



Hi All,

Unfortunately we have come to the end of the summer Tuesday night series, but with increased activity this year and more fun and racing being enjoyed by more of our Laser sailors the scratch and handicap series has been a great success.

As most of you know we have been running a Handicap series in conjunction with the scratch racing and this has enabled all our sailors to enjoy the fruits of winning if they sail above their prospective handicaps. After the race we tally up the results and everyone eagerly awaits the result of the day. The series has been running for 19 weeks and it was only the last race that decided the winner. This series has been affectionately known as the RAQUE RACES (pronounced like wacky races) and kindly sponsored by;



The 1<sup>st</sup> prize is £50 cash and the winner will be announced on the Laser Prize giving night which is **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2006**. Please grab your tickets for this night in advance from behind the bar at the club house to help us determine how many we will have on this enjoyable night. We share this with the Solo and Mirror fleet and as everyone will tell you it is a great night to chat and catch up with all the stories of the past season.

The results of the scratch race series is more straight forward and the results are below and only show the sailors who qualified by completing 10 races and a duty are shown. A more detailed list will be posted on the notice board;

Name	Sail No.	POINTS
Les Druyf	143438	12
Chris Ankcorn	102673	16
Peter Collier	170601	23
Simon Hardiman	137355	29
Nigel Hudson	166708	53
Austin Jackson	115413	55

<b>Alastair Baillie</b>	<b>143617</b>	<b>59</b>
<b>John Ellis-Rose</b>	<b>151297</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Richard Williams</b>	<b>9819</b>	<b>64</b>
<b>Andrew Cross</b>	<b>103109</b>	<b>69</b>
<b>Sara Innocent</b>	<b>102622</b>	<b>95</b>

What a great season we had with Peter and Chris pushing each other the 1<sup>st</sup> half of the season, Austin improving week by week, Simon very consistent, Nigels result affected by the amount of races he was able to attend. The stalwarts of the fleet Alistair, John, Richard and Andrew enjoying every race and Sara who has also made a massive improvement this year and with more time on the water will be a force to be reckoned with in the near future. Unfortunately only completing 8 races each were Andrew Hemfrey (who led at the 1<sup>st</sup> mark nearly every race he sailed) and Andrew Handaside (who won the last race), here's hoping next years commitments allow you to enjoy more races. Oh and me, I was just lucky each week.

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## LASER OPEN 2006

We also have the LASER OPEN to look forward to on **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September 06** and hope to have another great day of fun and racing. Please tell everyone you can, the more the merrier. Registration is at 10.30am and we run 3 races for the day.

### Saturday sailing.

Please drop down and enjoy a race on Saturdays which start at 12.30pm and 2.30pm to keep the fleet sailing together during the off season.

Chris is very keen to run a trophy series for the autumn racing and details will be available shortly or come down and give us your input as well.

Finally it has been a pleasure sailing with every one this year and the overall standard has improved considerably, we have a chance with quite a few new faces joining us to make them feel welcome which is the most important attribute and increase our fleet size. We have missed a few faces this year and are hoping they find the time to join us for some Saturday racing such as Michael Parker and Steve Thomas as well as some of the sailors who only manage to join us occasionally.

See you all soon,  
HAPPY SAILING  
Les

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