

Sailing 11 November 2012

Summer Series start



The day was overcast with a north-westerly wind which shifted and gusted but most of the time was a nice sailing breeze.

Eleven members were racing at the start of this new series.

In the first race I managed to get around the first mark in the lead and held this for a lap and a half until a collision with a port tack boat held me up to drop me back. Gary Irwin took over the lead and won with Neil Purcell and John McCaulay taking the places.

Gary won the second race as well, but in the third he had dropped his transmitter in the pond and had to take the club boat for the remaining races.

Kevin Webb was back in his Guinness with just a bit more finishing on the hull repair to be done. He had it back in racing trim and won race 3 with Peter Andrews and Terry O'Neil taking the places.

Terry won race 4. Geoff McGill was sailing yet another boat that he had bought from Bruce and it had taken half the races to get it working as he liked and he took 2nd in this and in race 5.

Kevin was back winning in race 5 fighting for the lead with Geoff all the way but taking the lead in the last short leg to the finish.



Terry just after the divisional race start, he soon took the lead and stepped out to win.

In the last, divisional, race Terry took an early lead and increased this all the way around being a couple of legs ahead of Ivan Fraser in 2nd who, in turn, was a leg ahead of Peter in 3rd.

Overall Terry had top score for the day with his two wins and a couple of thirds giving a total of 10. Peter Andrews and I had scores of 16 (I had miscounted at the pond) for 2nd equal.

Letter to Kyosho:

Mike Eades of the USSOA has written a [letter to Kyosho](#) regarding the Seawind. It is available on the [web site](#).

He has also reported in [SeawindRC.com](#) forums that "A bit of good news! Another shipment of replacement sails is expected next week [in US stores], make sure that you order replacement parts you need. Kyosho is responding to evident demand."

Secretary Peter Andrews will be writing to Kyosho too to put our viewpoint.

AGM Reports:

The AGM reports and minutes are now available on the web site in the NZRYS Club section.

Others at the Pond:



Rob brought his schooner to the pond. After we had sorted out his receiver connections he sailed around with good speed while we practiced and tuned our boats.



Gary and Ivan had collided and drifted to the far side where they went to recover them. Carol had sailed too close to the shore on the last leg and went aground. Gary had the pole and recovered 99 and relaunched it.

Next Week(s):

November 18: Summer Series 2

November 25: Summer Series 3

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