

Infosheet No. 9

Collections of maritime photographs and plans

Lloyd's Register does not have a photographic archive and while we can offer historical information on merchant ships over 100 gross tons and yachts, it is rare, therefore, that we can help with illustrations. To help researchers looking for this kind of material, we have compiled the following list of institutions and individuals that can provide photographs. At the end of the list are contacts for ship and yacht plans. We do appear in this section because of our collection of plans for classed yachts.



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UK – photographic collections		
Aberdeen	<p>Aberdeen University Library – Queen Mother Library Metson Walk Aberdeen AB24 3UE www.abdn.ac.uk/library/gml T +44 (0)1224 27-3600 F +44 (0)1224 27-3956 library@abdn.ac.uk</p>	<p>G. W. Wilson collection of early photographs 1856 to 1910 (covering England, Scotland, Australia, South Africa, Gibraltar, Spain and Morocco).</p>
Angus	<p>Arbroath Museum The Signal Tower Ladyloan Arbroath DD11 1PU Tel: +44 (0)8452 777 778 Email: accessline@angus.gov.uk www.angus.gov.uk/history</p>	
Birmingham	<p>Birmingham City Archives Birmingham Central Library Social Sciences Department Chamberlain Square Birmingham B3 3HQ www.birmingham.gov.uk/archives archives.heritage@birmingham.gov.uk T +44 (0)121 303 4549</p>	<p>Belliss Marcom, Ltd. collection, re: design and construction of steam, gas and diesel turbines (Ref: MS 1708).</p>
Bristol	<p>Bristol City Museums Service Queens Road Bristol BS8 1RL www.bristol-city.gov.uk/museums</p>	<p>Photographic archive of maritime and port history c1870-1970, primarily Bristol, Avonmouth and Portishead. York collection of photographs of ships in Bristol, c.1870 to 1914.</p>

Channel Islands	The Alderney Society Museum High Street Alderney Channel Islands GY9 3TG E info@alderneysociety.org T +44 1481 823222 www.alderneysociety.org	Photographs of Alderney.
Glasgow	Glasgow Museum of Transport Kelvin Hall 1 Bunhouse Road Glasgow G3 8DP T +44 (0)141 287 2720 Text +44 (0)141 287 2664 F +44 (0)141 287 2692 E museums@csglasgow.org www.glasgowmuseums.com/venue/index.cfm?venueid=7	Dan MacDonald photographic archive.
Greenock	Mclean Museum and Art Gallery 15 Kelly Street Greenock PA16 8JX T +44 (0)1475 715624 F +44 (0)1475 715626 E museum@inverclyde.gov.uk www.inverclyde.gov.uk/Category.aspx?catid=1422	R. B. Paterson collection of steamer photographs c1880 to 1920.
Grimsby	National Fishing Heritage Centre C/o Welholme Galleries Welholme Road Grimsby DN32 9LP T +44 (0)1472 323345 www.nelincs.gov.uk/AtoZ/atozDetail?ID=7241	Hallgarth photograph collection. Pulfrey photograph collection.
Hampshire	Mr M Lennon 61 Charlesworth Drive Waterlooville Hants PO7 6AS	Mainly modern soviet merchant ships and all nationality warships.
Hartlepool	Hartlepool Arts and Museum Service Sir William Gray House Clarence Road Hartlepool TS28 8BT T + 44 (0)1429 860077 F +44 (0)1429 867332 E info@hartlepoolsmaritimeexperience.com www.hartlepoolsmaritimeexperience.com	Photographic archive, including many ship photos.

Kent	FotoFlite Norfolk Drive Leacon Road Ashford Kent TN23 4FB T +44 (0)1233 635556 F +44 (0)1233 635557 E philip@fotoflite.co.uk www.fotoflite.com	Will undertake commission to photograph ships in the English Channel, also large collection of modern ship pictures.
	Chatham Dockyard Historical Society The Museum The Historic Dockyard Chatham Kent ME4 4TZ T + 44 (0)1634 832028 www.cdhs.org.uk	Photographs of naval vessels and relating to the history of Chatham Dockyard.
	Deal Maritime and Local History Museum 22 St. George's Road Deal Kent CT14 6BA T +44 (0)1304 381 344 E dealmuseum@lineone.net www.dealmuseum.org.uk	Artefacts and archives on the history and development of Deal, Walmer, Kingsdown and the outlying districts.
Isle of Wight	Beken of Cowes Ltd. 16 Birmingham Road Cowes Isle of Wight PO31 7BH T +44 (0)1983 297311 F +44 (0)1983 291059 E beken@beken.co.uk www.beken.co.uk	Maritime photographs, all types of sailing and powered craft, dating back to 1888.
Lancashire	Clarkson's Catalogue of Ship Photographs 18 Franklands Longton Preston Lancs. PR4 5PD	The catalogue gives photographs with owner, name of vessel and year of build. Orders should be forwarded to John and Marion Clarkson.
Leicester	A H Potterton Modern postcards for discerning collectors 63 Keyham Lane West Netherhall Leicester LE5 1RS T +44 (0)116 2433444	Collection covers liners, tugs and ferries. Current series include Nostalgia, Humber ports, Repair Yards, Ireland, Working Tugs, Southern Seaways, World Ships and Fast Ferries. Please enclose 2x first class stamps.

Liverpool	NMGM Maritime Archives and Library Merseyside Maritime Museum Albert Dock Liverpool L3 4AQ T +44 (0)151 478 4499 www.liverpoolmuseums.org.uk/maritime	A good collection of photographs and glass negatives dating from the development of photography. Also collections of photographs and plans of ships owned by Liverpool shipowners.
London	The National Maritime Museum Park Row Greenwich London SE10 9NF T +44 (0)20 8858 4422 F +44 (0)20 8312 6632 www.rmg.co.uk	Excellent collection of prints and photographs, copies of which can be purchased. Catalogues may also be purchased.
	Science Museum Exhibition Road London SW7 2DD T +44 (0)20 7983 9750 F +44 (0)20 7938 9751 www.sciencemuseum.org.uk	
Portsmouth	Royal Naval Museum HM Naval Base (PP66) Portsmouth PO1 3NH T +44 (0)23 9272 7562 F +44 (0)23 9272 7575 www.royalnavalmuseum.org	Wright & Logan Photographic Collection.
Renfrewshire	The Ballast Trust Monarch Works 18-20 Walkinshaw street Johnstone Renfrewshire PA5 8AE	Dan MacDonald Collection of photographic negatives of ships.
Somerset	Blake Museum Blake Street Bridgwater Somerset TA6 3NB T +44 01278 456127 blake@bridgwatmuseum.org.uk www.blakemuseum.org.uk	Photographs associated with local shipping.

UK – plan collections		
London	Lloyd's Register Foundation Heritage & Education Centre 71 Fenchurch Street London EC3M 4BS T +44 (0)207 423 2475 E info@lr.org	Plans of yachts classed by Lloyd's Register circa 1880 to 1960.

	<p>The National Maritime Museum Park Row Greenwich London SE10 9NF T +44 (0)20 8858 4422 F +44 (0)20 8312 6632 www.nmm.ac.uk</p> <p>Brass Foundry Historic Photographs & Ship Plans Section, National Maritime Museum Greenwich London SE10 9NF T +44(0)20 8312 8600 F +44(0)20 8317 0263 E plansandphotos@rmg.co.uk www.rmg.co.uk/contact/buy-ship-plans</p>	<p>Held at the Brass Foundry, which is not open to the general public. Applications should be made in writing to the Brass Foundry.</p> <p>Amongst their collection are Lloyd's Register Foundation plans and survey reports for classed vessels dating c1834 to c1968.</p> <p>The Heritage & Education Centre are undertaking an ambitious digitisation project of the Lloyd's Register plans and survey reports. Find out more here.</p>
Renfrewshire	<p>The Ballast Trust Monarch Works 18-20 Walkinshaw street Johnstone Renfrewshire PA5 8AE</p>	<p>British Corporation for the Survey and Registry of Shipping: plans.</p>

Overseas – photographic collections		
Germany	<p>Schiffsfotos Jansen Jevenstedter Strasse 86 D200 Hamburg 4</p>	<p>Specialises in German ships 1925-39 and worldwide shipping post 1950.</p>
	<p>Mr L Timm St Pauli Landungsbrücken 3 2 Hamburg 4</p>	<p>Large collection of past and present merchant ship photographs, many early 20th Century and some early 19th Century ships.</p>
New Zealand	<p>VH Young 97a Ira Street Miramar Wellington, 60003</p>	<p>Specialises in post 1950 South East Africa, South Africa and Suez shipping, tugs, ORSVs, SD 14s and WWII standards.</p>
	<p>Alexander Turnbull Library National Library of New Zealand PO Box 12-39 Wellington www.natlib.govt.nz</p>	<p>Large collection of ship photographs, some of which can be viewed via their online "Timeframes" service.</p>

USA	The National Maritime Museum Foot of Polk Street San Francisco California 94109 USA	
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Monthly magazines carrying regular advertisements for photographs, prints, pictures, etc., for sale
<i>Sea Breezes</i> Units 28-30, Spring Valley Industrial Estate, Braddon, Isle of Man, IM2 2QS http://www.seabreezes.co.im/ (Available from newsagents)
<i>Shipping Today & Yesterday</i> http://www.shippingtandy.com/ (Available from newsagents)
<i>Marine News</i> Journal of the World Ship Society, through whom all enquiries should be made: World Ship Society, 101 The Everglades, Dukes Meadow Drive, Hempstead, Gillingham, Kent ME7 3PZ http://www.worldshipsociety.org/

Useful websites
www.findboatpics.com – encompasses about 700 sailing ships up to the year 1800 and some 500 steamers up to 1914 which brought passengers to Australia and New Zealand
www.battleships-cruisers.co.uk - lists all of the world's naval ships from the nineteenth century to the present day, with photos, histories and paintings on many of the ships.
www.shipspotting.com

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