Helford Sailors Out and About

Helford's sailors have been competing outside county & country mid June as they prepare for HRSC Regatta on July 2nd. Newbie Dart 18 catamaran racers Roger McDonald and crew Beccy Kestin took a creditable 13th in a fleet of 30 over two days gentle racing at Instow Devon. A new Jib seemed to make all the difference to McD's later performance but it was seasoned Dart helms Brian Phipps & Dan Teubert from Restronguet that raced away with a 1st & 2nd. Keith Wilkins took the week of for the European Laser Master's Championship in Fouesnant, Brittany. 163 boats from all over the world – 35 from Briton competed in mixed men & women's racing over 5 days. In the Radial Laser section, GBR dominated with overall 1st in each of the four age groups over 10 races; Keith's 8th place as Great Grand Master gives some indication as to the lottery involved competing in fickle winds on a long starting line. A change is as good as a rest they say & thus refreshed from their efforts Keith & MCD were pleased to find more breeze on the Helford Thursday. Laser racers Andrew Hosking & Andy Biggs tight raced with McD with 8 fine seconds per average lap separating Andrew at 3rd & McD 5th, McD caught in a hole on the tack at Trebah. Storming two minutes ahead after an hour's racing were Keith Wilkins 1st & Phil Philpott 2nd swapping places in the earlier phases until stronger winds separated the pair. Dave Philpott's Solo starting conservatively stretched its lead over Angie Watson & Thurston Crockets Wayfarer Results:

K Wilkins 1st, P Philpott 2nd, A Hosking 3rd A Biggs 4th

Linestart Triangle (D)UBT SummerEvening		Time	Date 22/06/2017	WNW 3-5			SCT		Standard Corrected Time		
		16:00		PN	H/cap	Elapsed	Laps	Correct	POS	PY Achieved	%
Helm	Crew	Class	Sail No.			time		time		performance	
Keith Wilkins		Laser	198913	1097	PY	56:34	-3	17:11	1	1012	-7.7%
Phil Philpott		Blaze	604	1023	PY	54:39	3	17:48	2	978	-4.4%
Andrew Hosking		Laser	108868	1097	PY	63:31	3	19:18	3	1137	3.6%
Andy Biggs		Laser R	138471	1097	PY	63:50	3	19:24	4	1142	4.1%
Roger McDonald	Becy Kestin	Dart 18	5051	816	PY	63:27	4	19:26	5	852	4.4%
Dave Philpott		Solo	1360	1140	PY	68:31	3	20:02	6	1226	7.6%
Angela Watson	Thurston Crocket	Club Wayfarer	1	1140	CN	51:12	2	22:27	7	1374	20.6%
Linda World		Laser Radial	198913	1139	PY	Duty		Ave Pts			
Stephen Brooks		Laser	179651	1097	PY	Duty		Ave Pts			

Captain Dinghies thanks all those in support on the day

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L-R Roger McDonald Keith Wilkins & Phil Philpott have time on the run to marvel at Helford Children's Sailing Trust trail across from Porth Saxon to Bosahan



Thurston Crocket out for the first time racing with Angie Watson



Dave Philpott (L) and Andrew Hosking(R) neck and neck at the first mark



Dart 18 GP4 Instow Devon in variable winds McD & Beccy take a leisurely 13th overall



GBR sailors take first in all four sections of the mixed Men & Woman Masters Radial European Competition



European Laser Radial Masters in Brittany, Keith Wilkins somewhere in the melee takes 8th in the Great Grand Masters section