

Sailing 7 April 2013

Aggregate Match Racing 5

When I got to the pond, as the Electrons were finishing, there was quite a nice southerly breeze. But this died away leaving the pond quite glassy, though occasionally it did return for a short time.

We started racing early as the first few starters had arrived, and it wasn't assured that we would get through all races.



By keeping two races on the course the races were completed before 4pm even if some of them looked like they may never finish, or in some cases might not even start.

With the wind so fickle there could be changes of race position even when a large lead was

established. In my race with Bruce Watson I had a lead of half a leg when Bruce went to the left and picked up a gust while I was in a hole near the top mark. Bruce passed me at the mark and took the win. Later, in my race with Terry O'Neil, I was comfortably in the lead as I approached the finish but fell into a hole and Terry caught a breeze at the final mark and passed me before I could get moving again.



Kevin Webb won all 4 of his races to keep his perfect score, with one day dropped, and lead the series by 4 points. Neil Purcell, in the photo above racing Terry O'Neill, also won his 4 races.

Sail Servos

Peter has another shipment of Hi-Tec sail servos which are available to members for \$60.00 each.

Other Items:



John Perkin has donated his Seawind to the club so that it can be used as an alternate club boat. This will allow the yellow boat to be given some much needed maintenance around the keel area. John noted that, from reading the reports, more spare boats are required.

Desilting Onepoto:

Hi Carol

The fact that "desilting Onepoto Pond" was reported in NS Times does that mean there may be some priority given to the task??

Peter Andrews

Hi Peter

Yes, I haven't said anything because it's not yet formal - the Council have to yet approve the Annual Plan and budget and this will be after deliberation on submissions. The AP has to be adopted by 30 June. However, the word from our Kaipatiki Councillor, Ann Hartley is that the money is in the budget and the chief honcho for stormwater sees it as a priority (my ultimate boss). The Local Board will now be asking for a start date - which won't be until spring, so around October this year.

Bear in mind that nothing is signed and sealed until end of June and anything can happen to the budget 'til then.

Best we think of where else to sail for 3-4 months at the end of the year and keep our fingers crossed .

Cheers
Carol

I have scanned the NSTA article "[Council hearings kick off](#)" and it is on the website.

Any suggestions for a temporary alternate ?

Next Week(s):

April 14: Autumn Series 6

April 21: Autumn Series FINAL

April 28: ANZAC Weekend

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