

Informal Shrimper Fest 2020



Eighteen Shrimper 19s, and one Shrimper 21 took part in the Informal Shrimper Fest held over the 11th to the 14th September. The weather was fantastic, with three days of warm sunshine and suitable winds.

Day one comprised a standard race held in Hawkers Cove. This event was won by Haggis, only due to the generosity of Salamander, who decided to miss the finish line completely at the first attempt! Strongest boat in the fleet was Tern.

In the evening, some of the fleet enjoyed the Club fish and chips on the quay to round off the day.



Day two was a team relay race. Four boats per team, who each did one leg of the course and then the next team member took over. Each boat eventually did the full course. The blue team of Haggis, Tern, Chameleon and Drifter were the winners, with last place fought tooth and nail between the yellow and red teams represented by Salamander and African Jacana, with Salamander coming out on top.



The evening BBQ was well-supported on the quay, with much discussion as to who slowed each team!

Day Three was a Le Mans-style start off the beach in tenders; a race with penalties for being in the lead, a dash home on engines, de-rig and first back to the beach. The first boat to the start line was Chough, the boat that kept the lead on the course for the longest time was Jersey Girl and first back to the beach (but only just) was Chameleon from Boniti and Salamander.

In the evening a dinner was hosted by Dave and Jacky Hall; canapés were supplied by Sheena and Sue, puddings were provided by Lynne, Sheena and Wendy. Novelty prizes were given to deserving boats.



Day four started with twelve golfers playing a Dallas Scramble competition on the Holywell course, all organised by Fiona, with the winners (by five shots) being Julien, Nick and Alastair.

Then, after lunch, the fleet set off on a cruise round Newlands. A run and broad reach out in glorious sunshine and a long beat back in.

