

Sailing 7 June 2020

Winter Series 2

Nineteen boats were at the pond today, though not all of them raced. Up to sixteen boats were in a race and after a general recall in race one the start line was extended to cope. Neil Purcell's sail servo failed again so he took club boat 66.

A shower at lunchtime cleared many visitors from the pond and freed up parking. It also cleared the Electronics from the pond. This rain left quite a strong south-westerly breeze but it died away during sailing and at times boats were almost becalmed.

The first start of **race one** with the short start line left several boats rafted up. The restart with a longer line had them all away clear. Initially Rick Royden took a good sized lead (photo below) but



John Macaulay and George Stead caught and passed him pushing him to third at the finish.

Race 2 had Wayne Carkeek lead around the first two marks (far right photo below) followed closely by Alan Smith. Simon Adamson and David Williams (48) were next but collided around the first mark and were still together after the next mark (photo left) and some way along the downwind.



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Wayne has already rounded and is out of frame to the right with Alan following (right background). As the wind went light Alan caught up and for a brief time led. Tom Clark (red hull) also liked less wind and at the final mark passed Allan to be second.

Bruce Watson took the lead at the start of **race 3** and led around lap 1, but Alan and Tom were close behind into lap 2 and Tom took the lead but Bruce fought back to take the win.

Wayne won **race 4** with Mike Renner second and Terry O'Neill third. Tom won **race 5**, Bruce 2nd. Wayne had his third win in the **final race**.

Tom Clark was top boat today with 11 points from one win and 3 seconds. **Wayne Carkeek** won 3 races to get 13 points. **Bruce Watson** had 18 points and one win to be third.

Letters to the Editor

Thank you for keeping me informed with the newsletter. I intend to resume sailing, at the back of the fleet, as soon as the country drops to Level ONE. Reuben has kindly sold me a new Set of Sails and fitted them to 515 as well, had one day sailing at Onepoto by myself.

Regards Stewart's broken mast Hobby Station have hollow Streamline aluminium Tubing similar to the seawind mast shape in various sizes from which a joining piece could be made as a repair, alternatively if he took it to their shop they said they would look at it for him. May save buying a new mast.

Kind regards, Allan Watson 515

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Next Week(s):

June 14: Winter Series 3

June 21: Winter Series 4

June 28: Winter Series 5

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