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Western Joint Branch

## Western Joint Branch Program 2025-2026

Date	Time	Title	Presenter	Venue	Remarks
04/08/25	18:00	Engineering on Tap: War Gaming	Professor David Manley - MoD	MV Balmoral	In-Person Only
15/09/25	18:00	Vessel Optimisation	Kevin Heaney - Houlder		Hybrid event online and in person
22/09/25	18:00	Kick-Off: Young Members' Design Challenge	Western Joint Branch	MV Balmoral	In-Person Only
13/10/25	18:00	Lithium Safety	Marcus Jones		Hybrid event online and in person
20/10/25	18:00	<b>Engineering on Tap Double Talk:</b> <i>Supporting Marine Professionals on the Path to Engineering Registration</i> <b>And</b> <i>How to survive an MoD that doesn't understand Maritime Engineering: debunking MoD's favourite processes.</i>	John Chudley and Muir MacDonald	The Huntsman Bath	In-Person Only
10/11/25	18:00	Underwater radiated noise from marine vessels: recent progress on small craft	Dr Tom Smith - UCL		Hybrid event online and in person
08/12/25	18:00	Finals Night: Young Members' Design Challenge	Western Joint Branch	MV Balmoral	Hybrid event online and in person
12/01/26	18:00	TBC	CSO Engineering		Hybrid event online and in person
09/02/26	18:00	The Balance of Survivability for Medium and Large Uncrewed Surface Vessels.	Daniel Patten - BMT		Hybrid event online and in person
09/03/26	18:00	Super Yacht Stability	Andy King - Houlder		Hybrid event online and in person
20/04/26	18:00	Enabling Availability for Surface Ship Structures through Digital Twins	Alysson Mondoro – Naval Surface Warfare Center Carderock Division		Hybrid event online and in person

Unless otherwise stated, refreshments start at **1800**, lecture starts at **1830**.

Please monitor our EventBrite page to register for free tickets: [Link Here](#)



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## Lecture Attendance

All our events require registration via Eventbrite, attendance is free for everyone, members and non-members are all welcome.  
Refreshments are served from 18:00.

## Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

Attendance at branch lectures contributes towards Continuing Professional Development.  
Certificates will be sent out via email following from the conference, on request.

## Technical Visits

Details of further technical visits will be announced at branch meetings and on the branch web pages.

## Branch Committee

Role	Name
Chairman:	Mr. J Rigby CEng MRINA MIMarEST
Vice Chairman:	Mr. J Williams CEng MRINA
Honorary Secretary:	Mr. B Scott AMRINA
Honorary Treasurer & Abbey Wood Representative:	Mr K Crockett MSc CEng FIMarEST
Assistant Treasurer:	Mr. M Hood CEng MIET MAPM FRINA RCNC
Honorary Examiner:	Mr. A Hyslop CEng CMarEng MIMarEST
Professional Affairs Coordinator:	Mrs. B Stanley CEng MIMarEST
Young Members' Network Rep.:	Mr H Fenton AMRINA
Assistant Secretary:	Mr. P Stott AMIMarEST
Other Committee Members:	Mr D Chippendale MIMarEST
	Mr. K Heaney MRINA MIMarEST
	Mr. R Gerrard CMarEng FIMarEST
	Mr. C Baker IEng MRINA
	Mr. G Mckenzie MSc CEng FIMarEST VR
	Mr. N Salter MNI MIMarEST
	Mr. K Slater CEng CMarEng MIMarEST

## Useful Links

List of All Events: <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/western-joint-branch-lecture-series-1234959>

WJB's IMarEST Site: [www.imarest.org/local-communities/uk/western-joint](http://www.imarest.org/local-communities/uk/western-joint)

WJB's RINA Site: <https://rina.org.uk/branch/western-joint-branch/>

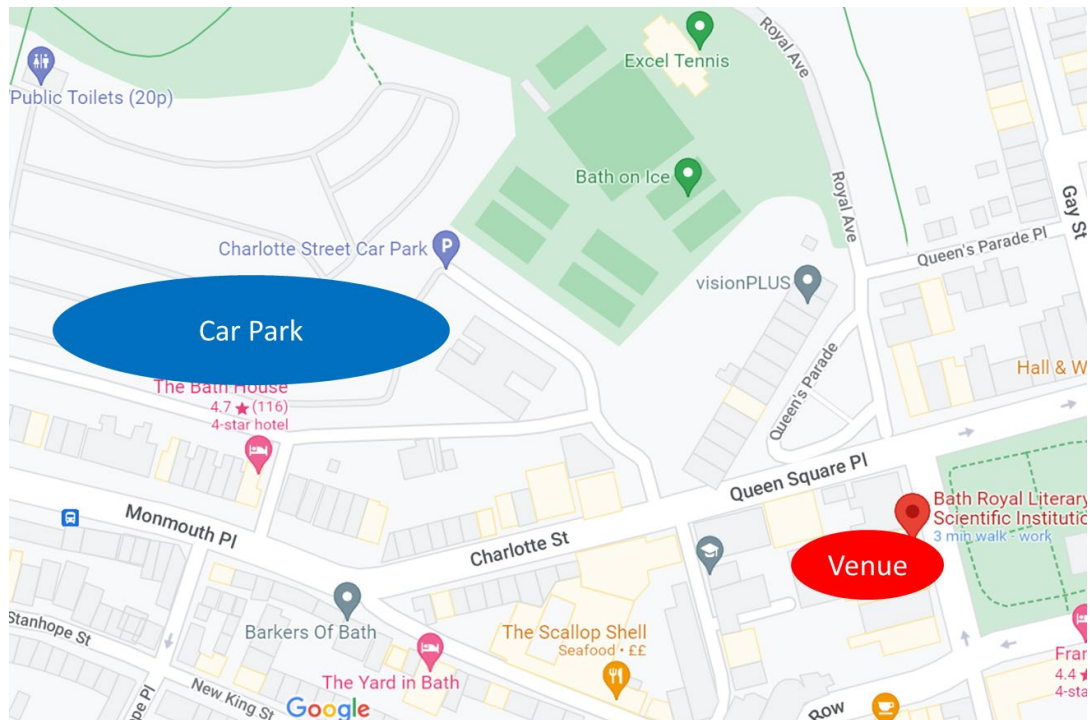
WJB's LinkedIn: <https://uk.linkedin.com/company/imarest-rina-western-joint-branch>

UWE Campus Information: <https://www.uwe.ac.uk/life/campus-and-facilities>

BRLSI Information: <https://www.brlsi.org/about-us/visit-us/>

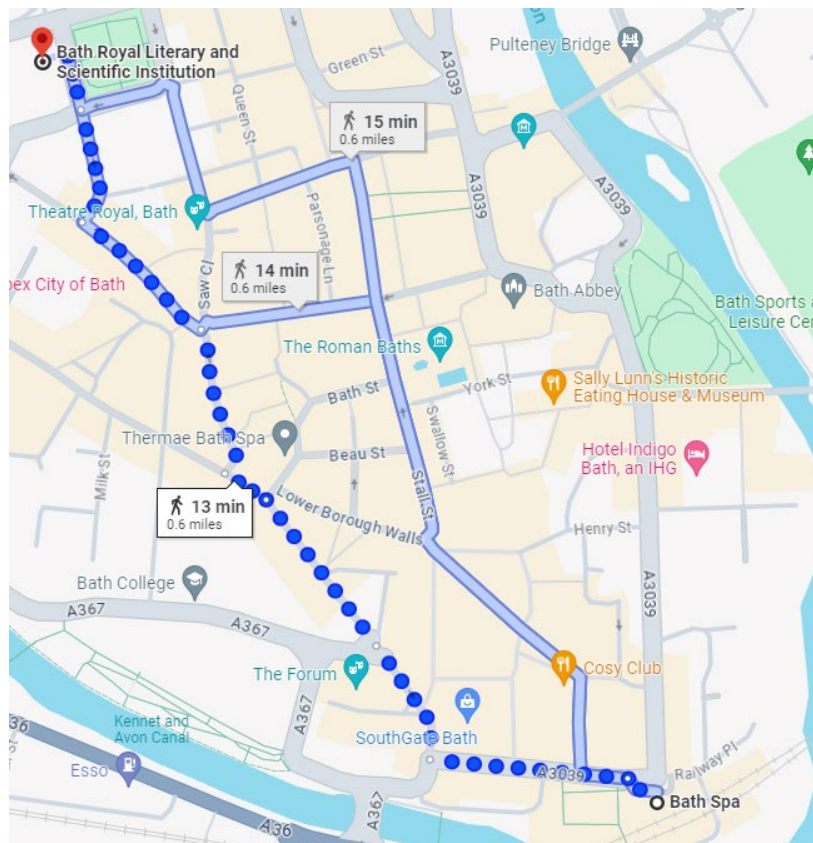
## BRISI by Car:

We recommend parking in the Charlotte Street Car Park for £1.50 from 18:00:



## BRISI by Train or Bus:

From both, Bath Spa Train Station and the bus station, BRLSI is a 15min walk.



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## UWE by Car:

Free parking on campus from 18:00.

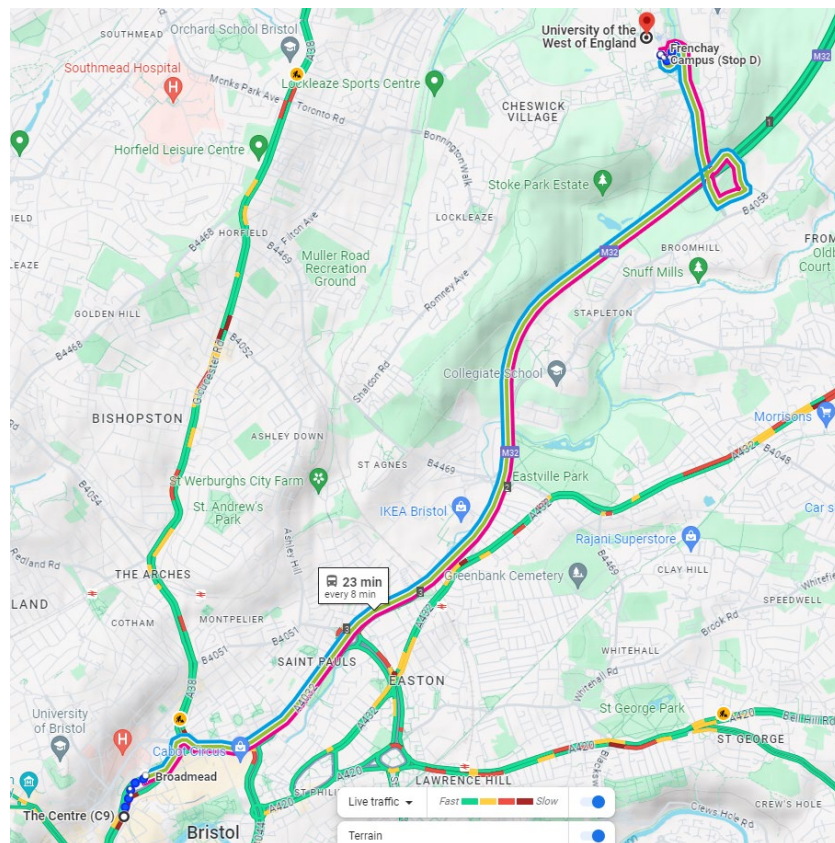


## UWE by Train or Bus:

The closest train station to UWE is Filton Abbey Wood, this station is a 30min walk away from UWE.

The Metrobus provides connectivity to from Bristol City centre via the M1, M3 or M4 Metrobus this cost £3.80 at the time of writing and takes 23mins.

Several bus routes travel through UWE from all over Bristol.



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