

Sailing 11 October 2020

Presidents Cup Regatta

The wind was quite strong and very gusty from the north-east. At times it was almost up to the limit for racing as it became difficult to tack and caused broaching on the downwind.

Eleven members were prepared to face the challenges. A draw put these into 3 groups of 3 or 4 boats to race 2 groups at a time.



Wayne Carkeek's and Neil Purcell's boats failed before racing started and they took the club boat 112 and my spare 101 respectively. 101 needed a repair to its vang, done with a part from Neill's boat. These two boats were sailing well and in some races took the lead together for a while as in race 3 (photo above).



With the winds shifting and gusting there were a number of collisions (photo above) and many



wild broaches. Tom Clark got the worst of it when he was involved in two incidents when masts locked together, one with my boat (photo above) and another with Rick Royden's.

Reuben Muir was top boat today with four convincing wins. Bruce Watson had one win and a string of second places to take second place. George Stead and Tom Clark had one win each and had equal scores which required a sail off for third place. Other wins went to Wayne Carkeek and Laurie Glover.

Sail Off for Third Place

With George Stead and Tom Clark equal on 13 for third place a sail off was required. They agreed on a single lap.



The two boats made an equal start but George soon slowed. He managed to bring his boat to shore where it was seen to

have picked up a cabbage tree frond (photo left). Cleared of this he was off after Tom and started to slowly claw back the distance. On the final leg George went left while Tom had gone to the right. A shift in the wind favoured George and he took the win to get 3rd place.

President's Cup Regatta Results

1 st	Reuben Muir	6
2 nd	Bruce Watson	11
3 rd	George Stead	13 + 1



George, Reuben, Bruce

AGM Proposals and Schedule

The AGM will be held November 3rd. This is member's chance to be involved is setting the racing format, suggesting changes in the Seawind class rules or any other aspect of the pond or the club. Please send in your proposals to Mike@merel.co.nz.

Futaba Rudder Servos.

Kevin Webb has brought in some Futaba S3003 rudder servos and has made some available for \$12.00 each.

Richard Plinston, President NZRYS

Next Week(s):

October 18: Lay day - fun day

October 25: Labour Day Weekend - fun day

November 1: ** AGM **

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