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THURSDAY, 15th JUNE 2023

“Operating and Maintaining Waverley - the World’s last seagoing paddle steamer”

by

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Meeting to be held at

ABL Group, 1st Floor, The Northern & Shell Building,

10 Lower Thames Street, London, EC3R 6EN

at 17:45 for 18:00 hours (duration approximately 1 hour)

For “In-Person” event register at

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Waverley has operated in preservation for almost 50 years and carried over 6 million passengers since being gifted to the Paddle Steamer Preservation Society for £1. Her continued operation relies on an extensive programme of sailings in several areas of the UK and the support of many donors. Annually over £600,000 is required for basic winter maintenance all of which is managed by a small team of staff supported by volunteers.

This presentation will give an insight on what is required to keep Waverley’s paddles turning. There will be a review of the extensive boiler replacement works carried out in 2020 after a successful fund-raising appeal and the most recent dry docking ahead of the 2023 sailing season.

To conclude there will be a pictorial review of Waverley in operation highlighting the unique experience she offers and why her appeal to core supporters and the wider public has never faded.