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Carr roars to Needles title



BRITAIN has regained the Needles Trophy in a powerboat race made to look easy by Poole's millionaire leisure entrepreneur Richard Carr (left).

Racing on his home waters, Carr yesterday beat all-comers in his newly-built catamaran Cougar Lambourghini to win the trophy last taken by Italian Fabio Buzzi, writes William Lodge.

As the only finisher in a depleted all-British class I, with a time of one hour 38 minutes and 47 seconds for the 124 mile course, Carr erded a run of Italian victories stretching back to 1981.

"It was a nice trip out, and a

good result for the last race in preparation for Cowes. We were touching speeds of 105 or 106 mph as we passed the pier," he said.

The class II boats were racing for points in the European tables as well as the British championship, and with a winning time of one hour 50 minutes and 29 seconds Daniel Scioli in Argentina cannot be caught.

In a hard fought two litre class, two local boats were separated by only six seconds with the winner Carryfast, crewed by Tonyenvey of New Milton and Eric Braithwaite from Ringwood. Neil Holmes and Jim Cox from Higheliffe took second in South Godstone Sports Boats.

And Bournemouth's Jeff Purves and Dave Andrews in Hospitality Inn took first place in the four litre race.

Full Results of the Recetes in telesting order — Class I — Cough: Lambourghin; Class R — Argentina, Marston Hotels, Sprit of J & B; 4 Little—Hospitality Inn. Alpina Rading; 2 Little—Carylasi South Godstone Sports Boats, The Johen, Oothlie or Cults, Mr Redispace, Which Way Now, Langans, Multispark, Another Le Gopher, RBR Motors, Jupitor Stationers, Spering Transport, Prosper, 1.3 Little—Newaron, Fugazi; Chalsers—Repogate, Occassion, Flippin Shy Taik, Fullers Transport.