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Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines to support Royal Navy's 'Shine A Light' campaign to mark VE Day in Firth of Forth

Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines' four ocean ships will be sounding their horns and shining their search lights in Scotland's Firth of Forth tomorrow (Friday), to support the Royal Navy's 'Shine A Light' campaign to mark VE Day.

At 3pm, shortly after the broadcast of Sir Winston Churchill's victory speech, *Balmoral, Braemar, Boudicca* and *Black Watch* will join Royal Navy and Royal Fleet Auxiliary vessels up and down the country in sounding their horns.

Later, at 10pm, after the address from Her Majesty The Queen, all four ships will join the Royal Navy in shining their search and spot lights into the night sky.

Peter Deer, Managing Director at Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines, said:

"The VE Day bank holiday was set to be a day full of celebrations right across the UK as together we mark 75 years since the end of the Second World War.

"Sadly, the current world climate means that many of those celebrations will not be able to go ahead, but by shining our lights and sounding our horns in support of the Royal Navy's 'Shine A Light' campaign, we can commemorate this historic day, and show our thanks to Forth Ports who have supported us in true Great British spirit while our ships are in their waters."

For those who are able to see or hear the ships from their homes and who may wish to capture the commemorations, please share these using #ShineALight and #VEDay75 on social media.

Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines' four ocean ships *Balmoral, Braemar, Boudicca* and *Black Watch* have remained in the Firth of Forth since the company announced a pause in operations in March.

During this time, the ships have also been sounding their horns every Thursday at 8pm in support of the NHS, carers and key workers nationally.

For further information on Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines, visit www.fredolsencruises.com

Fred. Olsen Cruise Line operates in the UK with four intimately sized ships for a more personal cruising experience.

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