



Helford River Sailing Club: Dinghy Race Report



Thursday August 30th 18:30pm N 1-5

Summer Evening Series Course laid to North 18:43 start

Helm	Crew	Class	Name-No.	PY	Min	Sec	Sec	Correct	Pos
Adam Mason		Solo	4099	1150	35	3	2103	1829	1
Andy Biggs	Karen Biggs	Nat 12	3326	1104	35	49	2149	1947	2
Phil Philpott	Carrie Hoskins	RS400	766	948	31	32	1892	1996	3
Stephen Brooks		Laser	179651	1085	36	13	2173	2003	4

Dave Church and Dan Flunder Rescue the Race

Refreshed after a prolonged summer break Adam Mason returned to the saddle the right way round and beat all comers in testing conditions Thursday.

Culdrose had recorded a northerly wind at 18 gusting 30knots which may have contributed to the no show of the Race Officer. Never afraid to step into the breach, Dave Church and Dan Flunder took on Race Officer and Safety duties both. Dave's masterful rendition of a barking seal started proceedings of Bosahan for the gusty & shifty beat to Central.

Brooks having been woken by the sound of Dave's serenading beachmaster found himself perfectly positioned at the rear the fleet - where he stayed as observer for the remainder. Phil Philpott, accelerating the RS400 from the start and on the turn to Central disappeared from view for prayers to emerge by Gew at the head of the fleet.

It was Adam Mason and Andy Biggs that jostled for position during the breezy part of the race at the mouth of the Helford. As the course moved back up river the breeze faded completely at Voose and Trebah - giving Dave Church the enviable task of towing the entire fleet home.

Results: Adam Mason 1, Andy Biggs 2, Phil Philpott 3

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

Race officers Dave Church & Dan Flunder

Photographer in Residence: Dan Flunder

Safety cover: Dave Church & Dan Flunder

Sound Effects: Dave Church as honking seal



Towing from the Safety boat ensures Biggs & Brooks steal a march on the Solo's handicap.



Biggs and Brooks have strung a line stern to stern and wait for Adam as he rounds Gew

David Church – the Q20 Replacement

In appreciation of Dave Church's stalwart contribution to HRSC Dinghies 30th August race night, HRSC procurements committee have invested and named David Church as Q20 replacement. The envy of every Cornwall racing fleet – Dave the former Dredger from Dover comes complete with capacious dinghy storage amidships & the latest & largest block and tackle dinghy recovery & launching facility. HRSC now offers convenient & comfortable transit to select race areas within Falmouth Bay.



A Job well done - Church & Flunder are thrilled to receive the Q20 replacement