

GBSA Pursuit Race 29/7/10
Wind: West Force 2 to 3
Weather: Sunny

Race 1

A triangular course was set using a dingy as the weather mark and the Xmas Pudding as the wing mark.

Simon Gregory did not make it to the start. Ian and Chris started together on 2 minutes handicap and Simon Lovell and Graham on 5 minutes.

The race took half an hour and finished 1. Simon / 2. Graham / 3. Ian / 4. Chris

Race 2

With Chris starting on 1 minute and Simon Gregory 6 minutes behind on 7 minutes there was a good spread between the starters.

Ian on 2 minutes got clean away, coming 1st with Simon Lovell still 30 yards behind in 2nd at the finish. Simon Gregory overtook Graham on the last reach before fluffing the gibe and taking a dip leaving Graham to come in 3rd and Chris to bring up the rear.

Ian is leading the second series by 3 points. He may find himself forced to buy the "Lucky Dagger-board" he has used in his last few races to such good effect!

GBSA Sunday Course Race 1/8/10
Wind: West 3 to 4. Cloudy.
Racers: 6

Race 1.

The Course comprised of a left hand triangle, a right hand triangle, followed by a sausage.
Sebastian was the Rabbit.

Simon Lovell went quickly into the lead, helped by the wind gusting up to 12 to 14 knots.

Simon Gregory on his Formula board with a 10.5 metre sail looked to be in contention until he tried a short cut through the windward mark. When he tried it again on the second lap he got caught by the rope and tangled with the boat. He should never have been inside the buoy in the first place as it was a mark of the course!

Sebastian chased his dad in for a good second followed by Graham. Bob joined in after a long sabbatical and looked good at the first mark but retired shortly afterwards finding the gusty conditions hard work after such a long layoff.

Race 2.

Simon Gregory was the Rabbit and this time only the left hand triangle of the course was used to give a bit more reaching. The wind had slightly moderated and he never found enough wind to be in contention.

Simon Lovell took an early lead chased by Sebastian who overtook him on the run. Going up the beat Simon bore off under him for clear air and managed to gain enough to pass Sebastian at the top of the beat. Sebastian kept close until the final run when he overtook again, but Simon gibed across his stern and they crossed the line side by side with Simon winning by only a foot board length! Close racing indeed.

Graham came third again and Bob retired.