Osprey Association Broadsheet

March 1996

Terry's Tarradiddle

After the mammoth refit of last year, I have little, if anything, to do to get the boat ready for this years season, which is fast approaching now. I sincerely hope that you are in a similar position. If not good luck with your maintenance, I hope it goes easily.

This year we have what we hope is a programme of Open Events with no major clashes! It is difficult to achieve, the details can be found on the back page.

I would like to thank the many members who passed on their kind comments regarding the last magazine, both verbally and by letter. I in turn would like to thank the many contributors who made it possible, it is your magazine and without you I can do nothing **WELL DONE**! Special thanks are due to Colloryan who kindly provided the centre-spread pictures, thank you Jenny. Keep the meeting reports and the articles coming in I would rather have too many than too few.

On the subject of Opens Meetings **Ian Williams** has now taken on the responsibility for compiling the **Wilkinson Sword Points**. Clearly he requires a complete list of all results with the full details of all the entrants. PLEASE, PLEASE send these to him as well as me with the story of the meeting.

The Dinghy show is the next major event and the Association will have two boats on the stand. One wood and one GRP. Its the first time we have had two boats for some time. Rob Shaw, Ian Madeley, Huw Pearce, Ken King and many others on the committee are doing a great deal to promote the class and this is one further example of their efforts to get the Osprey to the forefront.

Second-hand boats for sale especially around the £1000 mark are required. If you know of any lurking around unused please let Nick Jones know the details of the owner and boat. If you are buying bits or services for your boat, do try and use those vendors who advertise with us, we lost Super Spars Advertising due to no Osprey Mast sales. Our advertisers help to pay for the magazine!!!!!

Well that's it from me, have a really good season, hope to see you all at Hayling *Tony*

Chairman's Cantillations

Sailboat 96 is approaching at an alarming rate and promises to be a very interesting event. This year we are lucky to have two boats, a GRP Porter and a wooden boat, both new for the 95 Nationals and proving themselves finishing in the top ten. Each boat also winning a championship race.

The 96 Championship preparations for Hayling Island are now gaining momentum and all details will be available at the show including accommodation lists and social programme. Nick Willis will also be attending the exhibition so come and have a chat and iron out any problems or doubts you may have.

If you are attending the show please give some thought to those manning the stand, 2 hours of your time would be greatly appreciated allowing others to have a look round. Don't forget everyone is doing a voluntary stint--please help out.

At the AGM it was requested that your committee undertake a survey of member's views on National Championship Venues and sharing with other classes which was sent to all members as requested. I was very disappointed with the lack of response after the effort put in on your behalf by your Magazine Editor, Terry. You will see from the results (included in the Broadsheet) which were received, that there is a clear mandate to continue as we are. We must accept that those who did not reply are happy with the status quo.

I am pleased to report a new Porter Osprey is currently being built for its new owner and Terry Greaves is finishing two wooden boats.

Hopefully news of the revised yardsticks should be available at the show. I believe the Osprey will be sailing off 938 as our number, giving the yardstick system greater flexibility for fine tuning. It will be interesting to see how the new system works out especially where the Osprey is sailing in general handicap situations.

See you at the show, please wear Osprey regalia. T Shirts, Sweat shirts, it helps to get us noticed!!

Robat

Southern Area Championships

Sheppey hosted the event held on 23rd/24th September. Following reasonable winds on the Friday it dropped to a mere zephyr by Saturday. An attempt was made to commence the first race but, as only one boat managed to cross the start line against a strong tide, this was abandoned. With little evidence that the wind would fill in (or even appear) everyone retired to the clubhouse to drown their sorrows and prepare for the Barbecue that evening.

Considering the amount of liquid refreshment consumed on the Saturday it was surprising that all seven boats were on the water for the four races held on the Sunday, particularly in view of the weather. It had not filled in but at times gusted up to Force 7. The fleet fairly screamed around the course.

The competition for the Southern Area Shield and Tankard resumed after a very quick break for lunch and it was nip and tuck between Neil Robertson and Nick Willis in 1277 and Robert Shaw and Steve Watson in 1278. Unfortunately the day ended with Robert's retirement from the last race due to a broken main halyard which allowed Neil & Nick to storm home to take first place in the last race but also in the championship. The weekend saw the welcome return to the Osprey fleet of Ken Carroll who, along with his son David, took third place in 1175 (and yes to all you knowledgeable folk out there, he was the original owner of the boat!)

I would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone who made the journey to Sheppey - I'm sure they enjoyed the sailing as much as we liked having them as our guests. Finally, the quote of the weekend must go to Steve Offer of Sheppey who retire from the last race 'in order to maintain his position'!!!!

John Shenton

The results were

Pos	Helm	Crew	Boat	No
1	Neil Robinson	Nick Willis	Compute This	1278
2	Robert Shaw	Steve Watson	Roker Rat	1277
3	David Carroll	Ken Carroll	Abel 2	1175
4	Dave Ellis	Vyv Townend	Jurassic Barker	1234
5	John Shenton	Tin Kift	Schh You Know	555
6	Jane Seymour	Chris Seymour	Buff & Chunda	1259
7	Steve Offer	Steve Knee	Shadowfax	1031

Lymington Town Open

Lymington Town Sailing Club's Open meeting on September 30th - October 1st produced some fine racing in good breezes around force 3-4 from the south-west on the Saturday with a good 4-5 on the Sunday. Results as follows with the usual suspects in the frame. We missed some of the Poole contingent who were involved running a 420 Open at their own club and we hope to see them next year.
Ian Sutherland

Results In Final Order

Helm	No	One	Two	Three	Four	Pts
M Lewis	1207	0.75	0.75	2	(2)	3..5
R Shaw	1277	(4)	2	3	0.75	5.75
N Robinson	1278	2	5	0.75	(7)	7.75
A Barker	1234	5	3	4	(5)	12
O Chess	1085	3	4	6	(6)	13
D Griffith	1116	6	(29)	5	4	15
R Marshall	1195	(12)	9	10	3	22
R Gillespie	1140	7	7	8	(10)	22
J Lang	1178	8	10	(11)	8	26
G Wallen	1024	11	(11)	7	9	27
D Carroll	1175	9	6	13	(29)	28
D Charles	1142	15	(17)	9	12	36
J Shenton	555	(14)	12	12	13	37
N Griffen	1066	(18)	13	15	11	39
B Iles	1081	13	(29)	14	14	41
K Robinson	1261	16	15	16	(31)	47
T Power	643	(21)	16	17	15	48
M Stainsby	1254	10	8	31	(31)	49
V Knights	804	(20)	19	18	16	53
I Sutherland	1224	19	18	21	(29)	58
C Mant	1112	24	(29)	19	17	60
D Milne	1171	17	14	31	(31)	62
S Offer	1031	22	21	20	(31)	63
R Thomas	1273	23	20	31	(31)	74

Grafham Grand Prix

Sunday 7th January - Postponed from previous week due to FOG. Weather was fine but a windy force 5 - 6, we were the only Osprey in the Fast Handicap start of 65 boats, racing was over the full Olympic course and we managed an 8th in Race 1 and a 9th in Race 2 giving us 7th place overall and two very superior bottles of wine to take home. It was a very enjoyable event and well worth including in next years calendar.

Ken & David Cardl

Club News from Hornsea

Last year at Hornsea we enjoyed a really good Osprey Season. Racing starts on the 1st weekend in April and continues until the last weekend of October.

For a small club we were pleased to see regular turnouts of 10+ Ospreys, with good racing throughout the fleet. The standard of racing has continued to grow assisted by the welcome return of some old faces. Rumours rumbled round the fleet that with the return of Alan Smith, would now not so young brother Mike be at the sharp end again. Everyone's fears of WWIII were eased when Mike stayed put in the sharp end of 1275, Alan's son Alaistair has taken up the gauntlet, the poor lad!!

Mike Mooney has returned with a new boat crewed by Phil Reed and is going well in the lighter stuff. Ray Brooks returned and bought 1239 Dogs of War at the end of the season so we are all looking forward to seeing Ray this year. John Raynor, a name from the dim and distant past is alive and well and sailing his old MKII Elizabeth R at Hornsea.

Dave Metcalf sold 1203 Bird of Prey to Poole last season to help finance a new Mooney built hull. Andy Reed and yours truly kept up our travels last year as we will this, work permitting. Five Hornsea boats travelled to the Nationals, we hoped to take more boats to Sunderland, the closest they've been to us for some years. Alas some people just won't travel, but as I said to Steve Watson, "You can't Educate Pork" or was it something about "taking horses to water".

This years Osprey Open meeting takes place on 18/19th May, come early for Friday night, part 3. Aspirin will be provided on Saturday morning. Saturday night is more ale and food in the Rose & Crown, followed by more Aspirins on Sunday morning.

All this and good sailing you've got to be mad to miss it, **Happy New Year to you all**

Looking forward to seeing you all on the circuit this year

Mike Smith
1275 Public Enemy

Club News from Lymington Town SC

A hard fought winter series, which ended the week before Christmas, saw the Ospreys doing reasonably well against the rest of the fast handicap fleet. In a ten race series, Ospreys won two races overall, 1171 Aurora, David Milne and John Jarvis and 1224 Hagar the Horrible, Iain and Sue Sutherland. This was not bad going against some talented opposition in Contenders, 470's, Merlin Rockets and RS600's.

In the Osprey stakes the Sutherlands came out on top and finished third overall, beating Vic and Sue Knights, 804 Ogopogo, by a quarter of a point. The Knights went faster and faster during the series as Vic got to grips with his new Ullmans which at the start had not looked a good buy. Ogopogo has also been experimenting with an electronic speedometer which doesn't need a sensor fitted to the exterior of the hull, since to our surprise, electronic aids are not banned in the Osprey Class. However Vic reports that so far he hasn't got it to work.

More escapees from the 470's have joined us. Andy and Carol Maskell have bought Osprey 395, The Guru, and will do it up with their customary skill. We welcome another relatively light crew.

We look forward to our first series of 1996 starting in March and to travelling to some of the South Coast Opens, including the Nationals and of course we welcome Osprey Sailors to join us at any time.

Tim Power and Steve Boyd in 634, Boat of Garten, their beautifully restored MKII, may find themselves a little inhibited by the arrival of new babies shortly. Lymington Town's Open meeting will be held on September 28th & 29th.

Iain Sutherland

1224 Hagar The Horrible

Copy Deadline Dates

July Issue ..... 1st June

December Issue ..... 1st November

Broadsheet ..... 10th February

Open Meeting reports & Photographs as <u>SOON</u> after the event as possible Please!

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Osprey Open Meetings 1996

April	**20-21st**	**British Steel**	**Open Meeting**
May	**4-5th**	**Mounts Bay**	**Southern Area Championships**
	18-19th	**Hornsea**	**Open Meeting**
	25-27th	**Kielder Water**	**Inland Championship**
June	**8-9th**	**Poole**	**Open Meeting**
	15-16th	**Ribble**	**Open Meeting and Regatta**
July	**6-7th**	**Lord Birkett, Royal Sovereign**	**Special Events**
		Poole	Regatta
	13-14th	**Blithfield**	**Welsh & Midland Area Championships**
	28th 2nd	**Hayling Island**	**National Championships**
Aug	**24-26th**	**Sunderland**	**Scottish & Northern Area Championships**
Sept	14-15th	Panmorra Cup & Kielder	Regattas
	28-29th	**Lymington**	**Open Meeting**
Oct	**5-6th**	**Netley**	**Open Meeting**

Wilkinson Sword - Trophy to be presented at 1996 Nationals for competition period August 95 to July 1996.
One Special Event + Four Best Opens (Not Nationals) to Qualify .
Sword Special Events - Lord Birkett, Royal Sovereign, Eskimo (Blackpool & Fleetwood) and Bloody Mary.

Osprey Training Weekend - April 20-21st - Hayling - Contact Alan Sheldrick 28 Woodfield Close Tangmere Chichester PO20 6FL

Dinghy Exhibition **March 2-3rd** **Alexandra Palace**

Boats For Sale

No	Description	Price	Contact
1234	Jurassic Barker 94/95 Nats Winner. Pro built hull, Epsilon Mast, Ullman Sails 95, Milanes Foils, Galv combi trailer.	Offers	01736-256686 Cornwall
242	Lady Anne Wood MKIII Conv, 3rd 93 Nats. Winner 94 Welsh & Mids. In need of some attention. Can include most fittings, rig & sails	Offers	Nick Willis 01420-538319 Hants
1263	Mk3 GRP Peter Sheldrick Hants		01243-780021
1087	Black Velvet (Formerly Attilla) Wood MKIII, Combu Trailer, cover and one suit sails (Evenings)	£1350	Rob Shaw 0191-417-3572
632	Sugar Puss MKIII Conv All Good Gear	£900	Rob Shaw 0191-417-3572 Tyne & Wear
1119 1020	MKIII Westerly) Sugar Plum Pig) for further information contact		Ian Williams 01656-746726
95	MKIII Conversion, 3 Suits Sails	£1000	Gerry Chappell 0850-876798 North
1252	Sunlight Composite MKIII, 3 Suits Sails, Banks, Goacher & Leaders, New Rig Combi & Cover.	£2500	Steve Stubbs 01834 - 842187 South Wales

Other Items for Sale

1 Suit Sails - Rellings 2 Months Old, £500 Contact Des Menear 01736 - 756154 (Cornwall).

Measurers

O Chess 01792 - 367837
V May 01489 - 579207
R Shaw 0191 - 564 - 0666
T McDonald 01843 - 841497
D Chivers 01243 - 782958
H Pearce 01344 - 771047
I Willaims 01656 - 746726
M Lewis 01202 - 842672
C Curry 01243 - 573174
E Robinson 01621 - 773588
P Frith 01202 - 694845

GREEK ISLAND SAILING

Cruise the beautiful Ionian Islands on a 31ft Yacht. All gear supplied, 3 seperate cabins, fridge, dinghy etc.£640 for 4 people - 1 Week. Compare that with a flotilla holiday!

Contact: Andy Barker on 01929-439165

Builders

Porters Brothers 01489 - 570222
Unit 1, Dewar Close ,Sagensworth West, Fareham, Hants PO15 5UB

Chipstow Boatyards 01268 - 710111
Oak Road, Downham, Billiricay, Essex CM11 1QF

John Claridge 01590- 674821
Saddlers Farm, Lower Pennington Lane, Lymington, Hants.

Arnott Dobson 01670 - 760039
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National Osprey Class Association National Championship Survey Results

Membership Details

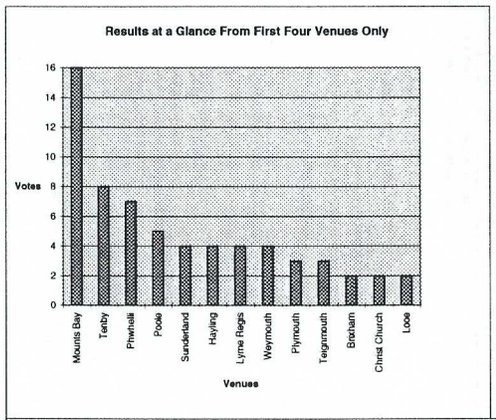
No of Members	Returns	% Response
155	20	13

Selected Week of Championships

Weeks	Existing	Earlier	Later	Don't Care
Results	11	1	4	4
Percent	55	5	20	20
Months		June	August 3	
			Sept 1	

Venue Sharing

Osprey Only Venue		Shared Venue		Look Into Shared Venue			No Answer
Numbers	15	3		1			1
%	75	15		5			5



Most Popular Venues for first and subsequent choices

Choices	Venue 1	Venue 2	Venue 3	Venue 4	Venue 5
1st	Mounts Bay 12	Tenby 5	Phwhelli 5	Teignmouth 3	Sunderland 3
2nd	Sunderland 2	Hayling Island 2	Poole 3	Sunderland 2	Hayling Island 2
	Brixham 2	Plymouth 2			Minnis Bay 2
		Mounts Bay 2			Poole 2
3rd			Hayling Island 2		
			Weymouth 2		

Choices	Venue 6	Venue 10	Venue 11	Venue 12
1st	Poole 2	Mudeford		Llandudno
	Weymouth 2			

Notes

1. Where a venue only has one vote it will not be included in the above results. For example for the first "Choice Venue" three venues Lyme Regis, Minnis Bay and Phwhelli each had one vote they are therefore not shown as a result for third place. Had say Lyme Regis had 2 votes it would have been shown as third choice. Where a venue number is not shown it recieved insufficient votes to show a venue.

2. Where venues have the same vote they are shown as "Joint Places".

The Most Popular Venues Overall

eg those venues getting the highest score overall

Using all Data

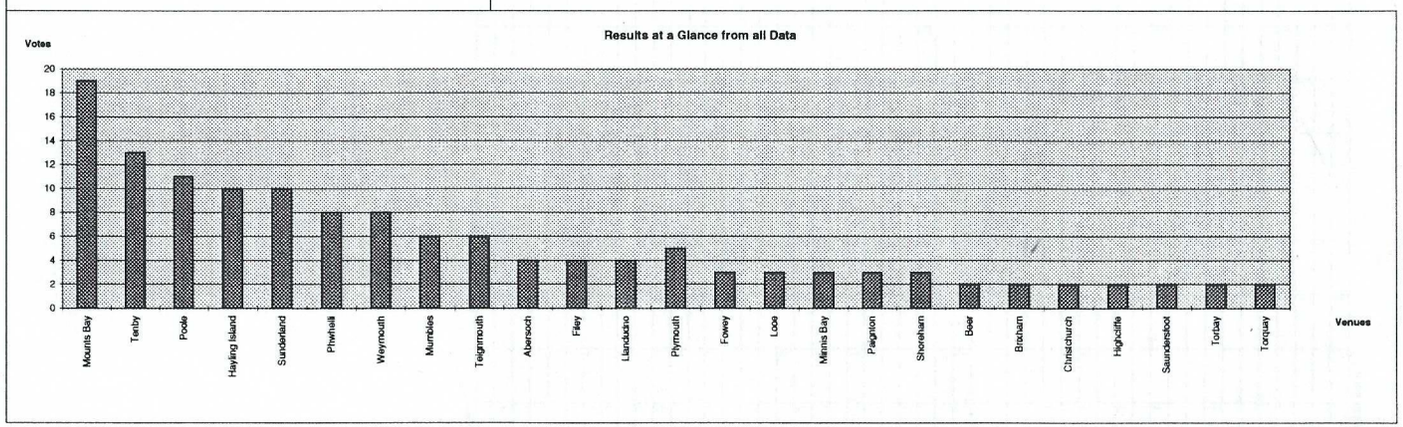
Postn	Venue	Votes
1st	Mounts Bay	19
2nd	Tenby	13
3rd	Poole	11
4th	Hayling Island	10
	Sunderland	10
5th	Phwhelli	8
	Weymouth	8
6th	Mumbles	6
	Teignmouth	6
7th	Abersoch	4
	Filey	4
	Llandudno	4
	Plymouth	5
8th	Fowey	3
	Looe	3
	Minnis Bay	3
	Paignton	3
	Shoreham	3
9th	Beer	2
	Brixham	2
	Christchurch	2
	Highcliffe	2
	Saundersfoot	2
	Torbay	2
	Torquay	2

Remainder were One Vote Venues

Using Choices 1 - 4

Postn	Venue	Votes
1st	Mounts Bay	16
2nd	Tenby	8
3rd	Phwhelli	7
4th	Poole	5
5th	Sunderland	4
	Hayling	4
	Lyme Regis	4
	Weymouth	4
6th	Plymouth	3
	Teignmouth	3
7th	Brixham	2
	Christ Church	2
	Looe	2

Remainder were One Vote Venues



Summary

1. Response from Members - 13% of Members made a Return.

2. Championship Week
   - 55% of Memberswished to retain existing week.
   - 20% did not care.
   - 25% wanted to change.

3. Shared Venue
   - 75% Did Not Want to Share.
   - 15% Wanted to Share.
   - 10% Had other Views.

4. Popular Venues - Mounts Bay, Tenby, Poole, Phwhelli, Hayling and and Sunderland were the most popular venues.

Conclusions

We retain the existing format eg We have our own venue and retain the same date for the Championships. Venues will be selected on the basis of the popularity and availability by the Championship Committee.

WE HAD ALREADY GOT IT RIGHT

Returns Results

Return	Venue 1	Venue 2	Venue 3	Venue 4	Venue 5	Venue 6	Venue 7	Venue 8	Venue 9	Venue 10	Venue 11	Venue 12	Venue 13	Venue 14	Venue 15
1	Minnis	Hayling	Phwhelli	Sunder	Mounts B										
2	Mounts B	Fowey	L Regis	Teignmth											
3	Mounts B	S West	Tenby												
4	Mounts B	Weymth	Phwhelli	Shoreham	Sunder	Torbay	Hayling	Tenby							
5	Mounts B	Tenby	Poole	Weymth	Hayling										
6	Brixham	C'church	Phwhelli	Mounts B	Poole	Felixstow	Shoreham	Filey	Minnis	Mumbles	Tenby	S'foot	Hayling	Whit'ble	H'pool
7	Mounts B	Highcliff	Weymth	Beer	Tenby	Poole	Helens	Teignmouth							
8	Phwhelli	Tenby	Mounts B	Sunder	Teignmth	Fowey									
9	Mounts B	L Regis	Poole	Looe	Hayling	Weymth	S'foot	Mumbles	Tenby	Bright'sea	Llddudno	Paignton	Plymth		
10	Sunder	Mounts B	Hayling	Poole											
11	Brixham	Torquay	Paignton	Teignmth	Plymth	Looe	Salcom	Mounts B	Poole	Mumbles	Llddudno	Abersoch	Phwhelli	Ilfra	S coast
12	Mounts B	Plymth	Phwhelli	Abersoch	Poole	Weymth	Tenby	Shoreham	Mumbles	Sunder	Filey	Hayling	Paignton	Minnis	Lee Sol
13	Mounts B	Tenby	Phwhelli	Forth	Filey	Abersoch	Llddudno	Ayr	Sunder						
14	Sunder	Hayling	Poole	Tenby	Mounts B										
15	L Regis	Plymth	Weymth	C'church	Mudeford										
16	Mounts B	Phwhelli	Hayling	L Regis	Abersoch	W Scot	Rock	Poole	Torbay	Weymth	Ireland	Sunder	Mumbles	Brid'ton	
17	Mounts B	Tenby	Looe	Fowey	Torquay	Parkstone	Swanage	H'cliffe	Berwick	Beer	Exmouth	Teignmth	Helens	Weymth	Llddudno
18	Mounts B	Tenby	Mumbles	Helens	Sunder	Poole									
19	Mounts B	Filey	NWales	Teignmth											
20	Poole	Mounts B	Tenby	Plymouth	Sunder	Hayling									
Returns Per Venue Number															
	20	20	20	19	16	12	9	9	7	6	6	6	6	5	4

Results In Alphabetical Order

															Total Results		Results from 1st 4		
															Total	% Votes	Total	% Votes	VENUE
Abersoch			1	1	1						1				4	2.42	1	1.27	Abersoch
Ayr								1							1	0.61	0	0.00	Ayr
Beer			1							1					2	1.21	1	1.27	Beer
Berwick									1						1	0.61	0	0.00	Berwick
Bridlington														1	1	0.61	0	0.00	Bridlington
Brightlingsea										1					1	0.61	0	0.00	Brightlingsea
Brixham	2														2	1.21	2	2.53	Brixham
C'Church		1	1												2	1.21	2	2.53	C'Church
Exmouth											1				1	0.61	0	0.00	Exmouth
Felixstow						1									1	0.61	0	0.00	Felixstow
Filey		1			1			1			1				4	2.42	1	1.27	Filey
Forth			1												1	0.61	1	1.27	Forth
Fowey		1	1			1									3	1.82	2	2.53	Fowey
Hartlepoole														1	1	0.61	0	0.00	Hartlepoole
Hayling		2	2		2	1	1					1	1		10	6.06	4	5.06	Hayling
Helensburgh			1				1						1		3	1.82	1	1.27	Helensburgh
Highcliffe		1						1							2	1.21	1	1.27	Highcliffe
Ilfracombe														1	1	0.61	0	0.00	Ilfracombe
Ireland											1				1	0.61	0	0.00	Ireland
Lee-on-Solent														1	1	0.61	0	0.00	Lee-on-Solent
Llandudno							1				2			1	4	2.42	0	0.00	Llandudno
Looe			1	1		1									3	1.82	2	2.53	Looe
L'Regis	1	1	1	1											4	2.42	4	5.06	L'Regis
Minnis	1								1					1	3	1.82	1	1.27	Minnis
M'Bay	12	2	1	1	2			1							19	11.52	16	20.25	M'Bay
Mudeford					1										1	0.61	0	0.00	Mudeford
Mumbles			1					1	1	2			1		6	3.64	1	1.27	Mumbles
Paignton			1									1	1		3	1.82	1	1.27	Paignton
Parkstone						1									1	0.61	0	0.00	Parkstone
Phwhell	1	1	5										1		8	4.85	7	8.86	Phwhelli
Plymth		2		1	1								1		5	3.03	3	3.80	Plymth
Poole	1		3	1	2	2		1	1						11	6.67	5	6.33	Poole
Rock							1								1	0.61	0	0.00	Rock
Salcombe							1								1	0.61	0	0.00	Salcombe
Saundersfoot							1					1			2	1.21	0	0.00	Saundersfoot
Shoreham				1			1	1							3	1.82	1	1.27	Shoreham
Sunder	2			2	3				1	1		1			10	6.06	4	5.06	Sunder
Swanage							1								1	0.61	0	0.00	Swanage
Tenby		5	2	1	1		1	1	1		1				13	7.88	8	10.13	Tenby
Teignmth				3	1			1				1			6	3.64	3	3.80	Teignmth
Torbay						1			1						2	1.21	0	0.00	Torbay
Torquay		1			1										2	1.21	1	1.27	Torquay
Weymth		1	2	1		2				1				1	8	4.85	4	5.06	Weymth
Whitstable														1	1	0.61	0	0.00	Whitstable
General Areas																0.00	0	0.00	**General Areas**
N Wales			1												1	0.61	1	1.27	N Wales
S'Coast														1	1	0.61	0	0.00	S'Coast
S'West		1													1	0.61	1	1.27	S'West
W Scotland						1									1	0.61	0	0.00	W Scotland

Total Votes Cast 165 actual votes

Max Possible Votes 300 e.g 15 venues x 20 returns