**Way Upstream Audition pieces**

**Keith Taylor 39 - 60**

Describes himself as a natural leader. Bumptious. Officious and an all-round know it all.

Act 1 Page 10: “Ready for off?” - “Handles like a dream”

Act2 Page 39: “What is it? What’s the matter?” – “Yes Carry on Vince. I’ll..”

**June Taylor 39 – 60**

Keith’s wife. Attractive and positive but verging on ‘Mutton’ with a filthy temper. A game bird!

Act 1 Page 15: “God, Hark at him. He can hardly manage one of us.”-“Why does he keep doing that?”

Act 1 Page 33: “I’m afraid we’re all totally new to this” - “Yes, yes. That’s him”

**Alistair 35 – 55**

Amiable. Vague. Rather ineffectual man, happy to play second fiddle.

Act 1 Page 7 : “What?” – “I hope it won’t come to that!”

Act 2 Page 80: “All right – er – all right” – “Yes right. That sounds very reasonable. Well.”

**Emma 35 – 55**

Alistair’s wife. Pleasant. Nervous. Unflamboyant but with hidden depths.

Act 1 Page 6: “It’s a lovely cabin, that is. Really nice.” – “How far are we going?”

Act 2 Page 83: “Oh no you don’t. You keep off this boat” – “Dead slow ahead”

**Mrs Hatfield 40- 70**

Efficient but harassed. Willing and accommodating. A thoroughly pleasant soul. (See Lynn from Alan Partridge)

Act 1 Page 25: “Yoo-hoo” – “There’s one just as you’re coming into the village”

**Vince 30-50**

Handsome and a consummate liar. Smooth on the outside but very rough on the inside. A thoroughly bad sort. Could be played Cockney, Aussie, West country or Irish. Menacing.

Act 2 Page 55: “Hi. Skipper tells me he’s been called away.” – “So we might as well have a party. Fleur?”

Act 2 Page 80: “You’d better keep clear of this, Lightning..” –“I’m going to smash one arm and make sure you limp for the rest of your life. Ok?”

**Fleur 20 – 40**

Attractive. Spiteful. Thoroughly unpleasant. A parasite with no moral compass.

Act 2 Page 56: “ Hallo.” – “It doesn’t sound like something you’d listen to. Hey, you’re a terrific dancer.”

**Non speaking Parts:**

Dog walking Lady -any age

Peeping Tom/Nosy parker – any age