

Sailing 11 March 2012:

Autumn Series 3

It drizzled all afternoon but it wasn't cold and it wasn't heavy enough to call rain and there was a good north-east breeze.



The course was set as all starboard roundings to give two overlapping circles. At many places there were crossings but the fleet was well behaved with few collisions due to the course.

With it being cooler over the last couple of days the pond was quite clean and no one was affected by weed.

Bruce was first across the line in four races, but in the second race he went through the start line on the downwind which had been disallowed as part of the course and he withdrew.



Ian (photo left) won race 4 and the divisional race.

Over 5 races Geoff McGill had the top score of 11 after a series of 2nd places. Bruce had a total of 15 points for 2nd and I managed 3rd on 19 points.

With 2 races counted and dropping one worst score

Geoff McGill holds the overall lead in the series followed by Bruce and myself a distant 3rd.

A fun fleet race after the series racing was won by John McCaulay.

Divisional Series:

Geoff McGill continues to lead in the A division and increases his lead over Kevin Webb and Neil Purcell.

In B division Ivan continues to lead by a good margin while in C division Ian Bergquist holds a substantial lead over everyone else, with Carol 2nd.

Rule 20: Room to Tack at an Obstruction 20.1 Hailing and Responding

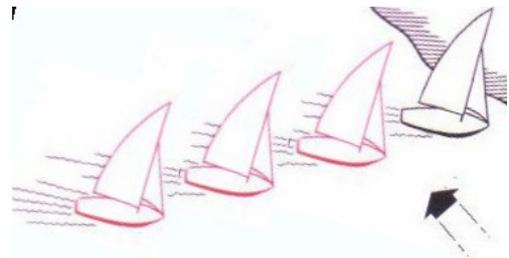
When approaching an obstruction, a boat may hail for room to tack and avoid another boat on the same tack. After a boat hails,

- (a) she shall give the hailed boat time to respond,*
- (b) the hailed boat shall respond either by tacking as soon as possible or by immediately replying 'You tack' and then giving the hailing boat room to tack and avoid her; and*
- (c) when the hailed boat responds, the hailing boat shall tack as soon as possible.*

It is a requirement that a hail be made, such as 'Water', or 'Room to Tack'. Tacking without making a hail does not impose a Rule 20 requirement on other boats.

The hailed boats must respond by tacking or by calling 'You tack' and then giving room, for example by going behind the hailing boat.

The hailing boat becomes an obstruction to the hailed boat and thus this can also hail other boats.



If Black hails then all red boats must respond.

Next Week(s):

March 18: Autumn Series 4

March 25: Autumn Series 5

April 1: Aggregate Match Race 5

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