

Sailing 12 April 2015

Aggregate Match Race Series round 5

The wind was westerly which restricts the way that a match racing course can be set. The only option seemed to be with 'tree' as the top mark and the red in the far corner as the bottom mark. The start line being on the southern side.



The wind was generally light and, especially at the top mark, where it was sheltered by the tree, was sometimes almost nothing.

Here (photo left) Bruce Watson (33) and Carol Bergquist (99) drift around the top mark together in their race.



It was sometimes just as light at the top mark in the far corner. Here (photo left) Kevin Webb (right) and Neil Purcell (centre) keep it close in their race while rounding the top mark along with Bruce Watson (left) who was keeping clear.

The main part of the



course mostly did have a good breeze. Here Terry O'Neill is about to win his race while Kevin, in a different race, sails into his 2nd lap.

Terry, Bruce and I each won all 4 of our races. Kevin and Jim Keogh each won 3 of their races.

In the series, with 4 race days counted and 1 discarded, the lead is shared between myself, Terry, and John Macaulay.

The match racing was completed early by keeping two races on the course and a fleet race was sailed afterwards with a figure eight course which was won by Kevin Webb.

Onepoto Dredging Project

The contractors will be kicking off the project with a 10am meeting with the project manager on site on 16 April to go over the requirements of the consent.



The contractors do know that we (sailing clubs) need to be in the loop and informed of what's happening and when - so we will be approached for a meeting at some stage.

The first thing the contractors will be doing is the earthworks and fencing for the drying area. The path will be kept open at all times so no problem there.

Rudder Servos

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Pied Shag / Pied Cormorant



A commotion by the path near the top mark was a little black shag fighting a very young pied shag. The youngster was getting the worst of it and Neil was able to pull it out of the pond. It wandered onto the grass but was too cold and wet to fly. Carol and I wrapped it in a towel and I took it to Bird Rescue.

Next Week(s):

April 19: Autumn Series 7 FINAL

April 26: ANZAC weekend

May 3: Aggregate Match Race 6

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