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# Sheppey Yacht Club

MARINE PARADE \* SHEERNESS \* Tel: 3052

22nd Island Race - 6th September ~~1980~~ 1981

This year's Island Race sponsored by the Rush and Tompkin Group attracted 102 entries from over 30 clubs with competitors coming from as far afield as Burnham, Chesham, Harrow and Hayes Middlesex, Kings Lynn, Lewes, Milton Keynes, Nantwich and Sandbach Cheshire, Potters Bar and St. Albans, as well as part of Kent.

Whilst the race was threatened with a sea mist and no wind, conditions improved and all four starts at half hour intervals proceeded on time commencing at 10.30 a.m. All starts were affected by the light wind, particularly the first two starts for slow and medium handicap dinghies. However, the conditions improved as the wind filled in from the east and competitors enjoyed a full days sailing. Times varied considerably for the circumnavigation, the fastest catamaran taking 4 hours 21 mins 43 secs, whereas the slowest dinghy took 9 hours 14 mins 27 secs and was given a great cheer on going over the finish line.

Thirty classes of dinghies and catamarans took part with the larger fleets being Laser (14), GP14 (13), Scorpion (11), 505 (6), Mirror (6) and Enterprise (6).

The main awards were as follows:-

## SHEPPEY YACHT CLUB - 22nd ISLAND RACE RESULTS

### Times-Guardian Island Cup - All craft on Handicap

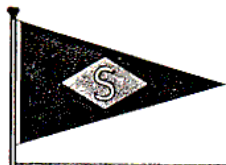
- 1st Moonlight Osprey 905 Helm R. Shaw  
Crew J. Burgess of Creeksea S.C.
- 2nd Hitch Hiker Albacore 7145 Helm D. Sinnock  
Crew M. Fry of Herne Bay S.C.
- 3rd Briony Bee GP14 3233 Helm N. Colbourne  
Crew H. Strafford of Winsford Flash S.C.

### Rush & Tompkins Cup - 1st Dinghy on Handicap

Moonlight, as above

### Bartling Line Honours Cup - 1st Dinghy elapsed time

Moonlight, as above



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## The Abbott Salver - 1st locally based Dinghy

Little Miss Scorpion 1040 Helm T. Bell  
Crew C. Saunders of Sheppey Y.C.

## The Sheppey Boat Club Cup - 1st Catamaran on Handicap

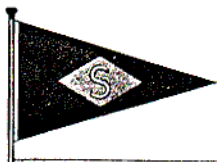
Pottertykes Tan Dart 1229 Helm G. Lewin  
Crew M. Ellis of Catamaran Y.C.

Sheppey Yacht Club Members won the following fleet prizes:-

GP14 2nd G. Coster and I. Patey sailing Bionic Bell  
Scorpion 1st T. Bell and C. Saunders sailing Little Miss  
2nd A. Bracher and Vera Whitehouse sailing Lettuce  
505 1st J. Sherburn and P. Wiseman sailing 2549

A full race results list is posted in the Club House, club boats finished as follows:-

Position	Helm	Crew	Class	Name of Boat
9	T. Bell	C. Saunders	Scorpion	Little Miss
13	A. Bracher	V. Whitehouse	"	Lettuce
15	M. Strange	K. Tilsed	"	Shee
17	J. Sherburn	P. Wiseman	505	2549
18	R. Taylor	M. Hewitt	Osprey	Tempest
24	I. Brunger	S. Hampshire	Scorpion	Hard Rock
25	R. Gallacher		Laser	Auro-Bop
29	G. Thrower		"	Floating Vote
32	M. Kirby	C. Classe	505	5515
34	R. Grimsdell	R. Grimsdell	505	Last Knicker
35	G. Coster	I. Patey	GP14	Bionic Bell
42	B. Rowswell	N. Hills	Scorpion	Battle Axe
43	A. Sutton	P. Colpitts	"	Wotsitorlabout
46	L. Buttenshaw		Laser	Quick Slurp
50	P. Telling	D. Telling	GP14	Kipper
51	C. Hughill	T. Rothwell	Scorpion	1744
53	M. Cowham	P. Cowham	GP14	Bas Bleu
54	W. Howatson	M. Collier	Mirror	28016
62	J. Ling	V. Cass	GP14	Ptarmigan
63	G. Bell	E. Eveleigh	505	Cap'n. Pugwash
64	P. Sherriff		Laser	64072
66	P. Horne	P. Horne	GP14	
69	K. Jones		Laser	Zig Zag



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Position	Helm	Crew	Class	Name of Boat
70	T. Squire	R. Brown	Enterprise	Sunspot
71	B. Ward	J. Ward	420	Jackitin
72	D. Banks	H. Banks	Signet	Runnin' Flush
75	J. Everest	C. Everest	Mirror	33374
76	A. Beckett		Topper	Chistera
77	R. Montague	D. Bennett	GP14	Tiki
80	F. Bellion	A. Davidson	GP14	Four Star
81	P. Redding	P. Beck	Enterprise	583
84	J. Dyer	C. Howard	Mirror	32768
85	G. Beare	J. Burrige	Signet	RG-G
86	B. Lawrence	R. Beck	Mirror	May
87	J. Williams	D. Morris	Pegasus	229
89	A. Walker		Laser	Tweedle
90	L. Collins	K. Bridge	Merlin Rocket	Siegfried

## Did not sign on

K. Brown	Boobier	Mirror	49032
R. Openshaw	C. Ensoll	505	Razzle Dazzle
A. Connellan	B. Connellan	NAT.12	Wild Oak

## Retired

M. Garland	S. Garland	GP14	Cariad
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As you can see, the event was well supported by club members. I would like to thank all who assisted before and on the day. Unfortunately I will not be able to thank them all by letter. This would take all my spare time from now till Christmas. I do not propose to list everyone here for fear of leaving someone out. However, I would particularly like to thank Tim Bell, Commodore, Stan Hampshire, Rear Commodore Sheerness, together with the sailing committee, Alan Hills and the Bar Staff, Lesley Kattenham and her ladies in the Kitchen, Jack Grimsdell, Official Starter and timekeeper for the event, together with all the tower staff, Rescue Boat Crews, Beach and Bridge Party, Peter Horne, Jim Dyer and my wife Sheila.

Ken Beckett  
Island Race Organiser