

#### Brandestonions - all at sea, 11th, 16th and 17th May 2012

The Sailing barge Thalatta was built in 1906 and was operated by Pauls of Ipswich until the mid '60's when she was retired. Since then she has provided 5-day cruises for young people (some 10,000 over 40 years) until 2005 when she was taken out of commission for a major refit. This rebuild completed this year and Thalatta has resumed her duties, of which one is to provide 'Day-sails' for parties of up to 12, including catering. Below is some photographic evidence of Brandeston people who have taken this opportunity.



Karren – in charge, Skipper Cyril in attendance





Jeff and Frances - fearful



Tim and Richard





Tim, near Pin Mill



Lunch – Phyl, Ray, Mrs P, Richard, Tim





Lunch - Val, Helen, Mary, Diana and Mrs B



Was it really that cold?





Felixstowe docks - Jackie, Mark, Mary-Jane, Eileen, Sue



Terry and Bob





Entering the Stour - Mary-Jane, Eileen, Chris, Sue



Lunch again - Eileen, Richard, Sue, Mary-Jane, Jackie, Jenny, Bob, Chris, Mark, Terry





Mary



Sailing well – plenty of room to stroll about





Knit one, purl one......





Mary-Jane, Richard racing, with Skipper Cyril looking on





Mary with words of wisdom from Richard





Targets for today



Chris discussing options with 1st Mate Roger





90 feet of deck



Thistle, near, and Victor





Victor with main half brailled up, sailing nicely and with iron tops'l





Every line has a purpose

So, another series of Day-sails completed successfully. For more information contact Nick Hayward on 685465, or see the website:

#### www.thalatta.org.uk

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