

SAILING KNOWLEDGE TRIVIA ANSWERS

Where would you put a baggy wrinkle on your sailboat? **Baggy wrinkles are used to prevent sail chafe and are usually attached to the main shrouds, port and starboard.**

On a sailboat, what is a sheet? **The lines that control the sails. The saying "being three sheets to the wind" refers to someone who is extremely drunk or out of control. On a sailboat if all three of your sheets are out flapping in the wind you have no control over your sails and thus your sailboat.**

Apart from a harbor, port means what? **The left side of the boat**

On a traditional sailboat a "Jacobs Ladder" is not a game, but is what? **A rolled-up ladder that can be placed over the side of the boat.**

What was one of the main purposes for many sea shanties, besides entertainment? **They were used as working songs to keep pace when raising the sails.**

You are launching from a beach, and the wind is blowing on to the land, this means the shore is a what?

Lee shore A weather shore where the wind is coming offshore.

What are the two types of rigging found on a sailing boat? **Running and standing**

What is the name of the holes that are cut to let water run off the deck? **Scuppers**

What type of sailing yacht was the original "America", which gave its name to the America's Cup? **A schooner**

What is a halyard? **a line used for raising or lowering sails**

Turning a sailboat so that the bow passes through the eye of the wind is known as what? **Tacking**

Most ropes on a sailboat are called what? **Lines**

A boat has a port(left) and starboard(right) side. In describing a boats side relative to the wind, which terms are used? **Windward and Leeward**

Captain Dan asked me to look at a chart to find out if the water was deep enough for us to enter the Detroit River. The chart showed a depth of half a fathom so I told him it was plenty deep. We got stuck in the mud. How much is a fathom? **6 feet**

Shank, crown, stock, and fluke will all be found where? **The chain locker**

Give an example of a head sail: **Jib, Staysail or Top Jib**

A map used on a boat is called what? **A chart**

When a sailboat is pointing directly into the wind and all forward momentum has ceased, the boat is said to be what? **In irons**