

Sailing 8 November 2015

Summer Series Start

It certainly felt like Summer today, it was hot with a reasonable South-Westerly breeze giving some relief from the Sun.

There were up to 18 boats at the pond today. Andrew Chong had his boat repaired after some cracks showed up in the keel area. He seemed to lose power to the servos after sailing around prior to racing. New member John Hotham had a new ReadySet and sailed his boat for practice but didn't join the racing yet. Jim Keogh is still having problems with his servos.

Kevin Webb was doing well in the first race but caught a buoy and then his boat failed. He took 19, which I had brought along as the club boat, and tuned it between races to get a couple of 3rd places in the last races.

John Macaulay was top boat today. He won race 1 and was in the top handful in the others for a total of 16. In race 3 he had taken a large lead but slowed when on the far side of the pond. He had caught a piece of cabbage tree and was passed before he could get to shore to clear it.

Terry O'Neill and I were equal 2nd for the day on 23. Terry won race 2, while I just had placing and we both had to counts a 9th place.

Ian Bergquist won race 3 with Dan Leahy 2nd. Bruce Bower won race 4 and then won the divisional race by a large margin.

Neil Purcell won race 5 and was 2nd in the divisional race, top B division, and had a 3rd in race 1. He was just a point behind Terry and I as was Carol Bergquist after 2 2nd places.

A good start to the series.



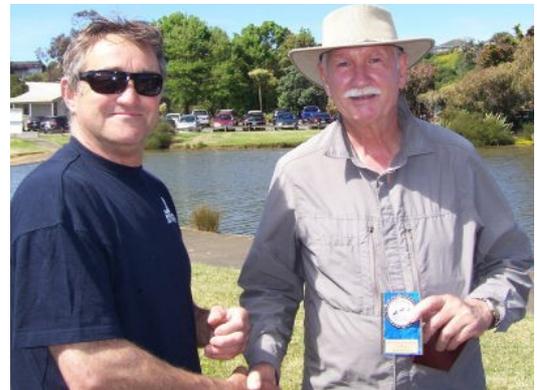
Kevin showed us a mast support that was in one of the 2nd hand boats that he had bought. It is a perspex support that has notches to clear the mast step screws and has pins into part C3 (on top of the tubes) to hold it in place. This should fix the problem of part C3 breaking under the strain of the mast thrust.

Prize Giving Continued

Commodore Kevin Webb presented some trophies to some members who were not at the AGM last week.



John Macaulay was presented with the President's Cup for winning the Regatta and the Spring Series Cup.



Bruce Watson was presented with his trophies for places in the Summer Series and in the Aggregate Match Race series.



Tom Clark had won the B Division series part 1 and had placed in the Summer Series.

Next Week(s):

November 15: Summer Series 2

November 22: Summer Series 3

November 29: Summer Series 4

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