

A DAY AT THE RACES



Sail No: 127

Launch Date: 1966

Type: One Ton

Owner: Barrie Martin

Designer:	<i>Peter Nicholson</i>	Builder:	<i>Camper & Nicholson</i>
Construction:	<i>Teak</i>	Sail Plan:	<i>Bermudan</i>
LOA/LWL:	<i>10.6m / 8.05m</i>	Beam:	<i>3.04m</i>
Draft:	<i>1.90m</i>	Displacement:	<i>8 Tonnes</i>

History

Designed by Peter Nicholson for Owen Aisher under the old One Ton Cup Rule, the boat's original name was Yeoman XIV. Built by Camper and Nicholson in 1966 her construction was of teak planks over mahogany frames. In 1967 Peter Nicholson helmed her in the Copenhagen One Ton Cup as one of three British boats. Barrie Martin bought her in 2001 after spotting an ad in Yachting Monthly while seated under a portrait of Owen Aisher. He was attracted by the pedigree, but particularly by her materials. The original Yeoman name was taken by Owen Aisher for his next boat. After that she was named Quailo then Dalcassion. Barrie decided to call her A DAY AT THE RACES to reflect her competitive history.

After 35 years at sea a major refit was called for. The work was carried out at the Agamemnon Boatyard at Bucklers Hard. All the structural and mechanical elements were replaced, including keels bolts, floors and a 13ft long mast step. Most of the electrical components were replaced, along with the drive shaft. A new Yanmar GM20 was fitted. Below the cooker and sanitary ware were renewed but the original mahogany shipwrighting was retained as far as possible. Since her relaunch in March 2003 A DAY AT THE RACES has been moored in Beaulieu. Apart from the Round the Island Race she's taken part with respectable results in the RSYC double handed series and won a race in Cowes Week 2004. In 2005 A DAY AT THE RACES came fifth overall in the Cowes Week handicap class and third in class in the British Classic Yacht Club Regatta. In 2006 she was again third in class in the British Classic Yacht Club Regatta.