

Sailing 13 February 2011

Summer Series FINAL

The day was hot, but there was enough wind to call a cooling breeze and enough to sail the final races of the summer series.

At the end of the last round Kevin had a handy lead but a handful of boats could catch him with good scores as they had large scores they could discard if they got a small score today.

I took the first race win and was optimistic that with a few more of those I could pass Kevin. But I adjusted the sails and didn't get another placing.



John McCaulay starting while others await their time.

John McCaulay won the 2nd race by getting out in front and staying there. The third was won by Geoff McGill with Neil getting a 2nd place. These two also threatened Kevin but there were more racing to do before it was settled.

Gary Irwin won the 4th race, Harry Bowles the 5th and Terry O'Neil the final race of the series.

This distribution of wins shows that the racing was close, the photo below shows 9 of the 12 boats in the race jostling around the last mark.

Overall it was Terry O'Neil and Geoff McGill that had the best equal total score for the day with 13, Harry had a slow start but with good scores in the last 4 races was 3rd with 17.

Geoff's score was enough to improve his series placing from 4th to 2nd pushing me back into 3rd and Neil to 4th. I must apologise to Neil because I had miscounted at the pond putting him 2nd.

Summer Series Results:

1st	Kevin Webb	49
2nd	Geoff McGill	54
3rd	Richard Plinston	60

Autumn Series:



The Autumn series has the Mongroose Cup as the trophy for the winner to be held for a year along with a miniature. 2nd and 3rd placed get backstard trophies.

The current holder is Kevin Webb with John Dowler and Bruce Watson taking the places.

The series will be sailed for over 7 of the next 9 weeks with only two aggregate match race days between the series race days. Each member will count 4 of the 7 days for the series total.

Other News:



A well known racing committee member stuck on the start mark last week. Was it the result of barging ? only the unnamed boat sailing away knows.

Next Week(s):

February 20: Autumn Series START

February 27: Autumn Series 2

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