



The Big Lash 2018 at West Kirby



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Edinburgh Import lashes London White

Saturday morning dawned bright and breezy at West Kirby SC for the 21 teams entered for Manchester & Liverpool SCs' Big Lash. At the halfway point, there were 4 teams on 100% wins: Manc Old Boys, Edinburgh Import, Newcastle White & Newcastle Red.

As the periods of gusty weather increased, a decision was made to change to cut down sails involving a momentous effort from both teams and helpers in order to sort out the 24 boats.



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Racing continued until late afternoon, finishing the round robin after 92 races, with each team having sailed 8 or 9 races. At the top of the leaderboard was Newcastle Red on 8 from 8, and Marx Trap, Edinburgh Import, Newcastle White and London White all on 7 from 8.

Sunday brought light, shifty winds to West Kirby Marine Lake, with a bit of sunshine breaking through the clouds. Racing in 3 leagues of 7 teams started shortly after 9:30. Multiple course changes due to large wind shifts were handled with supreme efficiency by the course manager and umpire team.



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After 63 races to complete the leagues, we moved into semis with Edinburgh Import (winners of Gold league) vs London Purple (the Silver Surfer) and Newcastle Red vs London White.

Edinburgh Import won 2 from 2 with a 1-2-5 and a 2-3-4. The second semi went to a deciding race with London White finally clinching victory with a 1-2-6, 3-4-5, and 1-2-3.



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A closely fought final between Edinburgh Import and London White ensued, with Edinburgh managing to convert marginal combinations into a strong 1-3-4 and 1-2-6 to take the final with a race to spare.

Massive thanks again to all the West Kirby SC volunteers who gave their time to help us run such a great event, to the Umpires, to KSail for providing us with our race schedules, and to our sponsors, Camp Leaders and Lydia.

Hope everyone enjoyed the weekend as much as we did!
Look forward to seeing you all next year at the Big Lash 2019 ☺ #LashLashLash

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Results of Round Robin and Leagues are attached below.

Leagues:

Gold	Races Sailed	Race Wins	%wins	Rank by Wins
Newcastle Red	6	5	83%	1
Edinburgh Import	6	5	83%	1
London White	6	4	67%	3
Newcastle White	6	1	17%	5
Marx Trap	6	1	17%	5
Manc Old Boys	6	4	67%	3
Nottingham Green	6	1	17%	5
Silver	Races Sailed	Race Wins	%wins	Rank by Wins
Durham Purple	6	4	67%	2
Kent	6	0	0%	7
London Purple	6	5	83%	1
Sheffield Gold	6	2	33%	5
Cambridge Beige	6	4	67%	2
Strathclyde Green	6	2	33%	5
Lallum	6	4	67%	2
Bronze	Races Sailed	Race Wins	%wins	Rank by Wins
Birmingham Pink	6	4	67%	3
Nottingham Fiends	6	5	83%	2
Bangor	6	6	100%	1
Manchester Blue	6	2	33%	5
Glasgow	6	3	50%	4
Sheffield Shred it	6	0	0%	7
Reading	6	1	17%	6

Round Robin:

Team	Races Sailed	Race Wins	Total Points	% wins	Rank by Wins	Rank by points
Strathclyde Green	8	3	94	37.50%	13	14
Edinburgh	9	0	135	0.00%	21	22
Lallum	8	3	89	37.50%	13	13
Manc Old Boys	9	7	70	77.78%	6	4
Glasgow	8	1	101	12.50%	18	18
Reading	9	0	131	0.00%	21	21
Nottingham Fiends	8	2	99	25.00%	16	17
Nottingham Green	9	7	80	77.78%	6	8
Marx Trap	8	7	71	87.50%	2	7
Edinburgh Import	8	7	59	87.50%	2	2
Manchester Blue	8	1	102	12.50%	18	20
Newcastle White	8	7	66	87.50%	2	5
Newcastle Red	8	8	54	100.00%	1	1
London White	8	7	60	87.50%	2	3
London Purple	9	5	82	55.56%	10	9
Sheffield Gold	9	5	89	55.56%	10	10
Sheffield Shred it	9	1	114	11.11%	20	19
Birmingham Pink	9	3	106	33.33%	15	15
Cambridge Beige	8	4	82	50.00%	12	11
Durham Purple	8	6	68	75.00%	8	6
Kent	8	6	82	75.00%	8	11
Bangor	8	2	97	25.00%	16	16