

We are also looking for

- Qualified Bridge and Engine Room Officers
- People with woodworking skills
- People able to help with management and/or administration

What next?

- Either use the application forms available
- Or download an application form from www.dlsrt.org.uk or www.stchallenge.org
- Or contact DLSRT's Volunteer Recruitment Administrator, Sally Marsh (dorian1915@talktalk.net or 02380 878902) who will pass you on to the right person. Sally is herself a volunteer and is not at home 24 hours a day but she will respond to you.

For your information

The Dunkirk Little Ships Restoration Trust (DLSRT), a registered charity, exists to rescue "Little Ships" which took part in the evacuation of our troops from Dunkirk in 1940 but are now in danger of destruction and then to restore them to a useful working life.

The 1931 Steam Tug "Challenge", which was involved in many aspects of WWII has been restored to full working order and is to be operated to "bring the heritage to the people". She is a member of the National Historic Fleet.

"Dorian" is an ex Royal Navy pulling launch built in 1915 to serve on a battleship in WWI and later converted to a yacht, just in time to be called up for Dunkirk and the rest of WWII.



Do you love ships?

Would you like to be involved in helping to preserve, maintain and run some of our Dunkirk Little Ships?

We are taking on more volunteers....
so now is your chance to get involved

Steam Tug Challenge is an operational vessel based in Southampton's Eastern Docks



Dorian is being restored in our workshop near Southampton's Ocean Terminal

What can volunteers do?

DLSRT volunteering could involve anything from helping to maintain the fabric of the ships and their machinery to helping to ensure that visitors have an enjoyable visit or helping with background work such as fundraising, PR and administration.

The physical roles are most suited to those who thrive in challenging working conditions—either on board Challenge or in the DLSRT workshop. Some roles on ST Challenge involve going to sea and so sea legs are an advantage but there is plenty for people to do who would prefer to stay shore based.

Some roles are already clearly defined but we are also open to any offers of help from those who are interested in getting involved. Because we have a variety of roles this is an ideal opportunity for couples would like to volunteer together but don't want to do the same thing.

Existing Roles:

Deckhand Volunteers on ST Challenge

Deckhands play an important part in keeping Challenge well maintained so that she can be enjoyed by visitors, preserved for the future and able to go to sea. Deckhands operate in a team to carry out a variety of routine maintenance tasks, such as scaling, painting, cleaning and working on the rigging and deck machinery.

Engine Room Volunteers on ST Challenge

Engine Room volunteers help maintain the ship's machinery in good working order. Tasks include dismantling, repairing and rebuilding machinery as well as undertaking careful cleaning, painting and polishing of historic machinery.

Dunkirk Little Ships Volunteer

This general role is for people who don't specifically want roles such as working on engines or deck maintenance but could offer things such as looking after visitors, helping with events, general cleaning and painting or acting as a guide. We need the basics covering but assume that some volunteers will prefer to focus on particular tasks that match their skills and interests.

Learning Volunteers on ST Challenge and SS Shieldhall

This is a shared role with SS Shieldhall as part of a project to develop activities that capture the imagination of visitors on board the ships and via the organisations' websites. This role is ideal for anyone who wants to help children and families have fun and learn about maritime matters. The role is supported by the project team working with both ST Challenge and SS Shieldhall and is a good way of getting involved with maritime and heritage education.

Dunkirk Little Ships 75th Anniversary Fundraising Volunteer

To find sources of funding to enable Challenge and Caresana (both Dunkirk Little Ships) to make the journey to Dunkirk for the 75th anniversary in May 2015.

Dunkirk Little Ships PR Volunteer

To help DLSRT make effective use of PR opportunities for the ships in a way that respects their history and raises their profile so that they can survive and continue to operate as part of British maritime history.