

TARS and Coronavirus

IAGM Postponed

In line with the Government's advice on Coronavirus, **it is with regret that we have had to postpone the IAGM scheduled for 28th - 31st May at Lechlade**. For those of you who have already booked, the SW Regional Committee will get in touch with you shortly about refunds

Although no-one knows how long the precautionary measures may be in place, we are hoping that by the end of the summer things may have returned to a more normal position. **We have therefore provisionally booked the weekend of 25th-27th September for a re-arranged IAGM weekend**. Please book this date in your diaries.

The reprogrammed IAGM will still be held in The New Inn Hotel, Lechlade and the SW Committee hope to organise a similar, albeit reduced, programme. This will run from Friday afternoon, until Sunday afternoon. The formal Annual General Meeting and Members Forum will be held on the Sunday morning. Further details will be posted on the new web site (<http://www.arthur-ransome.org>) as soon as these can be confirmed and the booking form and programme will be available in the August Issue of *Signals*.

The Board and SW Committee are saddened that the May event has had to be postponed. We know this is an occasion when so many of you look forward to meeting old friends and being able to get out and active after the long winter months. It's also hugely disappointing for at least three overseas members who had booked to attend. TARS, however, needs to act responsibly and in line with the medical and Government advice, and we feel sure you will all understand the need for our actions. Hopefully we will see you all in September.

REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

Many of the events advertised in the regional pages that follow will be similarly affected by the Coronavirus. Please consult the organiser of the event for details of whether the event has been cancelled, or postponed.

For any of you who are having to self-isolate, do take care, we wish you well. To take your mind off matters we recommend a hefty dose of Ransome reading. If you have picked up the virus, we wish you a speedy and full recovery.

TARS Board.