



Helford River Sailing Club: Dinghy Race Report



2012 Spring Weekend Series kindly sponsored by Henry Cows - The Last Real Net Maker in Britain.

Sunday 7th April Northerly 4-gusting 5

RYA Average Lap Series – 2 triangular races

Solos deliver a one two

Phil Philpott and Adam Mason delivered their emphatic 1-2 on a gusty Easter Saturday's Henry Cows sponsored race. Phil normally a successful RS400 helm – perhaps in premonition - borrowed his father's Solo. A very wise choice as it turned out with both RS400s routed. The Red hulled RS perfectly matched the facial colour of its crew Ollie Berryman & Ed Bolitho as they broke surface from the only capsize of the day. Despite ganging up on the Solos the Lasers of Andy Biggs and Stephen Brooks were unable to make headway –Solo near – yet Solo to far

Helm	Crew	Class	Name-No.	PY	Race 1	Lap Sec	Race 2	Lap Sec
Phil Philpott		Solo	4785	1150	1	470	1	488
Adam Mason		Solo	4099	1150	2	476	2	495
Andy Biggs		Laser	138471	1085	3	464	3	472
Roger McDonald	Beccy Kestin	RS400	958	948	4	422	5	433
Stephen Brooks		Radial	179651	1110	5	542	4	505
Ollie Berryman	Ed Bolitho	RS400	588	948	SD		6	435C
*Started Dreckly								

Captain Dinghies Beccy Kestin thanks all those supporting the fleet on the day

Marshalls: Steve Kestin & Dave Philpott

Safety cover: Ken Hubbard & Christian Griffin

Photography & Clearance Diver: Christian Griffin

Average lap race accounting whilst demanding of logistics and support is deemed fairest to PY dinghy competition. A great credit to all those behind the action for selflessly putting themselves forward for duty

Race 1



The Easter parade begins Ollie Berryman & Ed Bolitho will be along dreckly with an RS400



Class rules do not allow the Solo, Laser or RS400 to deploy a trapeze -a very wise denial in gusty conditions.



Of like a Rocket –a Merlin Rocket – the RS400 being the Rockets natural successor. It's not only Oysters that the Helford shares with Whitstable – Kent - Morrison designed racing dinghies.



Clew dipping – an obligatory manoeuvre by the last boat crossing the final gate. It acknowledges the marshals contribution to the day's proceedings– now if you believe that.....

Race 2



And they're off - the McD RS400 as ever immaculately positioned at the start line



That wouldn't be the Berryman: Bolitho RS a little lower in the water than would seem prudent would it – or was that later on the 3rd run?



Biggs watches appreciatively at another radial master class - a demonstration of the art of the death roll.



Solo near – yet a Solo to far



The fleet went 2 by 2 RS, Solos and Lasers



Honest guy we was only shielding the Solo from gusts –



Altering the rigging of the Morrison designed RS is something that probably shouldn't be attempted whilst sailing - & especially in the middle of a race – except by the very few.



Adam Mason - the perfect line