

## Airborne by sea!

*Operation Slapstick* was the code name for a British landing from the sea at the Italian port of Taranto during the Second World War.

The operation, one of three landings during the Allied invasion of Italy in September 1943, was undertaken by airborne troops of the British 1st Airborne Division, commanded by Major-General George Hopkinson.



On Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2019 Mr Peter Green will present a lecture at the Museum about this unusual sea-borne assault by an “Air-Landing” Division in WW2. The strategy and tactics were interesting and pose a number of questions.

**Presentation begins at 14.00 hrs.** Tea and scones included.

Tickets £5 - available from Museum Tel: 01228 532774.



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