



WELCOME TO THREE SIMULTANEOUS MARITIME EVENTS

# Invitation

## to Sail Karlskrona, EMH conference and Hiorten Regatta

We would like to invite you and your ship to take part in the three exciting maritime events taking place at the same time in Karlskrona, Sweden in summer 2004. The annual sailing festival Sail Karlskrona, the European Maritime Heritage conference and the Hiorten Regatta will be held between 29<sup>th</sup> July-1<sup>st</sup> August.

With this arrangement we aim to highlight the diversity within the maritime culture. Karlskrona has held a sail festival on 15 occasions and it is always a great pleasure for the public to see the beautiful visiting ships. We organise a maritime festival centred around the culture of traditional seafaring, where everyone, regardless of age can find something that suits his or her taste.

This year the municipality of Karlskrona cooperates with the National Maritime Museums' Naval Museum, EMH the European umbrella organisation for traditional ships, the Baltic Sail organisation, Sweden's Sailing Ships Association (SSF), and Sweden's Steamboat Association (SÅF). This year we are inviting all categories of historical vessels. We hope that through this co-operation Sail Karlskrona can grow and the important traditional shipping culture of Europe can set its impressive mark on the event.

We will have liaison officers (hosts) for all the visiting ships. They will be at hand to inform and advise about all the different activities as well as to solve any problems.

In this letter you can read more about the different events and study the program offered to you and your crew. Enclosed you will also find the necessary application forms.

*Welcome!*

The Municipality of Karlskrona

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## Sail Karlskrona

Sail Karlskrona is one of the ports of call of the Baltic Sail fleet. The other destinations are Gdansk, Rostock, Helsingör and Lübeck/Travemünde who also welcome you and your ship. On the program for Sail Karlskrona 2004 are salty spray sea tours, shanty-singing seamen and food of all sorts where the herring sandwich comes into its own. The Naval Museum shows off its traditional naval crafts in the form of boat building and rope making. Planning is in full swing and we are going to have both the good old and a number of new activities. Amongst other things is a three-day music festival with many known artists. We hope that you would like to participate and help make Sail Karlskrona 2004 a fantastic maritime festival. We look forward to having your application before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2004. Contact us if you have any questions.

## European Maritime Heritage

– a network for preserving and promoting traditional ships

The Naval Museum, Karlskrona is a member of European Maritime Heritage (EMH), a European network for all those working with issues concerning the use and preservation of traditional ships and boats. Private persons, boat and ship associations, maritime museums and other organisations can be members. EMH was founded in 1992 in Amsterdam at a congress addressing the future of maritime heritage. A conference has been held every third year since then.

EMH's 5<sup>th</sup> conference will be held at the Naval Museum in Karlskrona 28<sup>th</sup> July – 1<sup>st</sup> August 2004.

EMH objectives are to:

- increase cooperation between organisations throughout Europe who are involved in keeping maritime heritage alive,
- act as a medium for advice and support between these organisations,
- through holding a conference every third year create an understanding of different maritime cultures and increase their public profile,
- identify and support historical sea links between European regions and express their importance as a cultural bridge connecting nations,
- identify and solve problems connected with the preservation and use of traditional ships and boats throughout Europe, and
- act as a representative within the EU for questions concerning traditional ships and boats.

## Hiorten Regatta

The Hiorten Regatta is a race from Karlskrona to Rostock starting from Karlskrona's approach buoy on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2004; the first boat to Rostock wins. Ships are grouped into different classes. This will be the 7<sup>th</sup> consecutive Hiorten Regatta, which is named after the Naval Museum's postal smack Hiorten, a full-scale replica of the original from 1692. Naturally she will be participating in the race. First over the line in 2003 was the sloop Jana from Kallingrad.

Ships competing in the Hiorten Regatta are eligible for Hiortax. Hiortax gives each participating vessel a sum of money calculated in Euros per meter L.O.A. Hiortax is subsidized via sponsors and therefore the greater the number of ships applying the greater the chances of attracting sponsorship. In 2003 Hiortax gave every ship 20,04 Euro/m. At [www.hansesail.com](http://www.hansesail.com) you can see how the index fluctuates. You can apply to the Hiorten Race and other Baltic Sail events on the enclosed forms and send to:

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# Program

for visiting crews at  
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and Hiorten Regatta

This program is specifically designed for the visiting crews. Free admission to the Naval museum for crew members. Of course there will be a lot of other activities during the Sail Karlskrona event.

## Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> July

Ships arrive at Karlskrona

- 18.30 All visiting crews are welcome to the Naval Museum and the Sloop Shed for the launching of the "Spieljacht", an 18<sup>th</sup> century replica built by the museum.
- 19.30 Welcoming party on the water-front close to Naval Museum with food and drinks.

## Friday 30<sup>th</sup> July

- 10.00 – 12.00 Visit to the naval shipyard, part of the Karlskrona World Heritage Site.  
Boats leave regularly from the Naval Museum.  
You will be shown the dry-dock, the pump house with its impressive steam-engine, the "Wasaskjul" the first covered slip in the world, the ropery etc. There will be opportunities to try different tools for riveting of iron and steel-ships and also forging.
- 15.00 – 17.00 Be our guest as a crew member and sail the museums 100 year old logs.  
Gathering at the Naval Museum.

## Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> July

- 10.00 – 12.00 Workshops at the Naval Museum's sloop shed.  
Try sewing sails, boatbuilding, rope-making, black-smithing and so on.
- 17.00 Welcome to participate at the formal ceremony when the National Maritime Museums honours the ships which have been declared as culture heritage.

In the evening there also are a lot of different activities.

## Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August

- 14.00 Departure for sail parade.
- 16.00 Start of Hiorten race.

# Application form for ships attending Sail Karlskrona and the EMH Congressen 29 July - 1 Augusti 2004

## Ship

Ship's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of vessel: \_\_\_\_\_

Private or commercial vessel? \_\_\_\_\_

Home port: \_\_\_\_\_

L.O.A. (incl bowsprit) \_\_\_\_\_ Year of construction: \_\_\_\_\_

Draft: \_\_\_\_\_ Call sign: \_\_\_\_\_

Ship's phone: \_\_\_\_\_ No of passengers: \_\_\_\_\_

Captain: \_\_\_\_\_

### On arrival & Departure

Karlskrona harbour on VHF 16,  
or on mobile +46 (0)709-30 32 12  
or +46 (0)709-30 31 54

### Facilities – Free of charge

Toilets & showers at Sparre gymnastic hall  
Electricity 380W/125A 50 Hz

### Ship's owner

Contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town/post code / country: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone/mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please include a photo which can be used for press material, program, etc.

**Latest date for applications 31/3/2004.**

Place & date:

Signed

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### Send your application to

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