

## ***flying fifteen Mallorca***

### **February 16 – Liga de Invierno 3 – Pollensa**

On any other weekend, we would have had 8 boats on the water. However, the Andratx series October race had been blown off, and was being resailed on the same day. So *fuego fatuo*, *Wight Flyer* and *Puffin* weren't able to compete as their crews were away. Nevertheless, the five boats had a good day, with *Stormtrooper* pipping *Speedy Gonzales* and *Gekko*, followed by *Dragonfly* and *ffugue*.

ESP 4058	Stormtrouper ffour	David Miles / Corinne Miles	1
ESP 3804	Speedy Gonzales	Michael Clough / Markus Schweiger	2
ESP 3817	Gekko	Fergus Ross / Hugh Birley	3
ESP 3600	Dragonfly	Michael Beecken / Marco Haack	4
ESP 3598	ffugue	Francisco & Pedro Gadala-Maria	5

### **March 2 – Extra Regatta - Pollensa**

We had seven boats preparing for the extra regatta. Courses were to be the flying fifteen's favourite, triangles! Team *fuego fatuo* arrived especially early and set to dressing their new mast. Despite their best efforts, they were still at work when boats started craning into the water, and it was soon clear that they wouldn't make the start. Nevertheless, at the end of the afternoon, they had the mast in the boat, and largely rigged.

Meanwhile, on the water, things were exciting. The wind had started in the east that morning, but was soon in the east, less stable in direction, and fluctuating between Force 1 and 4 – challenging conditions!

Nevertheless, we managed to get in four races. After a good place in the first race, and a win in the second *Stormtrooper* was looking strong, with *Gekko* one point ahead. However, they had an issue on board, and missed the last two races. *Gekko* continued their winning streak, taking both of these races with *Wight Flyer* and *Dragonfly* each taking a second and third. *Spanish Fly* and *ffugue* completed the results to a great days sailing.

ESP 3817	GEKKO	Fergus Ross / Hamish Goddard	1	2	1	1
ESP 3600	Dragonfly	Michael Beecken / Marco Haack	4	3	2	3
ESP 3728	Wight Flyer	Stephen Parry / Will	5	4	3	2
ESP 3825	Spanish Fly	John Leaf / Mark Hart	2	5	4	4
ESP 4058	Stormtrouper ffour	David & Corinne Miles	3	1	7	7
ESP 3598	Ffugue	Francisco Gadala-Maria / Ximena Rubio	6	6	5	5

The run up to the Worlds is gathering pace, as we saw above, *fuego fatuo* is updating their mast, whilst *Ffiel good* have a new mast and boom to set up.

Lots of Dyneema and new fittings are being seen around the yard! Come and see how things are going, and have a trial sail at the same time!

**Next up**

6 April	Spring points series 2	Pollensa
9 May	Palma Vela	Palma
8-9 June	Mallorca Championships	Pollensa
2 September	World Championships	Dún Laoghaire, Ireland
18 October	Balearic Championships	Pollensa

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