

President's Report 2012

● State of the Pond:

The pond has been quite weed free for a couple of years. Recently, though, there has been patches of weed around the edges. The algal weed of previous years was a mat of fibres and was a serious problem when a boat picked some up, the current weed is simple long strands and are an annoyance but the boat can still sail. Ian and Carol have been raking out the clumps that are in reach and we may need to augment this with a working bee.

As the summer starts to warm up the pond we will get the dead weed lying in the pond bed gassing and rising to the surface. It has already started last week with mounds of matted material rising along the path side.



● New Sailing Rules:

There are new sailing rules which apply from January 1 2013 and this set runs until the end of 2016. Fortunately the changes are mainly small clarifications and closing of anomalies. The whole of Appendix E, the additional rules that applies to Radio Controlled Yachts, has been rewritten. Generally the intent is the same as the previous set of rules.

A version of the rules may be downloaded that has the changes highlighted in colour. A link to this is available on the NZRYS website in the Links section. It would be useful if members could familiarise themselves with this ready for the new year.

● Membership:

We haven't been getting new inexperienced members this year. This has resulted in the dropping of the C Division. Over the summer we should do some more promotion at the pond and get the club boat being used for trial sailing.

Richard Plinston
President NZRYS 2012.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report

As President Richard noted in his report there were few new members this past year.

We are however able to meet club costs through subscriptions and entry fee donations.

A major concern could be with the shortage of Seawind parts as a result of Kyosho rumoured to be discontinuing with the production of new Seawinds. This could be a topic for discussion.

Peter Andrews
Secretary/Treasurer