

Pursuit Race 17/6/10

Wind NW Force 1

Sunny

Starters 5

Finishers 4

The fickle winds dropped as soon as we started, turning what should have been two half hour races into a one and a half hour marathon.

The wind coming over the land kept changing direction and was especially awkward at the windward mark in Tiger Bay.

Simon Gregory swapped tacks With Simon Lovell at the windward mark leaving Simon Lovell becalmed whilst he whistled away around the next 2 marks before Simon had covered the 30 feet to the mark!

However Simon Gregory then followed Ian, who had to retire early because of the time, onto the beach having missed the last windward buoy! This left Graham in the lead followed by Simon then Sebastian.

Any one wishing to contribute to the purchase of an ear trumpet for Simon Gregory for use at the pre-race course instructions should contact the editor.

Sunday Race 20/6/10

Sunny

Wind light and variable

Starters 5

More light wind racing!! Catching the shifts or not became a bit of a lottery which some racers averaged out better at than others.

The lead changed many times in the early stages of each race. For example, in the second race Simon Lovell had a cracking start but being literally 2 metres to leeward of the fleet led him into a header whilst the fleet were lifted to windward and that was that for him!

Jo got it right most of the time and gained a first and a second place. Simon Gregory got a third and a first, whilst Sebastian gained a second and a third.

Lets hope we have some more suitable wind soon!