

Sailing 11 September 2011

Aggregate Series round 9

Several heavy, but brief, rain squalls came through with one just after 1pm. Then the weather settled down with the wind to the west to north-west. With just eight members at the pond for the match racing there were only 16 races to complete. We managed to get through these by 3:30pm. A discussion about having a fleet race to finish the day was curtailed by another squall coming which drove everyone away early.

North-westerlies make it difficult to lay a decent course as the bottom mark has to be in the far corner of the pond and windward leg is across to the path. As the wind swung the top mark was changed a couple of times.

Kevin won 3 of his races and this improved his total of 6 race days to now lead the series by 1 point. I only managed to win one so was not able to improve. Geoff McGill had 4 wins and was top boat for the day with 8 points. This takes him to equal points with me on 2nd equal in the series.

With one more day racing in this series (see next column) there are four boats that could win the series.



Ivan was fast catching Geoff on the last leg, but Geoff managed to draw away to the finish.



Geoff, on starboard, caught Carol in prestart.

Ivan leads Kevin at bottom mark.

Schedule Changes.

The AGM has been put back by a week due to the clubrooms not being available. So the AGM will be on the 6th November.

There is a requirement that there be three weeks between the end of series racing and the AGM to ensure that the engraving can be completed. With the extra week available now it has been decided that there will be an extra race day for the Aggregate series to catch up for the two race days lost in this series. This was decided before racing started today.

The race committee has also decided to hold a regatta as outlined in the last weekly report. This to be held on the 16th October with the 30th as an alternate day if racing is canceled on 16th.

Consequently the schedule for October is:

2nd October:	Aggregate series final
9th October:	Spring Series final
16th October:	President's Cup Regatta
23rd October:	Labour Weekend fun day
30th October:	Alternate day for Regatta
6th November::	AGM

Father's Day:

There had been almost no wind in the morning but it picked up after mid-day and was quite a nice breeze when we started to sail, though it was quite cold. As the afternoon went on the wind died away again.

There were only a few of us at the pond but there was some enjoyable racing.



Carol leading Geoff at the bottom mark.

Correction: I had recorded Daniel's score incorrectly in the last Spring series summary. His total is 54 putting him in 4th place.

Next Week(s):

September 18: Spring Series 5

September 25: Spring Series 6

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