



REUNION BOOKING FORM

21-24 SEPTEMBER 2006

From:

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Please correct any errors or omissions in your details printed in this section and I will bring the database up to date.

Reunion Dinner Booking (Saturday evening)

Please reserve places at the BI Reunion Dinner at a cost of £41.00 each.
Number of persons requiring vegetarian option

Curry Lunch Booking (Sunday lunchtime)

Please reserve places at the curry lunch at a cost of £18.00 each.
Number of persons requiring alternative (non curry) option

Showing interest in additional events

I/We are interested in the following additional events (*please indicate possible numbers*):

Clyde Cruise on Friday evening – £12.00

Talk by Professor J Forbes Munro on Saturday afternoon – cost £5.00

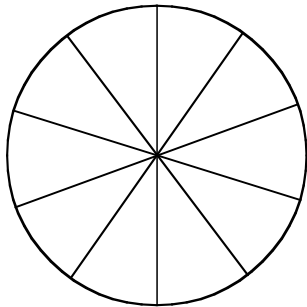
Glengoyne Distillery Trip on Saturday morning – cost £9.00 per person

Deposit places at £30.00 per person £

Plus Registration Fee places at £6.00 per person £

I enclose a cheque for £

Please make all cheques payable to “**BI Reunion**” and forward to:- Mrs Sue Spence
45 Crimicar Lane
SHEFFIELD S10 4FA



Please indicate your table seating requirements, if any, including all names and whether they are sending in separate booking forms. I will do my best to accommodate some, if not all, requests.

Please list all those attending so that name badges can be provided.

Please feel free to add the name and address of any other former BI staff member whom you think would be interested in attending the 150th Anniversary Reunion.

MAIN EVENTS

THURSDAY

RETIRED ENGINEERS' LUNCH

The Engineers' Lunch will be held in the Buchanan Suite at the Ramada Glasgow City Hotel, which is situated on Ingram Street, Glasgow. This is our usual venue though the name changes from year to year; who knows what it will be when we arrive? The cost of lunch will be notified nearer to the date but will be in the region of £25.00. Wine will be to your own account. The bar in the Buchanan Suite will be open from noon and we will dine at 1.00 pm prompt. The bar will remain open until 4.00 pm. (we are negotiating a later closing time). Outside these hours there are other bars in the hotel that we can frequent! All members of the BI Engineer Officers Association will be sent a letter with full details of the lunch during the summer of 2006. Contact James Slater: tel: 01706 351190; email: james.slater@zen.co.uk

FRIDAY EVENING

RIVER CLYDE CRUISE

We have chartered Clyde Marine's *Cruiser* for a 3 to 3½ hour cruise on the Clyde. On the way downriver we will pass the old Barclay Curle shipyard where Rajula, Chantala, Dunera, Kenya, Uganda and Nevasa (built 1956 to celebrate the company's centenary), to name but a few, were built. *Cruiser* is an all-weather, all-year cruising vessel which will comfortably hold 180 in an enclosed and heated interior. Cash bar on board. Embark from Crowne Plaza Hotel's own pontoon at 5.45 pm, departing at 6.00 pm. The company are more than happy to fly the BI flag, so if you have one we can use either on the cruise or in the Argyll Suite on Saturday evening, please bring it along - the more the merrier. (As in Portsmouth, the BI flag will be flown at the hotel's entrance throughout the weekend.) We should get splendid evening views of the city on our return journey, arriving at approx 9.00 pm. Clyde Marine have given us a discount on the cruise in recognition of BI's historic links with the Clyde and our 150th anniversary celebrations. Cost approx £12.00 based on a minimum of 100. The initial proposal to charter Balmoral proved financially impractical and on this date she is not scheduled to run a public cruise that we could have joined.

SATURDAY MORNING

VISIT TO GLENGOYNE DISTILLERY

Departing by coach from the Crowne Plaza Hotel at 9.30 am. Tour of distillery including a dram of whisky and time to visit the on-site shop. Return to hotel at approx 12.30 pm - possibly with a drop-off for those who wish to do some shopping in town. Cost approx £9.00 per person including transport.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

TALK BY PROFESSOR J FORBES MUNRO

Professor Munro's talk will be entitled *BI, It's Founders and Early Years*. He is the author of *Maritime Enterprise and Empire*, winner of the 2004 Wadsworth Prize and joint winner of the 2004 Saltire Society Research Book of the Year Award. J Forbes Munro is Emeritus Professor of International Economic History, University of Glasgow. The talk starts at 4.30 pm in the Barra & Jura Suite and will last about one hour. Cost £5.00 per head to cover room hire and an honorarium.

SATURDAY EVENING

CELEBRATION ANNIVERSARY DINNER

This will be held in the Argyll Suite at the **Crowne Plaza Hotel**. There will be a four-course menu on a Scottish theme with dietary alternatives on request. As usual please let me know if you wish to sit with particular friends or to make up a table, indicating your requirements on the booking form. Although you can't always know at the time you book who else is going to be there, you can still suggest possible names. I'm usually able to accommodate some, if not all, of your requests and I try to ensure that each of you knows at least one other person seated at your table. Dress is optional: Black Tie or Highland Dress or Jacket & Tie. We would not wish anyone to feel put off by imposing an arbitrary dress code so the final decision is left to you. However, we do think it is a good opportunity to dress up in best bib and tucker for those who wish to (or BI Mess Dress perhaps - if you have got it and can still get into it!).

As we gather to celebrate the 150th anniversary of a great shipping company and in recognition of BI's importance in all our lives, we have arranged for each dinner guest to receive a traditional cut-glass crystal whisky tumbler in a presentation box as a memento of this unique occasion. Made by Glencairn Crystal this traditional glass is a special limited edition which will be suitably engraved and bear the well-loved Britannia logo. The Celebration Dinner will cost £41.00 per person (including the whisky tumbler) based on a minimum of 200.

SUNDAY

CURRY LUNCH

This will be held in the Argyll Suite. As usual there will be choice of curries, meat, fish and vegetable, of varying strengths, which will be served along with the usual accompaniments, or dietary alternatives, at £18.00 per head, based on a minimum of 100.