



STORIES FROM THE SEA

SHIPWRECK OBJECTS



SHIP MODEL

Date made

1883

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Credit

Great Yarmouth Museums

Description

This is a model of the Norfolk- and Suffolk-type lifeboat *Henry Critten*, named after the man who built the lifeboats in East Anglia. This type of lifeboat was very common all around England. One of the most famous was a lifeboat called *Beauchamp* from Caister in Norfolk. In 1901 it rolled over and crashed onto the beach during a heavy storm while trying to help a wrecked ship. Nine lifeboatmen were drowned. James Haylett senior (a very famous lifeboat man who lost three sons and a grandson in the disaster) said afterwards that even though the storm was very bad, and the crew were

scared, they still went out to help the other ship because 'Caister men never turn back'. Ever since then, the motto of lifeboat men around the world has been 'Never turn back!'

Questions

1. Look closely at the model of the lifeboat. What does it use to make it move?
2. Have a go making your own paper boat, why not test them and see whose design works best?