

## Wealden Sailability 2023 Racing News

19<sup>th</sup> October 2023, Sailability v WoW Team Race

### Wealden Sailability WoW Race Results 19 October.xls

Comet Topper D303 S303 Liberty H2.3	Ports mouth Yard stick	Sail No	Sailor	Elapsed Time MM.SS	Secs after 1st Start	Elapsed Secs adj for Start Time	Laps	Seconds ProRated To Max Laps	Corrected Seconds	Diff	Combined Positions	Sailability Positions
Topper	1369	43931	Doug	38.17		2297	4	2297.00	1677.87		1	
Topper	1369	34337	Polly	41.22	180	2302	4	2302.00	1681.52	3.65	2	
Liberty	1480	23	Mark Rainbow	36.03	180	1983	3	2644.00	1786.49	104.97	3	1
Liberty	1480	25	Peter Wagner	36.09	180	1989	3	2652.00	1791.89	5.41	4	2
Comet	1210	890	Marion	36.16		2176	4	2176.00	1798.35	6.46	5	
Comet	1210	677	Kay	37.38		2258	4	2258.00	1866.12	67.77	6	
D303	1630	10	Robert McNamara	41.06	180	2286	3	3048.00	1869.94	3.82	8	3
D303	1630	8	Sebastian	41.42	180	2322	3	3096.00	1899.39	29.45	9	4
Comet	1210	803	Sue	38.50		2330	4	2330.00	1925.62	26.23	10	
Comet	1210	466	Angie	39.18		2358	4	2358.00	1948.76	23.14	11	
Comet	1210	252	Jilly	39.23		2363	4	2363.00	1952.89	4.13	12	
D303	1630	5	Chris Green	42.52	180	2392	3	3189.33	1956.65	3.75	13	5
Liberty	1480	24	Derek Preston	39.40	180	2200	3	2933.33	1981.98	25.34	14	6
Comet	1210	214	Cath	40.10		2410	4	2410.00	1991.74	9.75	15	
D303	1630	3	Nathaniel	43.55	180	2455	3	3273.33	2008.18	16.44	16	7
S303	1580	2	Steve Farmer	42.45	180	2385	3	3180.00	2012.66	4.48	17	8
D303	1630	11	Charlie Lindsay	44.59	180	2519	3	3358.67	2060.53	47.87	18	9
D303	1630	12	Kelly Tripp	47.48	180	2688	3	3584.00	2198.77	138.24	19	10
D303	1630	6	Imogen Fletcher	47.52	180	2692	3	3589.33	2202.04	3.27	20	11
D303	1630	4	Clive Mealins	48.43	180	2743	3	3657.33	2243.76	41.72	21	12
D303	1630	7	Elisabeth Green	24.48	180	1308	1	5232.00	3209.82	966.05	22	13
H2.3	1925	1744	Tom Phillips	38.30	180	2130	1	8520.00	4425.97	1216.16	23	14

5<sup>th</sup> October 2023, Sailability Racing

### Wealden Sailability Race Results 5th October 2023.xls

Class	Port Y'stick	Sail No	Sailor	Elapsed Time MM.SS	Elapsed Seconds	Laps	Seconds ProRated to Max Laps	Corrected Seconds	Position
Liberty	1480	23	Mark Rainbow	28.50	1730	3	1730.00	1168.92	1
Liberty	1480	21	Mike Blatchford	30.20	1820	3	1820.00	1229.73	2
D303	1630	4	Robert MacNamara	33.47	2027	3	2027.00	1243.56	3
D303	1630	3	Kelly Tripp	33.51	2031	3	2031.00	1246.01	4
Liberty	1480	24	Derek Preston	31.31	1891	3	1891.00	1277.70	5
D303	1630	2	Imogen Fletcher	34.48	2088	3	2088.00	1280.98	6
Liberty	1480	25	Martin Norman	32.07	1927	3	1927.00	1302.03	7
D303	1630	6	Clive Mealin	37.50	2270	3	2270.00	1392.64	8
D303	1630	11	James Pooley	38.28	2308	3	2308.00	1415.95	9
S303	1580	10	Steve Farmer	38.45	2325	3	2325.00	1471.52	10
D303	1630	9	Elisabeth Green	44.28	2668	3	2668.00	1636.81	11
H2.3	1925	1744	Tom Phillips	19.25	1165	1	3495.00	1815.58	12
D303	1630	12	Darnish					DNF	

## 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023 Sailability Racing

### Wealden Sailability Race Results 28th September 2023.xls

Class	Port Y'stick	Sail No	Sailor	Elapsed Time MM.SS	Elapsed Seconds	Laps	Seconds ProRated to Max Laps	Corrected Seconds	Position
Liberty	1480	24	Derek Preston	24.14	1454	2	1454.00	982.43	1
Liberty	1480	23	Mark Rainbow	25.32	1532	2	1532.00	1035.14	2
D303	1630	12	Imogen Fletcher	29.34	1774	2	1774.00	1088.34	3
Liberty	1480	25	Peter Wagner	27.45	1665	2	1665.00	1125.00	4
Liberty	1480	22	Martin Norman	28.03	1683	2	1683.00	1137.16	5
D303	1630	8	James Pooley	31.43	1903	2	1903.00	1167.48	6
D303	1630	4	Rowan Nichols	31.45	1905	2	1905.00	1168.71	7
S303	1580	9	Steve Farmer	31.12	1872	2	1872.00	1184.81	8
D303	1630	7	Kelly Tripp	34.11	2051	2	2051.00	1258.28	9
D303	1630	10	Elisabeth Green	35.23	2123	2	2123.00	1302.45	10
D303	1630	6	Chris Green	25.36	1536	1	3072.00	1884.66	11

## 21<sup>st</sup> September 2023 Sailability Racing

### Wealden Sailability Race Results 21st September 2023.xls

Class	Port Y'stick	Sail No	Sailor	Elapsed Time MM.SS	Elapsed Seconds	Laps	Seconds ProRated to Max Laps	Corrected Seconds	Position
D303	1630	6	clive Mealin	37.10	2230	2	2230.00	1368.10	1
D303	1630	4	Harry Fisher	38.25	2305	2	2305.00	1414.11	2
D303	1630	3	james Pooley	46.50	2810	2	2810.00	1723.93	3
D303	1630	9	Elisabeth Green	49.06	2946	2	2946.00	1807.36	4
Liberty	1480	23	Martin Norman	45.30	2730	2	2730.00	1844.59	5
Liberty	1480	22	Mark Rainbow	47.43	2863	2	2863.00	1934.46	6
Liberty	1480	25	Peter Wagner	47.52	2872	2	2872.00	1940.54	7
D303	1630	12	Christopher Green	53.41	3221	2	3221.00	1976.07	8
H2.3	1925	1744	Tom Phillips	33.48	2028	1	4056.00	2107.01	9
D303	1630	11	Kelly Tripp					RTD	

## 7<sup>th</sup> September 2023 Sailability Racing

A perfect sunny warm day, just missing that one element we all enjoy – WIND. Paul was in the Race Hut, much helped by Chris Wagner on the Pontoons.

Occasional ripples raised hope, but the practice race saw only the lightest breeze. Peter Wagner (24) timed his run well, though even he took 40



seconds to cross the line. It gradually became clear that others had decided to save their energy, with Peter returning back to the start line after 4 minutes. In due

course, the Practice race was abandoned, with Martin Norman (22) still only half way to the first mark. The Commando helped him back for the Points Race start.

The Points race saw no more wind but this time it was Martin who made the perfect start, with Robert McNamara his nearest pursuer. In fact the start was so perfect that it was most reassuring to be able to review our VAR as below, and see he really didn't cross the line until 1 second later.



By 40 seconds, Robert had got to the line followed by Imogen Fletcher (23), Harry Fisher (7), Clive Mealins (12) Elizabeth Green (4), Peter Wagner (24) and in the background Tom Phillips (1744) & Kelly Tripp.



In the meantime, Martin was "charging" off to D, reaching it 14 minutes into the race (after confirming it was to be left to Port).



And so the race progressed, albeit slowly. Harry (7) hauled in and passed Clive (12) on the way down to B, before Clive (12) 50 yards from the mark, crossed behind to claim water. At this stage, the Commando advised all the race was shortened to 1 lap.



At C, it was still close, with Harry gradually pulling away, whilst Elizabeth lost all way at C, with both Peter 23) & James Pooley (2) catching up from last, finally sneaking through.

Cold drinks were very welcome.



### Wealden Sailability Race Results 7 September 2023

Class	Port Y'stick	Sail No	Sailor	Finishing Time MM.SS	Laps	Elapsed Seconds	Seconds ProRated to Max Laps	Corrected Seconds	Posn
Liberty	1480	22	Martin Norman	30.08	1	1808	1808	1221.62	1
D303	1630	12	Clive Mealin	37.45	1	2265	2265	1389.57	2
D303	1630	8	Robert MacNamara	38.57	1	2297	2297	1409.20	3
D303	1630	7	Harry Fisher	38.37	1	2317	2317	1421.47	4
Liberty	1480	24	Peter Wagner	39.50	1	2350	2350	1587.84	5
D303	1630	2	James Pooley	44.00	1	2640	2640	1619.63	6
D303	1630	4	Elisabeth Green	45.58	1	2718	2718	1667.48	7
Liberty	1480	23	Imogen Fletcher	RTD					
D303	1630	10	Kelly Tripp	RTD					
H2.3	1925	1744	Tom Phillips	RTD					

### 31st August 2023 Sailability Racing

Chris Williams, the Race Officer for the day, and Helen were warm and dry during the race while the racers were in the drizzling cold rain with no wind. It was a very damp, windless squib so Chris decided to turn the practice race into the race. He ignored, quite rightly, the additional help skippers were getting from paddling, pushing boats and wagging rudders especially around 'A' which was a platform of static boats. A whisper of wind came and the fleet managed to complete one lap.

Amazingly, the bedraggled clients left their boats with happy smiles having enjoyed the 'race'.

### Wealden Sailability Race Results 31st August 2023.xls

Liberty D303 H2.3 S303	Port Y'stick	Sail No	Sailor	Elapsed Time MM.SS	Elapsed Seconds	Laps	Seconds ProRated to Max Laps	Corrected Seconds	Position
d303	1630	7	James Pooley	27.04	1624	1	1624.00	996.32	1
d303	1630	2	russell	28.06	1686	1	1686.00	1034.36	2
d303	1630	11	Imogen Fletcher	28.50	1730	1	1730.00	1061.35	3
d303	1630	8	Martin Norman	30.15	1815	1	1815.00	1113.50	4
liberty	1480	23	Mike Blatchford	29.20	1760	1	1760.00	1189.19	5
d303	1630	4	Clive Mealin	34.56	2096	1	2096.00	1285.89	6
d303	1630	12	Elisabeth Green	35.07	2107	1	2107.00	1292.64	7

## 24<sup>th</sup> August 2023 Sailability & WoW Racing

At 9am, there was a complete calm on the lake, though the forecast was up to 12mph by 11-12. Buoys B & C were dragged towards the centre of the lake away from the North bank to maximise chance of wind. The following shows the Practice race start with very little wind, and interesting so how it had unfolded after 5 mins.



However it needed to be finished at B, to ensure boats were back in time for 11.20 start and also out of the way in time for the 11.17 WoW start.



The wind was still very light and this series shows how the WoW start evolved and how close were 3 Comets at the moment of the start, despite following very different starting strategies.



By 11.20 for the Sailability start, even that lightest of winds had disappeared, with 1 unfortunate Comet still trying to start.



Despite being close the line, it was nearly 2 mins before the 1<sup>st</sup> Sailability boat crossed the start line, and even then there was only the lightest whisper. By 11.24, Sailability was heading for C whilst the first Wow Comet was heading towards D.



By nearly 11.25, the 2 Comets had stormed through the Sailability fleet, whilst our fleet were still inching towards C, though with a few more indications of wind appearing.



By 11.31, a few 303s had sneaked around B heading towards D, with a Liberty in pursuit whilst keeping a Comet in range



By 11.34, the rest of the fleet had left B or were closing in on it, with the first 2 Comets chasing them down but on their the 2<sup>nd</sup> lap. And so the race continued with the wind gradually increasing.



As the 2 Comets came down to D on the last lap, 677 claimed water on 466, and pulled away well up to this finish.



The 2.3s were enjoying a close race and were finished after 1 lap, though 1 was enjoying it so much, they went on for another lap.



And so the Sailability race unfolded with Kelly Tripp finishing first on the water followed by Martin Norman. And these finishes produced the combined and separate results shown below.



## 17<sup>th</sup> August 2023 – A great breeze

D303 S303 Liberty H2.3	Ports mouth Yard stick	Sail No	Sailor	Elapsed Time MM.SS	Secs after 1st Start	Elapsed Secs adj for Start Time	Laps	Seconds ProRated to Max Laps	Corrected Seconds	Difference	Combined Positions	Sailability Positions
Comet	1210	677	Kay	33.13		1993	3	1993.00	1647.11		1	
Comet	1210	466	Angie	33.54		2034	3	2034.00	1680.99	33.88	2	
D303	1630	11	Kelly Tripp	38.04	180	2104	2	3156.00	1936.20	255.20	3	1
Comet	1210	803	Sue	39.43		2383	3	2383.00	1969.42	33.23	4	
Comet	1210	185	Maggie	41.25		2485	3	2485.00	2053.72	84.30	5	
Laser	1150	112147	Shirley	40.32		2432	3	2432.00	2114.78	61.06	6	
Liberty	1480	25	Martin Norman	39.33	180	2193	2	3289.50	2222.64	107.85	7	2
D303	1630	8	Chns Ollie	43.43	180	2443	2	3664.50	2248.16	25.52	8	3
D303	1630	4	James pooley	44.08	180	2468	2	3702.00	2271.17	23.01	9	4
Liberty	1480	24	Peter Wagner	40.46	180	2266	2	3399.00	2296.62	25.46	10	5
Liberty	1480	22	Mike Blatchford	44.09	180	2469	2	3703.50	2502.36	205.74	11	6
D303	1630	12	Elizabeth	51.04	180	2884	2	4326.00	2653.99	151.62	12	7
D303	1630	2	Jessica V	52.40	180	2980	2	4470.00	2742.33	88.34		
H2.3	1925	1744	Lawrence	34.25	180	1885	1	5655.00	2937.66	195.33		
H2.3	1925	1645	Tom	35.45	180	1965	1	5895.00	3062.34	124.68	13	8

## 17<sup>th</sup> August 2023 – A great breeze

What a day for fun sailing, with sun, warmth & a good Force 3 breeze of 8-12 mph, with occasional gusts of Force 4. With reefs available for those who wanted a more manageable. With such a good Easterly (most of the time – it is Chipstead after all) breeze, and in agreement with WoW, the course was extended to J, with a long run down to B, then a fetch to C with another to Flag, so today's acronym was – **Just Bring Chipstead's Flag.**

In addition to the regular team of Paul & Helen, we were joined by Lucy, Angela Cartwright's grand daughter. Lucy "gonged" in all the finishers in the Practice race, and worked with Helen to record all racers' lap times. Thanks Lucy for your help, and do join us again in the future.

After 1 min 40, Peter Wagner had pulled out a short lead over a fleet of Lawrence, Kelly Tripp, Clive Mealin, James Pooley with Imogen Fletcher & Derek Preston a little way back.



As the fleet moved away from J, at 11.25.35, Lawrence had nudged ahead of Peter Wagner, with Clive Mealin nearby, and Martin Norman rounding the mark. Whilst Derek Preston is planning his tacks to J.

As they closed on B, Martin Norman had had a great run and was so close, but not close enough to call "water" on Peter, and Lawrence wasn't being left behind.



Gradually Peter pulled away, and despite a 360 after being slammed by the wind onto C on the last lap, he came home 52 seconds ahead of Martin. 69 seconds back, Single handed, was Lawrence, with Kelly, Double handed, only a further 48 seconds later.

Overall, Kelly was 1<sup>st</sup> with James Pooley, 2<sup>nd</sup>, followed closely by Peter Wagner, then Martin Norman. Full results below.

	Ports mouth Yard stick	Sail No	Sailor	Elapsed Time MM.SS	Laps	Elapsed Seconds	Seconds ProRated to Max Laps	Corrected Seconds	Difference	Posn
D303	1630	11	Kelly Trip	33.51	3	1991	1991	1221.47		1
S303	1580	4	Lawrence	33.03	3	1983	1983	1255.06	33.59	
D303	1630	3	James Pooley	34.10	3	2050	2050	1257.67	2.61	2
Liberty	1480	25	Peter Wagner	31.02	3	1862	1862	1258.11	0.44	3
Liberty	1480	23	Martin Norman	31.54	3	1874	1874	1266.22	8.11	4
D303	1630	6	Imogen Fletcher	34.40	3	2080	2080	1276.07	9.85	5
D303	1630	7	Clive Mealin	38.21	3	2301	2301	1411.66	135.59	6
Liberty	1480	22	Mike Blatchford	35.08	3	2108	2108	1424.32	12.66	7
D303	1630	10	Elisabeth Green	27.13	2	1633	2450	1502.76	78.44	8
Liberty	1480	24	Derek Preston	37.36	3	2256	2256	1524.32	21.56	9
H2.3	1925	1645	Gregor	DNF						
H2.3	1925	1744	Tom Phillips	DNF						

## 10th August 2023 - Racing under the Wealden Sailability flag

The new Wealden Sailability flag was run up by the Race office mast before racing.



The weather was delightful – sunny and a light breeze, UNLESS you're organising racing. The wind started from the North East, before switching to the South East so a committee boat start was being planned. Just as the briefing started, it swung back to the North East, so the course was switched to a start from mast, with its new flag, to K thence to D (P), B (S), C(S) then K (P). For those enjoying acronyms, Angela helped with **Don't Be Caught** (with) **Kryptonite**.



Just after the start, what had been a beat to D, became a starboard fetch. The first boats were over with moments of the gong with Nat Cooper, despite having to cope with Martin Norman as crew, leading all the way to the first mark, showing a clean pair of heels to the fleet.

The second leg to B saw the Libertys pull through the fleet, but still headed by Nat as they headed towards B.

As they came to B, Mike Blatchford had taken the lead followed closely by James



Pooley. And so the race went on with Mike Blatchford having a healthy lead over James Pooley with Peter Wagner in 3<sup>rd</sup>. On the second lap at K, Mike was a minute ahead of James with Peter

another 20 seconds behind. At C on the 3<sup>rd</sup> lap with only K to go, Mike was 15 seconds ahead. As they both headed towards K, Peter got a strengthening gust, and relentlessly pulled closer to Mike, squeezing through to finish just 5 seconds ahead. James Pooley finished just over a minute behind, and on handicap won by over a minute

**A brief note to all sailors.** Where a boat is over the line, and are called back, they must go back over the line to receive “You have cleared the line” before proceeding to the first buoy. A “360” is not sufficient.

D303 S303 Liberty H2.3	Ports mouth Yard stick	Sail No	Sailor	Elapsed Time MM.SS	Laps	Elapsed Seconds	Seconds ProRated to Max Laps	Corrected Seconds	Diff	Posn
D303	1630	7	James Pooley	29.54	3	1754	1754	1076.07		1
D303	1630	3	Vitalia	31.13	3	1873	1873	1149.08	73.01	2
Liberty	1480	25	Peter Wagner	28.37	3	1717	1717	1160.14	11.06	3
D303	1480	10	Clive Malin	31.34	3	1894	1894	1161.96	1.82	4
Liberty	1480	23	Mike Blatchford	28.42	3	1722	1722	1163.51	1.55	5
H2.3	1925	1744	Gregor Chilvers	28.48	2	1728	2592	1346.49	182.98	
D303	1630	8	Guest	36.35	3	2195	2195	1346.63	0.14	6
D303	1630	9	Elisabeth Green	37.08	3	2228	2228	1366.87	20.24	7
D303	1630	2	Nathan Cooper	37.16	3	2236	2236	1371.78	4.91	8
D303	1630	11	Kelly Tripp	39.34	3	2374	2374	1456.44	84.66	9
H2.3	1630	1645	Tom Phillips	31.44	2	1904	2856	1483.64	27.20	10
D303	1630	4	Sam	29.21	2	1761	2642	1620.55	136.91	11
D303	1630	6	Imogen Fletcher	DNF						

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