



# SAVILLS GILL OPTIMIST

## BRITISH AND OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP



Having registered and got the feel for the place it was time for an early night. Unfortunately, “Club Sandy on tour” meant that the parents got a little side-tracked with a glass of wine or two and at 11 pm when the Marine Manager asked us to kindly turn it down a bit, we realised our plans had gone a little leftfield.

The early part of the week saw light and extremely shifty conditions with the pond sailors making hay. Team HISC was struggling. However, as the week progressed, the breeze increased and our young

Well, it was nationals time again and Team HISC headed north on mass. With many of us not having been to Largs before we were unsure what to expect but on arrival, we were greeted by clear blue water, peppered with verdant islands and dramatic skies. The club sits next to Largs marine a little south of the town boasting all the mod cons with an extremely friendly and welcoming atmosphere.

Day 1 was all about the pre regatta admin and for some, time on the water and coaching.





sailors started to get the feel for “eyes out the boat” and playing the race track.

Tuesday night was a Largs social at the club with really tasty wood fired Pizzas and Wednesday was a HISC social where Rachel and Pip were on the money sorting out Fish and Chips for all, washed down with a bit of club red.



By this time the kids were starting to bang in some great results and showing that all the hard work over the winter was starting to pay off.

Thursday saw a very nice trip to a local restaurant with nearly 30 HISC parents and children attending and then it was then onto the prize giving on Friday.



It was so great to see Team HISC on the podium so many times and in fact to see so many of our sailors in all fleets really stamping out their mark on the event.

It really shows that if, as parents, we all get stuck in then we can not only achieve great results but also show our children how to make new friendships and have a fantastic time on and off the water.



Amelia Kent took 3rd girl in the seniors and Joe Wimpory stormed the event with 3rd overall and 2nd boy.

Next year I want to take that “best club” trophy off of Parkstone YC please, so lend a hand and help me make it happen 😊



Stand out achievements were Beth Llewellyn and Kate Charlesworth who were 13th and 14th in Regatta Fleet.

Also, special mention to rising star Charlie Holland who at the age of only 9 smashed a 17th in a 62 boat strong fleet.

In the Junior Fleet Rachel Elms was the 2nd girl and Finn Ramus secured the 4th UK boy.

Full results can be found here:  
<https://iocauk.ourclubadmin.com/event.php?event=5>

