

## Easter Holidays

### From 8 Apr On Thin Ice: Base Camp

Calling all polar recruits: explore our new interactive play zone with hands-on, jump-on, climb-in exhibits bringing the world of the polar explorers to life.

### 9-21 Apr, 12-3.30pm Pole to Pole

Inspired by our new On Thin Ice exhibition, take part in a package of polar "make and take" activities. Week one we're off to the North Pole with our Arctic activities and week two it's Antarctic activities at the South Pole.

### 9-21 Apr, 10am-5pm Polar Explorers Trail

Can you find all the kit and supplies needed for your expedition?

### 22-25 Apr, 12-3.30pm Easter Egg-citement

Bounce into the Easter weekend: make your own magnificent bunny mask and work off some of that chocolate with our fabulous "Fabergé" egg hunt.



All activities are **FREE** with Museum entrance ticket. One "make and take" activity each day. Adult supervision required.

### 20 & 24 Feb, 11.30am, 2pm & 3.30pm Douglas Dapper Goes to Town

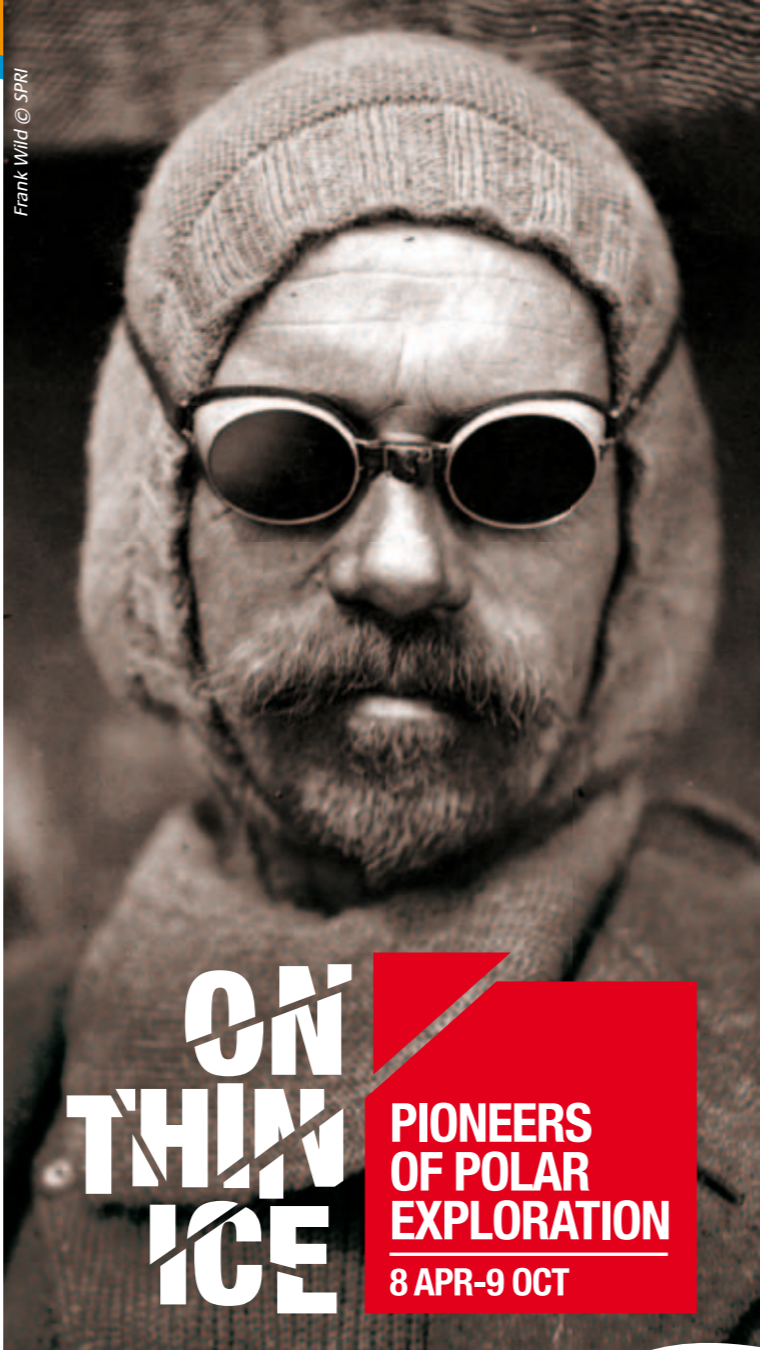
Join Douglas Dapper on his amazing nautical endeavours to uncover Falmouth's world famous past.

### 12 & 19 Apr, 11.30am, 2pm & 3.30pm Douglas Dapper Chills Out

Inspired by the new On Thin Ice exhibition, be whisked away on a journey to frozen lands and discover how a banjo saved some intrepid adventurers.

**FREE** with Museum entrance ticket. Adult supervision required

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# ON THIN ICE

## PIONEERS OF POLAR EXPLORATION

8 APR-9 OCT



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## What's On

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## Family Fun...

### February Half-term

#### 19-27 Feb, 12-3.30pm Famous Falmouth

Inspired by Falmouth's iconic history and most memorable landmarks, build a scrapheap crane, make models of a Packet ship and Pendennis Castle or create a panoramic picture of Falmouth Harbour.



#### 19-27 Feb, 10-5pm iSpy Challenge

Climb to the top of our tower and spot the landmarks around Falmouth harbour.

#### 22 & 25 Feb, 11.30am, 2pm & 3.30pm Falmouth and the Packet Ships

Come and hear the story of Falmouth's famous Packet ships and their brave captains, in this hands-on gallery talk for families.

## Douglas Dapper The STORY EXPLORER



Douglas Dapper © Gemma Burleigh

Using exhibits and artefacts, in a variety of new and imaginative ways, Douglas Dapper guides you on a magical treasure hunt to discover an exciting collection of stories from around the world.

**Look out for him every school holiday!**

## Lunchtime Lectures

7 Feb, 12.30pm

### The RNLI in Cornwall: Past, Present and Future

Volunteer lifeboat crews have been saving lives around the Cornish coast for over 200 years. Join **Dave Nicoll** for a fascinating talk on the work of the RNLI, taking you from Cornwall's first lifeboat in 1803 to the latest Tamar Lifeboat, which will go on station in 2012.



This illustrated lecture will include exhilarating footage from the latest state of the art cameras used by modern Lifeboats and Lifeguards.



7 Mar, 12.30pm

### The Adventures of Richard Lander

Along with his brother John, Richard Lander was the first European to determine the final route and termination of the river Niger in West Africa in 1830. This was widely acknowledged as one of the greatest African discoveries of the 19th Century and yet outside Cornwall he is virtually unheard of today.

Join adventurer **Simon Hendra** as he shares the story of Lander's life and his own expedition retracing Lander's incredible journey.

4 Apr, 12.30pm

### Tintagel and the Arthurian Legend

Join Cornish Bard **Rob Tremain** as he reveals the secrets of this iconic part of the North Cornish coast. Discover the story of Gorlois and Ygraine; why Richard, Earl of Cornwall, built his great castle here; and the Jackdaws link to King Arthur.

Come along and perhaps start to unravel the silken thread of truth that runs through all good legends.



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Set lunch and lecture **£14.50** (Members £12.50).  
Please call **01326 214546** for bookings.

## Discovery Talks



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23 Feb, 6.30pm

### Boats that Built Britain with Tom Cunliffe

**Tom Cunliffe**, writer and presenter of BBC TV's successful series 'Boats that Built Britain', draws back the curtain on the boats and their stories.

For extra value, he shines a light into the dark recesses of the workings of television documentaries and tells what it's like to be aloft on a square rigger in a gale, perched over the sea on a foot rope, with the dubious bonus of a camera in your face.

30 Mar, 6.30pm

### The Natural Navigator

Having completed solo crossings of the Atlantic by air and sea **Tristan Gooley** realised that electronics were getting in the way of a good journey. In this entertaining talk Tristan, author of 'The Natural Navigator', explains how he learnt to find his way using the sun, moon, stars, weather, plants and animals.



Discover how these ancient techniques can be used by anyone willing to try something new and how natural navigation can enrich all journeys, large or small.

27 Apr, 6.30pm

### Stephen Venables: In Shackleton's Footsteps

Ernest Shackleton's desperate crossing of the unmapped mountains of South Georgia, after the sinking of the *Endurance*, is one of the great survival stories. Join mountaineer **Stephen Venables** as he recounts his experiences retracing Shackleton's epic journey across the sub-Antarctic island, not once but twice. This illustrated lecture, featuring stunning film and photos, is a tale of adventure set in the remotest reaches of the Southern Ocean.



Please call **01326 214546** for bookings.  
Doors & bar open from **6pm**.

Lecture **£8** (Members £7),  
with two-course buffet **£18** (Members £16).

## Exhibitions



8 Apr-9 Oct

### On Thin Ice: Pioneers of Polar Exploration

Some of the greatest icons in the history of exploration, including Scott and Shackleton, are beautifully captured in this new exhibition.

A thirst for knowledge has driven individuals to endure some of the worlds' greatest extremes and this stunning exhibition, using photography, objects and personal ephemera, honours the historic and modern-day achievements of these polar adventurers.

Until 30 Dec

### Lighthouses: Life on the Rocks

From the massive scale of these triumphs of engineering to the tall tales of the lighthouse keepers themselves, Lighthouses: Life on the Rocks illuminates these incredible stories with hands-on exhibits and interactive displays.

Until 30 Mar

### 150 Years of Falmouth Docks

This exhibition celebrates the 150th anniversary of the founding of Falmouth Docks through models, film, objects, paintings and stunning photography.



## MEMBERS ONLY

As a member you'll receive advanced notice of everything happening at the Museum and exclusive invitations to members' only events. If you'd like to find out more about becoming a member please call **01326 214552**.

Until 28 Feb\*

### National Marine Aquarium

The Maritime Museum welcomes the National Marine Aquarium in Plymouth as a new partner for membership benefits and is offering all members half price admission.



Show your membership card and receive a 50% discount on admission. \*excluding February half-term.

**Plus look out for discounted members' prices for all our Lunchtime Lectures and Discovery Talks!**

## Waterside Café

Every Tues & Thurs in Feb\*, 12-2pm  
**Winter Warmers**

Enjoy wholesome traditional fare, such as steak and ale pie, stews, roly-poly pudding or spotted dick with lashings of custard. And there's **FREE** entry to the Museum when you pre-book.

Main course and dessert **£7.95** from a set menu.

*Advance booking, prior to arrival at the Museum, is essential. Group bookings welcome. \*Except half-term, 22 & 24 Feb.*

3 Apr & 24 Apr, 2-4pm

### Mothers' Day & Easter Sunday Afternoon Tea

A wonderful treat for Mothers' Day or Easter Sunday! Savour the best view in town and indulge in the vintage decadence of a selection of delicious sandwiches, fruit tarts and homemade scones and Cornish clotted cream.

Just **£11.95** for two.

Every Sunday, 12-2pm

### Traditional Sunday Lunch

Tuck into a traditional Sunday lunch and enjoy **FREE** entry to our exhibitions and galleries when you book in advance.

**£8.95**

*Please book your table in advance on **01326 214554**.*

4 Feb, 7pm

### Tate St Ives Preview

Be the first to enjoy the spring season at Tate St Ives, with this exclusive members preview of an exhibition by Turner Prize winner **Simon Starling**.

**FREE** entry with your Maritime Museum Membership Card. Bar open until 11pm.

7 Apr, 6.30pm

### On Thin Ice Private View

An exclusive opportunity to preview our stunning new exhibition which features some of the greatest icons of polar exploration.

This event is **FREE** to members but places are very limited, so please call the Maritime Museum on **01326 214552** to book your place.

