## Press Release: A Neglected Navy, an illustrated talk by Dr Robb Robinson. 25<sup>th</sup> October

Over the summer the exhibition, "A Shared Experience", at The Scottish Fisheries Museum has given visitors an understanding of the impact of the First World War on Scotland's fishing communities. As a fitting end to the exhibition, which closes on 26th October, Dr Robb Robinson from the University of Hull will give an illustrated talk 'The Neglected Navy: the role of Fishermen and Fishing Vessels in the Great War at Sea". The talk is on Saturday 25th October at 5pm.

Dr Robb Robinson talk will explore the role that fishermen and fishing boats played during the First World War. Dr Robinson is an excellent speaker and about to publish his book, 'Viola', which chronicles the career of the last surviving Great War armed trawler and its Scottish and English crew which saw action of Shetland during the Great War. There will also be a chance to look around the exhibition before it closes on the 26<sup>th</sup> of October and there will be refreshments available by donation.

Dr Robb Robinson is a maritime historian based at the Maritime Historical Studies Centre of the University of Hull. Robb has written widely on various aspects of the North Atlantic fishing industry and the role of coastal communities as well as on the often forgotten contribution of thousands of fishermen and their families from coastal communities around the British Isles to the struggle against mines and U-boats in the Great War.

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## Notes to Editors

## Scottish Fisheries Museum

The Scottish Fisheries Museum is operated by an independent charitable trust and tells the story of the Scottish fishing industry and its people from the earliest times to the present.

25<sup>th</sup> October 2014, 5pm

Exhibition Open: Mon – Sat: 10 - 5.30, Sun: 12 - 5, last admissions 1 hour before closing

Exhibition Entry: included in museum admission, accompanied children FREE

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## <u>Images</u>

Please contact Linda Fitzpatrick if you would like to send a photographer to visit the talk by Robb Robinson or to use any of the images listed below:

