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The Golden Hind, Brixham

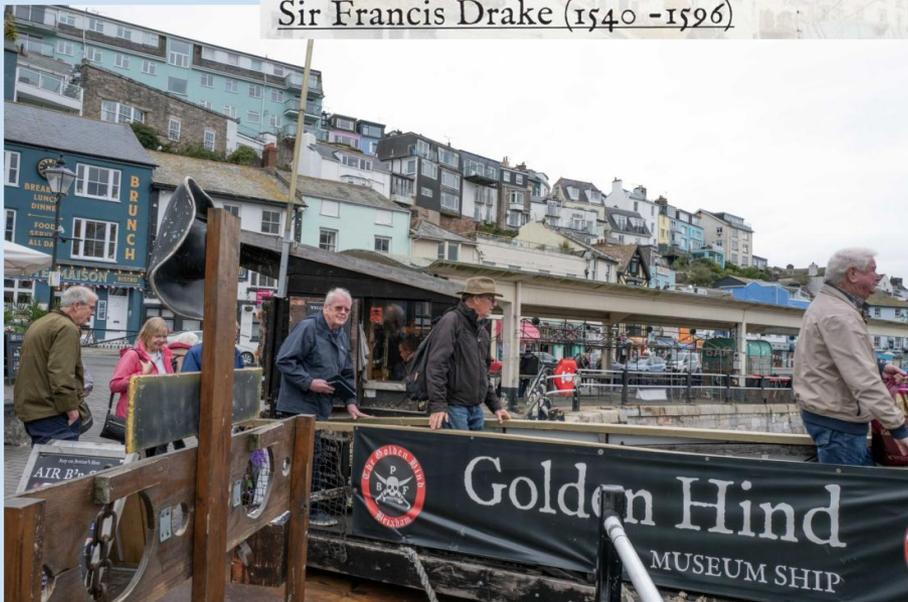


Sir Francis Drake (1540 - 1596)

The Circumnavigation (1577-1580)

In the Golden Hind, Sir Francis Drake's most famous ship, he became the first Englishman to circumnavigate the globe, on an epic expedition of discovery and adventure.

Drake had previously made a number of voyages to the Caribbean on trading missions and had carefully learned and recorded how to navigate around the West Indies on these previous travels.









Royal Navy

Retired Royal Navy Officer reprimanded over failure to attend and embark on HMS French Brothers

David Sutcliffe

October 10 2024 23.56 BST

A complaint was raised.

A spokesperson from the Christchurch Probus Club said in a statement on Wednesday: "We can confirm that a senior member of the club has been under investigation in respect of these allegations.

"As the matter is now settled it would be inappropriate to comment further"

"We have a zero-tolerance approach to inappropriate behaviour. Our members can be assured that should they raise any allegation, they will be fully supported, and the matter investigated, with appropriate action taken as required."



Retired Royal Navy Officer again reprimanded over failure to attend and embark on HMS Golden Hind.

David Sutcliffe

October 26th 2025 1800 BST

A further complaint was raised.

A spokesperson from the Christchurch Probus Club said in a statement on October 17th :

"We can confirm that a senior member of the club is again under investigation in respect of these allegations"

"As the matter is still under investigation it would be inappropriate to comment further"

"The club have a zero-tolerance approach to inappropriate behaviour. Our members can be assured that should they raise any allegation, they will be fully supported, and the matter investigated, with appropriate action taken as required."

The retired Navy Officer who has served more than one decade in the club, is understood to be quite unfazed about these allegations.





