and should take about 2 hours. Both walks could be muddy in places and walkers are advised to wear suitable stout shoes or boots, carry waterproofs and, if required en-route, a snack.

And remember, everything but the Saturday Night Concert, the 'Last Night Do' and the Classic Coach service, is Free!

