

## Stewart Perkins Cup Race 28th April 2018

Five boats came out on Saturday to compete for the Stewart Perkins Cup. They were greeted by nice sunny weather but the moderate, chilly northerly wind made fleeces and oilies the dress of the day. The fleet set off heading eastwards for the mark off the west pier end, before turning northwards into the wind to beat for the Bell Buoy. *Antix* made the best start but the other larger boats, *Icon*, *Cold Steel* and *Minty* were in close company. However *Rampage* did not make much progress until her larger brethren allowed her to share their wind. *Antix* was first to arrive at the Bell Buoy, closely followed by *Cold Steel*, *Icon* and *Minty* before they all turned westwards for a few circuits of Sandsend Bay. *Antix* maintained her lead and *Icon* and *Cold Steel* had a good tussle with *Icon* coming out ahead before they headed back eastward to complete the one and only lap. The order of *Antix*, *Icon*, *Cold Steel*, *Minty* and *Rampage* was maintained and that was the final order after the handicaps were applied.

**Result:** 1<sup>st</sup> *Antix* (John Allen & Sandy Ransom), 2<sup>nd</sup> *Icon* (Neil and Lorraine Williamson), 3<sup>rd</sup> *Cold Steel* (Colin Dey, Keith Gowland and Nigel Jarvis)

This Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> May, the Yacht Club will be holding an Open Night, to give New Members or prospective New Members a chance to chat with long standing members and find out what activities, besides sailing, of course, the club involves itself in. This will be a purely social evening and starts at 8.30pm.