

Midweek Evening Race No.1.

Thursday 11th May.

Start time 18.18.00.

The first Midweek Evening Race took place in a light easterly breeze, that at times vanished altogether. Due to the absence of the outer distance mark which went adrift a few days ago, the start for this race was an ad hoc arrangement off the harbour entrance. Although these races are designed to allow boats to start at any time within 30 minutes of the scheduled time, the unusual starting problems resulted in the two entries actually starting together at 18.18.00.

The course was from the start to Sully Mark and then to Lavernock Spit and home. The two starters were Lesmar II and MiSue. MiSue rounded Sully just ahead after having over stood due to the light conditions and the flood tide. However, she increased her lead before rounding Lavernock Spit. Lesmar was able to set her spinnaker on the return leg and made good progress until the breeze died. Both boats were only just able to stem the last of the flood for a time. Eventually the breeze filled in a little as the tide turned and this enabled both boats to finish with some help from the ebb.

The result of the race was as follows:-

Boat Name	PY H/cap	Finish time	Elapsed time	Corrected time	Place	Achieved performance	%
Lesmar II	1116	20:14:30	1:56:30	1:44:23	1	1095	-1.9%
MiSue	1039	20:10:34	1:52:34	1:48:20	2	1058	1.9%