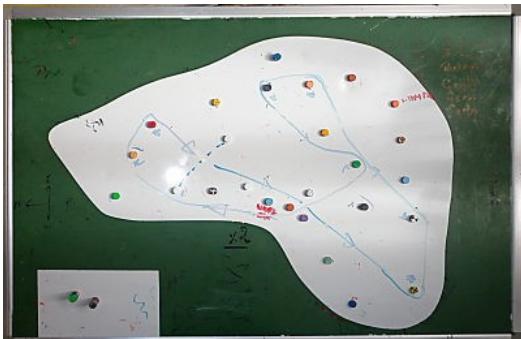


Sailing 20 November 2016

Summer Series 3

The forecast was for strong Westerlies moderating later. Indeed that was the case, but the wind was very unstable. Getting on the wrong side of a shift could set the boat back several places.

Last week's course was reused with just one change to give a slightly longer 2nd windward.



With just 7 members at the pond it was agreed to dispense with referees - this meant that I forgot to take racing photos for the report.

Kevin Webb was top boat today with wins in races 1 and 3 and a string of 2nd places for a total of 8. He now lies 2nd in the series.

George Stead also won two races: 4 and 6. His total of 13 was 2nd today and he holds onto the lead in the series.

Reuben Muir was 3rd today with a total of 14 from a win in race 5.

Garry Irwin won race 2 by taking a good sized lead in the first leg and holding onto that while Kevin tried to catch him.

Simon Adamson has his boat going well occasionally. In race 3, a scratch race, he got a 2nd place.

A visitor to the park expressed an interest in getting into RC sailing. I let him try my boat before racing and later he sailed the club boat for a while as we raced.

Next Week(s):

November 27: Summer Series 4
December 4: Aggregate Match Race 1
December 11: Summer Series 5

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Final Prize Giving



Garry Irwin (left above) was presented with his trophy for 2nd place in the President's Regatta. Neil Purcell (right above) was given 'Most Improved Sailor' award.

Terry O'Neill (left) is out of hospital now but is still on crutches. He came to the pond for a short time to receive his trophies:

The Fraser Cup and 2nd place in the Winter Series.

Rule 18



A couple of weeks ago I (blue) was hit while rounding a windward mark. There was some discussion about which boat was at fault. The boat that hit me (red) had been astern at the 4 boat length zone.

Rule 18.2(b) says in part::

"If a boat is clear ahead when she reaches the zone, the boat clear astern at that moment shall thereafter give her mark-room."

Rule 18.2(c) has:

"(2) if she becomes overlapped inside the boat entitled to mark-room, she shall also give that boat room to sail her proper course while they remain overlapped."

Red was overlapped inside at the time of impact, its bow was between (just) my boat and the mark, and thus it had failed to give me room to sail my proper course.

Richard Plinston, President NZRYS