



News from the Sailing Section

The Annual Regatta, a great family beach event and highlight of the annual sailing calendar was held on the weekend of 3 and 4 March. For the first time in 3 years we were blessed with good winds. It was almost too good, which led to very challenging conditions in the surf zone. But with some strong team work and good spirit the problems in getting through the surf were overcome. OOD's Stephen Martin and George Rice led the proceedings, and managed to get 14 Hobie cat races sailed over the weekend including the Round the Island Race. The F16 team, last years Regatta champions, were looking very strong again this year. But The Surfin Turtles were keen to claim back the trophy. However their hopes were shattered in the very first race, when their boat was rammed by the captain of the SW16, and they had to retire to the beach with a broken tiller. And in spite of the Surfin Turtles winning the Captains Topper Race and the Relay Race, the F16 were the stronger team, they took the best H16 team award as well as the round the island trophy and won the overall Regatta championship for the second year running. The children's Topper racing as well as the Laser races unfortunately had to be cancelled due to rough surf conditions. In the volleyball this year the Muscateers team claimed back the trophy from last years winners F16. Thanks to Khalil Hanshi and his team for organising the beach volley. In the Jeu de boules the youngsters played a very strong tournament, but in the end the ladies of the Surfin Turtles claimed victory. Thanks to Herve Farran for organising the jeu de boules event. At the prize giving Friday afternoon the new club patron Raoul Restucci and the boatclub Commodore Tony van Thiel thanked all contributors, participants and the Regatta committee: Aly Brandenburg, Andrew Faulkner, Feather Mills, Simon Brissenden and Tor Bjerkestrand for a great weekend. After the prize giving the T-band played and all enjoyed a party on the beach.



Overall Regatta 2011 Result			
Rank	Team	Hobie	Points
1	F16's	Sur	25
2	Surfin Turtles	H11	37
3	Giants	H12	50
4	Vikings	H13	52
5	Surfin Tortoises	H15	59.5
6	SW16's	H17	64
7	Wild Cats	H14	66.5
8	Castaways	H09	75
9	B16's	H16	76

#	Jeu-de-Boules	Volley Ball
1	Surfin Turtles	Muscateer B
2	Castaways	F16's

For more Regatta photos and Upcoming events on the sailing Calendar, please check out the Boat Club Website: <http://www.rahbc.pdorc.com/>



**Fancy Dress Surfin T&T:
Last Night on the Titanic**



Tough conditions in the surf



**Fancy Dress F16:
The Bees**

Fancy Dress WildCats: The Flintstones





All hands "on deck"
For the Relay Race

