

## Kindly Light Race

5<sup>th</sup> August 2017

Start Time 0900

The weather at the start was a pleasant west to northwest breeze with some cloud and occasional sunshine. Almost ideal conditions for this annual passage race to Porlock where competitors could either stay overnight for the Porlock Weir SC barbecue or cruise home again to Barry. There were five starters on the line in Jackson's Bay and four intended to stay overnight in Porlock.

Shortly after the start the wind began to freshen and it eventually reached about force 6. Some boats reefed their mainsails on the close reaching starboard tack course across the channel. Others retained full sail with some difficulty after deciding that more time would be lost taking in the reefs than would be gained by reducing sail. A number of these boats spilled their mains or rolled away some headsail area.

The strength and direction of the wind and the favourable tide made for very fast passages with the leading boat, *MiSue*, completing the course in just over 2 hours. The next three boats all finished within 18 minutes of the leader. The results below indicate that *Lesmar II* was the winner on handicap by less than 1½ minutes from *MiSue*.

All enjoyed the brisk sail across but the four boats that remained for the barbecue then had to suffer a number of hours anchored in Porlock Bay in the adverse sea conditions always found when there is any north in the wind. The crews were very well compensated when they eventually entered the Weir by partaking of a first class barbecue with plenty of excellent food and drink organised by PWSC.

Boat Name	PY H/cap	Finish time	Elapsed time	Corrected time	Place	Achieved performance %
Lesmar II	1116	11:20:07	2:20:07	2:05:33	1	1110 -0.6%
MiSue	1039	11:11:57	2:11:57	2:07:00	2	1045 0.6%
Ripple	1075	11:30:28	2:30:28	2:19:58	3	1192 10.8%
Preceptor	1029	11:28:00	2:28:00	2:23:50	4	1172 13.9%
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