

## **Stromness Sailing Club**

The 2012 summer sailing season began on Thursday, 3 May with five Snipes turning out for the first races of the May Tankard and the Crew series. The wind was a rather chilly north westerly and course 8 was used – roll on summer! All of the skipper and crew partnerships were different from the usual pairings from last year and it was good to see three of the juniors out on the water plus a visitor.

The first and third races counted towards the May Tankard series and it was Wild Goose and Hassfang that vied for first and second place, with Double Dutch third while Humdinger and Scooby fought it out for fourth and fifth place. The second race was the first Crew Race of the May to July Crew Series. Three of the five crews took the helm for the Crew Race but, of those, only Ed Johnstone and Thorfinn Johnston scored points towards the Crew Series as the third crew racing was a visitor to the Club.

The full results were as follows:

**Race 1:** 1 Wild Goose (Mark Taylor/Ed Johnstone), 2 Hassfang (Chris Moore/Nathan Omand), 3 Double Dutch (Kenny Holland/Jeremy Michell), 4 Humdinger (Barry Jones/Paula Hemsley), 5 Scooby (Donnie Hall/Thorfinn Johnston)

**Race 2 Crew Race:** 1 Ed Johnstone (Wild Goose), 2 Jeremy Michell (Double Dutch), 3 Thorfinn Johnston (Scooby)

**Race 3:** 1 Hassfang, 2 Wild Goose, 3 Double Dutch, 4 Scooby, 5 Humdinger

Dave Wishart and Finley Hall manned the safety boat and Iso and Malcolm Tipler did the race starting.

We hope to see a few more boats, skippers and crew out on the water soon.

**Iso Tipler**