OF CHAMPIONS

Sailing on probably the most perfect day of the year so far, 9 teams representing HISC active classes went head to head in a short course race series sailed in RS21 keelboats to determine the HISC Champion Class.

With six RS21 boats on each start there was much changing of crews into and out of the boats between each race. Eleven races were sailed over the three hours before the ebbing tide curtailed proceedings.

Consistency was key and it was Team Merlin Rocket with Ian Dobson, Lucy Harridge, Mike Jennings and Judith Massey who triumphed with five firsts out of their seven races.

Runner Up position was a tight situation between the Elite Class and the youthful 29er team captained by Raulf Berry



with youth having the edge over experience on this occasion.

While the racing was tight between all teams, particularly impressing the judges was Team Feva, average age about 12, helmed



by Alec Stanley with Jazzie Simpson, Kate Gamble and Anna Elms in the crew, with Hilary Baker in support.

A wonderful day's sailing and great for everyone to experience a different racing format in boats purposely designed for it.

Thanks Rob O'Neill for the great pictures.

