

The final two races of the Bourne Plaice Winter Series were sailed on Baldwin Reservoir in bright, sunny and warm conditions. The wind, however, mostly blowing down the lake at the 'top end', a bit up the lake at the bottom with the odd calm in between - classic Injebreck!

After an excellent start it was the classic Finn of Keith Holden, chased by the equally classic OK of Brian 'Yogi' Quayle who pulled away from the fleet with Mike Swales (modern D-Zero) in tow. After a bit of backwards and forwards Holden edged the Finn into a slim lead on the water at the finish but the win went to Yogi after correction.

Race two was held over the same, up the lake/down the lake course in much the same wind conditions. This time though no-one was able to pull ahead of the pack which included Jim Whitelegg in his 'mighty' Gull. Although Holden finished first on the water again the race was won comfortably by Whitelegg on correction with Mike Pridham (Radial) showing his class coming in second and Matthew Perry third.

Manx Sailing & Cruising Club would like to thank to Rob Cowell of Bourne Plaice who has once again sponsored the entire winter series, his continued support is much appreciated. Also thanks to Officer of the Day, Keith Poole and Neil Rawlinson for his great photos each week and the patrol boat crews who have turned out each week.

This is the last sailing on the reservoir for this winter with the first sea event being the IOM Copiers Easter Regatta on Saturday 31 March at 10.30 hosted by MS&CC in Ramsey Bay. The prizegiving for the Bourne Plaice Winter Series will be held after the racing for the Easter Regatta.