

## Sailing 6 December 2015

### Aggregate Match Race Series 1

The wind was gusting and switching today. Initially it was South-West which would give a good match race course, but it shifted round to West before racing started, and then to North-West during racing.

New member George Stead offered a prize for the top boat today: a "Boaties Fry Pan".

Capt Hans Koerselman brought along his new Carbon Fibre ReadySet Seawind, which he had sailed during the week, but the winches that held the mainsheet bridle came loose making it unsailable. He took 19 for the racing.

Being the first of the new year's series, the draw was based on the final results of last year's series. This made Kevin Webb and Terry O'Neill the first race. Terry was given a penalty in the pre-start but Kevin hooked onto a start mark briefly and this made them almost equal. Terry managed to keep ahead and took the win.



In a later race between Kevin and Neil Purcell, they were close all the way around the course, side by side on the downwind. On the next windward Neil tried to get across while on port, This didn't work and Kevin went up on Neil's deck. This stalled them both. Neil took the

penalty quickly but lost a couple of boat lengths. Kevin took the win.

After the sailoff a couple of fleet races rounded off a good days sailing.

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Could you advise your club members I have the Hitec "lite4 "2.4ghz Radio unit back in stock .

Also seawind parts. I will try and have parts here during Xmas Holidays ,if any want parts before the Holidays it would be best to order NOW .

Kind regards, Tony Oudshoorn  
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### Next Week(s):

**December 13: Summer Series 5**

**December 20: Summer Series 6**

**December 27: Christmas Break**

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### The Sail Off

With 4 boats having won 3 races each there had to be a sailoff with the winner being the top boat.



Neil, Terry, Dan Leahy and Kevin lined up and made a close start (above). Kevin took a slight lead at the first mark with Neil close behind.

Kevin held the lead on the downwind but on the upwind Neil and Kevin swapped lead as the wind shifted.

On the last downwind Kevin had taken the lead by a couple of boat lengths and looked set to keep this. However, the wind died and shifted and Kevin couldn't cover as Neil and Dan caught him with Neil pulling ahead at the finish to take the win.



George Stead presented the "[Boaties Fry Pan](#)" to Neil Purcell.



Thank you, George for providing the prize.