

# Wellerman

**Gelernt für:** Die Frauen von Schreyershoek

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## Liedtext - Flash Mob für Theater

### Wellerman

*Linda, Albert:*

**There once was a ship that put to sea  
The name of the ship was the Billy of Tea**

*Linda, Albert, Gerhard, Heidi:*

**The winds blew up, her bow dipped down  
Oh blow, my bully boys, blow (hey)**

*Linda, Albert, Gerhard, Heidi, Axel, Garrelt:*

**Refrain: Soon may the Wellerman come  
To bring us sugar and tea and rum  
One day, when the tonguing is done  
We'll take our leave and go**

*Roswitha, Verena:*

**She'd not been two weeks from shore  
When down on her a right whale bore**

*Roswitha, Verena, Mareka, Ulla:*

**The captain called all hands and swore  
He'd take that whale in tow (hey)**

*Roswitha, Verena, Mareka, Ulla, Linda, Albert, Gerhard, Heidi, Axel, Garrelt:*

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**Da da da...**

*Linda, Albert, Gerhard, Heidi, Axel, Garrelt, Hermann, Ingo:*

**Before the boat had hit the water  
The whale's tail came up and caught her**

*Linda, Albert, Gerhard, Heidi, Axel, Garrelt, Hermann, Ingo, Hero, Almut:*

**All hands to the side, harpooned and fought her  
When she dived down low (hey)**

*Linda, Albert, Gerhard, Heidi, Axel, Garrelt, Hermann, Ingo, Hero, Almut, Roswitha, Verena,  
Mareka, Ulla:*

**Refrain: Soon may...**

*Roswitha, Verena, Mareka, Ulla, Hanna, Käte, Antje, Helga:*

**No line was cut, no whale was freed  
The captain's mind was not of greed**

*Roswitha, Verena, Mareka, Ulla, Hanna, Käte, Antje, Helga, Susanne, Christa:*

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**And he belonged to the Whaleman's creed**

**She took that ship in tow** (hey)

*Roswitha, Verena, Mareka, Ulla, Hanna, Käte, Antje, Helga, Susanne, Christa, Linda, Albert,  
Gerhard, Heidi, Axel, Garrelt, Hermann, Ingo, Hero, Almut:*

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**Da da da...**

*Alle Männer:*

**For forty days or even more**

**The line went slack then tight once more**

**All boats were lost, there were only four**

**But still that whale did go** (hey)

*Alle Männer + Roswitha, Verena, Mareka, Ulla, Hanna, Käte, Antje, Helga, Susanne,  
Christa:*

**Refrain: Soon may...**

*Alle Frauen, die die Strophe singen:*

**As far as I've heard, the fight's still on**

**The line's not cut, and the whale's not gone**

**The Wellerman makes his regular call**

**To encourage the captains crew and all**

*Alle Frauen und alle Männer:*

**Refrain: Soon may...**

*Alle Frauen + Männer + Alle Schauspieler\*innen:*

**Refrain: Soon may...**

*(Das "Hey" am Ende der Strophen kommt jeweils von Christine!)*

## **Liedtext - Frauen**

### **Wellerman**

There once was a ship that put to sea  
The name of the ship was the Billy of Tea  
The winds blew up, her bow dipped down  
Oh blow, my bully boys, blow (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may the Wellerman come  
To bring us sugar and tea and rum  
One day, when the tonguing is done  
We'll take our leave and go**

**She'd not been two weeks from shore  
When down on her a right whale bore  
The captain called all hands and swore  
He'd take that whale in tow (hey)**

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**Da da da...**

Before the boat had hit the water  
The whale's tail came up and caught her  
All hands to the side, harpooned and fought her  
When she dived down low (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**No line was cut, no whale was freed  
The captain's mind was not of greed  
And he belonged to the Whaleman's creed  
She took that ship in tow (hey)**

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**Da da da...**

For forty days or even more  
The line went slack then tight once more

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All boats were lost, there were only four  
But still that whale did go (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**As far as I've heard, the fight's still on  
The line's not cut, and the whale's not gone  
The Wellerman makes his regular call  
To encourage the captains crew and all**

**Refrain: Soon may... (2 x)**

*(Das "Hey" am Endeder Strophen kommt jeweils von Christine!)*

## **Liedtext - Männer**

### **Wellerman**

**There once was a ship that put to sea  
The name of the ship was the Billy of Tea  
The winds blew up, her bow dipped down  
Oh blow, my bully boys, blow (hey)**

**Refrain: Soon may the Wellerman come  
To bring us sugar and tea and rum  
One day, when the tonguing is done  
We'll take our leave and go**

She'd not been two weeks from shore  
When down on her a right whale bore  
The captain called all hands and swore  
He'd take that whale in tow (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**Da da da...**

**Before the boat had hit the water  
The whale's tail came up and caught her  
All hands to the side, harpooned and fought her  
When she dived down low (hey)**

**Refrain: Soon may...**

No line was cut, no whale was freed  
The captain's mind was not of greed  
And he belonged to the Whaleman's creed  
She took that ship in tow (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**Da da da...**

**For forty days or even more  
The line went slack then tight once more**

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**All boats were lost, there were only four  
But still that whale did go (hey)**

**Refrain: Soon may...**

As far as I've heard, the fight's still on  
The line's not cut, and the whale's not gone  
The Wellerman makes his regular call  
To encourage the captains crew and all

**Refrain: Soon may... (2 x)**

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## Liedtext - Alle

### Wellerman

There once was a ship that put to sea  
The name of the ship was the Billy of Tea  
The winds blew up, her bow dipped down  
Oh blow, my bully boys, blow (hey)

Refrain: Soon may the Wellerman come  
To bring us sugar and tea and rum  
One day, when the tonguing is done  
We'll take our leave and go

She'd not been two weeks from shore  
When down on her a right whale bore  
The captain called all hands and swore  
He'd take that whale in tow (hey)

Refrain: Soon may...

Da da da...

Before the boat had hit the water  
The whale's tail came up and caught her  
All hands to the side, harpooned and fought her  
When she dived down low (hey)

Refrain: Soon may..

No line was cut, no whale was freed  
The captain's mind was not of greed  
And he belonged to the Whaleman's creed  
She took that ship in tow (hey)

Refrain: Soon may...

Da da da...



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**For forty days or even more  
The line went slack then tight once more  
All boats were lost, there were only four  
But still that whale did go (hey)**

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**As far as I've heard, the fight's still on  
The line's not cut, and the whale's not gone  
The Wellerman makes his regular call  
To encourage the captains crew and all**

**Refrain: Soon may... (2 x)**

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## Liedtext - Alt (Alte Stimmaufteilung)

### Wellerman

There once was a ship that put to sea  
The name of the ship was the Billy of Tea  
The winds blew up, her bow dipped down  
Oh blow, my bully boys, blow (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may the Wellerman come  
To bring us sugar and tea and rum  
One day, when the tonguing is done  
We'll take our leave and go**

She'd not been two weeks from shore  
When down on her a right whale bore  
The captain called all hands and swore  
He'd take that whale in tow (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**Da da da...**

Before the boat had hit the water  
The whale's tail came up and caught her  
All hands to the side, harpooned and fought her  
When she dived down low (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**No line was cut, no whale was freed  
The captain's mind was not of greed  
And he belonged to the Whaleman's creed  
She took that ship in tow (hey)**

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**Da da da...**

For forty days or even more  
The line went slack then tight once more  
All boats were lost, there were only four

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But still that whale did go (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may...**

As far as I've heard, the fight's still on  
The line's not cut, and the whale's not gone  
The Wellerman makes his regular call  
To encourage the captains crew and all

**Refrain: Soon may... (2 x)**

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## Liedtext - Bass (Alte Stimmaufteilung)

### Wellerman

There once was a ship that put to sea  
The name of the ship was the Billy of Tea  
The winds blew up, her bow dipped down  
Oh blow, my bully boys, blow (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may the Wellerman come  
To bring us sugar and tea and rum  
One day, when the tonguing is done  
We'll take our leave and go**

**She'd not been two weeks from shore  
When down on her a right whale bore  
The captain called all hands and swore  
He'd take that whale in tow (hey)**

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**Da da da...**

Before the boat had hit the water  
The whale's tail came up and caught her  
All hands to the side, harpooned and fought her  
When she dived down low (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may...**

No line was cut, no whale was freed  
The captain's mind was not of greed  
And he belonged to the Whaleman's creed  
She took that ship in tow (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**Da da da...**

For forty days or even more  
The line went slack then tight once more  
All boats were lost, there were only four

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But still that whale did go (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may...**

As far as I've heard, the fight's still on  
The line's not cut, and the whale's not gone  
The Wellerman makes his regular call  
To encourage the captains crew and all

**Refrain: Soon may... (2 x)**

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## Liedtext - Sopran (Alte Stimmaufteilung)

### Wellerman

There once was a ship that put to sea  
The name of the ship was the Billy of Tea  
The winds blew up, her bow dipped down  
Oh blow, my bully boys, blow (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may the Wellerman come  
To bring us sugar and tea and rum  
One day, when the tonguing is done  
We'll take our leave and go**

She'd not been two weeks from shore  
When down on her a right whale bore  
The captain called all hands and swore  
He'd take that whale in tow (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**Da da da...**

Before the boat had hit the water  
The whale's tail came up and caught her  
All hands to the side, harpooned and fought her  
When she dived down low (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may...**

No line was cut, no whale was freed  
The captain's mind was not of greed  
And he belonged to the Whaleman's creed  
She took that ship in tow (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**Da da da...**

For forty days or even more  
The line went slack then tight once more  
All boats were lost, there were only four

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But still that whale did go (hey)

**Refrain: Soon may...**

**As far as I've heard, the fight's still on  
The line's not cut, and the whale's not gone  
The Wellerman makes his regular call  
To encourage the captains crew and all**

**Refrain: Soon may... (2 x)**

*(Das "Hey" am Endeder Strophen kommt jeweils von Christine!)*