

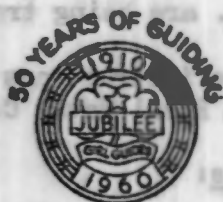
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SEA RANGER TRAINING SHIP

VISIT OF PRINCESS MARGARET AND

MR. ARMSTRONG-JONES

The 24 lucky Rangers who will be on board the new Sea Ranger Training Ship during the week 23rd - 30th July (list attached) were quite unaware when they booked for the course that they were to have the pleasure of welcoming their Chief Ranger, H.R.H. THE PRINCESS MARGARET, on Thursday afternoon, 28th July (time schedule attached). When the Princess visits the ship for its commissioning ceremony she will be accompanied by her husband, MR. ANTONY ARMSTRONG-JONES. Among those who will receive the Princess on arrival will be:

Miss Anstice Gibbs, C.B.E. (Chief Commissioner for the Girl Guides Association)
Miss Dorothy D. Dakin, Sea Ranger Adviser, C.H.Q.
Mrs. J.E. Eastley, M.B.E., J.P., County Commissioner for Devon.

She will be piped on board by 4 Sea Rangers and received by the Sea Ranger Commanding Officer for the week, Miss Mary Chance, J.P. of C/R LISLE.

The ship is to be named "GOLDEN HINDE" (details attached).

After the Commissioning Service taken by The Rev. R.T. Urwin and the ship has been named, the Princess will inspect the Sea Rangers on board and then tour the ship below decks and stay for tea, in the Mess.

The ship will be moored off the Bathing Stage, Sandquay, of the Britannia Royal Naval College, where the route will be lined with 200 Sea Rangers from all parts of the country. The ship will later be towed to its normal mooring, two miles up river from Dartmouth, opposite Phillip's Yard.

PRINCESS MARGARET herself was a Sea Ranger from 1945-48 as a member of S.R.S. Duke of York where she held the position of Shantyman and later coxswain

of the Starboard Watch. Both she and H.M. The Queen undertook a seamanship course in the previous M.T.B. Sea Ranger Training Ship. Their signatures on the bulkhead of the old M.T.B. are being transferred to the Golden Hinde.

Press facilities: (see instructions from C.O.I., Bristol, concerning visit to Britannia Royal Naval College)

Accredited Press:

At arrival point, Sandquay
Proceeding or following Royal party to Pontoon.
It is hoped that at any rate one photographer will be allowed on board the Sea Ranger Training Ship.
A Press launch following Admiral's barge when Princess Margaret leaves Sea Ranger Training Ship.

Non-accredited Press:

Platform overlooking Sea Ranger Training Ship.

Press Officer in charge of Sea Ranger facilities:

Miss Fenella Hibbs

July, 1960.

COMMISSIONING OF SEA RANGER SHIP

by

PRINCESS MARGARET

Detailed Programme

- 1.45 - 2.00 p.m. Sea Rangers arrive at Sandquay and line route to Bathing Stage.
- 2.40 p.m. Ships company on Training Ship "man ship"
- 2.50 p.m. Alert sounded by bugler of the Royal Marines.
Princess Margaret arrives at Sandquay accompanied by:
- Rear-Admiral F.H.E. Hopkins, D.S.O., D.S.C.
Admiral Sir Richard A. Onslow, Commander-in-Chief, Plymouth
Lt. Commander G. Anderson, R.N., Flag Lieutenant, Admiral Hopkins.
The Hon. Miss Peake, M.V.O., Lady-in-Waiting.
Major, The Hon. Francis Legh, Private Secretary.
- H.R.H. is received by:
- The Lord Roborough, Lord Lieutenant of Devon, and Lady Roborough.
- Lord Roborough presents:
- Councillor J.W. Lee Palin, The Mayor of Dartmouth.
Mrs. J.W. Lee Palin, The Mayoress of Dartmouth
Mr. Hugh Wright, The Town Clerk, Dartmouth.
Miss Anstice Gibbs, C.B.E., Chief Commissioner, Girl Guides Association.
Dame Elizabeth Hoyer-Millar, D.B.E., Hon., A.D.C. Director, W.R.N.S.
- Miss Gibbs presents:
- Miss Dorothy D. Dakin, Sea Ranger Section Adviser, C.H.Q.
Mrs. J.E. Eastley, M.B.E., J.P., County Commissioner, Devon.
- The Princess and her party, accompanied by Miss Gibbs walk from Sandquay to the Bathing Stage.
- 2.55 p.m. Presentations on the Bathing Stage.
- 3.00 p.m. The Princess is piped on board by Sea Rangers and received by Miss Mary Chance, J.P., Commanding Officer of the training week.
Presentations on board on Quarter Deck (including representative Sea Ranger Guides from ENGLAND, SCOTLAND, ULSTER and WALES).
- 3.05 p.m. Service is conducted by the Rev. R.T. Upton, Vicar of Dartmouth.
The Royal Marine String Quartette will play for the hymns.
- 3.15 p.m. Miss Dakin, C.H.Q. Adviser for Sea Rangers, will invite the Princess to name the ship. The name board will be on the starboard side of the bridge and will be covered by a Guide World Flag.

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- 3.15 p.m. (cont'd.) The Princess will say:
 "I name this ship "GOLDEN HINDE" and wish
 God speed to all who serve and train in her".
 She will unveil the name board by pulling a cord.
- 3.18 p.m. The Princess will be invited to inspect the ship's company
 on deck.
- 3.25 p.m. The Princess, accompanied by Miss Gibbs, Miss Dakin and
 Miss Chance, goes below to inspect the ship.
- 3.30 p.m. The Princess takes tea in the Mess.
- 3.45 p.m. H.R.H. and party are invited to sign the visitor's book.
- 3.52 p.m. Sea Rangers "man ship" and three cheers are called for
 H.R.H.
- 3.55 p.m. The Princess, escorted by Rear-Admiral Hopkins, leaves
 in the Admiral's barge.
- 5.00 - 8.00 p.m. Ship open to visiting Rangers and to members of the Press.

The Lord Roberough, Lord Lieutenant of Devon
and Lady Roberough.

Lord Roberough presents:

Councillor J.W. Lee Palin, The Mayor of
Dartmouth.
Mrs. J.W. Lee Palin, The Mayoress of Dartmouth.
Mr. Hugh Wright, The Town Clerk, Dartmouth.
Miss Annette Gibbs, C.B.E., Chief Commissioner,
Girl Guides Association.
Dame Elizabeth Hoyer-Millar, D.B.E., Hon., A.D.C.
Director, W.R.N.S.

Miss Gibbs presents:

Miss Dorothy D. Dakin, Sea Ranger Section
Advisor, C.H.G.
Mrs. J.E. Eastley, M.B.E., J.P., County
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The Princess and her party, accompanied by Miss Gibbs
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July, 1960.

Why the name "GOLDEN HINDE" was chosen
for the new Sea Ranger Training Ship
moored in the river, Dart

The name "GOLDEN HIND" (without an 'e') has been associated with the West of England (where the Sea Ranger Training Ship is moored) since the time of Drake's circumnavigation of the world in 1557. He sailed in the "Pelican" but changed its name to Golden Hind in honour of his patron, Sir Christopher Hatton, whose crest was a hind. At a banquet held on board this ship, Queen Elizabeth knighted Frances Drake.

In 1583 Sir Humphrey Gilbert sailed from Cawsand Bay in the Golden Hinde (with an 'e') to found a colony in Newfoundland. The tercentenary of Sir Humphrey is being celebrated this year and his name still lives on in the Dartmouth area through Commander Humphrey.

In 1588 it was in the Golden Hind off the Lizard that Captain Thomas Flemyng sighted the first ships of the Spanish Armada.

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Golden Hind was the name adopted by the first London Sea Guide Company in 1924, later becoming a Sea Ranger Crew. The Late Dame Vera Laughton Mathews, Director WRNS 1939-45, was Skipper of this Crew in 1928. There has been a strong connection between the Director WRNS and the Girl Guides Association starting with the first Director, Dame Katharine Furse who was Head of Sea Guides from 1922-27; the present-day Director, Dame Elizabeth Hoyer-Millar (who will be present at the commissioning ceremony) has been a Guide District Commissioner and a Trainer in SCOTLAND.

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The present ship was built as an M.T.B. No. 5013 in 1945 and used as accommodation craft for E boat crews. It was in 1953 that it was redesignated AM/SB P3053; and in 1960, the Jubilee Year of the Girl Guides Association, she will be given the name of "GOLDEN HINDE" (with an 'e') by H.R.H. The Princess Margaret, Chief Ranger of the British Commonwealth and Empire.