**Captain’s Report for the Logicalis Gorey Regatta 2018**

**A very successful 2018 Regatta started with the Ken Podger memorial informal skipper’s briefing at the Dolphin Pub on Gorey pier, where sailors could meet up, and discuss the forthcoming event over a drink in Ken’s name.**

**The sailing was expertly handled by an experienced committee, headed up by Bill Harris, who had presented the Sailing Instructions in good time, and I would like to extend my thanks to him and his team for their continued support.**

**e was a very pleasing turnout as usual from St. Catherine’s Sailing Club in the dinghy fleet with support from their own safety fleet, and mother ship, ‘Mon Amie’ which worked well as a photo boat and excellent shots by Simon Ropert of all the sailors in the glorious sunshine.**

**Saturday’s social Event was well attended on the beach with the use of the Association’s BBQ’s and a “bring your own” invitation to all. The juniors, especially, seemed to enjoy the late afternoon, extending water time and making new friends. This format has been added and proposed again for the 2019 event.**

**Although less yachts entered this year than in previous Regattas, there was a closely raced series on Sunday for them, (the Yangtze cup) and I would like to promote this further for local boats in the harbour and those who can remain overnight.**

**The regular format of prize giving at the Moorings Hotel worked well again, with Logicalis represented by Jon Critchard (Managing Director) who seemed happy to support the event for the foreseeable future, and we are most grateful for their continued support.**

**Below is the report after the event from Philip Jeune who has handled the advertising and media for the last few years, my thanks to him, and all of the committee who have put in the hours to make this a continued success for the future of sailing in the Channel Islands.**

**Justin Horton, Captain, Gorey Regatta Association**

**June 2019**

**LOGICALIS GOREY REGATTA 2018**

Fantastic weather conditions made for a highly successful Logicalis Gorey Regatta at the weekend – the 161st occasion this popular event has taken place.

Race Officer Bill Harris and his team at the end of Gorey Pier had a challenging time determining courses for the various classes in the light and variable wind conditions as dinghies, cruisers and dayboats competed for 23 trophies and cups under the clear blue skies.

As always the event attracted experienced yachtsmen from St Helier Yacht Club and young sailors from St Catherine’s Sailing Club – a mixture of skills and ages that makes the regatta a great community event on the Island’s nautical calendar.

There was also a French participant this year – Pierre Le Goupil from Carteret in his yacht Freebooters - who went home with a trophy in the cruiser class.

The dinghy classes attracted a large and enthusiastic entry, with Tom Pollard in his Laser adding three more cups to his trophy cabinet.

Tom is one of Jersey’s most experienced young sailors but a trophy was also awarded to someone with much less experience, Olivia Forbes, who won the Morning Cloud Trophy, presented at the discretion of the sailing committee, for perseverance in finishing all four races in her very first regatta.

Speaking at the prize-giving ceremony at the Moorings Hotel, Gorey Regatta Association Captain Justin Horton praised all the volunteers both ashore and afloat for making the regatta such a success and gave special thanks to Logicalis who have supported this historic event for many years.

**All photographs by SIMON ROPERT.**

**MAJOR RESULTS**

**CRUISERS**

Stevens Centenary Challenge & Glendewar Challenge: Allen Brown (The Dog’s…); Le Riche Challenge & Commodores Cup: Julian Barber (Super Q); Richardson Trophy: Malcolm Le Couteur (Mic Mac); C Austin Potter Trophy & Yangstze Cup: Paul Ellison (La Vitesse); Fairey Cup: Pierre Le Goupil (Freebooters).

**DAYBOATS**

Orviss Challenge Cup & Frank Jeune Trophy: Ben Jones (Baloo).

**DINGHIES**

Fifth Gorey & Marmotier Trophy: Olin Rogers (Puff); Assinder Cup, Norman Challenge Cup & Perchard Memorial: Tom Pollard (Laser standard); George Thomas Labey Memorial Trophy & Rosel Bowl: Tom Blackstone (Laser 4.7); Ecrehos Trophy: Grace Sherrington (Monkey Business); Fourth Gorey: Charlie Cadin (Laser Standard);

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Morning Cloud Trophy: Olivia Forbes.