

Sailing 15 May 2014

Winter Series 2

There had been high winds and heavy showers overnight and more were forecast for tonight but at midday there was almost no wind at all. It did pick up and there were times that there was a nice sailing breeze over much of the pond.

In race 1 Carol Bergquist took an early lead but in the light winds of the 2nd leg Ian Bergquist took the lead and sped away (see photo below) chased by Bruce Watson. Bruce caught weed and dropped back. On the last leg several boats in a bunch raced to the line neck and neck. John Macaulay was 2nd but had failed to complete a penalty turn and retired. Kevin Webb was a few inches ahead of Peter Andrews.

Bruce took a large lead early in race 2 and was untroubled in taking the win with Peter and I in the places.

In race 3 Terry O'Neil took the lead in lap 2 followed by Bruce but later these two fell into a hole letting Kevin and I pass them to take the two top places with Terry 3rd.

John took the large lead and the win in race 4. Bruce had his 2nd win in race 5. In these two races Kevin and Terry took the places.

In the final race Carol had the lead from the start and held on for the win though Bruce was only a couple of lengths behind at the finish.

Kevin was top boat on 13 points with Bruce and Terry equal 2nd on 15.



Bruce Watson get his trophy for A Division part1
Below: Ian Berquist leads in race 1.

Match Race Cup 2013, races 7 and 8

Before series racing started Geoff McGill and Kevin Webb had another match race.



A fairly even start had the two boats crossing tacks on the windward. Kevin had been given a penalty and at the final top mark there was a controversial incident (left) where Geoff tacked to the mark on port while Kevin was on starboard and there was a collision.

They were side by side on the downwind and at the finish Geoff managed to take the win.

After the Winter series they were determined to finish this match racing. Geoff was first across the line but at the top mark Kevin on starboard forced Geoff to tack in the light wind and this left him stalled. Kevin pulled away to take a big lead and the win (below).



Results of Match Race Cup 2013:

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| Kevin Webb | 5 wins |
| Geoff McGill | 3 wins |

Other: I had an email from KyoshoAmerica.com telling me that their web site had the ReadySet Seawind available at \$US375. I have asked for freight cost to NZ, no reply yet.

Next Week(s):

June 1: Queen's Birthday fun day

June 8: Winter Series 3

June 15: Winter Series 4

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