



Helford River Sailing Club

Dinghy Race Report: Summer Weekend Series
Sunday 10th July 10:00 Pursuit NW SW 3-6



Nice & Breezy – Capsize Easy

Refreshed from a week's holiday in Porto Heli zooming around on anything that floated, Phil Philpott returned to the Helford for a nice moderate breeze in his Blaze before the afternoon's promised SW 5 gusting 6+. Just in case things got a little windier than promised A NW course was set that kept to the more sheltered albeit shifter south shore.

Of like a volley of champagne corks popped the fleet for an exhilarating run through the narrows and down to the mouth of the river at Gew. In his excitement to find himself at the front of the boat wash queue at the Leeward mark, Brooks promptly fell over - and not for the last time.

Biggsey taking full advantage of the situation stormed ahead on the long beat to Trebah closely followed by Roger McDonald. After a little wobble in the moorings, Phil stormed away on the run and began the long process of winding in the race leaders. The return to Gew heralded a few more Dunkings;

unfortunately for Phil a loud bang as the stress on the kicker mounting caused it's and Phil's departure.

By keeping his boat upright and making the most of the reach – beat between Gew and the centre of the river McD extended his lead to a good leg beyond Biggsey and victory

Have a look at our race calendar on line at HRSC and if you would like to pop out in your own boat to race or to view courses with Andy Biggs in a double hander on Tuesday evenings, call HRSC 01326 231006

Results

1st R McDonald, 2nd A Biggs, 3rd S Brooks, P Philpott Retd

Captain Dinghies thanks all those in support of the fleet on the day,

Safety: D Church & D Flunder

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