

# Benfleet Regatta Annual Results

From Newspaper Cuttings

## Chelmsford Chronicle - Friday 05 July 1907

### BENFLEET REGATTA.

This regatta was held on Saturday, and proved successful. Among those present were Mr. Rowland Whitehead, M.P.

Results:

- Water Derby. Plumb.
- Rowing Race. 1, Osborne; 2, Whybrow.
- Coastguard Race. 1, Canvey Island ; 2, Leigh.
- Single Oar Sculling Race. 1, Wilson 2, Osborne; 3, Whybrow.
- Race for Raters. 1, Mr. T. E. Ross's Tomtit; 2, Mr. H. Patterson's Nothing.
- Handicap Sailing Race from Leigh to Benfleet. 1, Mr. F. Turnnidge's Little Amy, 48.5 min.; 2, Mr. C. J. Clamp's Nellie, 48.75 min.; 3, Mr. H. Thompson's Ruby, 49 min.
- Duck Hunt. Brown ("Pongo").
- Boys' Swimming Race. Farr.
- Men's Swimming Race. 1, Lyon; 2, Young.
- Open Swimming Race. 1, Lyon; 2, Pewsey.
- Greasy Pole.—Houghton.
- Baker and Sweep. W. Webster and G. Plumb.

In the evening a programme of land sports was carried out in the meadow adjoining the Anchor Hotel.

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### BENFLEET SPORTS.

The third annual regatta and land sports held at South Benfleet, passed off very successfully on the Bank-Holiday. St. Mary's Brass Band was in attendance. The Rev. Chas. F. Box was president, Sir Claude de Crespigny vice-president, and Mr. Chas. Tingey hon. sec. After the water sports a public luncheon was served, Mr. R. King presiding.

Below are the principal results:

#### WATER SPORTS.

- One-oared sculling race, barges' boats. 1. William Osborne; 2. Walter Osborne.
- Gravesend watermen's race. 1. United Friends : 2. Nelly.
- Local rowing race, barges' boats. 1. Walter Osborne; 2. William Osborne
- Motor boat race. 1, Mr. Brennan's Demon II.: 2, Mr. L. Sharp's boat.; 3, Mr. Lawrence's Spitfire.
- Coastguards' race. 1, Leigh: 2. Canvey.
- Leigh sailing race. 1. Mr. P. Turnnidges Little Amy; 2. Mr. J. Williams' Mavis 3. Mr. J. Cummings' May.
- Race for local raters. 1. Mr. Burchfield's Tom Tit; 2. Mr. Dean's If It.
- Swimming race, boys. 1. P. Blythe: 2. W. Wilson.
- Swimming race, men. 1. P. A. Blythe; 2. W. J. Yetton; 3. E. Young.
- Cock fight. E. Young and P. Farr divided.
- Duck hunt. 1. F. Farr; 2. E. Young.
- Greasy pole. A. Boyton.

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### LAND SPORT AND TURNOUTS

- 150 yards race. men. 1, A. Miles; 2, M. Argent; 3. Davis.
- 100 yards race, girls. 1, D. Mitchell; 2. Ruby Cross; R. Pratt.
- 100 yards race. boys. 1, F. Cornish; E. Hodson; 3, W. Anderson.
- High jump. 1. T. Grant; 2. Davis; 3, F. Parker.
- Sack race. 1. S. Castle; 2. W. Anderson; 3, F. Cornish.
- Marathon race. 1, G. Alderton ; H. Brewster: 3, Sandercock
- Three-legged race. 1. T. E. Grant and E. W. Grant: 2. S. Castle and E. Castle; 3, C. Akers and E. Young.
- Tradesmen's turn-outs. 1. Mr. A. E. Tuffield (driver, W. Lambert); 2. Mr. S. Holden (A. Miles); 3. Mr. T. Attwell (B. Stracey).
- Pony race. 1. Mr. Dunn (rider, Y. Stacey); 2. Mr. Spurling (W. Wallace); 3. Mr. Clarke (A. Miles).
- Boy scouts' race, under 12. 1. E. Quilter; 2, G. Kiliingback; 3. W. A. Cockman.
- Over 12 1, H. Gray; 2. A. E. Gladwin.
- Tug-of-war. Leigh coastguards beat Canvey coastguards.
- Tilting the bucket. C. Akers and B. Stacey
- Decorated cycle. 1, Miss E. Morris; 2, Miss G. Morris.

The prizes were distributed by the president.

### Chelmsford Chronicle - Friday 12 August 1910

#### **BENFLEET REGATTA.**

The annual regatta and land sports for Benfleet and Canvey were hold on Saturday with much success, under presidency of the Rev. G. F. Box, vicar. Mr. Charles Tingey was the hon. sec. Results of principal events:

#### **WATER SPORTS.**

- One-oared sculling race (barges boats). Walter Osborne; William Osborne.
- 100 yards boys' swimming race. 1, W. Hurley; 2, F. le Serve; 3, Alex Griffiths.
- Rowing race (barge's boats). 1, A Bandoek; 2, Wm. Osborne; 3, Walter Osborne.
- 100 yards girls' swimming race. 1, Edna Griffiths; 2, Doris Walter.
- Motor boat race. 1, Raven, 22yds., owner, H. Sharp; 2, Minelia'ha(?), 18yds., W. Willings; 3, Spitfire, 9.5 yds, W. A. Lawrence.
- Coastguards' race. After a fine struggle Canvey beat Leigh.
- 150 yards men's swimming race. 1, T. Smith; 2, Young; 3, G. Ponsford.
- Leigh sailing race. 1, Nellie; 2, the Myrtle; 3, Little Amy.

#### **LAND SPORTS.**

- 150 yards men's race. 1, C. McGill; 2. Miles.
- High jump. Flinn (?).
- Marathon race. 1, C. McGill; 2, G. Alderton; 3, A. Webster.
- 100 yards boys' race. 1, A. G. Attrill; 2, Chisby(?); 3, A. Miles.
- 100 yards girls' race. 1, W. Watts; 2, Ivy Castle; 3, Lily Layzell.
- Cycle gymkhana,
  - tent-pegging. 1, C. S. Bunsden; 2, A. R. Houghton. 3, W. Godward.
  - Balaclava melee. 1, W. Godward; 2, Tpr. Thomas.

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- Boy Scouts' competitions.
  - Reveille race, Benfleet Troop (winners, E. Pickup, Finch, Quilter, Gray, H. Carter, and Pugh).
  - Despatch race, open. L, Benfleet 1st; 2, Leigh 1st; 3, Benfleet 2nd.
- Pony race. 1, Mr. T. Attwell; 2, Mr. Grubb; 3, Mr. Clark.

### Chelmsford Chronicle - Friday 01 September 1911

#### **BENFLEET REGATTA AND SPORTS.**

The annual regatta and land sports took place at Benfleet. There was a large attendance to enjoy capital programme, well carried out under the presidency of the Rev. C. F. Box, with Mr. C. E. Wright as chairman of the committee, Mr. E. Land as treasurer, and Mr. C. Tingey secretary.

Results :

- Local sculling race, one oar over stern, in barges' boats 1, A. Lazell; 2, J. Cripps.
- 100 yards swimming race, boys under 16. 1, A. Griffiths; 2, F. Wilkinson.
- Pair-oared race, local. 1, J. Cripps 2, A. Lazell.
- Shovel race. 1, Mr. Young's crew; 2, Mr. Lazell's crew.
- Four-oared amateur sculling race, local teams selected by the committee. 1. Mr. T. Moss's team; 2, Mr. Padgham's team.
- 100 yards swim race for girls, open. 1. Edna Griffiths; 2, Kate Mongor.
- Local sailing race. 1, G. R. Ross's Olga; 2, Mr Hallett's Ena.
- 150 yards swimming race, men, open. 1. F. Gorsuch; 2, H. Weatherley.
- Coastguards' race. 1, Leigh; 2, Canvey.
- Duck hunt. 1, Farr,
- Baker v. Sweep, local. Ackers and Alderton (sweeps) defeated Miles and Lazell (bakers).
- Walking the greasy pole! J. Eills.

The land sports were held in the Anchor Meadow. Results:

- Climbing the greasy pole for a leg of mutton. C. Clarke.
- 440 yards men's race. 1, Southby; 2, E. Grant
- Sack race for women. 1, M. Jobson; 2, Mrs. Watts.
- High jump. 1, T. Grant; 2, E. Grant.
- 100 yards boys' race. 1, Garn; 2, W. Ware.
- Ditto girls. 1, W. Watts; 2, M. Brown.
- Competitions for Boy Scouts. Reveille race (open to Benfleet Troop), 1, Quilter's team; 2, Gladwyn's team.
- Dispatch race (open to troops attached to the Leigh and District Scouts' Association), for silver challenge cup presented by Mrs. Edna Griffiths. 1, Leigh 2nd Troop; 2, Leigh 1st Troop.
- Mile race, men. 1, Birch; 2, Bateman.
- Egg and spoon races. Women: 1, W. Watts; 2, L. Brown.
- Girls 1, K. Ross 2. O. Ross.
- Sack race for men. 1, Axccl; 2, Stacey.
- 80 yards old men's race. 1, Smith; 2, Allen.
- 100 yards women's race. 1. Jobson; 2, Sharp.

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- Needle-threading race (for men and women). 1, Miss Huffenden; 2, Miss B. Thurtell.
- 100 yards, girls. 1, W. Watts ; 2, O. Ross.
- 880 yards, boys. 1, Fursland; 2, Miles.
- Tug-of- War. Coastguards: Canvey beat Leigh.
- Local: A. Chappell's team won.
- Wheelbarrow race. 1, Young; 2, Castle.
- Potato race. 1, Akers; 2, Southby.
- Pony race (up 14 hands). 1, F. Elliston, sen.; 2, F. Elliston, jun. A protest was lodged against the winner.
- Donkey race. 1, L. Heath: 2. A. Miles.
- Shooting the moon. 1, W. C. Southby; 2. J. Finch.
- Tradesmen's turn-out. 1, T. Theobald; 2, S. Holden.

## **Chelmsford Chronicle - Friday 08 August 1913**

### **BENFLEET & CANVEY REGATTA**

The Benfleet and Canvey Regatta and Land Sports were held Benfleet on Saturday with success. There was a record entry, and the proceedings lasted nearly nine hours. The Rev. C. F. Box was president and Mr. Charles Tingey hon. secretary. Music was played by the band of the training-ship Cornwall.

Principal results of the water sports:

- Sculling. 1, T. Giles; 2. W. A. Bundock; 3, P. Fellingham.
- Pair-oared race. 1. A. Parsons; 2, W. A. Bundock; 3, T. Giles.
- Veterans' pair-oared race. 1, A. Ford; 2, A. Cotgrove.
- Coastguards' Race. 1, Leigh; 2, Shoebury.
- 150 yards men's swimming. 1, W. J. Yetton; 2. W. J. Powell; 3, L. Castle.
- Local sailing race. Mr. Ross's Pixie; 2, Mr. Cummings' Sarcelle.
- Four-oared sculling race. 1. Farr's crew; Nethercote's crew; 3, Emery's crew.

A capital programme of land sports was also carried out.