BOOK LAUNCH: The Forgotten Flotilla: The Craft of Heroes, Greece, Crete and North Africa – 1941

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His book “The Forgotten Flotilla” represents his most recent research into two British World War II wrecks located off shore from the ancient Phalasarna site. After considerable research Dr Bendon discovered these craft to be Tank Landing Craft Mk1, which were prototype vessels developed by the British. These were first deployed

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in the Eastern Mediterranean in 1941 and provided support in the Mediterranean campaigns.

Australian troops made a significant contribution to the Battle of Crete and participation of Australians in the Mediterranean Theatre. The Greek campaign and the Battle of Crete have forged an enduring link between Greece and Australia.

Books will be available for purchase on the night. Or you can purchase a copy here.

Thursday 27 November, 6 for 6:30pm at the Institute’s premises in Madsen Building University of Sydney

Refreshments will be served

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Zagora Blog

Dr Stavros Paspalas using water and a soft toothbrush to clean an artefact in the ‘pot shed’ at Andros Museum. © PHM; Photo by Irma Havlicek

With the 2014 excavation season drawing to a close readers should take time to review the Powerhouse Museum’s regularly updated Zagora Blog - which includes articles about every aspect of the Institute’s excavations on Andros. Recent
entries include posts about residue analysis, textile tools and artefact conservation.

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SPONSORED CONTENT: Take the road less travelled with archaeologist and Turkey expert, Judy Roberts, to discover the exotic towns and sites of Turkey’s east and southeast – the lands of the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers. The spectacular Lycian coast and its ancient ruins will be explored from the luxury of a gulet – a traditional Turkish timber sailing vessel. Ten days in the east includes visits to the enchanting towns of Gaziantep, Sanliurfa, Mardin and Van as well as to the evocative sites of Gobekli Tepe, Nemrut Dagi, the Ishak Pasha Palace, Zeugma mosaics, and Syriac monasteries. Seven nights in Lycia shows off countless ruined settlements with their unique Lycian tombs as well as pretty villages like Kas and Kalkan - all along the ancient Lycian Way, a 500-km ancient trail that linked these towns. Modern culture will also be experienced in colourful food markets, bazaars, restaurants and cafes – most meals being included during the trip.

Judy Roberts, an Honours graduate in Classical Archaeology at the University of Sydney, is passionate about all things Turkish. She has lived in many countries and travels extensively; having led many cultural and historical tours to Turkey, Greece and Cyprus.