

Great start to 2016 for Nottingham Rowing Club

Written by Administrator

Thursday, 28 January 2016 12:58 -

After taking a large contingent to the opening event of 2016, many of whom were testing themselves on the water for the first time in a while, Nottingham Rowing Club returned from Boston Head on Sunday January 24th with 15 trophies, with the club's men, women, veterans and juniors combining to start 2016 with outstanding results.

Held on the River Witham over the closing few kilometres of the infamous 50 kilometre Boston Marathon, the event was run in three separate divisions and attracted a record number of rowers from across the country, many of whose winter training had been disrupted by river flooding.

Division One was rowed over 5000 m and was aimed at senior experienced competitors; Nottingham Rowing Club won every event they entered. The men's first eight of **Ed Mace, Alex Watkins**

,
George Turner

,
Rory Mellows

,
Jon Okon

,
Martin Hird

,
Anthony English

and

Stuart Sykes

, coxed by

Sophie Lawton

and rowing at IM1 status, won as the fastest crew of the day. The IM3 status second eight of

Ben Townsend

,
Daniel Roe

,
Ben Farrell

,
Adam Wright

,
Joseph Heade

,
Kenny Gray

,

Great start to 2016 for Nottingham Rowing Club

Written by Administrator

Thursday, 28 January 2016 12:58 -

Matthew Bowles

and

Raphael Formarier

, coxed by

Sophie Rawlins

also won their event, coming in only 4s behind the first eight.

Laurie Hartill

,

Tracey Lamb

,

Cassie White

,

Becca Gill

,

Holly Brearley

,

Heather Wesson

,

Lisa Ford

,

Lou Townrow

and cox

Josh Kaye

won women's IM1 eights - coach Helen Bloor was delighted. The men's Masters D eight of

Chris Beesley

,

Canice O'Reilly

,

Steve Hill

,

Andy Townsend

,

Iain Hil

l,

Shane MacSweeney

,

Andy Brown

and

Paul Williamson

, coxed by

Clare Angus

won a combined C/D event convincingly.

George Hallewell

, coached by Nicola Benavente, won Elite single sculls;

Matt Haywood

, another of Nicola's scullers, won J18 single sculls.

Great start to 2016 for Nottingham Rowing Club

Written by Administrator

Thursday, 28 January 2016 12:58 -

Laura Wheeler

was the winner of Elite women's single sculls and

Siena Hayes

from Loughborough Girls' High won women's J18 single sculls.

Division Two was held over a shorter course of 3000 m, in which **John Stimpson** won IM1 single sculls and

John Gough

was the IM3 single sculls winner.

Annie Campbell-Orde

&

Fleur Tavare

won women's IM3 double sculls, and

Bella Barlow

from Nottingham Girls High School was the women's J16 single sculls winner.

Division Three was also held over a 3000m stretch. **Rosie Wilkins** won women's IM1 single sculls and

Rosie Taylor

won women's IM3 sculls - both girls are part of the club's High Performance group coached by Dez Atkins. Fresh from earlier victory in the women's IM1 eight,

Laurie Hartill

,

Tracey Lamb

,

Holly Brearley

and

Becca Gill

, coxed by

Josh Kaye

won women's IM3 coxed fours.