

Sailing 17 November 2019

Summer Series 2

The wind was a very shifty northerly with some quite strong gusts. Reuben set a course that included a couple of marks to keep boats away from the weed by the path around 'tree blue'.



Andy Spierer had his boat fail early on and he took club boat 112 for the races. His setup on 4 has the rudder working the 'wrong way' so I configured the transmitter for that after his first race. Terry O'Neill had his boat fail after a few races.



In **race 1** Reuben led around the first mark (photo at foot) and increased his lead to the finish. Tom Clark held off George Stead (photo left) around lap 1 and most of lap 2 but eventually George and Rick Royden passed him to take the places.

Race 2 had Rick taking the lead but before the end of lap 1 Reuben and Bruce Watson had got past. Into lap 2 Bruce took the lead and held this to take the win.

Foster Watkinson had caught his boat on a buoy and had jumped over it. Rick and I sent a line out but in the strong wind Rick couldn't tack so he was pulled back. Meanwhile Forster's boat freed itself.

Race 3 was Reuben all the way with Tom Clark chasing to get 2nd. Rick was 3rd again.



Race 4 was another win for Bruce. This time Rick was 2nd with Reuben 3rd.

Race 5 had Bruce and Reuben swapping the lead with Tom and George fighting for third place.

In **race 6** Rick led around the first mark with Alan Smith close behind and Tom chasing. Eventually Tom got past Alan to take second place.

Reuben Muir was top boat today on 8 points after 3 wins. **Bruce Watson** had 10 points from 2 wins. **Rick Royden** won one race to be third with 11 points.



Members.

Reuben Muir and Alan Smith had not been at the AGM so Bruce Watson presented them with their cups and trophies.

Reuben (photo left) had won the Autumn and Winter cups and other trophies.

Alan was presented with the 'Most Improved Sailor' trophy for 2019.

State of the Pond



There is some algae growing at the south end of the pond and towards 'tree blue' along the path. I investigated it with my keel (photo above).

The pond SG is still 1.020 and this should have kept the weed down. We may have to rake this out.

Richard Plinston, President NZRYS

Next Week(s):

November 24: Summer Series 3

December 1: Aggregate Match Race Series 1

December 8: Summer Series 4

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