

Sailing Secretary Report 2015

The weather station mounted on the fence behind the clubhouse records the wind strength; very different from that at boat level. The first sailing day on 29 March was one of the windiest I have known at Aquarius; 15 to 26 mph in the morning rising to a maximum of 46 mph in the afternoon. 3 boats ventured out in the morning but had to be towed back to the ramp.

There were ideal conditions for a very successful RYA Push the Boat Out Open days; we had a record number of visitors (90) and many joined.

Unfortunately we couldn't go to Bewl this year because they had problems and are in administration.

It was a fine warm evening, but not much wind for 16 members (2 patrol boats, a row boat and a Laser) for the Midsummer Madness cruise through Sunbury Lock to the Weir Hotel for a meal.

For a good sail upstream an East wind is needed so the Cundy Trophy Long Distance race is held when conditions are suitable. Sunday 27 September was ideal with a steady force 2 to 3 East wind and 8 boats had an excellent sail to Rivermead Island Sunbury.

A printed report of each race entry, series results, summaries and other items are in the Race Result folder that is normally kept in the book case and they are on the website <http://www.sailaquarius.org.uk/>. The Entries All Races report (raceentries.pdf) includes actual and corrected times per lap for Boat and Personal Handicap for all races. There are graphs of the wind speed, from the weather station, on the website for most race days.

I thank all our duty officers for their reliable support; without them we couldn't race. In particular I would like to thank Pat Irving for preparing a super BBQ lunch every Sunday and maintaining a good stock of ice creams which are very popular.

Richard Cannon, Sailing Secretary

2015 PRIZES

As usual all series racing trophies, except the Broken Boom which is for the overall best Boat Handicap result (decided by the highest Rank Points for Boat Handicap) have been allocated to Personal Handicap results.

The race series match those of last year and the same trophies have been awarded. Everyone who had a 1st, 2nd, or 3rd for Boat Handicap or Personal Handicap result in a main series, the Easter Egg or the Regatta have been included in the ranking and receive prizes; the fun series are excluded.

If helm capsizes or have any other incident, event or breakage would they please make sure it is recorded on the race sheet so it can be include in my result records; needed to allocate the Water Rat Trophy. Also it is important that all boats have sail numbers and a boat always uses the same sail number else the analysis of boat use is wrong.

Graham has been very dominant again and of the five main series won four on boat handicap and three on Personal Handicap; the same as last year. He entered an incredible 80 races out of the 93 races held; the next highest is Mike Baker with 59 races. Josh Watson-Evans has done very well in his first sailing season; he receives the Tumbling Waters trophy for most improved helm.

PRIZE POINTS

The following table lists the points of helms that were in the first three places for Boat Handicap or Personal Handicap in any series, except the Fun and Training Fun Cruising series. One point is given for each 3rd, two points for each 2nd and 3 points for each 1st place. Ranking is according to the total number of points obtained; rank gives an indication of overall performance including BH and PH results. There were some close results with 3 ties for 1st place, 1 for 2nd place and a tie for 2nd Rank position; **Big Bold** numbers indicate ties. If there is a tie for a trophy it goes to the helm with the most 1st places.

Series	Autumn		SPA		Spring		Sprint		Summer		Easter		Regatta		Rank			
Handicap	BH	PH	BH	PH	BH	PH	BH	PH	BH	PH	BH	PH	BH	PH	Points		Position	
Name	Places														BH	PH	Total	
G Thompson	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	1					14	13	27	1
R Cannon					3	2	3	3	3	2	1	1	3	1	7	11	18	2
M Baker	1	3	2	2	2				1	3			1	3	13	5	18	2
P Halling			3	2			2	1							3	5	8	4
R Wheeler												3	1	1	3	4	7	5
N Knowles	3	1									2				3	3	6	6
B Clements						3					3	2			1	3	4	7

Trophies 2015

SERIES	TROPHY	MEMBER	Number of races H = Helm, C = Crew
Autumn PH	Cruiser Cup	Nigel Knowles	56 races, 55H, 1C, rank 6
Spa PH	Saturday Trophy	Graham Thompson	80 races, 80H, 0C, rank 1
Spring PH	Handicap Class	Graham Thompson	
Summer PH	Laser Cup	Graham Thompson	
Boat Handicap Result	Broken Boom	Graham Thompson	
Long Distance	Cundy Trophy	Trudi Hilton	4 races, 4H, 0C
Sprint PH	Enterprise Cup	Pat Halling	29 races, 29H, 0C, rank 4
Event	Water Rat	Bryan Clements	42 races, 38H, 4C, rank 7
		For getting his feet wet capsizing with Graham and Bosun	
3 place or better in a series	Glass	Mike Baker	59 races, 57H, 2C, rank 2
	Glass	Richard Cannon	46 races, 43H, 3C, rank 2
	Glass	Rodger Wheeler	57 races, 54H, 3C, rank 5
Most improved helm	Tumbling Waters	Josh Watson-Evans	15 races, 15H, 0C
Young Helm			

Received No Other Prize

Most Races	Summer Afternoon	Joan Courtney	14 races, 1H, 13C
Most Crewed	Water Main	Joan Courtney	

10 members receive prizes of whom 7 receive trophies.

RANK	MEMBER	SERIES TROPHY
1	Graham Thompson Spa PH	Saturday Trophy
	Graham Thompson Spring PH	Handicap Class (Water Main)
	Graham Thompson Summer PH	Laser Cup
	Graham Thompson Boat Handicap	Broken Boom
2	Mike Baker	3 place or better Glass
2	Richard Cannon	3 place or better Glass
4	Pat Halling	Sprint PH Enterprise Cup
5	Rodger Wheeler	3 place or better Glass
6	Nigel Knowles	Autumn PH Cruiser Cup
7	Bryan Clements	Event Water Rat
	Trudi Hilton	Long Distance Cundy Trophy (27 Sep)
	Josh Watson-Evans	Most improved Tumbling Waters
	Joan Courtney	Most Races (14) Summer Afternoon
	Joan Courtney	Most Crewed (13) Water Main