



Raúl Mimbacas, Race Chairman, Three Festivals Tall Ships Regatta 2018



Raúl has overall responsibility for the organisation and management of all aspects of the Three Festivals Tall Ships Regatta 2018 in Liverpool. He chairs the Race Committee and Emergency Management Committee (if required) and is the main point of contact with the port organisers.

As the principal spokesperson for the Three Festivals Tall Ships Regatta 2019, and Sail Training International's representative, he is available for interviews with the media and formal presentations and speeches. He is also STI's representative at social events and all formal occasions associated with the Three Festivals Tall Ships Regatta 2018.

Raúl is a Uruguayan Navy retired Commander, Merchant Navy Captain and Yacht Captain. He has commanded several vessels during his naval career and been on board sail training vessel *Capitán Miranda* since her beginnings as a Uruguayan Navy Sail Training Ship. He also held positions of Navigator, Chief of Sail Manoeuvre Department and Executive Officer, and has participated in numerous Tall Ship Races.

Living in Spain for 20 years, he is the Spanish Sail Training Association Board Secretary and STI's national representative. He frequently takes part in yacht races and maritime events.

Paul Bishop, Race Director, Three Festivals Tall Ships Regatta 2018



Paul is responsible for the organisation of race briefings for captains in the fleet, race start procedures and all technical aspects of the race 'on the water'. He is also responsible for ensuring that the host ports provide good berthing and infrastructure/arrangements for the fleet and in-port facilities for the trainee crews.

Paul started his career as a professional seafarer at the age of 21 mainly skippering sail training vessels around Europe. He has completed several Transatlantic crossings and went out to Australia and Tasmania during which time he skippered a vessel in the Australian Bicentennial Tall Ships Race. He retains his commercial licence and regularly sails as a volunteer skipper for a UK sail training charity. He has been a keen racer entering regattas such as Cowes Week.

Interviews with Raúl Mimbacas and Paul Bishop and can be arranged on request.

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