

Sailing December 20

Summer Series 2

When Geoff and I first arrived the Electrons had just finished racing and reported no weed. Geoff and I sailed around and the pond was clean.

It had been cold overnight but now the sun was shining and the pond was warming up. a few small bits of weed showed up. Later it started to affect the racing, yet again.

Geoff and Bruce tried for a match race but they caught weed and that was agreed to cancel the races.

With a good breeze from the south-west a long course was set over to whole pond. As the weed rose, starting down by the bridge end, the course was shortened to cut out the worst weedy areas.

John had the best results of the day with 8 points. Just one win but a string of 2nds and an assessed win. Geoff had 2 wins but 4ths and an assessed 2nd had him 2nd overall with 12 points. I had one win but 3rd and 4ths resulted in 17 points for 3rd overall.

The other wins went to Bruce and Peter Vernon.

It was disappointing that the pond had been clear but then the heat brought the weed, mostly dead stuff, back up as it gassified. It affected everyone but some seemed to suffer much more than others.

Club Matters:

Subscriptions are due for the 2010 club year.

\$30.00 to Secretary Peter Andrews,
21B Penzance Road,
Mairangi Bay



New member Allen Reynolds with '9'.

State of The Pond:

The pond was emptied after sailing last week. On wednesday the fountain pump was pulled out and the pumphouse was cleaned out. The main purpose was to block up the old intake which was set low on the wall and picked up silt.

With the pump reinstalled the weir gates were reinstalled, the flaps opened and the pond left to fill overnight.

On thursday morning the pond was still a couple of inches low but filling. The Ancient Mariners were sailing and reported no weed.



Today the fountains were running, though not as high as they were when first run.

Web Site Update:

The Agenda for the Dec 16th Council meeting was available a day before the meeting. The fate of the soccer clubrooms was to be decided and I extracted the Agenda documents that related to that, all 60 odd pages. The extract is on the web site.

The minutes haven't been posted yet but an extract will be put on the web site as soon as possible.

The NSTA of Dec 3rd carried an article on Onepoto ponds plus a photo of Ian Crooks.

Next Week:

Christmas Break.

New Year Break.

Aggregate Match Racing 10 Jan.

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