

Sailing 22 November 2020

Summer Series 3

The wind was quite strong today, and was a very shifty south-westerly. A rather simple course was set and then the start line was moved further back to a wider line before the first race because there were seventeen members competing.



Soon after the start of **race 1** (above) there was a collision between a couple of boats (2nd from right) and this collected another three. One managed to get free but four wound up ashore. Meanwhile John Macaulay (closest) and Reuben Muir (left) led away to the first mark and were side by side on the downwind. Reuben took the lead around the next mark and then led all the way to the final mark, he went to the path while John tacked around the mark and was able to grab the win. Tom Clark was third.



Reuben leads John in lap 2 well ahead of the fleet on downwind while four boats are ashore.

Race 2 had David Williams and Brian Chritensen leading around the first mark. At the finish it was Bruce Watson who won followed by John and Wayne Carkeek.

Next Week(s):

November 29: Summer Series 4

December 6: Aggregate Match Race Series 1

December 13: summer Series 5

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Race 3 had a group of Reuben, George Stead and Tom take a good sized lead (above). I had been a close third at the final mark but caught weed and lost 7 places. Ian Power was able to catch Tom to take 3rd.

David led the first two legs of **race 4** with Ian closing on him. Going into lap 2 Ian took the lead and held this to the win. John and Wayne took the places.



In **race 5** Wayne led (5 from left above avoiding 48) with John (center), Tom and Bruce chasing on the downwind. They finished in this order.

Race 6 had Wayne take another win, again with John second and this time George was third.

John Macaulay was top boat today with 9 points from one win and five seconds. **Wayne Carkeek** was second with 13 points and two wins. **Tom Clark** was third with 21 points. Other wins went to **Bruce Watson, Reuben Muir** and **Ian Power**. Amazingly, I still lead the series.

State of the pond

Last Sunday there was quite a bit of dead weed rising along the path. On Thursday morning I cycled to the pond with a couple of rakes to check on this. Several buoys along the path had been taken out of the water or left at the edge.



Perhaps the council had cleared the weed and needed to move the buoys first.

I cleaned and threw the buoys back in, some not far enough. Rick Royden (left) did most of the work raking out live green algae, Stewart Limmer helped too.

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