Report from Ouse Amateur Sailing Club races

24/07/2024

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A lie-in the for the Allcomers fleet, the boats set off for a 1.45 start. There was a record number of 18 boats, with a good local Ouse club turnout, especially with 7 Streakers. The first race saw Ben Charnley in his RS Aero first to the windward mark, with Sam Davy (RS300) hot on his heels. The downwind leg was lots of zig zags, with each mark being a gybe. The Streakers and Lasers (with two guests from the N12 fleet, Ian Gore and Sam Harris, both in borrowed boats) were very close throughout the laps that ensued. It was incredibly shifty, which created lots of overtaking, especially upwind. The race ended after 4 laps, with Ian Bradley winning, Richard Major in 2nd (ILCA 7) and Simon Turner (Streaker 1664) rounding off the podium.

The second race saw a general recall, with all of us over (Ben Charnley was so far over he was probably in a different postcode!). The second start was incredibly competitive, and Richard Major was over; he returned after continuing for a while, which meant he lost lots of time. Jack Gore returned as he thought he was over, being better safe than sorry. The race was similar to before, with the shifts even more severe and random. Andrew Hewitt won in his Laser Radial, Simon Turner took second and Ian Bradley took third.

Overall, Ian Bradley won. Andrew Hewitt was also award the trophy from Wells, which had been awarded incorrectly due to slightly incorrect PYN numbers.

--Jack Gore

