

Comet Open at Littleton Sailing Club, 23 Sep 11 September 2016

Littleton Sailing Club was delighted to host a Comet Class Association, with 18 participants arriving for a packed day's racing. After a grey, cold and rainy Saturday, the weather on Sunday was excellent but lacking in wind.

Race Officer Simon Derham postponed the first race for half an hour, by which time the wind was starting to build, gaining in strength, albeit gently, for the rest of the day. Simon is to be congratulated on managing to schedule all 4 races despite the late start.



Littleton put forward a strong showing, with 7 members joining 11 visitors from as far afield as Bristol, Beer and Ogston. Stephen Lemmon (Littleton) once again challenged the front runners with 2 second places, whilst the remainder of the Littleton fleet battled for lower order places – led by Class Captain Andrea Watson who was overall placed 13th.

In a repeat of the 2015 Open results, junior Chris Hatton from Severn won, with Eddie Pope (Ogston) in second place and Stephen Lemmon (Littleton) in 3rd. Prizes were also awarded to best placed Grand Master – Bob Dodds (CYMC), Ancient Mariner – Henry Jaggers (Beer), and best placed junior outside the top 3 – Izac Dodds (CYMC).



Peter Fryer, Littleton SC Commodore and Comet Open winner Chris Hatton © Mel Harris

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