

# Portsmouth - 4 November 2017

# WRNS 100

A Service of Thanksgiving to commemorate the centenary of the formation of the Women's Royal Naval Service and the continuing role of women in the Naval Services today, will be held at Portsmouth Cathedral, High St, Portsmouth PO1 2HH on Saturday 4 November 2017 starting at 1430. The Cathedral seats 800. During the service the Commemorative Stone will be dedicated. There will be an opportunity to view the Commemorative Stone after the service and copies of the book showing the donors' names will be on display at the Guildhall.

- The Cathedral doors will open at 1330 and guests are requested to be seated by 1415. Service personnel are requested to wear No. 1B. For security reasons this is a ticketed event, although there is no charge. Please remember to bring your ticket together with 2 forms of identification, one of which must be photographic such as a driving licence or passport.
- Afternoon tea will be served at Portsmouth Guildhall, Guildhall Square, Portsmouth PO1 2AB after the service. Transport between the venues will be provided if required, although they are closely located (20 minute walk).
- Tea will be served from 1615 and the event finishes at 2000. This is a ticketed event - Tickets cost £11.50.
- **A separate application is required for carers.**

Please send your completed application form, with an A5 sae and payment for tea, if applicable, to: WRNS100 (Portsmouth), Room 215, Semaphore Tower (PP70), HM Naval Base, Portsmouth PO1 3LT

Tickets will be allocated on a 'first come first served' basis and successful applicants will be informed by 1 December 2016 by email, but if you do not have email please supply an extra small stamped addressed envelope. Tickets will be despatched in June 2017. If you are not allocated a ticket you will automatically be placed on a reserve list. Cheques and credit card payments will only be cashed once a place has been allocated. If you find you are unable to attend please return your ticket for reallocation. No refunds will be available after 30 September 2017. Any queries about tickets or the event should be addressed via email to [portsmouth@wrns100.co.uk](mailto:portsmouth@wrns100.co.uk) or telephone 07393 393470 leaving a message if necessary. **Please do not ring the AOW office.**

## Notes:

- The Guildhall has been booked from 1030 and therefore guests can leave suitcases etc. in the Guildhall Cloakrooms and can use the cafe and bar before and after both the events.
- If you are attending the Dauntless Association Reunion weekend and you have a confirmed reservation at Mill Rythe, (this does not include Evening Tickets) you will automatically be included in the 2 events detailed above with the costs and administrative details covered by the Dauntless Association and Mill Rythe teams so please **do not** apply for tickets on the enclosed form. If you are on the Mill Rythe reserve list and subsequently are allocated a place, please let us know so that we can re-allocate your tickets.
- The National Museum of the Royal Navy, in the Historic Dockyard, is marking the Centenary with an exhibition entitled "Women and the Navy". Approximately a 25 minute walk from the Cathedral, there are plenty of venues for lunch along the way, including in the Historic Dockyard and Gunwharf Quays.

