

INTERNATIONAL YACHT

RACING

2/8/23

BRITAIN v. AMERICA

CLYDE BOATS FINISH FIRST AT RYDE

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT

The first race for the British-American Cup took place at Ryde yesterday under the direction of the Royal Thames Yacht Club, and resulted in two Clyde boats, Coila III. and Reg, finishing first and second respectively, an American yacht, Lea, taking third place. A large number of spectators lined the pier-head to watch the racing. A fine breeze was blowing from about west-south-west which had enough strength in it to demand a single reef on all the competitors. The wind held true throughout, and gave the yachts a fine test, although there was hardly enough turning to windward.

The course was from Ryde Pier to the Peel Bank Buoy, to a mark boat off Browdown, to mark one mile east-north-east of Ryde Pier, and back to Ryde Pier, twice round, 15 miles. Start at noon.

A splendid start was effected, the wind giving them a beat through the line. Coila was first across, followed closely by Suzette. Clytie came next, to windward, then Capelle, Reg, Lea, Ingomar, and Hawk, in the order named. Lea was first to tack, and, going under the sterns of the other boats pointed high for the mark, was first to fetch the Peel Bank Buoy. Coila was next round, followed by Reg, Suzette, Clytie, Capelle, Ingomar, and Hawk. A run with spinnakers to the mark off Browdown put Coila in the lead. There was a keen fight as they beat back to the line to finish the first round, which was timed as follows:—

	H.	M.	S.
Coila III.	1	15	30
Lea	1	15	36
Reg	1	15	43
Suzette	1	15	55
Clytie	1	16	27
Capelle	1	17	20
Ingomar	1	17	28
Hawk	1	17	48

The wind freed them in the second round, and they fetched right out to the Peel Bank. Reg went well on this leg and passed Lea before they got to the weather mark, while Coila appeared to have slightly increased her lead. The next two legs was a run and a reach, and Hawk had passed Ingomar before they hauled round the leeward mark. There was a splendid race beating back to the line, but there was no change in the order, and the British boat Coila secured the first gun by 1min. 13sec.

FINISHING TIMES

	H.	M.	S.
Coila III.	2	24	55
Reg	2	28	8
Lea	2	26	27
Suzette	2	26	61
Clytie	2	29	2
Capelle	2	29	17
Hawk	2	29	35
Ingomar	2	29	53

The scores were as follow:—British team, 23 points; American team, 13 points. The winner boat receives a cup presented by the club.

THE YACHTS ENGAGED

The British team is as follows:—

Coila III., designed and built by owner, Mr F. G. Stephen, Linthouse, Glasgow.

Reg, designed and built by Fyfe of Fairlie, owned by Mr Norman Clark Neill.

Suzette, designed and built by Fyfe of Fairlie, owned by Colonel E. T. Peel.

Capelle, designed by Nicholson, owned by Sir W. P. Burton.

The American team is:—

Mr C. D. Mallory's Clytie, designed by Mr F. M. Hoyt.

Mr J. F. Bermingham's Lea, designed by Mr H. J. Gielow.

Mr W. A. W. Stewart's Hawk, designed by Mr Gielow.

Mr Henry Plant's Ingomar, designed by Mr Hoyt.

INTERNATIONAL YACHT RACING

3/8/23

BRITISH-AMERICA CUP

HOME BOATS WELL AHEAD ON POINTS

The second race for the British-America Cup between teams of six-metre yachts representing Britain and America was sailed yesterday at Southsea under the burgee of the Royal Albert Yacht Club. All four British yachts finished ahead of the Americans, and as the British representatives had scored 23 points to 13 in the first race on Wednesday they are now well ahead on points. The teams are:—

UNITED STATES

Clytie.....Mr C. D. Mallory
 Lea.....Mr J. E. Birmingham
 Ingomar.....Mr Henry B. Plant
 Hawk.....Mr W. A. W. Stewart

GREAT BRITAIN

Reg.....Mr Norman Clark Neill
 Suzette.....Major E. T. Peel, D.S.O.
 Capelle.....Sir William P. Burton
 Coila III.....Mr F. J. Stephen

THE RACE

A fresh southerly breeze was blowing, and all the boats were reefed, with the exception of the American boat Hawk, and the two British boats Reg and Suzette. The course was from the starting-line off Spit Fort to Horse Elbow Buoy, to the east measured mile buoy, thence to the line, twice round, 17 miles. The start was at noon. A very fine start was effected, with Suzette first on the line, followed by Hawk, Reg, Coila III., Clytie, Capelle, Ingomar, and Lea, which had been recalled, last. The wind gave them a beat to the first mark, where Suzette had improved her advantage gained at the start and was leading boat at the weather mark. Lea, in spite of her bad start, was the next boat to fetch, then came Reg, followed by Hawk, Ingomar, Coila III., Capelle, and Clytie. A run to the east measured mile put Coila III. into third place, and Capelle reached past Lea on the journey back to the line, thus putting all four of the British boats in the lead at the end of the first round, which was timed as follows:—

FIRST ROUND

	H.	M.	S.
Suzette	1	13	36
Reg	1	14	6
Coila III.	1	15	11
Capelle	1	15	50
Lea	1	16	9
Clytie	1	16	14
Hawk	1	16	20
Ingomar	1	16	51

There was a close reach and a short hitch to fetch the first mark in the second round, and Reg weathered into first place. Clytie passed Lea before the end of the race, but apart from that there was no change in the order of the boats.

FINISHING TIMES

	H.	M.	S.
Reg	2	20	47
Suzette	2	21	8
Coila III.	2	22	43
Capelle	2	23	0
Clytie	2	24	10
Lea	2	24	40
Hawk	2	25	12
Ingomar	2	25	45

The British team thus scored 26 points and the American 10 points, bringing the total up to—Britain, 49 points; America, 23 points.

The next race will be sailed to-day at Ryde under the burgee of the Royal Victoria Yacht Club.

Wee John.

ONE of the principal figures of the international races just begun on the Solent between British and American teams of yachts is "Wee John" Stephen, who sails Coila III. for his father, the well-known Clyde shipbuilder.

As possibly will be guessed, Mr. Stephen is a man of colossal size, but as active as a kitten and a magnificent helmsman.

YACHTING

4/8/23

THE BRITISH-AMERICAN CUP

The secretary of the British-American Cup Committee at Cowes announces that owing to the death of the President of the United States there will be no further racing for the British-American Cup until August 8.

THE COWES WEEK

The King's yacht Britannia will compete each day during the Cowes regatta week, which starts on Monday with racing under the auspices of the Royal London Yacht Club. The entries for the Royal Yacht Squadron Regatta closed at noon yesterday for the King's Cup, which is confined to yachts of 30 tons and upwards belonging to squadron members. The entries are:—Sir William Portal's Valdora, Colonel Gage's Amphitrite, Mr Richard Lee's Terpsichore, Colonel John Gretton's Cariad, Mr Charles P. Johnson's Moonbeam, and Mr Kenneth Preston's Paula III. Britannia is entered for the second race, which is a handicap for yachts of 50 tons and upwards, having as opponents Mrs Workman's Nyria, Mr J. S. Highfield's Dorina, and Mr H. A. Andreae's Candida.

In the big handicap class on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday the Britannia, Terpsichore, Cariad, and Nyria have entered, Valdora being an additional entry for Friday, when the town prizes will be competed for. Other races have filled well—Vanity, Cyra, Atalanta, Kelpie, Noreen, and Sirocco being entrants for the 12-metre international class.

The Royal Albert Yacht Club concluded their two days' annual regatta at Southsea yesterday. A fresh west-south-west breeze was blowing, and for various reasons none of the big classes turned out, and it was left the small raters to save the situation. In all the total number of starters was seven, including two of the six-metre class, who sailed a match with single reefed mainsails. Three of the international 18-footers raced, and two of the Redwings faced the gun after sailing over from Bembridge. In the race for the six-metre class Betty won from Ayesha. Eve won in the 18-foot international class, with Vanity second, while Fortuna was winner of the Redwings.

INTERNATIONAL YACHT RACING

13/8/23.

BRITAIN LEADS AMERICA

RESULT OF THIRD RACE

The third race for the British America Cup took place on Saturday at Cowes under the auspices of the Royal Yacht Squadron, this being the first of the two heats postponed owing to the death of the American President. As a memento of the race a cup was presented to the winner by Major the Hon. Sir John Ward, K.C., V.O., who formerly owned the six metres yacht Jean, which sailed in the British team last year and the year before. The two previous races this season have been sailed in a fresh breeze, but on this occasion the wind was very light and patchy, coming from all directions, and the British team put up a fine performance in getting three of their boats home first in such a tedious race, which took nearly eight and a half hours to complete.

The race started at 11 o'clock, and the course was as follows:—From starting line round East Lepe, round West Bramble and West Middle Buoys to line, or vice versa; twice round, 14 miles.

THE TEAMS

The teams were as follows:—

UNITED STATES

Clytie Mr C. D. Mallory.
 Lea Mr J. E. Birmingham.
 Ingomar Mr Henry B. Plant.
 Hawk Mr W. A. W. Stewart.

GREAT BRITAIN

Reg Mr Norman Clark Neill.
 Suzette Major E. T. Peel, D.S.O.
 Capelle Sir William P. Burton.
 Coila III. Mr F. J. Stephen.

When the first gun was fired there was practically no wind, and the racers were kedged until just before the starting signal. They drifted through the line, and the west-going tide took them down to the first mark, where they kedged again. Suzette was first to be favoured with a light air, and opened out a lead that put her ten minutes ahead at the end of the first round, which was timed as follows:—

	H.	M.	S.
Suzette	3	7	9
Lea	3	17	47
Hawk	3	18	45
Clytie	4	19	21
Coila III.	3	20	4
Ingomar	3	22	55
Capelle	3	28	32
Reg	4	8	11

ALL IN A BUNCH

After rounding the first mark in the second round Lea, Hawk, Clytie, and Coila III. began to overhaul the leader until they were all in a bunch with the exception of Capelle and Reg, which were a long way astern, and then ensued a most exciting, though at the same time tedious, race to the line, all the boats taking a turn to lead. Toward the finish Reg, which was an hour behind at the end of the first round, found a little breeze and finished seventh. The British team finished first, second, third, and seventh, while the Americans came in fourth, fifth, sixth, and eighth.

FINISHING TIMES

The finishing times were as follows:—

	H.	M.	S.
Suzette	6	35	37
Capelle	6	42	45
Coila III.	6	46	24
Clytie	6	48	11
Lea	6	55	37
Ingomar	6	55	38
Reg	7	2	40
Hawk	7	25	6

The British team scored 23 points to their opponents' 13.

HOW THE TEAMS STAND

The total points scored in the three races sailed are as follows:—

Great Britain	72
America	36

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14/8/23

BRITISH TEAM AGAIN WINS

FOURTH RACE DESCRIBED

The fourth race for the British-American Cup took place at Cowes yesterday under the auspices of the Royal London Yacht Club, when the British team were again the winners, scoring 24 points to their opponents' 12 points. The weather continued fine, and a moderate westerly breeze favoured the event, the race being sailed in fairly quick time. The American boat Lea worked out a useful lead in the first round, but was overhauled about half-way through the final lap, and finished third. Coila proved the winner, and secured a cup presented by Sir Charles C. Allom, Vice Commodore of the Royal London Yacht Club. The race was started at 11.15, and they were sent twice round the East Lepe, West Bramble, and West Middle Buoys, a distance of fourteen miles.

THE TEAMS

The teams were as follows:—

UNITED STATES

Clytie Mr C. D. Mallory.
 Lea Mr J. F. Birmingham.
 Ingomar Mr Henry B. Plant.
 Hawk Mr W. A. W. Stewart.

GREAT BRITAIN

Reg Mr Norman Clark Neill.
 Suzette Major E. T. Peel, D.S.O.
 Capelle Sir William P. Burton.
 Coila III. Mr F. J. Stephen.

They got away to a close start with the exception of Hawk and Clytie, who were over the line at the gun. Lea led the fleet out, followed by Coila, Capelle, Reg, Suzette, Ingomar, Hawk, and Clytie. The wind gave them a beat to the first mark, where Lea was first to fetch, and worked out a useful lead. Running to the leeward mark they had a beat to finish the round, which was timed as follows:—

	H.	M.	S.
Lea	12	34	22
Coila III.	12	36	34
Reg	12	36	55
Hawk	12	37	27
Capelle	12	37	33
Ingomar	12	38	11
Suzette	12	38	21
Clytie	12	38	45

There was a little more wind in the second round, and they put up a fine race beating to the first mark, where Capelle had passed Hawk and Suzette had overtaken Ingomar. On the run to the West Bramble both Coila and Reg passed Lea, and came home first and second boats, while Suzette beat Ingomar.

FINISHING TIMES

	H.	M.	S.
Coila III.	1	58	32
Reg	1	59	12
Lea	1	59	25
Capelle	1	59	52
Suzette	2	0	47
Ingomar	2	1	9
Hawk	2	1	10
Clytie	2	1	15

The result of the race gave the British 24 points and America 12, bringing the total up to—Britain, 96, America, 48 points. The next race will be sailed at Ryde to-day.

INTERNATIONAL YACHT RACING

15/8/23

AMERICAN YACHTS SCORE

FINAL RACE TO-DAY

The fifth race for the British-America Cup was decided at Ryde yesterday under the direction of the Royal Victoria Yacht Club. A cup was presented by the commodore of the club, Sir William P. Burton, for the winner of the event. There was very little weight in the easterly breeze that prevailed, and the American team, who were well suited in the light airs, finished their four boats ahead of the British boats, and gained the maximum number of points. The start was at noon, and the course was from the starting line to mark boat east of Ryde pier, to mark boat off Browdown, to Peel Bank Buoy, thence to starting line, twice round.

THE TEAMS

The teams were as follow:—

UNITED STATES

Clytie Mr C. D. Mallory
 Lea Mr J. F. Birmingham
 Ingomar Mr Henry B. Plant
 Hawk Mr W. A. W. Stewart

GREAT BRITAIN

Reg Mr Norman Clark Neill
 Suzette Major E. T. Peel, D.S.O.
 Capelle Sir William P. Burton
 Coila III. Mr F. J. Stephen

They got away to a fair start in the following order:—Suzette, Capelle, Reg, Hawk, Clytie, Coila III., Ingomar, and Lea. They ran with spinnakers to the first mark, where Clytie was the leading boat. They had a beat to the next mark, and the American boats weathered out on the British yachts, and led the fleet at the eastern mark. They ran back to the line to finish the first round, which was timed as follows:—

	H.	M.	S.
Lea	2	31	57
Clytie	2	33	44
Ingomar	2	34	29
Hawk	2	34	52
Suzette	2	36	49
Coila III.	2	39	45
Capelle	2	58	32
Reg	3	11	43

In the second round Clytie passed Lea and Hawk, displacing Ingomar, but there was no change of the others.

FINISHING TIMES

	H.	M.	S.
Clytie	4	50	28
Lea	4	52	34
Hawk	4	53	28
Ingomar	4	57	19
Suzette	5	0	0
Coila III.	5	2	45
Reg	5	27	43

The result of the race gave the American team 26 points and the British team 9 points, Capelle having given up.

TOTAL POINTS

The total points scored are:—

Great Britain	105
America	74

The final race will be sailed to-day at Ryde.

Paula III. won the Earl of Desart's cup, Dorina taking second prize.
 In the race for yachts exceeding 10 metres Vanity was the winner, Atalanta taking second prize and Sirocco third.
 The winners in the other classes were:—Radiant, Prudence, Ayesha, Joy, Naomi, and Tom.
 In our report of Monday's racing a mistake was made, Britannia being returned as the winner of the first race, whereas Terpsichore won by 1min. 31sec. on the handicap time allowance of 9min. 58sec.

INTERNATIONAL YACHTING

16/8/23

FINAL RACE FOR BRITISH-AMERICAN CUP

BRITAIN WINS THE TROPHY BY 43 POINTS

The final race for the British-American Cup took place at Ryde yesterday under the direction of the Royal Thames Yacht Club. The winning boat was awarded a cup for a memento of the race. A fresh northerly breeze was blowing, demanding a reef on all the boats, which proved somewhat in favour of the British team, who scored double the number of points secured by their rivals. The race started at 11.45 a.m., and they were sent twice round a mark to the end of the pier, a mark opposite Browdown, and the Peel Bank Buoy, a distance of 15 miles. They made a very good start, reaching through the line in the following order:—Reg, Coila III., Capelle, Clytie, Lea, Suzette, Hawk, Ingomar. The leading boat at the first mark was Capelle, followed by Coila III. and Reg. A beat to the next mark put Coila III. in the lead. The rest of the round was reaching.

FIRST ROUND TIMES

	H.	M.	S.
Coila III.	12	58	30
Reg	12	58	45
Capelle	12	59	17
Clytie	1	0	32
Ingomar	1	1	32
Hawk	1	2	11
Suzette	1	2	16
Lea	1	2	50

In the second round Ingomar dropped to last, but there was no other change in the order. The finishing times were as follow:—

	H.	M.	S.
Coila III.	2	14	20
Reg	2	15	13
Capelle	2	15	34
Clytie	2	21	40
Hawk	2	22	52
Suzette	2	23	13
Lea	2	23	57
Ingomar	2	24	25

The result of this race gave 24 points to the British team, while the Americans scored 12 points. Britain's aggregate of points being 129 and America's 86, the British thus won the trophy by 43 points.