

25th / 26th July 2009:- St Neots Regatta

The history books will need to be rewritten this week as Boston Rowing Club can now boast a winning Ladies Eight for the first time in its 153 year history, after competing in the two day regatta at St Neots.

The winning eight comprising of Hannah Champion (Bow), Angie West (2), Leanne Cozens (3), Zoe Hudson (4), Emily Gall (5), Catherine Grayson (6), Ailsa Linnell (7), Violet Summerfield (Stroke), and Nick Stow in the Cox's seat, won in the final of the Women's Novice Eights after an impressive 500m sprint against a top London club, Barnes Bridge Ladies. Technique, stamina and determination ensured that the result is not only the first ever women's eight win for BRC but also the first eight win since the Men recorded a home victory in 1986. This clearly justifies the purchase of the new Filippi Eight, last year, which being the first ever brand new eight for the club.

The Ladies were not the only winners at the weekend, a second win of the regatta for the Club and the Champion family saw Will Champion partnering Ben Thomas to a fantastic win in the 500m final of the J15 double sculls after progressing through three previous rounds. With a total of 18 crews from the club racing over the 1km and 500m courses during the two days, notable performances included:

Saturday 1km course.

IM2 2X - Waleed Butt & Duncan Thomas (Semi-final).

WJ14 2X - Harriet Housam & Nicole Hendy (Semi-final).

WJ14 1X - Harriet Housam (Semi-final).

Sunday 500m course.

IM3 4X - Waleed Butt, Duncan Thomas, Adam Berry & Jeff Elms (Semi-final).

IM3 1X - Adam Berry (Final).

J15 1X - Will Champion (Semi-Final).

W IM3 8+ - Hannah Champion, Angie West, Leanne Cozens, Zoe Hudson, Emily Gall, Catherine Grayson, Ailsa Linnell, Violet Summerfield, & cox Nick Stow (Semi-final).

WJ14 1X - Nicole Hendy (Semi-final).

WJ14 1X - Harriet Housam (Final).

WJ14 2X - Nicole Hendy & Harriet Housam (Semi-final).