## BUCS/BUSA Team Racing Championship Playoffs hosted on 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> March. 2012

by the Universities of Glasgow and Strathclyde Sailing Clubs at Clyde Cruising Club Dinghy Section, Bardowie Loch, north of Glasgow



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Cambridge Yellow, Oxford White, Southampton Lilac, Exeter Red, London Purple, Cardiff Red, Birmingham Blue and Durham Red claim last eight remaining places for the BUCS/BUSA Team Racing Championships Finals

plus "the best sailing social we've had all year!"

Niall McLeod, on behalf of the BUSA Playoffs Organising Committee of the Universities of Glasgow and Strathclyde Sailing Clubs, writes:

"14 teams from the length and breadth of the UK assembled at Bardowie Loch to battle it out for the final 8 places at this year's BUCS/BUSA Team Racing Championships. The Championship Finals will be held at West Kirby Sailing Club over Easter.



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"Saturday was described as 'challenging' for all involved. The wind was pretty light to start, but in true Bardowie-style, it filled in (gradually swinging round to make the Course Manager's job just that wee bit more difficult) until the gusts were making the sailing conditions pretty testing. Fortunately, our team of helpers were on the ball and were able to deal swiftly with all the 'hiccups'. After a late start (thanks to Sheffield not showing up!), we eventually managed to get through 60 races, and Southampton Lilac were winning at the end of the day.





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"Although Bardowie was perfectly glassy when the helpers showed up on the Sunday, the breeze quickly filled in to a more manageable level than yesterday, and the sun came out. Racing was able to start at the estimated half 9, and we were finished by half 12.





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## After several tie-breaks, the results stood as:

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1 <sup>st</sup>	Cambridge Yellow	84.62% win		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Oxford White	76.92% win	Tie break for 2nd place	Qualify for Finals
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Southampton Lilac	76.92% win		
4 <sup>th</sup>	Exeter Red	69.23% win	Tie break for 4th place	
5 <sup>th</sup>	London Purple	69.23% win		
6 <sup>th</sup>	Cardiff Red	53.85% win		
7 <sup>th</sup>	Birmingham Blue	46.15% win *	Tie break for 7th place	
8 <sup>th</sup>	Durham Red	46.15% win **		
9 <sup>th</sup>	Lancaster Red	46.15% win ***	F.3.33	
10 <sup>th</sup>	Dundee Red	38.46% win		
11 <sup>th</sup>	Bath Yellow	30.77% win	Tie break for 11th place	
12 <sup>th</sup>	Manchester Purple	30.77% win		
13 <sup>th</sup>	Edinburgh White	15.38% win	Tie break for 13th place	
14 <sup>th</sup>	Oxford Red	15.38% win		

<sup>- 19</sup> points when tied teams met

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"As for the legendary ceilidh, we were very impressed that about ten of the English teams braved it, and that everyone there had a go. Everyone had a great time and, to quote Birmingham, "it was the best sailing social we've had all year!"

"Thanks to all the helpers, umpires, the Race Officer, the CCC, our sponsors Red Bull and to everyone who came all the way up to Scotland to make this event a success".