Gul Fireball National Championship, Royal Torbay Yacht Club

Final Day and overall.

Torbay dealt up its most challenging conditions for the final day of the championship. A North Westerly wind blowing out of both the town of Torquay and occasionally out of Paignton. Not only varying in direction it also changed in speed from 5 to 20 knots. It was going to be an interesting final day for the potential champions.

There was a short delay while the race team waited for a window to start the first race of the day. Once the fleet got away it was anybody’s guess which side the wind was going to favour, as a result there were boats making huge gains and then losses. Dave Wade and Richard Pepperdine led round the first mark closely followed by Martyn Lewis & Richard Byne. In the much changing conditions Martyn & Richard passed Dave & Richard to take the win. Ian Dobson & Richard Wagstaff recovered well to come in third with Matt Burge & Dan Schieber – their nearest challenger swallowed up in the pack.

So, for the last race it was a cat and mouse as Ian & Richard chased Matt & Dan around the starting area. The conditions very similar to the first race of the day with once again much place changing all through the race. Christian Birrell & Vyv Townend showed they still had it to put in a second place but it was Ian & Richard who went on to win the race and as a result the Championship.

A big thank you to Royal Torbay YC who ran an excellent event both on and off the water. Also to our sponsors – Gul, Hyde, North, Global Insurance and to the UKFA committee.

Bronze fleet

1st Roger Etherington & Dave Pannell

2nd Pete Badham & Steve Digby

3rd Andy Robinson & Phil Popple

Silver fleet

1st Jack Grogan & Will Sargent

2nd Georgia Booth & Sam Platt

3rd Keith Walker & Nick Rees

1st Lady Helm. Georgia Booth

1s Lady Crew Christina Tyler

1st Under 26 Helm Issac Marsh

1st Under 26 Crew Ollie Davenport

1st Master Helm Vince Horey

1st Master crew Vyv Townend

1st Grand Master helm Dave Hall

1st Grand master Crew Russell Thorne

Perseverance trophy Jane and Patrick Collison

Toby Hamer Trophy Dan Johnson & Ben Latham

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Horey | Andrew Thompson | Gold | 38 | 6 | 9 | 9 | 3 | 18 | 7 | 11 | 4 | | 7 | 15151 | Martyn Lewis | Richard Byne | Gold | 41 | 32 | 10 | 20 | 16 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 3 | | 8 | 15122 | Ian martin | Ben rhodes | Gold | 42 | 2 | 12 | 8 | 10 | 15 | 3 | 9 | 10 | | 9 | 15147 | Paul Cullen | Simon Forbes | Gold | 43 | 5 | 14 | 7 | 5 | 12 | 10 | 5 | 11 | | 10 | 14870 | Pete Gray | Simon Foskett | Gold | 50 | 23 | 11 | 13 | 2 | 8 | 8 | 15 | 8 | | 11 | 15162 | Isaac Marsh | Oliver Davenport | Gold | 51 | 9 | 7 | 10 | 8 | 6 | 11 | 17 | 19 | | 12 | 15073 | Sam Mettam | Tim Saunders | Gold | 54 | 17 | 4 | 36 | 18 | 7 | 13 | 6 | 7 | | 13 | 15133 | Kevin Hope | Russell Thorne | Gold | 61 | 12 | 16 | 5 | 45 | 9 | 45 | 14 | 5 | | 14 | 15130 | David Winder | Ben Rayner | Gold | 65 | 18 | 6 | 17 | 12 | 11 | 12 | 7 | 17 | | 15 | 15124 | Pete Kyne | Tom Kyne | Gold | 73 | 8 | 5 | 11 | 45 | 19 | 15 | 19 | 15 | | 16 | 15114 | John Hayes | Joel James | Gold | 93 | 13 | 24 | 18 | 9 | 22 | 19 | 12 | 28 | | 17 | 15148 | Jack Grogan | William Sargeant | Silver | 96 | 22 | 18 | 15 | 19 | 10 | 20 | 16 | 18 | | 18 | 14940 | Georgia Booth | Sam Platt | Silver | 97 | 26 | 25 | 22 | 13 | 16 | 17 | 13 | 16 | | 19 | 14928 | Anthony Willcocks | James Willcocks | Gold | 101 | 11 | 13 | 21 | 14 | 23 | 22 | 20 | 22 | | 20 | 14941 | Derian Scott | Derek Jarvis | Gold | 103 | 14 | 17 | 19 | 15 | 30 | 35 | 18 | 20 | | 21 | 15157 | Keith Walker | Nick Rees | Silver | 105 | 21 | 23 | 12 | 22 | 45 | 14 | 31 | 13 | | 22 | 15099 | Simon Kings | Jono Loe | Silver | 109 | 30 | 19 | 16 | 26 | 13 | 16 | 24 | 21 | | 23 | 15145 | Steve Goacher | Tom Goacher | Silver | 117 | 25 | 45 | 24 | 11 | 28 | 21 | 22 | 14 | | 24 | 15024 | Joe Jospe | Tom Egli | Silver | 122 | 33 | 22 | 35 | 17 | 14 | 9 | 27 | 33 | | 25 | 15150 | Angus Hemmings | Steve Chesney | Gold | 122 | 19 | 20 | 14 | 21 | 25 | 23 | 34 | 45 | | 26 | 15086 | Allan Tyler | Christina Tyler | Silver | 130 | 20 | 27 | 30 | 7 | 32 | 30 | 21 | 25 | | 27 | 13944 | Dan Johnson | Ben Latham | Silver | 142 | 34 | 26 | 23 | 20 | 34 | 18 | 28 | 27 | | 28 | 15097 | Roger Etherington | Dave Pannell | Bronze | 145 | 16 | 28 | 27 | 28 | 17 | 32 | 29 | 39 | | 29 | 15156 | Daniel Thompson | Harry Thompson | Silver | 149 | 27 | 29 | 29 | 23 | 20 | 27 | 23 | 31 | | 30 | 15045 | Christine Slater | Graham Slater | Silver | 152 | 24 | 33 | 26 | 27 | 26 | 24 | 25 | 29 | | 31 | 14950 | Chris Thorne | Lawrence Creaser | Silver | 154 | 38 | 21 | 25 | 44 | 21 | 31 | 33 | 23 | | 32 | 15160 | Pete Badham | Steve Digby | Bronze | 167 | 15 | 41 | 28 | 33 | 38 | 29 | 45 | 24 | | 33 | 15075 | Andy Willcocks | Andrea Willcocks | Silver | 167 | 40 | 37 | 32 | 25 | 27 | 25 | 26 | 32 | | 34 | 14991 | Andy Robinson | Phil Popple | Bronze | 170 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 24 | 33 | 28 | 30 | 26 | | 35 | 14964 | David Mason | Chris Oglethorpe | Bronze | 192 | 41 | 36 | 40 | 35 | 24 | 26 | 36 | 35 | | 36 | 14889 | Barry Smith | Rick Spring | Silver | 192 | 29 | 34 | 37 | 29 | 41 | 33 | 39 | 30 | | 37 | 15127 | Jeremy Atkins | Richard Botting | Bonze | 199 | 39 | 39 | 34 | 31 | 29 | 36 | 32 | 37 | | 38 | 14662 | Anthony Procter | Alan Goule | Bronze | 202 | 28 | 32 | 42 | 30 | 37 | 37 | 38 | 41 | | 39 | 14994 | Damian Abbatt | Doug Byall | Bronze | 207 | 36 | 35 | 33 | 34 | 31 | 38 | 41 | 38 | | 40 | 14592 | Charlie Sansom | Chris Jenkins | Bronze | 211 | 43 | 38 | 39 | 32 | 36 | 34 | 37 | 34 | | 41 | 14600 | Ben Altman | Robin Simpson | Bronze | 212 | 37 | 30 | 38 | 36 | 39 | 40 | 35 | 36 | | 42 | 14789 | Hannah Finlay | Gordon Finlay | Bronze | 226 | 35 | 40 | 41 | 37 | 35 | 39 | 40 | 40 | | 43 | 14622 | Jane Collison | Patrick Collison | Bronze | 248 | 44 | 43 | 44 | 38 | 40 | 41 | 43 | 43 | | 44 | 15121 | Bryan Thompson | Simon Benson | Bronze | 249 | 42 | 42 | 43 | 39 | 42 | 45 | 42 | 42 | |

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