

Brass Monkey 3 Race Report

A chill easterly breeze of steady 16 knot strength, occasionally gusting up to 25 tested the resolve of eleven Liverpool Yacht Club crews this afternoon as in this wind the temperature plunged way below freezing.

The four class one yachts, Dinamite-Tee, Another Nods, Daydream Believer and The 'F' Word' powered upriver in a clean start, with Musketeer, Quattro ,Mistoffelees and Skukusa for company in class two and Clarevouyant, Di-Rich and Legless for class three, all on a beam reach

An impressive sight as the fleets separated on their different paths across and back the river following two interesting and challenging courses set by Race Officer Jeanette Hardy.

The winds throughout the race continued to give the crews plenty to think about as spinnakers were hoisted and lowered in quick succession.

Great 'match racing' developed around the river. Glynn Sheffield's Dinamite Tee going head to head with Richard Booths Another Nods for their full hour and a half race which ended in Glynn edging over the finish line 32 seconds ahead of Richard.. Jim Cartwright's Daydream Believer finished a couple of minutes ahead of Andy Farrell's The 'F' Word but was beaten on handicap.

Class two saw the usual contest between Quattro (first time out this year) and Musketeer. This time Mike Inmans Sigma 33 Musketeer had the edge.

The fast improving Mistoffelees of Andy Freeney beat off the challenge of Stuart Lofthouses' Skukusa to the line, but not the TCF differential.

A great contest between Annie Ward and Andy Napper's Di-Rich and Warwick Telfer's Clarevouyant went on up and down the river for class three supremacy, with Clarevouyant stealing both line and handicap honours.

Both yachts incidentally faring very favourably with class two times.

Welcome back to Dave Hughes and Legless who, first time out this year, finished third in a very respectable time.

Class 1

- 1. Dinamite-Tee**
- 2. Another Nods**
- 3. The 'F' Word**
- 4. Daydream Believer**

Class 2

- Musketeer**
- Quattro**
- Skukusa**
- Mistoffelees**

Class 3

- Clarevouyant**
- Di-Rich**
- Legless**