

Sailing 28 November 2010

Summer Series round 2

I assume that many people went to the Xmas parade today as only 8 members turned up for the 2nd day of the Summer Series, one that really did deserve the name 'Summer'.

It was hot and there was little wind. Sometimes there was quite a nice breeze from various directions, and at other times not so much. The heat had brought up some scrut from the bottom. When the wind blew it away it was only a nuisance but when the wind died it spread across the pond and was quite thick at times. After the first race the course was shortened somewhat to avoid areas in wind shadow and areas where there was too much scrut.

The second race was also shortened to one lap to ensure we could sail all six races but in the end we completed these early.

Neil had sorted out the CFE boat with a replacement hatch that seemed to be the problem with the deck being much more flexible than the ABS boats. He then had the best of the sailing with one win and some 2nd places to give him top day score of 10.

I had won the first race and this with some third places gave me a score of 13. Kevin Webb had 2nd and 3rd places to also total 13 so we were equal 2nd day score.

Allen, Harry, Ivan and Terry had one win each. With the wind shifting and dropping the positions changed several times during each race.



Neil getting the wind first.

Overall Kevin takes top score with two good results followed by Gary and Neil.

Errata:

Last week I omitted to mention that Neil has also moved to A Division.

Photos of boats by Carol Bergquist.

Other News:

In response to my item last week that Neil's carbon fibre Seawind leaks I received a response from David Harley, the original owner:

"The carbon boat leaks ?

"That boat has been underwater downwind loads of times and never had a single drop in it. The hatch is a very tight fit, I suspect Neil didn't have both tangs located. You have to locate the 2 tangs and then push it backwards (it's tight) and then turn the catch.

"I don't have Neil's email address and don't see it on your list. Can you let him know, or get him to see me.?"

"PS. It's been a really hectic year with house renovations and weddings and so on, but I do intend to come back early next year."

State of the Pond:



Drag from lots of surface scrut can slow the boat down, it also hides twigs and leaves.



I saw only one duckling on saturday.

Next Week(s):

December 4: Browns Bay Xmas Parade and Air Show.

December 5: Aggregate Match 1

December 12: Summer Series 3

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