

Report of Blaze Open - May 2006

A fleet of 17 Blazes were welcomed to North Wales by sunshine and wind for the start of the two day open. The first race got under way from the far shore beating against a southerly coming over the mountains at the back of the club. Always an entertaining and tricky direction for the sailors!

The race was won by Mike Lyons followed by Chris Smart ,with local helm Dan Partington 3rd. A further two races followed lunch in much the same conditions with the same boats battling for top honors with Nick Miller from Glasson never far from the pace. After 3 races overall standings were Lyons, Partington, Smart and Miller. Sailors retired to the bar for a buffet and quiz where the safety boat crews were heard to comment that the hard fought battle at the front of the fleet had been both entertaining and educational.

Sunday dawned with mill pond conditions which turned to a fickle and variable north easterly by 1130 when the fleet quickly took to the water. The race was won by Mike Lyons with Smart and Miller pushing Partington into 4th place costing him his overnight 2nd place. No further racing took place

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Race No in Series 3 Races to Count

Helm	Crew	Class	Sail No	Club	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	Points	Pos
M Lyons			720	Burghfield	1	1	1	1						3	1
C Smart			723	Pembrokeshire	2	3	3	2						7	2
D Partington			668	Bala	3	2	2	4						7	3
N Miller			700	Glasson	4	4	6	3						11	4
K Hull			685	Bala	5	6	5	12						16	5
J Ainsworth			656	Weaver	7	7	4	9						18	6
R Prytherch			693	Pembrokeshire	6	8	7	6						19	7
P Barlow			658	Burghfield	9	5	8	10						22	8
T Heaton			696	Bala	8	10	13	5						23	9
O Birtwistle			552	Burwain	10	12	10	8						28	10
J Abbott			574	Oxford	12	9	9	11						29	11
B Yates			717	Burghfield	13	11	11	14						35	12
D Wall			686	Bala	11	19	19	7						37	13
D Kaye			559	Bala	16	15	19	19						50	14
D Pye			670	Bala	16	15	19	19						50	14
J Dyson			629	Bala	19	19	19	13						51	16
M Davidson			664	Bala	19	19	19	15						53	17