

# Tideway Sail

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2009

After meeting at the club and starting the morning with Bacon rolls & a good cuppa everybody launched for a 11 o'clock start.

The weather had greatly improved from the previous few days with westerly winds of around 10mph, so a tack down river.



After initial difficulty getting away from his mooring Rob with Bryan & John crewing for him seemed to make great strides with just their Jib, until the telltale black smoke signals were seen. (Diesel is classed a a performance enhancer Rob)

As we approached the main Liverpool water front we went through a section of rain which cleared as we passed the Pier Head, but never dampened our spirits. Passing the ferries in the rain & mist was memorable though.



Once passed the Liverpool Waterfront the weather started to brighten up so by the time we reached New Brighton beach the sun was shining, where we then visited one of the local café's for a dinner. While waiting for the tide to turn for the return leg, Howard took the chance to have a sail in the wayfarer. We also got watch Wallasey Yacht Club racing their [Seabird Half-Rater](#) boats which are lovely looking classic sailing boat with the design dating back to 1898.



Then it was time for the return leg which was a fast run up the river which took about an hour less than the down river sail, with us returning to the club at around 7 o'clock just as the tide reached the haunched section of the slipway



All in a really enjoyable days sailing for everybody who took part.

*Kev Quinn*