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The Lyrics

Scarborough Fishermen

Heres to the fisher-lad, bold as can be Riding the swell on the cold northern sea Ear to the sounder, eye on the scan Scarborough Fishermen on northern ground

No weathers too rough when the nets never full A friend of the wind and the old seagull It's farewell to Mary love, farewell to thee Scarborough Fishermen out on the sea

Southwards to Yarmouth, north passed the Tyne East to the Dogger Bank the shoals for to find It's night and day working filling our hold The north seas the place where we dig for our gold

Prices are high, stocks getting low More work on this deck boys than ever before It's sodden all day without any sleep Scarborough fishermen out on the deep

Boy on the deck how do you feel With your icing and hauling your nerves made of steel It'll make you a man, you live a hard life While you think of your girl of warm sheets and dark nights

Skippers in the wheelhouse with a mountainous sea Towering above, looking down upon me Prepare for the crash boys, no time to pray Scarborough lads facing danger each day

Now the weeks over and we are done in Its all back to Scarborough neat as a pin With beer in our belly no longer we'll roam Scarborough fishermen on the way home

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