

Sailing 13 January 2013

Summer Series 6

It was hot today, but there was some wind which kept it bearable. The wind was mostly north to north-east, but late in the day it died away and swung south-west for a while.

Daniel Leahy's 14 was giving problems with battery wires so he took my old 01 which performed quite well for him.

Geoff McGill won the first race. In race 4 his boat lost the rear hatch and he had to withdraw. After taping over the hole he was back and won the last race. His total of 11 gave him the best day's score and this keeps his lead in the series.

Ivan Fraser won race 2 by a good margin after making a good start and leading at every mark.

I won race 3 with Kevin Webb on my tail. We had broken away from the bunch and had made a good gap back to the next boat. I had taken a handy lead but as we came up to the finish the wind died and switched around holding me up as Kevin came close to passing.

In race 4 Carol took the lead and was first around the first mark. At the end of the first leg she still led (see below).



Carol held on to the lead on the downwind but Kevin eventually passed and won the race.

Daniel Leahy won race 5 in my 01. With a couple of 2nd places his total was 12 for 2nd place on day score. He was also top B Division boat in the final race.

My win plus some 3rd places also gave me 12 points so I was 2nd equal with Dan. This keeps me in 2nd place in the series with one more sailing day to go. Terry O'Neil holds 3rd place.



Above: The first time at the top mark in race 4 with the rest of the fleet keeping it close, Carol having long gone.

Left: Neil on the start mark.

Next Week(s):

January 20: Summer Series FINAL

January 27: Anniversary Weekend Regatta

February 3: Aggregate Match 3

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Kevin Webb was catching and took the lead on the windward but at the top mark Carol was on starboard and Kevin had to go behind.

