

# Armed Forces Day

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2010

2pm-4.30pm

**FREE EVENT in Victory Arena - Portsmouth Historic Dockyard**

Once again the National Museum of the Royal Navy, at Portsmouth Historic Dockyard, is welcoming veterans of all ages to mark **Armed Forces Day** on the 26<sup>th</sup> June, only this year it will be bigger and better than ever!

The Victory arena will be transformed into a 1940s style street party, complete with a wartime tea, swing music and lindy hop dancing. Brave visitors can try out rationing favourites like eggless fruitcake, mock crab sandwiches and spam, all washed down with the traditional cup of tea! There will even be a chance to see how home front families made the most of their rations with cookery demonstrations.

Setting the scene will be a couple of World War II vehicles and members of the South Hampshire Area of the Military vehicle trust in replica costumes.

Most importantly there will be a chance speak to the veterans, hear their stories and reminisce about days gone by.

Museum curators will also be on hand to help visitors discover more about the history of the Royal Navy.

This will be a fun afternoon for all the family and a chance for visitors to show their support for the contribution made by all veterans. It is hoped that veterans, their families, serving personnel and visitors will join the staff at the National Museum of the Royal Navy to mark Armed Forces Day 2010 in great style.

Visitors wanting further information can contact the National Museum of the Royal Navy on 023 9272 7581 or [education.bookings@nmrn.org.uk](mailto:education.bookings@nmrn.org.uk)