



SB REPERTOR

SB Repertor was built in 1924, the first steel barge by Horlocks, the famous barge-masters based in Mistley, on the River Stour in Essex.

"Repertor" is a Latin word meaning "discoverer; explorer; inventor; innovator; deviser".

Cruise or race with us and discover the skills of traditional working sail; explore the rivers, creeks and harbours of the East Coast and North Kent; or sail up-River to Tower Bridge and London; or hold functions in an unusual but memorable venue.

CRUISING

Join us for daytrips, weekends or longer cruises under sail. You can join in and learn the traditional skills – or just relax and watch how it's done.

We usually operate from Faversham or Whitstable, in Kent, or Maldon, in Essex, but we can start or finish trips almost anywhere along the East Coast or in London.

RACING

Barges can be fast and exciting to race – Repertor is usually keenly competitive and has been Champion Barge several times. 9 Sailing Barge Matches (races) are held every year, often with 10 – 15 barges taking part – a magnificent sight!

THE THAMES SAILING BARGE

was the workhorse of coastal transport until well into the 20th Century. Barges are still sailing today as supreme examples of our working maritime heritage. The highly efficient spritsail rig, with 4,000 sq ft of sail, enables fast passages and can be handled by only 2 crew; the flat-bottomed hull and lifting leeboards make even shallow creeks accessible; whilst the tall topsail provides both windward performance and manoeuvrability in sheltered waters.



CHARTERS & FUNCTIONS

Under sail we can take up to 12 passengers – as individual bookings or as group charters. For quayside events – business functions, exhibitions etc and private parties – we cater for up to 60 guests.

CATERING

We provide catering to order, ranging from good home-style cooking to gourmet meals – or you can self-cater.