

LITTLE SHIP, BIG STORY

‘This indeed a big story Endlessly fascinating A collection of ripping yarns...’

Michael Forbes Smith – former British Ambassador, former Deputy High Commissioner, former Head of Press and Public Affairs Bonn, former HM Consul Zurich.

‘A fascinating account’

Nigel West – author and Intelligence Historian. European editor of World Intelligence Review.

‘I was privileged to get hold of a first edition’

Captain David Lee RNVR

‘Tales of high seas revealed in a book about a restored 80-yr old boat’

Lee McCann Journalist –
Aberdeen Daily Express

‘This is a most unusual book Over 459 pages and 74 short chapters the ups and downs of this little boat and its 14 various owners are woven into a compelling single narrative. As a result, the reader is informed about diverse matters, a gunboat action on the Hangpui River near Shanghai in the 1920s, boat-building in Scotland in the 1930s, the hotel business in Dorset, the perils of flying a Lancaster bomber in World War II. Naval convoy attacks, freezing dormitories at Cheltenham College prep school in the late 1940s and the 7/7 tube bombings in London in 2005..... Frequently machine-gunned by German aircraft in the 1941-43 period Yet *Sheemaun* and her crew survived unscathed ...’

Robin Knight journalist and author. Former Senior Editor of US News & World Report. Former contributing editor Time Magazine.

24/04/19 – nominated for the Mountbatten Literary Award.

‘I hope you will permit me to congratulate you on your marvellous book, which I much enjoyed..... Many congratulations again and very many thanks, a great read.’

Roger Hicks

‘...I have just had a holiday in Italy and took with me ‘Little Ship, Big Story’. I have to say I am full of admiration for the work that has gone into it. As an ex-journalist, I know how difficult it can be to link together a wide variety of events into a single coherent narrative and you have managed this with flying colours’

Mike Riches –
Journalist & Author

‘....Just finished reading your book. Most enjoyable and a fine bit of historic research. An interesting story well told’

Glyn Evans

‘I have just finished reading your wonderful book about Sheemaun which I downloaded on my Kindle. It’s one of those rare publications that really make an impression and I’m now ordering a hard copy to keep in my library. Sheemaun’s history and that of her various owners and crews is fascinating and worthy of re-reading from time to time, which both Sue and I will look forward to indulging in, in the future.’

Richard Keen

‘I have been enjoying Dr. Pell’s excellent book on Hoopla but just purchased a hard copy for my library....’

Michael Chorney (Canada)

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