

Sailing 24 November 2013

Summer Series 3

The day was hot and there was only a light wind from the south-west. It did pick up a little and was sometimes a nice sailing breeze. With the



heat the bottom silt was gasifying and rising to the surface. The wind was blowing this from the south pond through the bridge and creating a stream of it across the pond. This is what the desilting is hoped to remove. The shifting and variable winds made sailing difficult and the weed caught on many keels.

The race wins went to Garry Irwin, Bruce Watson and John Macaulay with 2 wins each. John had the top score of just 7, with Bruce one point back on 8. Garry and Terry O'Neill both had 15 points for 3rd equal.



In race 4 rounding blue for the final downwind. Tom Clark has the club boat (2nd from right).

Picture below: The leading three boats became becalmed and the next three carried the wind up from behind and threatened to pass.



Members



Gerald Moss visited the pond today. He hasn't been sailing with us for a couple of years and is planning on moving to Tauranga. He has donated his boat 'Savanah 96' to the club. It was one of the original Seawinds in the club, though Gerald has only owned from a few years later.

The Seawind Readysat

More details have come to light on the new completely built Seawind Readysat.

"Equipped with waterproof high torque KS501W sail servo incorporating metal gears and KS202W rudder servo that realize reliable control."

"Ballast is environmentally friendly lead-free." It is apparently steel ballast.

"Features the 2.4GHz KT-21 R/C System that allocates its own frequency band as soon as it is switched on."

They are currently advertised on the KyoshoAmerica.com web site at the discounted price of \$US 357.99. Postage unknown.

Next Week(s):

December 1: Aggregate Match Series 1

December 8: Summer Series 4

December 15: Summer Series 5

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