

### Bookings:

As always, this event is a major undertaking for the club, which has already paid out a considerable sum to reserve our accommodation. At this time we would ask you to reserve places and to pay an initial non-returnable deposit of £25 per person to be set against conference fees.

**The Room rate is £117 per night for a double or twin room for dinner, bed and breakfast and £93 for single occupancy. As part of the contract with the hotel the price of meals £72 per person is due three months in advance payable direct to the hotel.** Extra nights are available either side of the event at the same rate, booked directly with the hotel. Any cancellations made within one month of the convention will be charged at the full rate.

If you are interested in joining us, please complete and return the slip below. We would particularly like to extend a special invitation to those members who have not yet attended an MWCC Convention. You can be assured of a very warm welcome and will enjoy a feast of Mauchline Ware. If you cannot come for the full convention why not come for just one or two nights? Please note that The Alicia Hotel is a small hotel so places may be limited.

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#### 20<sup>th</sup> M.W.C.C. Convention Booking Form 5 - 8 October 2015

I/We am/are interested in attending the Liverpool MWCC Convention and enclose £            being £25 deposit per person.

Name(s):

Address:

Contact phone:

E-mail:

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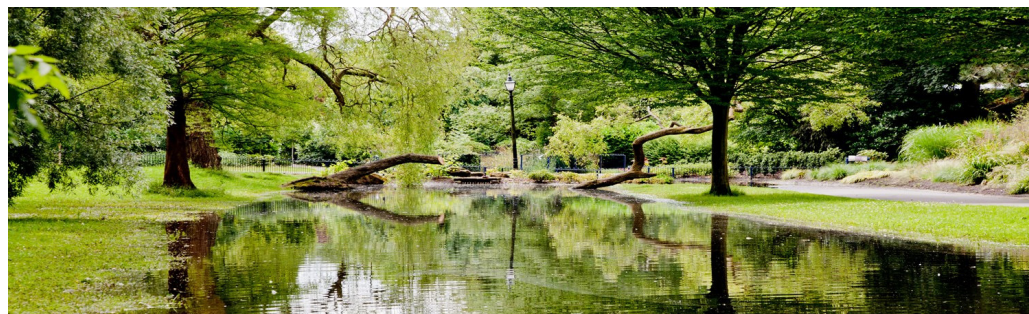
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## The Twentieth MWCC Convention

# The Maritime and Cultural Heritage of Liverpool

**Monday 5 October  
to  
Thursday 8 October 2015**



### Venue: The Alicia Hotel Sefton Park, Liverpool

Nestled just outside of the city centre, the hotel is situated in and amongst 200 acres of leafy Sefton Park. The Best Western Alicia Hotel Liverpool offers 41 top quality bedrooms and the delightful Glasshouse restaurant and bar overlooks the park.



The stylish function suite is fabulous with crystal wallpaper, chandeliers and stunning furnishing and will

provide a beautiful setting for our gala dinner. Weather permitting you can enjoy an early evening drink in the Sculpture Garden and terrace area. The Edwardian bar will provide you with an informal gathering point overlooking the beautiful garden. The hotel is within walking distance of The Palm House attraction and Lark Lane shopping area. There are free secure parking facilities available. Being a small hotel, we will have exclusive use of all function rooms and restaurant for our meals, talks and displays.

### The Programme:

During our stay in Liverpool, we propose to visit many cultural and historical sites in the city, some of which are recorded on Mauchline Ware transfers. The convention begins on Monday afternoon with a reception to welcome old and new friends, and the evening will give opportunities for talks and displays. Tuesday will involve a full day visit to the city centre to include a boat trip along the Mersey and visits to a number of historic buildings. On Wednesday there will be a half day visit to Speke Hall and Sefton Park Palm House. Although there do not appear to be many transfer views of Liverpool on Mauchline Ware, the convention will still give many opportunities for members' displays and talks about Mauchline. Our gala dinner will take place on Wednesday evening with a display and guest speaker. Our traditional dealers fair will complete our convention on Thursday morning.

During our stay in Liverpool we will experience some of the rich cultural and maritime history that the city has to offer including:

- The magnificent **Albert Dock**, one of Britain's top heritage attractions. Situated in an enviable location on the banks of the River Mersey, The Albert Dock is also part of the prestigious UNESCO world Heritage site.
- The **River Mersey Explorer Cruise**, a must-do experience and the only way to see and enjoy Merseyside and Liverpool's iconic waterfront.
- **St George's Hall**, described as the finest neo-classical building in Europe, and William Brown Street hosting a variety of similar classical buildings.
- The **Anglican Cathedral**, the largest neo gothic cathedral in Europe and one of two iconic cathedrals in the city.
- **Speke Hall**, a wood-framed wattle and daub Tudor manor house in Speke, Liverpool and is one of the finest surviving examples of its kind.
- **Sefton Park Palm House**, a magnificent Victorian glasshouse in Sefton Park containing plant specimens from around the world including ferns and palms.

