

How did England win Trafalgar?

Most know that England defeated France at Trafalgar, though suffering the loss of Admiral Nelson. But did you know the French and Spanish allied fleet in that action had 45% more firepower than Nelson's force, with the ability to shoot 28.3 tonnes of cannon balls on a single firing if they fired all the guns? Several of the English ships were crippled without masts or rudders but fought on as massive floating batteries drifting in the sea. In the light winds Nelson's force was exposed to broadsides for around 30 minutes before they were in a position to fire back. So how did they manage to win?

Find out at the Swallowfield event on Saturday October 20th when I will be showing pictures of the action and telling the story of this amazing and decisive battle.

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