

YVSC BARBEQUE & CLIPPESBY TROPHY 2007

Over the course of the weekend there were 15 boats present.

Saturday We arrived at 18:30 moored up and had a mast count and found 14 YVSC boats moored in the narrow confines of Upton dyke, what a great turn out we thought then David told us that we had over 70 people coming to the barbeque that is a really great turnout on what was a splendid summer evening. The food was ready at about 19:30 and the caterers did us proud it was a great success we all sat around in the boatyard till about 22:30 then all dispersed back to our boats although we know a few got side tracked on to other vessels for a night cap.

Sunday We awoke to a fine morning and the wind was starting to blow stiffly, as per the commodores instructions we met on the staithe for a briefing for the clippesby trophy it was to be a time trial!

The course was from Oby mill to boundary dyke back downstream to the Northern Rivers sailing club and back to Oby mill and whoever had guessed the time of their passage the closest would collect the cup.

The top three are as follows:

- 1st Red Flame, Mark & Rita Humphrey's
- 2nd Mosselle Peter & Sonia Saint
- 3rd Merry Widow Paul Reynolds & Reg Edmunds

We then all moored up at Oby mill and had a long lunch after which the cloud started to build as forecast so many cast off and headed for home at around 14:30 the Oby dyke clan headed back about half an hour later but many were caught in the torrential rain we ourselves watched as the lightning flashed around then came a almighty bang of thunder, as we made our way back down the dyke, we did not see the flash of lightning but it was far to close for comfort so we tied up quickly and battened down the hatches 15 minutes later it was over as if nothing had occurred.

Mark, Sharron & Bella July 2007