

The John Laing

Every year, every child has their dreams. Christmas, Birthdays and so on. But for me it's different. Once, maybe twice a year I get an opportunity, an opportunity of education, new skills, and fun. Yes, I look forward to other events. But NOTHING matches the excitement of knowing that I can see old friends and bring back astounding memories that will stay with me forever.

I cannot stress how lucky I am to have this opportunity. But not as much as I can say how privileged I am to even dream of another trip on the John Laing. I have learnt new skills in which I can use later on in life, met the most extraordinary people I have ever known, and have so much fun all at the same time.



On the John Laing I enjoy every last second. Whatever we are doing, whether I'm helming, lookout, cooking, relaxing, learning, drills, and many, many more. I am ALWAYS living life to the max.

On the John Laing I have learnt many skills, including how to helm out of a harbour, how to tie many different knots and their uses, how to confidently put up/take down sails and many, many ways of communication and safety on deck.

How many teenagers could say that!?

If I had the time to write pages beyond pages about how I feel when I go on these trips. I would. But instead I will sum it all up in one phrase.

Thank you for a LIFETIME opportunity.

