

# Catch Me If You Can, Saturday June 7<sup>th</sup>



Some fairly bleak forecasts had cast doubt on whether Saturday's Catch Me If You Can would go ahead but in the end the wind abated and the lightening never showed up as nine boats dodged the rain and enjoyed a fresh sail down the River Orwell and up the River Stour to Parkeston buoy and then back down to Downham near the club. If boats reached this point before the time was up they rounded Downham and headed back down the river again. This Saturday, the boats in front out-sailed themselves and finished back down by Collimer – a brave move given the ominous rain clouds. Those of us who remained more towards the end of the pack had the pleasure of finishing nearer to the club, meaning we were back in and dry before the rain hit. Hey ho, that's the way the wind blows sometimes!



It was a full clubhouse for the indoor BBQ where we shared stories and empathised with those who did not stay totally dry. Honours (packet of Smarties) were bestowed on Spree Three who crossed the start in 4 seconds and were closest to their designated start time and also to Lady McG who was judged to have the most stylish start with a couple of smooth pirouettes before the line. The biggest accolade and much sought after '*I caught them!*' tumbler went to Entropy who managed to pass the fleet and end up in front. Crewed by skipper and his family (including children 1 and 3) and both sets of grandparents it was an inspiring sail – well done Entropy!

