

Scorching temperatures, calm water and azure blue skies provided the perfect setting for the mammoth entry of 78 competitors who heartily battled for supremacy on the high seas of Charlestown! More than £280 worth of prizes were up for grabs in this year's show stopping, hilariously spectacular Junior & Senior Raft Races, watched & cheered-on by throngs of delighted spectators who crowded the outer harbour and quays!

JUNIORS

PROPER CORNISH LTD JUNIOR RAFT RACE (u-16's)

1st: £25 & Perpetual Cup: 'The Blue Devils' (Logan Dudley, Nile Blackbeard, Jack Reynolds, Oli Dexter)

2nd: £15: 'The White Pearl' (Lewis White, Reuben Lippiat, Oscar Acraman, Milene Acraman)

3rd: £10: 'The Oompaloompas' (Claudia Beaumont, Tilly Horton, Maya Clarke, Joanne Pang)

CARLYON BAY CAMPING PARK BEST JUNIOR RAFT (u-16)

£40 & Perpetual Shield

Winners: 'Mr vs Little Miss' (Freya Whetter-Passmore, Bodie Whetter-Passmore, Tia Scrace, Jed Scrace)

SENIORS

ST AUSTELL BREWEY 'PROPER JOB' SENIOR RAFT RACE

1st: case of Proper Job ale + crystal tankards & Perpetual Cup: 'Milky Float McBoatface' (Simon Biggs, Simon Taylor, Derek Thomas, Nick French)

2nd: £20 St Austell Brewery voucher: 'Rashleigh Rats' (Mark Richards, Neil Best, Duncan Powell, Simon Blewett)

3rd: St Austell Brewery Visitor Centre 'Brewing Experience' for 2: 'Ridgewood Bandits' (Neil Dudley, Will Dexter, Terry Butler, Nick Brookes)

RASHLEIGH ARMS & ST AUSTELL BREWERY MOST ENTERTAINING SENIOR RAFT

Slab of award-winning Tribute ale +Tribute polo shirts & Perpetual Trophy

Winners: 'Black Pearl' (Luke Jeffreys, Simon Crocker, Kieran Staff, Lucas Kauklys)

Very special thanks to:-

Square Sail Shipyard for the generous use of the harbour and quays;

Dave Rowe who provided Safety Boat cover;

Race Horn-Blower Starters!: Juniors – Amaleen Nolan, 6yo / Seniors – Finlay Green, 4yo;

Porthpean Outdoor Education Centre for loan of buoyancy aids;

St John Ambulance for their care & attention.

And hats-off to our fabulous visiting judges, The Harrison Family (Rob, Jackie, Lottie, Amy ... and Ruby the cocker Spaniel ... inspired by elderly Aunts Gladys, Mavis & Doris) from Hampshire.