



Helford River Sailing Club: Dinghy Race Report

Thursday 13th June 6.30pm Summer Thursday Series Westerly 4-6 Pursuit West T U V Q (U V C)



Biggs' Steely Resolve

Last Thursday in a stiff Westerly breeze Helford's dinghy racers burst out of the moorings with lasers planeing straight downwind & a spinnaker fleet slaloming left and right to the mouth of the river.

RS400 heavy weather sailors Phil Philpott & Carrie Hoskins rocketed ahead of Roger McDonald & Beccy Kestin in the early stages only to come to grief on a North Shore gybe. Surfacing holding the mainsheet block attached to a large lump of shredded fibre glass Phil nursed the wounded RS400 back to the clubhouse. Thus ended this year's capsized drought.

Undeterred from a little dipette on the penultimate beat McD and Beccy chased the dry lasers for all their worth but on this particular day the lasers ability to plane happily in the no go zone straight down wind was just sufficient to keep Brooks ahead by the final mark

Andy Biggs in fine muscular form kept his Laser flat on the beat and upright on the run maintaining at least a 2 minute distance over his rival Laser racers

Results 1st Andy Biggs 2nd Stephen Brooks, 3rd Roger McDonald

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Helm	Crew	Class	Name-No.	PY	HRSC Pursuit Time After Hooter	Pos
Andy Biggs		Laser	138471	1087	25.39	1
Stephen Brooks		Laser	179651	1087	25.39	2
Roger McDonald	Beccy Kestin	RS400	958	947	32.39	3
Phil Philpott	Carrie Hoskins	RS400	766	947	32.39	Retd

Helford's free open Regatta takes place Sunday 30th June Download forms at helfordriversc.co.uk or call 01326 231006

Captain Dinghies Andy Biggs thanks all those supporting the fleet on the day

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lasers on On a reach and a beat





Phil Philpott take the lead



Phil & Carrie retire after a destructive gybe



McDonald and Beccy Roll the RS around



Hiking out – the only way to sail fast upwind



