

Sailing 12 March 2017

Autumn Series

Due to the heavy rain over the week the pond was up quite high, in fact it was just over the road in the turning circle. Several of the buoys were underwater due to not having a long enough anchor rope and these were an additional hazard.



There was a very heavy rain storm around midday. It stopped at 1pm leaving a light wind which soon died away to almost nothing. But it did pick up again and was a nice breeze by the time we started racing. We started late because Reuben Muir was having problems with his boat and Bruce Watson turned up without a boat and took club boat 19.

We started with a simple triangular course but as the wind picked up we added an additional windward leg.

Tom Clark won the 3 handicap races. I had won race 1. Bruce Watson won race 3 with the club boat and Reuben won race 5. Tom, Reuben and I each had a total of 12 points so we were all first equal today.

In the series with 3 days counting and 1 dropped George Stead leads the series with myself 2nd and Neil Purcell and Kevin Webb 3rd equal.



After the series racing some of us had several fun races. The wind continued to increase and a few gusts were quite strong.

These photos show George and Reuben burying the bow on the downwind leg.



Note in the lower photo a barrier panel that floated away to the side of the pond.

Electron Onepot Regatta

This was postponed due to the weather and pond conditions and will be rescheduled later.



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Next Week(s):

March 19: Autumn Series 5

March 26: Autumn Series 6

April 2: Aggregate Match Race 5

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