

Sailing 7 October 2018

President's Cup Regatta

The wind was initially North-east and a course was set for that but the wind switched to south-west and the course was reversed for the last 3 races.



Thirteen members turned up for the racing, a couple of them were late for the draw and the first race, which we had started about 1:45 to get through the 9 races required.

In **race 1** Terry O'Neil took the lead and was well ahead with Bruce Watson chasing while Neil Purcell and I swapped position some way behind those two. Eventually Bruce passed Terry at the end of the long downwind on the last lap and took the win. Neil and I crossed tacks on the final windward and I managed to get 3rd place.

The same happened in the third race with Terry taking a good lead only to be run down by Bruce in the last couple of legs.



In the fourth race Bruce took the lead on the leg to the top mark but the wind died and several passed (in photo above he is behind 37). Tom Clark and Ian Power rounded ahead but went together and could not turn letting Terry (12) dash ahead. Bruce was able to work back up through the fleet but Terry was able to hold him off this time to take the win.

Bruce Watson had 3 wins and 3 2^{nds} for top score of 7. Tom Clark took 3 wins for a total of 11. Terry had one win and 3 2^{nds} for 11. Wayne Carkeek won race 2, Neil Purcell won race 7.

The Sail Off

With two boats on a score of 11 a sail off was required and it was to be a single lap race.

Terry ran along the line but ran out with just a couple of seconds to go and had to turn around which gave Tom a good lead at the start.



But on the windward to 'bridge yellow' Terry worked the shifts and took the lead around the top mark. Tom got closer on the long downwind but Terry held the lead to the finish to take the win.

photo Left: Terry leads towards 'bridge yellow'.

President's Cup Regatta Results:

1 st	Bruce Watson	7
2 nd	Terry O'Neill	11+1
3 rd	Tom Clark	11+2



Terry, Bruce, Tom



These paradise shelducks have a couple of black and white chicks (one here).

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Next Week(s):

October 14: Regatta Lay Day

October 21: Labour Weekend Fun day - TBA?

October 28: AGM

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