



PDSC Bulletin

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Hello sailors,

Poster attached for the VAYNOL CUP weekend (28/29 May)

All welcome - particularly the youth sailors

5 races over 2 days

BBQ on Saturday early evening after racing

Now for recent news.....

Windy, windy and more windy!!!

The weather has certainly changed gear, with the last three sessions being held in quite a lot of wind. Last Wednesday (11th May) was very marginal and only a few risked going out to provide entertainment for the spectators.

On the Saturday, the first race was held in similar winds of around 18/20 knots from the West, but the wind did drop a little for the second race. Kath Broach had two things happen to her for the first time - she crewed in an RS400 for the first race, and had her first win at the club in her Laser in the second race. Nice one!

Yesterday (Wed 18th), it was windy but manageable - perfect for fast and exciting sailing. An improved turnout in the fast fleet led to a busy and ever changing first beat against the tide - all 5 RS 400s ducking and weaving through tiny gaps to arrive at the mark pretty much all at the same time. First and second places went to the other boats in the fleet (Dave Jones and Nick Lowe in an RS800 and Johnny McGovern and Sarah Williams in an RS200) - maybe the 400s spent too much time mucking each other about to figure in the overall results!

In an equally hard fought race, Tudur Slaven and Dave Gale in the Xenon judged their tactics to perfection to win from the medium fleet. Sion Stockwell used his natural abilities to take second place ahead of Steve Owen in third.

Andy