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Western Joint Branch

Western Joint Branch Program 2026-2027

Date	Time	Title	Presenter	Venue	Remarks
14/09/26	18:15	Chasing the Wind: A New Class of Renewable Energy	Nick Williams – Drift Energy		Hybrid event online and in person
12/10/26	18:15	Engineering on Tap: Regulations of Autonomous Maritime Systems	Safeguard Engineering	MV Balmoral	In-Person Only
26/10/26	18:15	Fleet Solid Support: From Concept to Construction	MOD, Navantia & BMT		Hybrid event online and in person
09/11/26	18:15	Engineering on Tap: How the Merchant Navy takes the Royal Navy to war - UK Strategic Shipping and Transition to War	Lt Cdr David Carter – Royal Navy	The Huntsman Bath	In-Person Only
07/12/26	18:15	Engineering on Tap: Christmas Debate	Western Joint Branch	TBC	In-Person Only
11/01/27	18:15	Steamship Shield Hall from Inception to Now	Graham Mackenzie – Steamship Shield Hall		Hybrid event online and in person
08/02/27	18:15	Wärtsilä Onboard Carbon Capture & Storage Solution for Ships	Stefano Persico – Wärtsilä		Hybrid event online and in person
22/02/27	18:15	Engineering on Tap: Certifying the Hybrid Navy & Allan Bain's Challenge Launch	Allan Bain - MOD	The Huntsman Bath	In-Person Only
08/03/27	18:15	Recent Advances and Future Technology Trends in Shipping and Offshore Sectors	Dr Biju George – University of West London		Hybrid event online and in person
12/04/27	18:15	Engineering on Tap: Learning from Experience: Fire Onboard a Surface Ship	Danielle Hodge - MOD	MV Balmoral	In-Person Only

Unless otherwise stated, refreshments start at **1815**, lecture starts at **1845**.

Please monitor our EventBrite page to register for free tickets: [Link Here](#)



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Lecture Attendance

All our events require registration via Eventbrite. Attendance is free for everyone, members and non-members are all welcome.

Refreshments are served from 18:15.

Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

Attendance at branch lectures contributes towards Continuing Professional Development.

Certificates will be sent out via email following from the conference, on request.

Technical Visits

Details of further technical visits will be announced at branch meetings and on the branch web pages.

Branch Committee

Role	Name
Chairman:	Mr. J Williams CEng MRINA
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Useful Links

List of All Events: <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/western-joint-branch-lecture-series-1234959>

WJB's IMarEST Site: <https://www.imarest.org/group/western-joint.html>

WJB's RINA Site: <https://rina.org.uk/branch/western-joint-branch/>

WJB's LinkedIn: <https://uk.linkedin.com/company/imarest-rina-western-joint-branch>

UWE Campus Information: <https://www.uwe.ac.uk/life/campus-and-facilities>

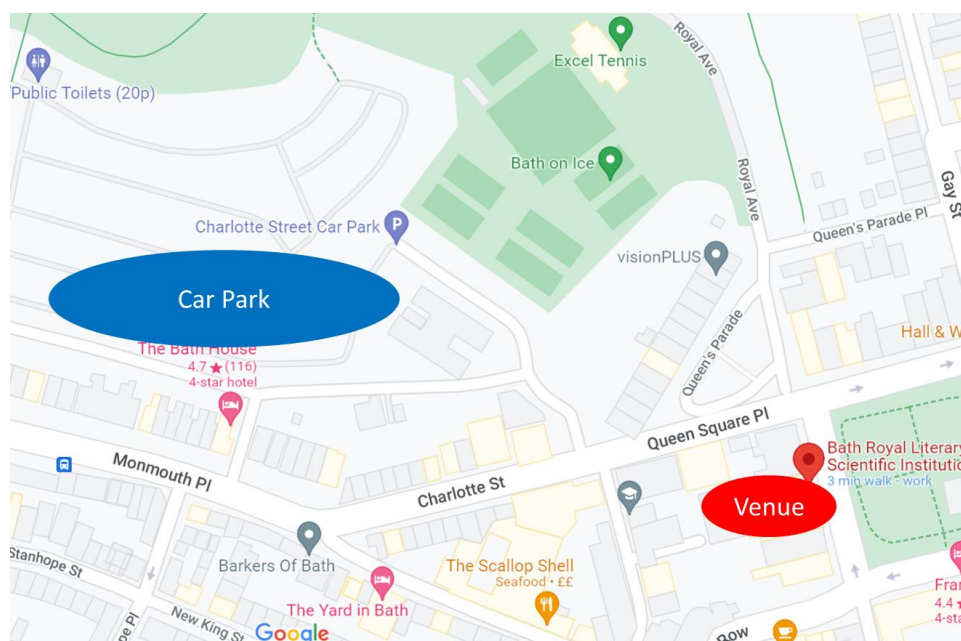
BRLSI Information: <https://www.brlsi.org/about-us/visit-us/>

The Huntsman, Bath: <https://www.huntsmanbathpub.co.uk/>

The MV Balmoral, Bristol: <https://www.thebalmoral.org.uk/>

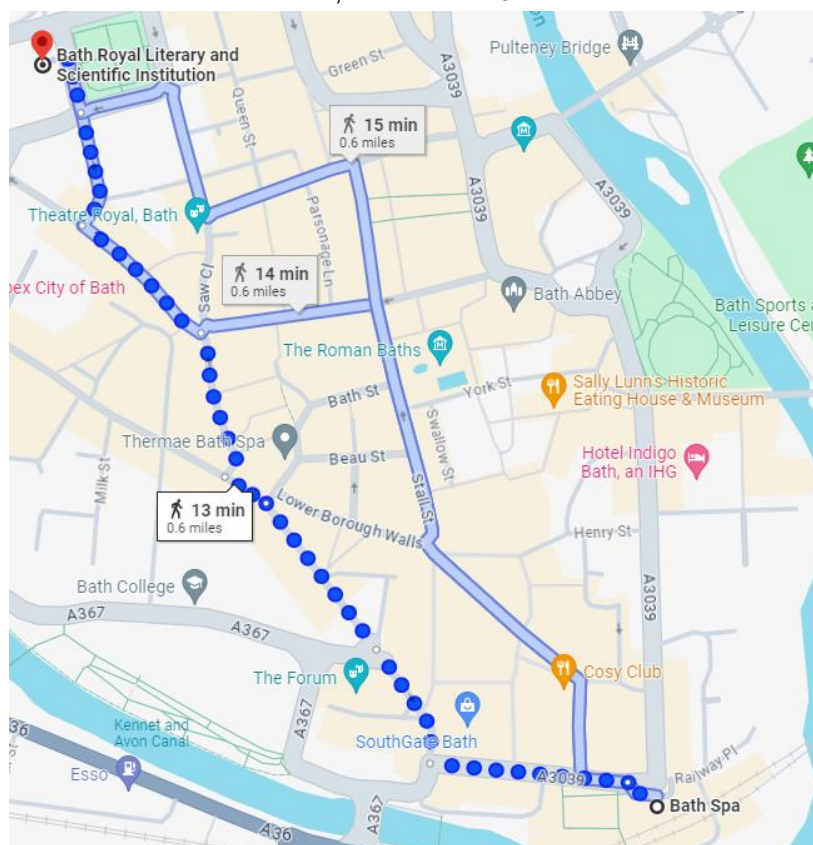
BRLSI by Car:

We recommend parking in the Charlotte Street Car Park for £1.50 from 18:00:



BRISI by Train or Bus:

From both, Bath Spa Train Station and the bus station, BRLSI is a 15min walk.



UWE by Car:

Free parking on campus from 18:00.



UWE by Train or Bus:

The closest train station to UWE is Filton Abbey Wood, this station is a 30min walk away from UWE. The Metrobus provides connectivity to from Bristol City centre via the M1, M3 or M4 and takes 23mins. Several bus routes travel through UWE from all over Bristol.

The Huntsman Pub, Bath:

Please use the URL linked above and navigate to the '[Find Us](#)' section of the website for information on how to get there.

The MV Balmoral by Car:

There are multiple car park options near the MV Balmoral these include:

- Great Western Dockyard, Gas Ferry Rd, Bristol BS1 6TY
- Wapping Wharf Car Park, 29 Wapping Rd, Bristol BS1 4RH
- The Grove Car Park, 40 The Grove, Bristol BS1 4RB

The MV Balmoral by Train or Bus:

The closest train station is Temple Meads Railway Station, this is a 19min walk away from the MV Balmoral. The M2 Metrobus provides connectivity from Temple Meads Railway Station taking 22mins, followed by a 9min walk.