Job Title: Ships Cook & Morale Officer (volunteer)
Reports to: Expedition Commander
Appointed by: One-week selection voyage
Period of Appointment: Up to 12 weeks on an Expedition leg.

Job Purpose Summary
To create a safe and welcoming central place to recharge the crew’s batteries, unburden themselves if struggling, come together as a team and maintain a healthy eating structure that keeps mind and body together in a tough environment. To work within the budget, space and resource restrictions of a heritage boat and expedition finances.

Key Responsibilities
Organisational
- To report on the morale of the crew to the senior team, advising on crew care and suggest morale and emotional support responses to keep the crew going during the voyage.
- To manage the menu, purchasing, stores, nutrition and food production process for the voyage.
- Liaise with the No2 and watch keepers on meal times and duration to cover watch changes.
- To manage the ‘off watches’ to support food preparation and cleaning duties.

Functional
- To plan and produce flexible menus that work with the strictures of potentially high seas, rolling meal times as watches change, limited fresh food storage and local provisioning in different parts of the world.
- To offer a listening ear to crew, offer coaching and draw border conclusions about moral.
- Ensure a varied and nutritional diet that meets the needs of the conditions.
- To maintain food hygiene standards and records.

Conditions
The role will be full time onboard during the expedition passages and is a voluntary position. As part of the selection process candidates are asked to pledge £750 to Blyth Tall Ship as a contribution to its ongoing working and £2750 if selected for one of the main Expedition legs.

Personal Profile
Required:
- Be able to work for long periods below decks without getting seasick.
- Be a compassionate and good listener.
- Be able to organise events and activities to raise moral
- Be a structured planner and maintain standards and detailed records
- Hold a food hygiene certificate
- Experience of one pot cooking and cooking in a rolling environment.
- Demonstrably enthusiastic about the Expedition.

Useful
- Have experience of ocean sailing and wooden heritage vessels.
- have a second language preferably Spanish.