

SOUTH AUST IOM CHAMPIONSHIP				
<i>After Race 27 with 3 Discard(s)</i>				
Position	Skipper	Design	Sail No.	Points
1	John Gratton	Disco	177	45
2	Jeoff Wight	Disco	67	65
3	Rob O'Brien	Cockatoo two	28	81
4	John Johnson	TS2	86	104
5	Graham Ingerson	TS2	41	115
6	Rob Guyatt	Disco	96	123
7	David Walters	TS2	06	144
8	Ian Dowsett	Own	42	193
9	Ian Whitrod	TS2	95	200
10	Bill Anschutz	TS2	151	208
11	Darren Searle	Aries	57	212
12	Jeff Watson	Own	51	336
12	Bob Watson	Own	58	336

SA IOM CHAMPIONSHIP by John Johnson.

Adelaide weather had been great until the weekend of the 6th and 7th May, 2006 when the South Australian IOM's held their State Championships.

Arriving at the Patawalonga at Glenelg on Saturday morning the wind was blowing about 15-20 knots from the north-west. A favourite saying here is "when the wind is from the north-west home is best"! During the day it didn't rain but on Saturday night Adelaide had a storm with 30-40 knot winds and 30mm of rain (and the Crows beat Port Power)! Sunday morning the wind was at the top end of 'B' rig with the afternoon easing slightly and only one shower during the day.

A disappointing 13 nominations were

received – wonder if we can also blame this on the price of petrol! Only 11 boats started the first race. The first 5 or 6 races had different winners but as the day wore on it became clear that John Gratton was the one to beat!

I feel that we had a fleet of very harmonious skippers and that the umpires would have had quite an easy time without any official protests. Thanks to the umpires for a good job.

Both days the Canoe Club provided us with lunch of bacon and egg sandwiches and sausages which was greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to the winners – 1st John Gratton, 2nd Jeoff Wight, 3rd Rob O'Brien.

A special thanks to Steve, Ron and all their helpers for staging a really well-run and enjoyable series.