



# TARS Eastern Region

## Programme of Events for 2018



*For up to date details, see <http://www.arthur-ransome.org.uk> or contact organizers*

**January 20th (Sat):** AR's Birthday Lunch, The Butt & Oyster, Pin Mill (IP9 1JW). 12.30 for 13.00. Excerpts from the new AR Reminiscences DVD: *Encountering the Ransomes*. Book for lunch with Ted Evans (01394388295; east@arthur-ransome.org.uk. )

**March 24 (Sat): Bird Watching at RSPB Minsmere** on the Suffolk Coast and Marshes (IP17 3BY). Meet at the Minsmere Visitor Centre/Shop at 11 am for tour. Bring packed lunch or use excellent café on site. Huge site enables optional second walk after lunch. Admission charge (£9 adults; £5 children) for those who are not members of RSPB. **Book with Rosemary Garfitt. (01353 720925; rosemary.east@arthur-ransome.org.uk)**

**April 28 (Sat): Commander Walker Day.** 10.30 for 11.00: Visit to the Ganges Museum, Shotley, with packed lunch or meal at the Marina, followed by 1400 ferry to Harwich (£3.50) and a guided tour of Harwich (ca. £1). Returning at 17.00. **Book with Ted Evans (01394388295; east@arthur-ransome.org.uk.**

**May 25th-28th: IAGM Coniston.** See Signals and arthur-ransome.org.uk.

**July 14 (Sat): Arthur Ransome Trail: Pin Mill to Shotley.** 6 mile trail which would be excellent for Juniors. Meet at 11 am at the top of the Hard opposite the Butt and Oyster. The trail follows the foreshore below the Butt, for 6 miles - allow 3 hours plus stopping times for lunch etc. No loos! Return bus times - No 97 - from the Bristol Arms at 14.25 16.10, 16.50, 17.50 **Book with Peter Willis (01394 387907; peter.east@arthur-ransome.org.uk)**

July 28- Aug 5<sup>th</sup>: Broads Sailing Camp by TARS Midland Region. Willowcroft Camping & Caravan Park, Staithe Rd, Repps with Bastwick Nr Potter Heigham NR29 5JU. Contact midlands@arthur-ransome.org.uk or website for details.

**Aug 18th (Sat): Oulton Broad Day:** Broads yacht, open boat and dinghy sailing – yours or others. Meet at 10 am at **Penney and Ian Northover-Smith's**, 5 Ice House Quay, Commodore Road, Oulton Broad, Lowestoft, Suffolk (NR32 3QU). Book with them **(01502 560926; northovers@arthur-ransome.org.uk.)** Bring a packed lunch. Tea provided.

**Sept 8/9: Maritime Woodbridge.** Not a TARS event but of interest to TARS. See maritimewoodbridge.org

**September 22<sup>nd</sup> (Sat): Signalling From Mars: A Day at the Royal Observatory and Planetarium, Greenwich.** Meet at the ROG at 11am. Bring packed lunch or lunch in the cafe. **Book with Ted Evans (01394388295; east@arthur-ransome.org.uk)**

**October 13th (Sat): Literary Afternoon, URC Church Hall, Whiting St, Bury St Edmunds, IP33 1NR:** 2 pm to 5.30 pm. Parking on site. £10 per head for expenses. Optional meal afterwards at local restaurant. **Peter Willis on his *Good Little Ship* book on Nancy Blackett; Jeff Cooper on Lascelles Abercrombie, AR and the Dymock poets. Book with Ted Evans (01394388295; east@arthur-ransome.org.uk.)**

**November 17<sup>th</sup> (Sat): Regional AGM @ Pin Mill Sailing Club.** Gather 11am onwards for Nancy Blackett Stall; slides, coffee and chat. 12.15 pm **Lunch at Butt & Oyster.** 2 pm: Speaker: **Sarah Curtis (historian of Kings Boat Yard): Kings' Boats, including Selina King.** 3.15 pm: **Regional AGM;** 4.15 pm: tea and cake. Book for lunch with **Ted Evans (01394388295; east@arthur-ransome.org.uk) by 12th November .**