

### 8962 - 18th Century Wedgewood Creamware Bowl



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#### Item Description

18th Century Wedgewood Creamware bowl depicting sailors on leave reciting the traditional Royal Navy wardroom toast. Entitled 'Saturday Night, Sweethearts and wives'.

Toasting originated with the English custom of flavouring wine with a piece of browned and spiced toast. In 1709 Sir Richard Steels wrote of a lady whose name was supposed to flavour a wine like spiced toast. Thus evolved the notion that the individual or institution honoured with a toast would add flavour to the wine.

The bowl was made for mixing hot punch, for which creamware, being hygenic and heat-resistant, was very suitable. Punch was first made in Western Europe during the 17th century, and it became the favourite drink for parties and assemblies in the following one. Its name, deriving from the Persian or Hindu word for 'five', refers to its five ingredients: spirits (originally Arrack from Goa or Batavia), sugar, lemon or lime, nutmeg and other spices, and water. New recipes including sweet Malaga wine, rum and brandy were introduced in the 18th century, when variants, such as

those combining gin or brandy with hot water and sugar, were also drunk.  
Josiah Wedgwood & Son, Etruria Staffordshire, 1780-1790. Printed in Liverpool by  
Guy Green (died 1799), Creamware (Queens Ware).

Price On Request

## Dimensions

- Height: 5 inches
- Diameter: 11 inches

## Item Gallery

