

Sailing 12 January 2020

Summer Series 6

There was almost no wind early in the morning, it did come in from the east by midday. Before we raced it swung a bit west of north. The pond was reasonably clean after the accumulated scrum at the north end had been blown down the pond and under the bridge.

Ten members raced today. Initially a simple course was set and an additional couple of buoys were added after the first race to make it a bit longer.



Race 1 had Bruce Watson take the lead at the start and hold this through to the win. Laurie Glover and George Stead held the places as shown here (photo above).



In **race 2** Mike Renner led around the first mark hounded by Laurie (photo below). On the next lap Rick Royden had taken the lead while Neil Purcell and Laurie crossed tacks just behind (photo above). These places held to the finish.

Rick held the lead early on in the first leg of **race 3** but a wind shift had Bruce and Neil crossing ahead on port tack. Bruce rounded the first mark ahead with George closing close behind.



Towards the end of lap 1 George took the lead but on the windward to the top mark Bruce took the right and got a shift that rushed him to the lead. Neil had passed Wayne Carkeek to take third and then passed George but at the final mark George got the windward line and was back to 2nd. Photos on Wayne's Facebook page.

Race 4 had Terry O'Neill take an early lead but Laurie and Neil caught him and they raced away as a group. Laurie took the win and the other two held on for the places.

In **race 5** Bruce was recalled at the start allowing me to lead for a short time. Rick led at the first mark chased by George and Laurie. George caught Rick and took the win.



The wind was dying for **race 6** and this favoured those who started earlier. Rick (left) took a large lead around the top marks onto the long downwind in lap 2 (photo above) while Wayne (centre) and Bruce (right) were still halfway up the windward. Wayne held Bruce off and these were the finishing positions.

Laurie Glover was top boat today from one win and a total of 11 points. **Rick Royden** had a total of 13 points and two wins to be second. **George Stead** was third with 14 points and one win.

Bruce Watson won two races. Reuben Muir still leads the series while George moves to 2nd.

Anniversary Weekend Regatta

The NZRYS Anniversary Weekend Regatta will be held Sunday 26th January 2020. See [Notice](#).

Richard Plinston, President NZRYS

Next Week(s):

January 19: Summer Series FINAL

January 26: Anniversary Weekend Regatta

February 2: Aggregate Match Race Series 3

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