

Sailing 1 July 2012

Aggregate Match Race Series 7

The wind was from the East which gave a reasonable course with the leeward mark at the bridge end and the top mark around the east fountain.



Thirteen members were at the pond so this meant 26 races. Keeping two races on the course meant that sometimes they got mixed up, but also that we could get through them in good time.

Left: Terry leads Gary into the leeward mark.



At the start John McCaulay squeezes Neil into the start line mark and gets him a penalty.



Neil takes the penalty early, recovers and catches up to John at the top mark. On the last downwind they are side by side.

John has the inside overlap at the final leeward mark and gets back into the lead to take the win.



Two races at the top mark. Neil (right) leads Terry (2nd from left) while John McCaulay has mark room and gets around ahead of Kevin (left). Neil wins his race.



In the race between John and Kevin, Kevin takes the lead on the downwind but at the final mark John gets clear ahead and gets around in the lead.

On the final windward to the finish, within just a few metres of it, the dying breeze shifts making them try tacking to port. The shift goes back and Kevin is able to get back onto starboard tack. John tries to turn but at low speed he can't turn quickly and Kevin slides by to take the win.



Right: Carol is on the final windward to the finish and takes the win against my old 01, sailed by David Lloyd.



In the race between Geoff McGill and Neil, Geoff leads the final downwind. But at the final mark ...



A gust causes Geoff to round up the wrong way, letting Neil lead around and take the win.

Next Week(s):

July 8: Winter Series 5

July 15: Winter Series 6

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