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# HMS Caroline

Event Hire





# HMS Caroline:

**Host your next event  
onboard Belfast's  
maritime gem.**

Discover a truly unique and historic venue for your next event with HMS Caroline, considered one of the luckiest warships in history. The last surviving ship from the Battle of Jutland, HMS Caroline has been intricately restored and is now a floating museum dedicated to the ship's incredible history of service in both the First and Second World War and later as a Royal Navy training ship.

Located in the heart of Belfast's vibrant Titanic Quarter, HMS Caroline offers an unforgettable setting that blends history, elegance, and nautical charm. With four fantastic venue spaces to choose from she is an incredible backdrop for both private and corporate events.

Our dedicated events team is here to ensure every detail is taken care of, from initial concept to flawless execution. Your event will be in the hands of experienced professionals who understand how to create memorable moments, so let us host your next special occasion.



# Drill Hall

**Perfect for:** Conferences and private dinners

**Banquet Style:** 120 guests

**Prices:** Conference full day hire - From £1,000 +VAT

Conference half day hire - From £600 +VAT

Evening hire - From £1,250 +VAT

As you step onto HMS Caroline, you are met with a one-of-a-kind space that seamlessly blends history with modern elegance. The Drill Hall has a remarkable past, being added in after the First World War when the ship was being used as a training vessel, and today it is a carefully preserved historical gem.

With soaring ceilings and majestic metal girders, this space is large enough to be transformed for everything from conferences to private dinners. Our professional team will work with you to create a truly distinctive experience. HMS Caroline is an extraordinary venue and with our attention to detail and exceptional service you can be confident that your event will be unique and memorable.

WIFI is available in the Drill Hall and there is a basic PA system together with access to a projector and screen. For all daytime and evening functions, our catering partners will be delighted to help you choose the perfect menu and drinks to make it an experience to remember.

## Terms and Conditions

- All prices show exclude VAT.
- Terms of Hire: A deposit of 25% is required to confirm the booking and the balance will be requested by invoice four weeks before the date of the booking.
- Cancellation: If for any reason you need to cancel your booking, the deposit of 25% is non-refundable and there will be a cancellation fee relating to any further costs incurred by HMS Caroline because of the cancellation.







# Junior Rates Mess

**Perfect for:** Conferences and dinners.

**Dining:** 70 guests

**Prices:** Evening hire - From £800 +VAT

The Junior Rates Mess boasts an authentic naval ambience, adorned with period furnishings and decor, that transport you to the era when the ship was in active service.

A space designed for camaraderie; the Junior Rates Mess was originally a home from home for the sailors that served onboard HMS Caroline. As you step inside, that essence of community and companionship can still be felt, making this a delightful place to host a dinner party in the traditional 'mess style'.

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# Ward Room

**Perfect for:** Board meetings and private dinners.

**Standing Receptions:** 20 guests

**Banquet Style:** 14 guests

**Prices:** Meeting full day hire - From £350 +VAT

Evening hire - From £550 +VAT

3hr drinks and canape reception - From £350 +VAT

The Ward Room is the epitome of elegance and prestige onboard HMS Caroline.

This distinguished space offers a captivating setting for intimate occasions. Its distinguished atmosphere is reflected in the beautifully restored period features, setting the scene for an evening your guests will never forget. Also suitable as an impressive boardroom that sets itself apart from the usual corporate offering.

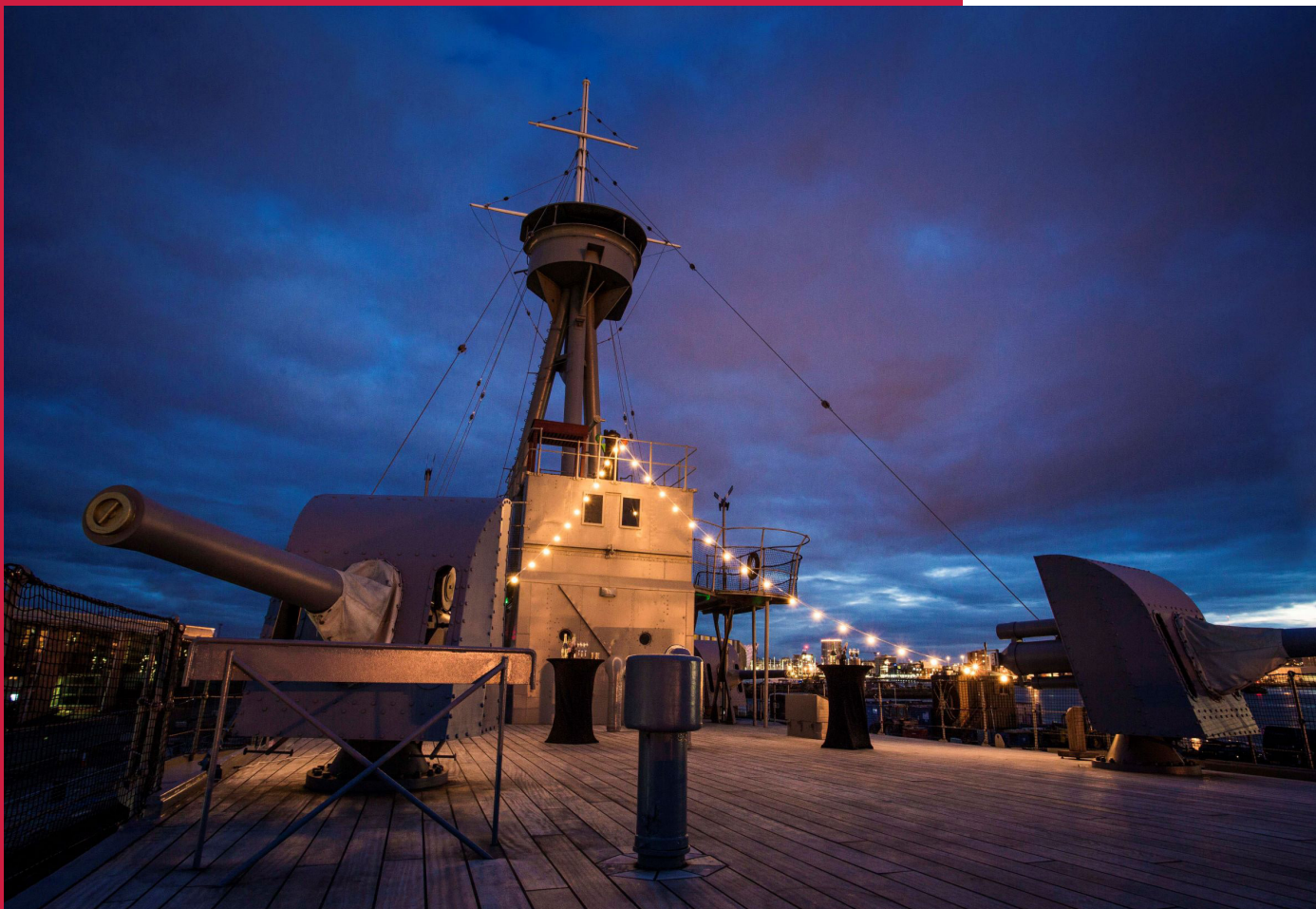
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# Main Deck

**Perfect for:** Drinks receptions.

**Standing Receptions:** 60 guests

**Prices:** 3hr drinks and canape reception - From £600 + VAT

Enjoy breathtaking views of Belfast's scenic waterfront from the Main Deck, the perfect setting for summer drinks, BBQs, or canape receptions. During the day you and your guests can enjoy clear views of the Titanic Quarter and in the evening HMS Caroline's lights create a delightful atmosphere for guests to enjoy the night air. With the Drill Hall as a contingency space, whatever the weather, our dedicated team can ensure your event is successful.

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# FAQs

## How do we get to the venue?

HMS Caroline is located at Alexandra Dock, Queens Rd, Belfast in the heart of Titanic Quarter. We are only 2.8 miles away from Belfast City Hall - 10-15 minutes by car.

We offer free parking on site, including disabled parking.

**By public transport:** Take the G2 Glider bus from Belfast City Hall to the first Catalyst Inc. stop. Walk through Catalyst car park to reach us at Alexandra Dock.

**By car:** Take the car and park in our free car park. We are only five minutes up Queens Road from SSE Arena, or a two minute drive from the Titanic Hotel.

**On foot:** HMS Caroline is just a 30 minute walk from the iconic Big Fish in Belfast City Centre. Walk the Maritime Mile and see the Belfast Marina and the Great Light on your way.

## Is the venue space accessible?

We welcome all guests to our venue spaces and we have tried to make it as safe as possible. However, some of our spaces are historic buildings and ships, and we know that there can be challenges for some guests.

For those who believe they will be limited, please discuss any accessibility requirements with your Event Manager who will be able to advise and we can provide on-site additional support if needed.

## Can I wear high heels on the ship?

Please note, high heels with a diameter smaller than a 2p coin (2.5cm) cannot be worn on board the ship. Heel caps that can be fitted should be purchased in advance.

## Can we get museum tickets included as part of our venue hire?

The majority of our hire spaces are situated on the ship itself, so access aboard is usually included in and around your event location. However, you may wish to include a guided tour for your guests. Our tours offer visitors expert personal insights and fascinating discovery into the ship's extraordinary history. Tours can be facilitated for up to 15 persons at a time and potentially two tours can run concurrently together.





# Contact Us

## Would you like to know more?

Get in touch with us today and we will be delighted to tell you everything you need to know and arrange a visit for you to see the venue.

Visit our website for more information, including weddings, conferences and packages: [www.nmrn.org.uk/venue-hire/hms-caroline](http://www.nmrn.org.uk/venue-hire/hms-caroline)

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