

UK Laser Association

RYA Volvo Youth Champs – Thursday's Racing

Much lighter conditions gave everyone to catch their breath. Racing didn't start until after lunch and in fact the wind died later on and the Standard fleet only did two races. Alex Mills-Barton won his 2nd race of the week and then added a 5th place behind Robert Holmes in the last race of the day to be 3rd overall overnight. Stuart Godwin took 2nd place in both races to narrow the gap slightly on current leader, still, Eifion Mon, who was 3rd in both races. Martin Evans is sailing very consistently in 4th and with only 13 points between 1st & 4th and two races officially still to go there could easily be a different winner after today's racing.

In the Radial Gold fleet Ben Robinson was the 'star for a day' (or longer perhaps?). He won the 1st race, came 3rd in the middle race and then produced a fine 2nd place in the last one to move up to 8th overall with two races to sail. Most of the other leaders had an OK day without being wonderful. Bleddyn Mon will want to forget about it as he slipped to 4th overall. Cameron Douglas now leads from John Currie and Elliott Hanson, who won the 2nd race. The final race of the day was won by Aaron Smith.

In the Silver fleet winners came from all over the place as the helms found the conditions very different from the earlier part of the week. Keiran Hill won the first race, David Pain the current leader took the next and Lewis Frost broke the ice with the final gun. Alice Burford is 2nd overall and Andrew McGowan, who had two 2nds today is pressing her hard in 3rd.

Today is the last day of racing and at 07:15 the weather outside my office is looking great. Good luck to everyone. Have a great final day.