

Stromness Regatta 2006

Report

Wow! What a great day we had for Stromness Regatta on Saturday, 14 July 2006. Perhaps just a tad short of wind for those sailing but for those of us involved in the race control it was a beautiful day for sitting in the sun, chatting about the joys of sailing and sipping water or fruit juice as we waited for the boats to come back through the finish line.

Thirty one boats competed in the Regatta and it was really good to see the return of a few yachts to the event. The turn-out by type was as follows:

Yoles (7)
Yachts (4)
Snipes (11)
Wayfarers (3)
Mixed Centreboards (4 - 2 505s, 1 Merlin Rocket, 1 RS400)
Catamarans (1 Hurricane, 1 Hobi)

This year no single-handers took part - perhaps next year??

'Thank you' to all the competitors for turning up and making this a very successful event. We hope you enjoyed it and that you will all come back next year and bring your friends along too.

Events such as these cannot take place without the combined efforts of many people. Thanks go to all those Club members who were involved in any way with the pre-event organisation and on the day and to JDB Marine who sponsored the event.

Johnny Robertson, Stromness SC Commodore, oversaw the Regatta event and the Club was delighted that Chris Irvine, Commodore of Orkney SC, agreed to come along and do the race starting, timing and finishing, assisted by Hughie MacGillivray. Mike Grainger and Isobel Tipler provided additional support on behalf of Stromness SC. John Brown and Isobel handled the boat registrations.

This year the Club was able to keep the race control activities and some of the car parking clear of the boat launch area, thanks to the generosity of Angie Sinclair in allowing access to his yard.

Safety boats are essential for any sailing event and in addition to the Stromness SC's own safety boat we were pleased to have safety boats from Orkney SC and Holm SC as well as Callum MacIver's own boat. Many thanks to all of them for loaning their boats and to those who manned the boats and sat out in the sun for so long.

After the sailing the event moved indoors to Stromness Golf Club where the sailors were provided with soup followed by mince, tatties and peas. Special thanks go to Sue Foubister who organised the catering and to Ingrid Taylor and everyone else who provided Sue with help on the day. Thanks also to Stromness Golf Club for allowing the Club to use their premises.

The Regatta came to a close with the presentation of trophies and mugs to the successful teams. The Commodore announced the results and the presentations were made by Barbara Foulkes, Area Director of VisitOrkney. The Club is especially grateful to her for being so patient as the sailing over-ran the scheduled time due to the light winds.

The following are the first three placings for each class in each race. The full results showing the finishing positions of all the boats in each race can be found by following this link to a document in the Library.

Results - Race 1

Yoles (Corrigal Challenge Cup)

- 1st *Pansy* (Ian Mackay/ Robert Mackay/Jamie Wild) - 1h 33m 52.80s
- 2nd *Helga* (William Black/Pat Tulloch/Richard Wilson) - 1h 39m 36.26s
- 3rd *Eve* (Ian Richardson/Sidney Foubister/Frances Richardson) - 1h 42m 42.3s

Yachts (Arthur Porteous Yachting Cup)

- 1st *New Dawn* (John Hinckley/Lindsay Craddock/John Ruscoe) - 1h 19m 45.90s
- 2nd *Jigsaw* (Geordie Thorpe) - 1h 22m 06.58s
- 3rd *Tsarina* (Willie Finnie/Dave Bruce/Lorraine Bruce) - 1h 25m 46.91s

Snipes (John Hourston Memorial Challenge Cup)

- 1st *Go Quickly Red* (Malcolm Tipler/Alastair Wilson)
- 2nd *Aquamania* (Malcolm Gordon/Lyndi Birss)
- 3rd *Wild Goose* (Mark Taylor/Darren McAdie)

Wayfarers (Stromness SC Class Cup)

- 1st *Smyril* (Jimmy Clouston/Elaine Gunn)
- 2nd *Andante* (Michael Miller/Laura)
- 3rd *Eclipse* (Donnie Sinclair/Lee Sinclair)

Mixed Centreboards (Stromness SC Sponess Cup)

- 1st Merlin Rocket, *Ella* (Harcus Hutchison/Ian Hutchison) - 1h 42m 35.08s
- 2nd 505, *Temeraira* (David Clouston/Michael Metska) - 1h 53m 22.66s
- 3rd 505, *Best Kens* (David Sabiston/Mick Swanney) - 1h 56m 18.94s

Catamarans (George Sutherland Cup)

- 1st Hurricane, *Kleen Gyte* (Lee Thomson/Glen McLellan) - 2h 18m 35.33s
- 2nd Hobi, *Dire Straits* (Michael Holgate/Jerry Taylor) - 2h 49m 28.01s

Results - Race 2

Allcomers(Jackie Robertson Cup)

- 1st Wayfarer, *Smyril* (Jimmy Clouston/Elaine Gunn) - 47m 38.74s
- 2nd 505, *Best Kens* (David Sabiston/Mick Swanney) - 47m 59.55s
- 3rd Snipe, *Nemo* (Neil Foubister/Carrie Stockan) - 48m 07.14s

Fred Johnston Trophy for first Snipe in the Allcomers

Nemo (Neil Foubister/Carrie Stockan)

Yoles (Stromness SC Blue Riband)

- 1st *Helga* (William Black/Pat Tulloch/Richard Wilson) - 1h 9m 15.00s
- 2nd *Eve* (Ian Richardson/Sidney Foubister/Frances Richardson) - 1h 24m 02.53s
- 3rd *Gremsa* (Len Wilson/Maurice Davidson/Sheena Taylor) - 1h 32m 53.26s

Yachts (Stromness SC Yachts Trophy)

- 1st *Shiant* (Bob Farrer) - 33m 30.25s
- 2nd *Tsarina* (Willie Finnie/Dave Bruce/Lorraine Bruce) - 35m 56.62s
- 3rd *New Dawn* (John Hinckley/Lindsay Craddock/John Ruscoe) - 36m 41.94s

Catamarans (Glass Cup)

- 1st Hurricane, *Kleen Gyte* (Lee Thomson/Glen McLellan) - 53m 46.28s
- 2nd Hobi, *Dire Straits* (Michael Holgate/Jerry Taylor) - 57m 31.61s