Celebrating Scapa Flow 2022
20th-21st May
Available Live on the Orkney International Science Festival You Tube Channel

Friday, 20th May, 7.00pm - 8.00pm
Netherbutton - Orkney’s Radar Station
Radar station Netherbutton was developed ahead of World War II. Its story is told by Ian Brown, curator of the National Museum of Flight at East Fortune, in an interview with Howie Firth.
Ian is an expert on the history of radar and is the author of the recently published book Radar in Scotland 1938-46.

Friday, 20th May, 8.15pm - 9.15pm
The Fleet is to Sail!
- Controlling the Home Fleet in Scapa Flow
Naval historian Commander David Hobbs MBE RN (retired) explains how communications operated in Scapa Flow in World War II. David latest book is The Fleet Air Arm and the War in Europe 1939-1945.
Followed by an opportunity to put questions to David Hobbs and Ian Brown.

Saturday, 21st May, 2.00pm - 3.00pm
Changes Below the Waves
- How Scapa Flow has altered over time
Emily Turton describes diving the wrecks of Scapa Flow including the German Fleet, war graves HMS Vanguard & Royal Oak as well as HMS Hampshire. She highlights the importance of recording their changes over time.
Interviewed by Howie Firth, she also explains how a classically trained singer became a dive boat skipper in Scapa Flow. Followed by the opportunity to put questions to Emily.

Saturday, 21st May, 4.00pm - 5.00pm
The Story of HMS Tern
- Past, Present, Future
Work continues through the Birsay Heritage Trust to preserve the World War II Royal Naval Air Station HMS Tern in Birsay. William Shearer, chair of the Trust’s HMS Tern subcommittee tells Howie Firth how he got involved in the preservation work and how plans are progressing for the future, as well as some of the story of his own family’s business, now into its fifth generation.