

PACKET RATS SONGBOOK

A~B~C~D

E~F~G~H~I~J~K

L~M~N~O~P~Q

R~S~T~U~V~W~X~Y~Z

BONA COGNITU

A

A NATION ONCE AGAIN
AULO LANG SYNE
A ROVIN
ALABAMA
ALL FOR ME GROG
AULO TRIANGLE
AWAY RIO

B

BALLAD OF ST. ANNES REEL
BARRETT'S PRIVATEERS
BELEMINA
BLACK VELVET BAND
BLOW THE MAN DOWN
BLOW YE WINDS IN THE MORNING
BONNIE SHIP THE DIAMOND
BULLY IN THE ALLEY
BUTTER BEANS
BYE, BYE, ROSEANNA

C

CARRICKFERGIS
CAPE COD GIRLS
CAPTAIN KIDD
CROSSING THE BAR
CRUEL WAR

D

DANNY BOY
DENIS SULLIVAN
(THE SCHOONER)
DIRTY OLD TOWN
DONKEY RIDING
DOODLE LET ME GO
DREADFUL LIFE
DRINKIN' OF THE WINE
DRUNKEN SAILOR

E~F

FIELDS OF ATHENRY
FIDDLER'S GREEN FOGGY DEW
FOLLOW ME UP TO CARLOW
FALL DOWN BILLY OSHEA

G

GALWAY SHAWL
GENERAL TAYLOR
GLEN DY BURKE
GRACE
GREY FUNNEL LINE
GYPSY ROVER

H

HARD TIMES (COME AGAIN NO MORE)
HAUL AWAY JOE
HAUL ON THE BOWLINE
HEILAND LADDIE
HIGH BARBAREE
HOLY GROUND

HOME BOYS HOME
HOME FROM THE SEA

I

I DON'T WANT TO
BE AN 'ERO
IRISH ROVER
ISN'T IT GRAND, BOYS

J

JACKAROE
JOHN KANAKA
JOHNNY COME DOWN
TO HILO
JUMP ISABEL
JUG O' PUNCH

K

KEEP HAULING

L

LAST FAREWELL

LAST SHANTY

LEAVE HER JOHNNY

LEAVING OF LIVERPOOL

LET THE LOWER LIGHTS BE BURNING

LIFE OF THE ROVER

LOCH LOMAND

LOWLANDS

M

MERMAID

MICHAEL ROW THE BOAT ASHORE

MINGULAY BOAT SONG

MOLLY MALONE (ALIVE, ALIVE, OH)

MOONSHINER

MY GREEN VALLEY

N

NANCY WHISKEY

NEW YORK GIRLS

O

OLD MAUI

OH, OH, UP SHE RISES

P~Q

PADDY LAY BACK

PADDY WORKS ON THE RAILWA

PARTING GLASS

PEGGY GORDON

PORTLAND TOWN

(PACKET RATS VERSION)

R

Red, Red Rose

ROLL ON MANATEE

ROLL THE AULD CHARIOT ALONG

ROLL THE WOODPILE DOWN

ROLLING HOME TO CALEDONIA

RUEBEN RANZO

RUN THE RIGGIN AGAIN (THE FAIR MAID)

S

SAILORS PRAYER

SANTIANNA (LADY PIRATE VERSION)

SANTY ANNO

SHALLOW BROWN

SHENANDOAH

SHOALS OF HERRING

SHOVE IT OVER

SCOTLAND THE BRAVE

SONNY'S DREAM

SOME SAY THE DEVIL IS DEAD

T~U~V

UNICORN SONG

W

WATER IS WIDE

WAY DOWN IN DIXIE

WE'LL RANT AND ROAR

/ CORTEZ

WELLERMAN

WHISKEY IN THE JAR

WILD MOUNTAIN THYME

WILD ROVER

WRECK OF THE NANCY LEE

X~Y~Z

YE JACOBITES

STREETS OF LONDON

SKYE BOAT SONG

SLOOP JOHN B

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

THE CAPSTAN (WINDLASS) SHANTIES~

WERE FOR REPETITIVE TASKS THAT NEEDED TO BE SUSTAINED WITH THE APPROPRIATE RHYTHM AS WHEN RAISING OR LOWERING THE ANCHOR. ENVISION THE CREW TRUDGING ROUND AND ROUND AS THEY WORKED AS ONE, CONTINUALLY PUSHED THE CAPSTAN BARS TO WIND UP ANCHOR CHAIN. EXAMPLE: DRUNKEN SAILOR.

PUMPING SHANTIES ~

WOODEN SHIPS LEAK A LOT AND THE WORK TO PUMP THE BILGE DRY WAS GRUELING WORK BELOW DECKS IN THE BOWELS OF THE BOAT. EXAMPLE: SANTY ANO.

WHALING SHANTIES~

REFLECT THE HARSHNESS AND DANGER OF WORKING ABOARD A WHALING SHIP. TYPICALLY AT SEA FOR TWO YEARS OR MORE, A WHALER'S LIFE WAS OFTEN SHORT-LIVED AND THE WORK WAS GRUELING AND WRETCHED. IT WAS THE WHALING SHANTY THAT GAVE THEM STRENGTH AND COURAGE TO STAY THE COURSE IN THE MIDST OF THE WORST CIRCUMSTANCES, FOUL STENCH AND LIFE-THREATENING RISKS. EXAMPLE: BONNIE SHIP THE DIAMOND.

THE FOREBITTERS~

ALSO KNOWN AS FORECASTLE (FO'C'SLE) SONGS, WERE SUNG WHEN THE WORK WAS DONE. THEY'RE TYPICALLY STORIES OF ADVENTURE AND PLACES THEY'D BEEN, LOVES AND LOVES LOST, THE STORIES OF FAMOUS MEN, HEROISM, BATTLES AT SEA, MELANCHOLY, LAMENTS AND HUMOR. THE FORECASTLE IS THE AREA FORWARD OF THE FOREMAST OF A SAILING SHIP OR THE FORWARD-MOST PART OF A SHIP WITH THE SAILOR'S LIVING QUARTERS. EXAMPLE: LEAVE HER, JOHNNY.