

Spring 2023 Conference

The Battle of the Atlantic 80 years on..... Its costs, consequences and legacy.

In May 1943 Admiral Doenitz recorded in his War Diary,...
“the Battle of the Atlantic is lost.” It was lost, but not however over.

The conference will review the wider aspects of the Battle from the defeat of the U boats in May 1943, how victory had been achieved, how it enabled victory in WW2 on mainland Europe, its influence on the defence posture of the Western Powers for the last 80 years and its lasting impact on current maritime threats.

Welcome by Alison Telfer RD

Opening address

Dr David Davies of the Society for Nautical research

Keynote Address

Professor Andrew Lambert. Fellow of Kings College and
Laughton Professor of Naval History

The Western Approaches Museum formerly the Western Approaches Command HQ

Jak Collis of the Western Approaches Museum

Lunch

The contribution of RAF Coastal Command to the Battle of the Atlantic

Squadron Leader John Cairns RAF

Merchant Aircraft Carriers, A Colourable Pretext

Group Captain Ted Scaplehorn OBE MA RAF

Our Island Nation, where are we today?

Lt Cdr David Carter MNM RN. Royal Navy Maritime Warfare School,

Closing address Alison Telfer RD