

Sally Racket

1. Little Sally Racket - **Haul em away**
She shipped aboard a packet

- **Haul 'em away**

And she never did regret it

- **Haul 'em away**

And a hauley high-o - **Haul 'em away**

2. Little Kitty Karson

- **Haul em away**

She slept with the Parson

- **Haul em away**

Now she's got a little Barst'd

- **Haul em away**

And a hauley high-o - **Haul em away**

3. Her sister Suzy Skinner

- **Haul em away**

She says she's a beginner

- **Haul em away**

But she prefers it to her dinner

- **Haul em away**

So off boys and win 'er- **Haul em away**

4. Little Nancy Tucket

- **Haul em away**

She washes in a bucket

- **Haul em away**

She's a whore

but she don't look it.

- **Haul em away**

And with a hauley high-o

- **Haul 'em away**



Bucket
Clip Art by [Firkin](#)

5. Little Nancy Riddle - **Haul em away**
She broke her brand new fiddle

- **Haul em away**

It's got a hole right up the middle

- **Haul em away**

And a hauley high-o - **Haul em away**

6. Pull on the luff boys - **Haul em away**
That'll be enough boys - **Haul em away**
And one more time boys

- **Haul em away**

And that is time enough boys!

- **Haul em away!**

We'll sing along with this version by **Bob Davenport** at youtu.be/SeGB9wxnve4

We'll sing just the refrain - which is what the sailors did! - while we watch a nicely illustrated version by the **Exmouth Shantymen** at youtu.be/5TE-eYImKw

Other popular verses

Little Sally Racket
Pawned my brand new jacket
And then she lost the ticket.

Little Betsy Baker
Ran off with a quaker
Cos he said that he could shake 'er.

Little Faye Fanana
She slipped on a banana,
Now she can't play the ... piano



Banana Peel, Free
Clip art by [Gerald G](#)

Notes:

A **Cargo working** song

Other names: Haul her away, Haul him away, Little Sally Racket, Sally Racket.

Stan Hugill's several versions of this shanty are "cleaner" than the originals but he often helpfully uses the same rhyming words. You may hear ruder versions sung late at shanty festivals.

Shantyman Stan **Hugill**, in ***Shanties from the Seven Seas***, 1994, places ***Sally Racket*** as a version of ***Cheer'ly Man***

"It was a common cargo-working song among the timber stowers of Québec and elsewhere.

It was very popular among negro or "chequerboard" crews. It is of West Indian origin, hailing either from Barbados or Jamaica. I learnt it from Captain Harding.

"The tune has something in common with that of the Jamaican song ***Missy Ramgoat*** and also with ***Hill an' Gully Rider*** ..

"It featured in the film ***Moby Dick***."