## Scarborough Sea Wall Heritage Trail - Scarborough Memory.

## Childhood Holidays - Mrs Simms of Barnsley

Mrs Simms used to come to Scarborough every year for their summer holiday. They stayed in a guest house in Columbus Ravine not far away from the Church. The Guest house was owned by a Mrs Dove who as regulars came to treat them as part of her family. Mrs Dove had a car and one day Mrs Simms remembers being driven up to Oliver's Mount with her family just so that they could see the view of the town from the obelisk.

Mrs Simms' dad loved to take boat trips and every holiday they would take at least one boat trip. Sometimes they would be taken out on a rowing boat from the harbour and at other times they would take a trip on the Coronia or the Regal Lady. She remembers dancing going on one of these two boats, a bit like a disco.

She also remembers being at the original Open Air Theatre and the nearby zoo where there were performing dolphins and sea lion. There were lots of other animals there as well. At night her parents would sometimes take her onto the island in the middle of Peasholm Park lake where there was a tree walk. She loved the coloured lights reflected on the lake and the little display boxes for kids on the walk. The poster overleaf was an advert for the Zoo and Marineland which was hanging on the wall in the guesthouse.





