The Retired Members Section of the London & South East Branch of the Institute of Physics

Ceremony of the Keys at the Tower of London

Members of the Retired Members Section and their Friends are invited to a social evening at Her Majesty's Tower of London as the personal guests of Yeoman Serjeant Christopher Morton on **Saturday, 28th April, 2012**. Members are limited to a maximum of **three guests** as the event is likely to be oversubscribed. Any surplus will be donated to The Willing Wheels Trust Fund [Reg. Charity No. 1045931].

PROGRAMME for the evening:

19:15 **Meet outside main entrance to the Tower** [TQ 334 805] off Lower Thames St. by souvenir shop.

19:30 **Tour of parts of the Tower** including the *Chapel Royal of St. Peter ad Vincula* with YSjt Morton.

20:30 **Buffet supper in Yeoman Warders' Club.**
The cost of the evening includes a two course hot buffet and a glass or either red or white wine on arrival, following which a cash bar will be available. Please indicate your choice of Main Course and Dessert on the booking form. The menu choices may be subject to change but will include one beef and one fish dish.

21:30 **Watch the Ceremony of the Keys.**
The Ceremony of the Keys is the traditional locking up of the Tower of London and has taken place on each and every night, without fail, for at least 700 years. The importance of securing this fortress for the night is still very relevant because, although the Monarch no longer resides at this Royal Palace, the Crown Jewels and many other valuables still do! *No photography allowed.*

22:05 **Return to Club.**

23:00 **Depart**. Visitors must be off the premises by 23:15; guests have ranked the overnight accommodation as consistently below 1★ for the last millennium!

DRESS CODE: Gentlemen will **not** be admitted unless they are wearing a suit, sports jacket or blazer and a shirt with collar and tie or bow tie; cardigans, roll neck sweaters, donkey or denim jackets, polo-, tee- or open neck shirts are **not** acceptable. Ladies' attire is to be in keeping with these standards. Tracksuits, jeans or denim of any sort, shell suits, training shoes are **not** appropriate forms of dress for the Yeoman Warders' Club. Ladies are warned that the cobbled ground surface inside the Tower makes it **inadvisable to wear high-heeled shoes**.

SECURITY: Please give **full forenames and surname** of everybody in your party for security reasons.

COST: £25, to include a two course hot buffet and a glass or either red or white wine on arrival.

LATE ARRIVALS: phone MC or John Belling (07986 379935).

QUERIES: Please contact MC Black on 01920 467 930 (between 07:00 and 09:30) or Tower@hardknott.org