

For many years the economy of the fishing villages the length of the East coast depended on herring. If fishermen sang the praises of the herring it might bring good luck and a big catch. The "Silver Darlings", were of course not directly made into "needles and pins" or "loaves o' breid" but the proceeds of their catch would buy the fisherfolk the essentials of life. G D

Herrins' Heids (Traditional) G// D// A7// D// Ah, [D] fit'll I dae wi the [G] herrin's [D] heids (solo) Fit'll I dae wi the [A7] herrin's [D] heids (group) Ah'll mak it intae [G] loaves o [D] breid(solo) Herrins heid, loaves o breid, an a [A7] sorts o [D] things (group) O [G] a the fish that [D] swim in the sea The [A7] herrin it is the [D] fish for [G] me [D] Fallalalido, Fallalalido, Fallalalido-[A7]li[D]day

Ah, [D] fit'll I dae wi the [G] herrin's [D] eyes (solo)
Fit'll I dae wi the [A7] herrin's [D] eyes (group)
Ah'll mak them intae [G] puddins and [D] pies (solo)
Herrins eyes, puddins and pies (group)
Herrins heid, loaves o breid, an a [A7] sorts o [D] things (group)
O [G] a the fish that [D] swim in the sea
The [A7] herrin it is the [D] fish for [G] me
[D] Fallalalido, Fallalalido, Fallalalido, Fallalalido-[A7]li[D]day

Ah, [D] fit'll I dae wi the [G] herrin's [D] fins (solo)
Fit'll I dae wi the [A7] herrin's [D] fins (group)
Ah'll mak them intae [G] needles and [D] pins (solo)
Herrin's fins, needles and pins (group)
Herrins eyes, puddins and pies (group)
Herrins heid, loaves o breid, an a [A7] sorts o [D] things (group)
O [G] a the fish that [D] swim in the sea
The [A7] herrin it is the [D] fish for [G] me
[D] Fallalalido, Fallalalido, Fallalalido-[A7]li[D]day

Ah, [D] fit'll I dae wi the [G] herrin's [D] belly (solo) Fit'll I dae wi the [A7] herrin's [D] belly (group) Α7

Ah'll mak it a lassie an [G] christen it [D] Nellie (solo)
Herrin's belly, lassie ca'd Nellie (group)
Herrin's fins, needles and pins
Herrins eyes, puddins and pies
Herrins heid, loaves o breid, an a [A7] sorts o [D] things (group)
O [G] a the fish that [D] swim in the sea
The [A7] herrin it is the [D] fish for [G] me
[D] Fallalalido, Fallalalido, Fallalalido, Fallalalido-[A7]li[D]day

Ah, [D] fit'll I dae wi the [G] herrin's [D] back (solo) Fit'll I dae wi the [A7] herrin's [D] back (group) Ah'll mak it a laddie and [G] christen it [D] Jack (solo) Herrin's back, laddie ca'd Jack (group) Herrin's belly, lassie ca'd Nellie Herrin's fins, needles and pins Herrins eyes, puddins and pies Herrins heid, loaves o breid, an a [A7] sorts o [D] things (group) O [G] a the fish that [D] swim in the sea The [A7] herrin it is the [D] fish for [G] me [D] Fallalalido, Fallalalido, Fallalalido-[A7]li[D]day

Ah [D] fit'll I dae wi the [G] herrin's [D] tail (solo) Fit'll I dae wi the [A7] herrin's [D] tail (group) Ah'll mak it a ship wi a [G] beautiful [D] sail (solo) Mak it a ship wi a beautiful sail (group) Herrin's back, laddie ca'd Jack Herrin's belly, lassie ca'd Nellie Herrin's fins, needles and pins Herrins eyes, puddins and pies Herrins heid, loaves o breid, an a [A7] sorts o [D] things (group) O [G] a the fish that [D] swim in the sea The [A7] herrin it is the [D] fish for [G] me [D] Fallalalido, Fallalalido, Fallalalido-[A7]li<D>day