



The Royal BVI Yacht Club

Rushin' Rowlette wins the Latitude 18 Halyard Challenge!

Rushin' Rowlette, skippered by Mr Kevin Rowlette, won the first race of the Royal BVI Yacht Club 2012 calendar! Mr Henry Leonnig was second in his Melges 24 "Firewater", with third place going to Mr Peter Haycraft and Pipe Dream.

There were two sailing races and two swimming races, with variable conditions. In the morning the first race took the fleet from Road Town, around Cooper Island and back down to Peter Island. The winds were gusting and strong but all the fleet faired well and finishes were close. Rushin' Rowlette won this first race.

During the lunch break the fleet anchored in Dead Man's bay and two swimming competitions were held. These largely-fun events had a competitive element to them – podium placings from crew members provided handicap improvements in the second sailing race of the day. Unsurprisingly quite a few competitors found their way blocked by crews from other yachts "running interference"!

The second race in the afternoon took the fleet around Dead Chest, and then on a long run to Nanny Cay, before turning back up to a finish off the Yacht Club. The long downwind leg, in slightly lighter conditions than the morning, favoured the Melges 24 Firewater, resulting in a win for them. Many of the fleet had to ride out a late-afternoon squall, which made the latter stages of the race interesting – to say the least!

A lot of fun was had by all, and the prizes – gift vouchers from race sponsors Latitude 18 – were awarded at the RBVIYC clubhouse later in the evening.

The Royal BVI Yacht Club wishes to extend it's thanks to all those involved with making the race such a success. The race committee volunteers were Robert Phillips, Kathy and Junior. The committee boat was provided by Bob and Linda Phillips. Sponsorship and prizes were provided by Latitude 18.

Thanks to all the competitors for entering, and we are looking forward to the next race! This will be the Governor's Cup on January 28th.



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Halyard Challenge, Sponsored by Latitude 18, Full Race Results:

Yacht	Skipper	CSA Rating	Start Time	Finish Time	Elapsed Time	Corrected Time	Position
Race 1							
Racing Class							
Rushin Rowlette	Kevin Rowlette	0.859	10:35:00 AM	12:36:46 PM	2:01:46 AM	1:44:36 AM	1
Pipe Dream	Peter Haycraft	0.878	10:35:00 AM	12:34:14 PM	1:59:14 AM	1:44:41 AM	2
Firewater	Henry Leonig	0.878	10:35:00 AM	12:38:50 PM	2:03:50 AM	1:48:44 AM	3
Sorceress	Heath Copland	0.829	10:35:00 AM	12:50:59 PM	2:15:59 AM	1:52:44 AM	4
Reba	Jon Charlton	0.843	10:35:00 AM	12:56:15 PM	2:21:15 AM	1:59:04 AM	5
Luxury Girl	Guy Phoenix	0.865	10:35:00 AM	12:53:55 PM	2:18:55 AM	2:00:10 AM	6
Wicked Winch	Dav id Lake	0.759	10:35:00 AM	2:00:00 PM	3:25:00 AM	2:35:36 AM	7

Swimming Races combined

Reba	-0.001
Luxury Girl	-0.001
Sorceress	-0.005
Pipe Dream	0
Rushin Rowlette	-0.005
Firewater	0
Wicked Winch	0

Racing Class

Firewater	Henry Leonig	0.878	2:10:00 PM	3:13:15 PM	1:03:15 AM	12:55:32 AM	1
Rushin Rowlette	Kevin Rowlette	0.858	2:10:00 PM	3:17:25 PM	1:07:25 AM	12:57:51 AM	2
Pipe Dream	Peter Haycraft	0.878	2:10:00 PM	3:16:25 PM	1:06:25 AM	12:58:19 AM	3
Sorceress	Heath Copland	0.829	2:10:00 PM	3:29:50 PM	1:19:50 AM	1:06:11 AM	4
Reba	Jon Charlton	0.838	2:10:00 PM	3:29:56 PM	1:19:56 AM	1:06:59 AM	5
Luxury Girl	Guy Phoenix	0.865	2:10:00 PM	3:28:13 PM	1:18:13 AM	1:07:39 AM	6
Wicked Winch	Dav id Lake	0.759	2:10:00 PM	5:00:00 PM	2:50:00 AM	2:09:02 AM	7

Overall	Points	Position
Rushin Rowlette	3	1
Firewater	4	2
Pipe Dream	5	3
Sorceress	8	4
Reba	10	5
Luxury Girl	12	6
Wicked Winch	14	7