

Cold, wet and snow added to gusty conditions at Frostbites on the weekend

Five Norfolk dinghies launched in what has to be said were awful conditions on Sunday. After a short postponement Race Officers Ray Johnson and Wendy Bush set a four lap downstream start from "C" line for the first race.

All boats were close at the start but Sam Woodcock sailing B20 "Kelpie" crewed by Sam

Archer made good use of the wind-shifts to round the lower mark first. In close pursuit was David Mackley in B6 "Lucifer beyond repair" crewed by Olivia Archer. By the end of the first lap, Mackley was in the lead followed by Bernie Woodcock in B61 "Echo" crewed by Pip Norton and Sam Woodcock was third. The downstream leg was very flukey under the shadow of the trees and places changed. Sam Woodcock regained the lead and Mackley followed. These two boats pulled away from the rest of the fleet and had a good battle.



After nearly 46 minutes Woodcock and Mackley approached the finish line together with Woodcock winning by 6 seconds. In third place came Paul and Karen Armitage sailing B60 "Jane" who on corrected time for the handicap results came first, with Bernie Woodcock second and Sam Woodcock third.

There was one retirement from the first race by one helm sailing solo no doubt due to the gusts. Following a brief retirement to the clubhouse to watch the snowstorm sailors voted to abandon the second race.

NORWICH FROSTBITE SAILING CLUB - RACE SHEET 2025/2026 SEASON							Date	15-Feb-26			
NEW YEAR TO SEASON END											
Course:- Line C, L-S, T-P, TM-S, 4 laps							Start				11:05:00
NORFOLKS SERIES 3 & ALLCOMERS SERIES 3							Stewart & Patterson Cup (No h/c) and Jubilee Cup (with h/c)				Pos.
Sail no.	Boat name	Helm	Crew	h/c	Finish	Elapsed	no h/c	Corrected	h/c	Pos.	
B20	Kelpie	Sam Woodcock	Sam Archer	2%	11:50:58	0:45:58	1	0:46:53	3	Retired	
B53	Twinkle	Danny Tyrrell									
B61	Echo	Bernie Woodcock	Pip Norton	-6%	11:54:03	0:49:03	4	0:46:06	2		
B6	Lucifer	David Mackley	Olivia Archer	2%	11:51:04	0:46:04	2	0:46:59	4		
B60	Jane	Paul Armitage	Karen Armitage	-8%	11:53:54	0:48:54	3	0:44:59	1		
Race 1											
Norfolks class race - Steward & Patteson Challenge Cup											
Allcomers handicap race - Jubilee Challenge Cup											
Race 2											
Norfolks class race - Foulsham Fool Trophy											
Allcomers handicap race - R. O. Clark Trophy											
Race 3											
Sliding handicap for helms 18 and under - Junior Challenge Cup											