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Wessex Exempt take the Cam Cup



Pre-start at the Cam Cup 2012 on sunny Grafham Water © Anthony Butler

Wessex Exempt took the **Cam Cup** at Grafham Water on 3/4 March, with **West Kirby** close runners-up, in a star-studded field.



Wessex Exempt © Anthony Butler

This annual Cambridge University event was dominated by alumni teams who filled the first seven places of the 15-strong entry. University teams took the next three places, in the Silver league, with a grand tie amongst universities and schools in the Bronze league.



West Kirby [but isn't that Mr Shaw? (ed)] © Anthony Butler

Conditions on the Saturday were excellent, with teams getting 8 to 10 races in sunny conditions. The wind proved tricky on the Sunday, and time was lost in several course changes before a front came through to steady the wind at 20mph and a cool 4 degrees Centigrade. In spite of that teams got 3 to 4 races each – quite enough for most in the cold and windy conditions.

The Cam Cup Dinner in the Royal Cambridge Hotel on the Saturday night proved as enjoyable as ever.....



Cambridge Captain, Fiona Hampshire 'unaccustomed...', whilst Mr Shaw, BUSA Men's Captain, seems to fall lucky again!

...and was followed by 'clubbing' at Live.

See final placings below, together with further images.

For all Cambridge University sailing news, see http://www.cucrcalumni.org.uk.

Thanks to Anthony Butler for his excellent communications skills, visual sense, nose for the news and good humour! May all university sailing clubs find such a 'senior secretary'!

Final detailed placings were as follows:

Gold League

- 1. Wessex Exempt
- 2. West Kirby
- 3. SSCM (Bristol)
- 4. West Kirby Hawks5. Royal Hong Kong YC

Silver League

- 6. Royal Thames Red
- 7. Royal Thames Blue
- 8. Oxford
- 9. Cambridge
- 10. Bristol Red

Bronze League

11. Liverpool, Oakham, Oxford & Cambridge SS, Sevenoaks

15. Bristol White





Royal Hong Kong YC



Royal Thames Blue



Bristol Red



Oakham



West Kirby Hawks



Royal Thames Red



Oxford



Liverpool



Oxford & Cambridge SS



Sevenoaks



















Umpires and Race Officers (aka the 'Great and the Good'!): Jack Edwards, David Lees, John Gent, Bernard Kinchin, Ed Simpson, Hannah, Mark Struckett, Bruce & Amanda Hebbert

[Sadly (or probably fortunately for all), photographic evidence of Saturday night's activities ends here. So we are deprived of a full appreciation of the revels at 'life'.....possibly 'the place'. We trust that this is due more to the pleasant effects of the quality of the Royal Cambridge Hotel's port, rather than to any mishap that our intrepid correspondent may have experienced while seeking a quieter place to submit his late news copy to us toward the end of the dinner! (ed)]