



Friends of `Thalatta`

About the East Coast Sail Trust:

The East Coast Sail Trust is a registered charity (No: 1128353, formerly 263100) and Limited Company and as such has to comply with strict conditions laid down by the Charity Commissioners. Thalatta celebrated her 100th birthday in 2006 and has an exemplary safety record built up by the late John Kemp and Jane Benham MBE who were amongst the originators of the Trust, and continued by the present body of six Directors who are also Trustees. The Trustees are supported by a Technical Adviser, a Booking Secretary, a Lottery Fund coordinator, a crew of three responsible for safe operation of the barge, and an Accountant.

Thalatta has undergone a major 5-year refurbishment and resumes her work in 2012 in first class condition.

All staff, whether working in a voluntary or paid capacity, are committed to maintaining the high reputation of the Trust for the benefit of young people from all sectors of the community.

How you can help:

Thalatta needs constant maintenance and attention following on from the refurbishment in order to keep her in a safe and seaworthy condition, and the Trust needs assistance, both financial and practical. By becoming a `Friend` you will be helping to support the upkeep of the barge, and you will receive regular newsletters updating you with the Trust and its activities with Thalatta.

As a Friend you will receive priority invitations to visit the barge when she is open at Maldon, Woodbridge, St Katherine's Dock (London) and other locations around the East Coast. You will also receive prior notice of the opportunity to sail on the barge. Day sails are arranged at various locations during the season (April to September) and Friends are offered a discounted fee for the day.

As well as financial assistance, the Trust is always keen to hear from friends who have skills which can help the maintenance of the barge and Trust; these could range from shipwrighting skills to a willingness to staff the barge when she is open to the public.

Being a charity, the Trust is able to receive regular donations by means of covenants/gift aid which have the benefit of providing a refund of income tax at standard rate at no additional cost to you. As a covenanter you will receive tax relief at your highest marginal rate.

East Coast Sail Trust Ltd – Sailing Barge Thalatta



Application Form (please print):

The donation is £15 per year, or £5 for those under 18.

I am interested in supporting Thalatta and the East Coast Sail Trust to enable young people to benefit from the experience of sailing together on a barge.

I enclose a cheque for which will entitle me to become a `Friend of Thalatta`.

Name

Address

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Telephone

Please return this application to:

Mr G Diddams
East Coast Sail Trust Ltd
92 Fambridge Road
Maldon
Essex
CM9 6AF

If you would care to Gift Aid your subscription please download the form and, when completed, forward it with this application to G Diddams as above.