

## Sailing 6 August 2017

### Aggregate Match Race Series 8

At last, a day with some wind. Even the Electrons were happy to not be drifting around. There was a small shower and the wind was cold, but it was a good sailing day.

With 9 members and Phillip Brain's friend Matt, who sailed the club boat, there were 20 races to get through. Most of the time we could keep 3 races on the course and so managed to get through them in good time.

First up was Neil Purcell and I. I managed to get a port/starboard penalty on him as we entered the start box. This left him behind as he turned through the penalty and he was unable to catch up.

Kevin Webb was given a penalty in his start with Reuben Muir. This time Kevin was windward boat and failed to keep clear. Reuben taking the win.



In the race between Bruce Watson and Simon Adamson, Bruce led the first lap but Simon on

starboard managed to catch Bruce and then rolled over him to get the lead and, eventually, the win.



In Simon's next race, against Kevin, he was leading at the final top mark but fell onto the buoy and lost the lead when completing the penalty turn giving Kevin the win.

I won all my races today and keep the lead in the series. Terry O'Neill, Kevin Webb and Reuben Muir won 3 of their four races.

A long fleet race afterwards that went the length of the pond 4 times was set by Reuben and he won this by a large distance while I managed to get past the others to get 2<sup>nd</sup> place while Phillip Brain snuck ahead of Kevin in the last few metres to get 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### Match Race Cup 2016 - Race 6

After the Aggregate Series Kevin Webb and I held another of the 9 race series.

Kevin luffed me the wrong side of the start mark but as I ducked behind him, and behind the line, a wind shift favoured me and we came out equal after a tack. I was able to pull ahead and then



could work the shifts to get a good sized lead which I held to the finish.

#### Best of 9 results so far:

Richard Plinston	4
Kevin Webb	2

### End of Year, AGM, Newsletter

We are now racing the last seasonal series of the club year and have just one more race day in the Aggregate series. It is time to start planning for next year: writing proposals for the AGM and contributing articles for the newsletters.

### Members Notes

Ivan Fraser was at the pond today. He is recovering slowly but found the wind too cold to stay long.

Phillip Brain and Matt are building a Seawind from a hull complete with servos and rudder that he obtained inexpensively from Stoker Models. He bought new mast and sails and a couple of spares sets. He is down to the last few parts to be sourced. I gave him a boom vang but he also now needs a boom gooseneck fitting to complete the boat which Matt will race.

**Richard Plinston, President NZRYS**

**Next Week(s):**

**August 13: Spring Series 3**

**August 20: Spring Series 4**

**August 27: Spring Series 5**

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