



Naval Dockyards Society  
TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
Saturday 27 March 2021, online, 9.00–3.15 GMT

**Dockyards and Baltic Campaigns (1721–2021): Comparisons and Transformations**



The Great Northern War concluded three hundred years ago, in 1721: the key dockyards included Stockholm, Karlskrona, Copenhagen, Chatham and Kronstadt. The Baltic was no stranger to naval warfare: over the last four years it was a theatre for regional wars, world wars and revolutions, witnessing the successive rise and fall of the Swedish and Russian empires. Britain's concern was often to maintain the balance of power and ensure the continued supply of naval stores: especially Russian hemp, Swedish iron and 'East Country' timber. This exciting online conference examines the naval dockyards and bases and their communities, both Baltic and British, which were shaped by Baltic naval campaigns during this period.




Photos: top, *Vasa* building at Skeppsgarden, Stockholm 1627/28; above, Kronstadt in 2013.

- 0900–0930 Registration on Zoom
- 0930–0935 **Chair’s welcome and introduction** Dr Paul Brown
- 0935–1015 **Naval bases of Sweden – a strategic choice** Lars Wedin, Captain Swedish Navy (retd)
- 1015–1055 **Nordstiernen (1703–1785) – ‘the Danish Navy’s Grand Old Lady’** Ida Christine Jorgensen, PhD student, University of Portsmouth
- 1055–1110 Break
- 1110–1150 **The Great Yarmouth Naval Support Base and the Baltic Campaigns of 1801 and 1807 to 1814** David Higgins, Author and Historian
- 1150–1230 **Suomenlinna – a new community enjoying a long term, sustainable reuse** Dr Celia Clark, Naval Dockyards Society
- 1230–1300 Lunch break; Afternoon session to be chaired by Ian Stafford
- 1300–1340 **Kronstadt: Peter the Great’s Dockyard** Dr Paul Brown, Naval Dockyards Society
- 1340–1420 **The British Navy Role in the Baltic States’ War of Liberation (1918–1919)** Dr Chorfi Fatima, Associate Professor, University Oran2, Algeria
- 1420–1430 Break
- 1430–1510 **Rebirth of Tallinn seaplane hangars** Dr Maris Mändel and Oliver Orro, Tallinn University
- 1510–1515 **Chair’s closing remarks and thanks.**

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