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Nautical Archeology Society – The Value of Underwater Heritage to the Blue Economy

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Since 2015 Mark has worked as the Nautical Archaeology Society Chief Executive Officer and is responsible for the day to day management of the charity.

Mark sits on the Archaeology Training Forum, the International Congress on Underwater Archaeology (IKUWA) Steering Committee, the Gresham Ship Project Steering Group as well as the Heritage and Craft Committee of the Society for Nautical Research. Mark also represents the NAS as an accredited NGO at meetings of the Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee for UNESCO.

Mark is the licensee of the HMS m Holland No. 5 submarine and the Norman's Bay Wreck protected wrecks. Mark has coordinated research and access to both these protected wrecks and in addition has undertaken research on the HMS m/A1 submarine and the Coronation protected wreck site on behalf of English Heritage. In 2014 Mark authored a report for English heritage on the Local Economic Benefit of a Protected Wreck, establishing the value that could be placed on a historic wreck for the local economy of Plymouth, Devon.

Mark has also recently joined the team working on the protected wreck of The London, which blew up in the Thames Estuary in 1665. Since 2009 Mark has worked freelance as an NVQ Assessor for the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists.