

Sunday morning saw the first dinghy racing of the Bourne Plaice Winter Series on West Baldwin Reservoir.

The wind forecast, south easterly, translated into a somewhat flooky breeze blowing up the valley with a force of somewhere from 0 to force 4.

In Race 1 the leading pack was led by Andrew Dean and Katy Kneale (RS 200), closey followed by Simon Pressley, Ralph Kee and Rob Cowell all in Lasers, but by lap two it was Lasers, 1,2 and 3 in the same order, Andrew slipping back after splashing in! The real drama of this race was left to the last leg when Rob Cowell managed to pass Ralph and challenge Simon right on the line to win by one second.

Owen Williams, the only junior this week managed to sail well enough to beat his dad on handicap in his Tera Sport, unfortunately Jerry Colman trying out a Blaze for the first time had to retire due to gear failure, his knees, not enough wind to sit down!

For Race 2 the leading group of Andrew Dean, Simon Pressley and Rob Cowell were very much on their own, the rest of the fleet hit either by very confused wind or none at all, after handicapping Simon came in first, Rob second and Andrew and Katy third.

Many thanks to our sponsor Bourne Plaice Ltd, Mike Pridham for OOD and Gordon and Dawn Dickens for safety boat.

## Results

### Race 1

- 1<sup>st</sup> Rob Cowell (Laser)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Simon Pressley (Laser)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Ralph Kee (Laser)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Andrew Dean & Katy Kneale (RS 200)
- 5<sup>th</sup> Jim Whitelegg (Gull)
- 6<sup>th</sup> Owen Williams (Tera Sport)
- 7<sup>th</sup> Andrew & David Williams (Laser 2000)
- 8<sup>th</sup> Len Arnold & Family (Laser 2000)

### Race 2

- 1<sup>st</sup> Simon Pressley
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Rob Cowell
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Andrew Dean & Katy Kneale
- 4<sup>th</sup> Ralph Kee
- 5<sup>th</sup> Andrew & David Williams
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