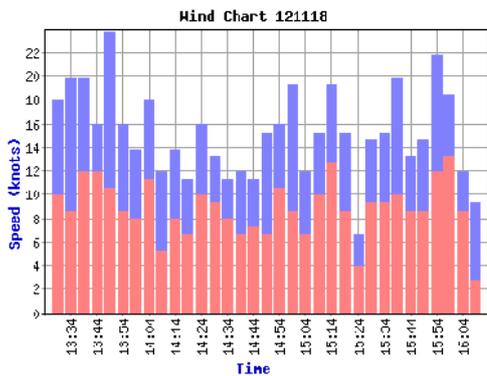


Sailing 18 November 2012

Summer Series 2



It was quite windy. One gust prior to us sailing was over 20 knots. The Electrons had finished early because a couple of boats had suffered sail

damage. But at least it didn't rain.



With the wind so strong it was often difficult to turn when required. In the first race I had made a good start and led for most of the race. At the yellow mark I had a handy lead. Neil and Bruce followed but with a gust could

not tack towards the next mark so my lead increased. Approaching the next mark I tacked too early and couldn't lay it so I had to 'wear ship' to get around to get back to the mark again and Neil slipped through to take the lead and held this for the win.

In race 2 I was again first at mark 1 and held off Kevin and Geoff for the win. Terry's boat had given problems and he took the club boat. There were 3 DNFs including Bruce. His CFE had been leaking and it seems the receiver drowned out. Neil's boat had also failed, probably with water in the electronics.



In race 3 Peter and John collided at the start and went to the shore. Terry sailed the club boat into the lead. I had caught

him but on turning around a mark he broached and I hit him. This turned off the boat so I had to run around to get it working again and then sail it from the far side to catch up. I passed Gary right on the finish line.

Race 4 and I led at mark 1 and took the win with Kevin and John close behind.

Race 5 was Kevin's with John 2nd and Gary 3rd.

In the divisional race Terry, in the club boat, took the lead at the start and held it all the way around while I chased him but finished behind him about the same time as the B div handicap.



Gary finishing in a gust.

Kevin and I had equal top score of 10. Terry was 3rd for the day with 15. Terry still holds the series lead, I am 1 point and Kevin a further point to be 3rd.

Update on Fountains:

Parks received the final costings for pump repairs for the fountains on 5 November and are preparing the report for the Kaipatiki Local Board seeking funding. This is unlikely to go to the Board before their January meetings round. So, we'll be without aeration/circulation for the next 3 months at least.

Cheers (no, Boos!)

However, wrapped barley straw bales will be secured around the edges of the pond (as specified but no guarantees) next week. Hopefully will keep down botulism.

Carol

Seawind's Discontinued - or not

I am getting confusing messages on whether the Seawind has been discontinued. Akio Utsumi in Japan says that Kyosho will restart production in the new season while Mike Eades in the US says that they will not be getting any more.

Next Week(s):

November 25: Summer Series 3

December 2: Aggregate Match Start

December 9: Summer Series 4

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