

# **Coming About (Tacking)**

### HELM:

- "Ready About?"
  - steers a closehauled course
  - makes sure it's clear to windward before turning

#### **CREW:**

- Active sheet (loaded)
  - gets ready to let go or cast off
  - replies "Ready Port/Starboard"
- Lazy sheet (unloaded)
  - gets ready sheet in
  - replies "Ready Port/Starboard"

## HELM:

- "Helm's Alee!"
  - ensures it's clear to windward
  - picks landmark at ~90° and turns turns the boat

# **CREW:**

- Active sheet
  - casts sheet off the winch as soon as the sail luffs
- Lazy sheet
  - pulls in and hardens sheet as it crosses the deck and clears the shrouds

## HELM:

Steers boat onto close hauled course, steering to telltales