

## **Captain's Report – May 2018**

After Beasts from the East and gales for much of March, the April weather settled down enough for us to manage some lovely still, warm rows and a bit of training.

David got us sorted into teams for the Port Seton regatta and we had a weekend of fast two-minute sprints and imaginary buoy turns. The regatta proper was on Sat 28th April, the first one of the season and the first ever regatta for a number of people in the club. A fun day as ever, jam packed with races with some good performances from team Eskmuthie.

The coxes had a get together on 1st May for a catch up and discussion and plans will be made soon to get new people who are keen to learn to cox out on the water.

Eastern had a fantastic evening for the launch of their new skiff Sprite on 7th May. We rowed along to meet up with the Eastern and Porty skiffs, give the new boat a salute and have a bit of chat on the beach.

On 8th May we took the local scouts out for some rowing sessions. We had a good turnout of club members to help, which makes a real difference and the evening went well. The boys seemed to enjoy it and there are definitely a few potential talents in there for the future.

May 13th - After a last-minute invite 7 of us took Steddie down to Lindisfarne to do circumnavigation of the island, or rather an attempted one, with the boats from Amble. It was a bit of an adventure and David has written a fabulous piece about the day to go with Kate's brilliant photographs. See link below.

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Thanks, and well done to Pauline for stepping in to cox both rowing sessions at home that day. So, a good month with lots going on and a few new members joining us as well. Let's hope the rest of the year is as successful.

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