

# Sailing 17 November 2013

## Summer Series 2

The Electrons had very little wind in the morning and what was there was shifting from every direction. It seemed that we may have much the same. But it did pick up at times and was enough to get through the races.

With the first race now a handicap, Garry Irwin and Dan Leahy got away to good start with Bruce Watson catching them and finishing between those two.

Geoff McGill won the next two races with Bruce and I swapping the 2nd and 3rd places in those.

Kevin Webb won races 4 and 5. Race 4 had Peter Andrews and Ian Bergquist taking the places. In race 5 Neil Purcell and Carol Bergquist started at the far end of the line (photo at bottom of page) and caught the breeze from that end to lead the first two marks (below). With light winds at the near end some were stranded and started late.



At the finish, though, it was Daniel Leahy and Geoff taking the places.

With C division now reinstated Carol crossed the start line right on time and used that advantage to stay clear ahead, gaining as she got the shifts before the fleet, and took the win. Terry O'Neill held onto 2nd place while Bruce caught up to take another 3rd place.

Bruce had top score for the day with 12 points, Geoff had 15 for 2nd, and I had 18 for 3rd. This gives Bruce and Geoff equal top score in the series.

The new system is starting to work, though we will run out of refs for handicap races.

## Members



Terry O'Neill has returned to sailing today. He had missed the AGM and prize giving and today was presented with his trophy for winning the B Division series 2.

Jim Keogh recovered from the dehydration he suffered last week. I picked him up and took him to recover his van.



## Club Boat

Because the Club boat has been out of service for some time with problems with its keel, Neil Purcell has given the club on indefinite loan, a substitute hull and rig.

With the addition of the servo tray and radio gear from the old club boat it was brought into service.

I was sailing the boat around with some success when the sail servo became intermittent. I identified this as a problem with the batteries running down and I substituted some better ones which seemed to overcome this.

However, following many boat problem last week there were none today, so this was not required to be called into service.

## Next Week(s):

**November 24: Summer Series 3**

**December 3: Aggregate Match Series 1**

**December 10: Summer Series 4**

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