



'UPWIND'

October 2021

**THE HOME OF UNMODIFIED RADIO YACHTS.
KYOSHO SEAWINDS - TAMIYA YAMAHAS - FAIRWINDS -
WHITBREAD 60s – ONE CLASS DESIGNS**

Lockdown Levels 4 and 3

Last year there was a lockdown which cancelled racing from the last week of March until the last day of May with casual sailing for a couple of weeks at level 2. Level 1 was required to restart racing because of the separation requirement of other levels which precluded gathering around a race start line.

Another lockdown cancelled racing again from mid August until the end of September. At that point gale force winds then caused abandonment of that day's racing leaving only two days completed in the Spring Series. The club year finished with the final day of the Aggregate Match Race Series.

This year there was a level 3 lockdown at the end of February but only one race day was lost. Then in the second half of August we went back into level 4 lockdown and it seems that this will last beyond the end of the club year. We may not be back to level 1 for the first few weeks of the 2021-2022 club year.

This means that the Spring Series will be curtailed with three race days completed and all three counting to the final score. It also cancels the final Aggregate Match Race Series race day. With eight days completed the results will be from six race days with two discarded.

Spring Series Results:

1st	Rick Royden	44
2nd	Wayne Carkeek	60
3rd	John Macaulay	62

Aggregate Match Race Series Results:

1st	Rick Royden	48
2nd	Richard Plinston	43
3rd	Laurie Glover	42

Also delayed this year are the finals of the Fraser Cup and the McCaw Cup. These match race series can be completed when competitive sailing resumes with level 1.

The Presidents Regatta is scheduled for October 17th with a lay day the following week. If we are not back to level 1 at that time then it may be that we could sail that on October 30th as this is marked on the calendar as a fun day following Father's Day.

A schedule for year 2021-2022 has been drawn up by copying the 2021 schedule and changing the holidays. Given that this is accepted by the members during the AGM process, racing in the new club year is scheduled to start on November 14th with the Summer Series.

Hopefully we will be clear of Covid-19 before this date and, at least, down to level 1.



Annual General Meeting, Prize Giving

The major part of the AGM is the prize giving. Usually the trophies are returned to the club by the end of September so that there is time to have them engraved with the new winners and also have the small cups and placing backstands engraved. This year it is unlikely that we will be able to meet to have these returned and there is no indication when the engraver will be able to have this work done.

Consequently, the current plan is to not have the AGM at the clubhouse but we will have this club business conducted using email or similar by the end of October. The prize giving will then be done at the pond when the engraving has been completed and the lockdown is over or at a level that allows sufficiently large gatherings.

In the meantime it would be useful to have your proposals and suggestions for the coming year sent to mike or myself.

All positions are available for nomination.

Commodore
President
Secretary
Treasurer
Newsletter Editor
Minimum 3 Sailing Committee

How to Lose Races in 2021



State of the Pond

On October 1st I cycled to Onepoto Domain to check on the condition of the pond (it is electric assist).



The water was quite clear, the bottom could be seen around the edge, and there was no visible weed. I had taken a rake in case some maintenance was required, or at least investigation if the water was too murky to see weed. The water level was normal and the buoys are all in place and still floating high - not being sunk by excess fresh water mussels.

As can be seen, the grass hasn't been cut for a while.

With the gates locked there were no cars in the park but quite a few around the entrance and there were family groups playing, riding bikes and feeding the birds.



As appropriate for Spring there were some ducklings.



Richard Plinston, President NZRYS

Racing Program

The club sails four seasonal race series, Summer, Autumn, Winter and Spring, each year plus the Aggregate Match Racing series and two Regattas. Holiday and family weekends are informal fun sailing days where the racing format is chosen by the attendees.

Seasonal Series:

The seasonal series are sailed on 7 days, the best four day scores for each member are totalled for the overall series placings. This allows for three discard days, which may be because the racing is cancelled due to weather or pond conditions, or is each member's non-attendance or worst sailing results.

Each racing day for a series is a set of six races. This consists of two scratch races, where the fleet all start at the same time and three handicap races where each member has a performance handicap between zero and 70 seconds and starts at that time during the countdown. The final race has a divisional start where the A, B and C divisions each start together at times set by the race committee but usually 0, 40 and 70 seconds.

Five of the six races may count towards the series results with each member able to discard their worst race result.

Referees are given an assessed result for that race based on the average, rounded down, of the other race results after discarding the worst result.

If racing starts but is later abandoned due to changes in conditions then at least four of the races must have been completed for the results to be counted. The results are scaled upwards after dropping one race, by 5/3 or 5/4 if four or five races were completed.

If a Lay Day is specified following the series then this can be used as a series race day to replace a cancelled or abandoned day.

Handicaps:

Individual performance handicaps are recalculated each competition day based on the results of the three scratch races. 'A' division members can only have handicaps in the range 0-30 seconds while 'B' division can be 0-50 seconds and 'C' division 0-70 seconds. The change at each recalculation will be only 10 seconds, while 10 seconds can be lost immediately it takes two weeks to gain 10 seconds, this being indicated by a plus sign when the next gain may result in change.

Divisional Series:

Each member is assigned to one of three divisions: A, B or C. Two Divisional Series are held each year, each covering two Seasonal Series.

The last race of each seasonal series race day is started by division. The overall placings count towards the day's racing but results are also recorded within each division and these count towards the member's divisional results. An award is made to the top scorer in each division.

Donations:

On club racing days, but not holiday weekend fun days, the jar is on the table for competitors' \$1.00 entry fee donation.

Aggregate Match Racing series:

The Aggregate Match Racing series is sailed on nine race days in the year, a maximum of six results are accumulated by each member. The winner of the series is the challenger for the Match Racing Cup which is sailed against the defender who is the current holder of the Match Race Cup.

Each race day has four rounds of races. The match selection procedures, rules of the series and the start procedures for match racing can be downloaded from the web site at <http://Azonic.co.nz/NZRYs>.

Regattas:

Two Regattas have been organised for the year, the first on Auckland Anniversary Weekend. A second, for the President's Cup, will be held in early October.

Change Proposals:

Changes to the format of these series may be proposed at the AGM or prior, and discussed at the AGM so that they can be voted on by all members.

Changes to the Divisions

The results of the series scratch races sailed by each member are accumulated and an average calculated by dividing the total score by the number of races sailed, including DNFs.

These are then sorted to order. The list is then divided into 3 roughly equal parts to set the Divisions. Individual adjustments may be made to the order or the split by the racing committee.



Race Results 2021

Summer Series

1 st	Wayne Carkeek	44
2 nd	Reuben Muir	45
3 rd	Bruce Watson	54

Autumn Series

1 st	Ian Power	74
2 nd	Laurie Glover	80
3 rd =	John Macaulay	82
3 rd =	Rick Royden	82

Winter Series

1 st	Reuben Muir	53
2 nd	Wayne Carkeek	61
3 rd	John Macaulay	63

Spring Series

1 st	Rick Royden	44
2 nd	Wayne Carkeek	60
3 rd	John Macaulay	62

Divisional Part 1

A	Rick Royden	27
B	Laurie Glover	20
C	Mike Renner	20

Divisional Part 2

A	Reuben Muir	22
B	Laurie Glover	15
C	Brian Christensen	12

Aggregate Match Race Series

1 st	Rick Royden	48
2 nd	Richard Plinston	43
3 rd	Laurie Glover	42

Challenger Trophy

Rick Royden

Match Race Cup 2020

Bruce Watson

Match Race McCaw Cup

TBA

Match Race Fraser Cup

TBA

Anniversary Weekend Regatta 2021

1 st	Bruce Watson	7
2 nd	Richard Plinston	9
3 rd	Wayne Carkeek	11

President's Cup Regatta 2020

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

Proposed 2021-2022 Schedule

7 Nov 21		AGM	
14 Nov 21		Summer	1
21 Nov 21		Summer	2
28 Nov 21		Summer	3
5 Dec 21		Aggregate 1	
12 Dec 21		Summer	4
19 Dec 21		Summer	5
26 Dec 21	Christmas	break	
2 Jan 22	New Year	break	
9 Jan 22		Aggregate 2	
16 Jan 22		Summer	6
23 Jan 22		Summer	7
30 Jan 22	Anniversary	Regatta	
6 Feb 22	Waitangi	Fun Day	
13 Feb 22		Aggregate 3	
20 Feb 22		Autumn	1
27 Feb 22		Autumn	2
6 Mar 22		Aggregate 4	
13 Mar 22		Autumn	3
20 Mar 22		Autumn	4
27 Mar 22		Autumn	5
3 Apr 22		Aggregate 5	
10 Apr 22		Autumn	6
17 Apr 22	Easter	Fun Day	
24 Apr 22	ANZAC	Fun Day	
1 May 22		Aggregate 6	
8 May 22	Mother's Day	Fun Day	
15 May 22		Autumn	7
22 May 22		Winter	1
29 May 22		Winter	2
5 Jun 22	Queen's B'day	Fun day	
12 Jun 22		Winter	3
19 Jun 22		Winter	4
26 Jun 22	*	Winter	5
3 Jul 22		Aggregate 7	
10 Jul 22		Winter	6
17 Jul 22		Winter	7
24 Jul 22		Spring	1
31 Jul 22		Spring	2
7 Aug 22		Aggregate 8	
14 Aug 22		Spring	3
21 Aug 22		Spring	4
28 Aug 22		Spring	5
4 Sep 22	Father's Day	Fun Day	
11 Sep 22		Aggregate 9	
18 Sep 22		Spring	6
25 Sep 22		Spring	7
2 Oct 22		Lay day	
9 Oct 22	Presidents	Regatta	
16 Oct 22		Lay Day	
23 Oct 22	Labour Day	Fun Day	
30 Oct 22		Fun Day	
6 Nov 22	AGM		
13 Nov 22		Summer	1
20 Nov 22			2
27 Nov 22			3
4 Dec 22		Aggregate 1	
11 Dec 22			4
18 Dec 22			5
25 Dec 22	Christmas	break	
1 Jan 23	New Year	break	

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MEMBERSHIP & MEMBERS AMENDMENT APPLICATION

Members – please complete if you or your boat details have changed

Name:.....

Postal Address:

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Contact Phone No

.....Home

.....Bus.

.....Email

Name of Yacht:

Make/Model:

Radio Frequency*:

Sail No*

*** Please check radio frequency with NZRYS register before buying a boat with shop supplied radio crystals**

I wish to apply for membership @ \$25.00 per annum. (\$20.00 if under 21) until April, thereafter reduced rates. \$10.00 extra for each additional radio frequency. (Max' 1 additional frequency)
\$1.00 per official race weekend – payable at the pond.

I understand that the above details are to be available for the Committee and hereby agree to abide by the rules of the New Zealand Radio Yacht Squadron N.Z.R.Y.S.

Signed by

Applicant.....

on thisday of201...

Please post to:

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Member's Frequencies

Name	Sail No,	Frequency
Simon Adamson	82	2.4Ghz
Peter Andrews	21	2.4Ghz
Wayne Carkeek	3	2.4 Ghz
Brian Christensen	23	2.4Ghz
Tom Clark	2	29 765
Ivan Fraser	84	29.995
Laurie Glover	15	2.4Ghz
John Hinton	24	2.4Ghz
Hans Koerselman	87	26.995
Stewart Limmer	71	2.4Ghz
John Macaulay	5	2.4ghz
Mike McCaw	9	2.4 Ghz
Reuben Muir	92	2.4Ghz
Patrick O'Hanlon	51	0
Terry O'Neill	A12	27.28
Kjeld Parkin	58	2.4Ghz
Patricia Parkin	38	2.4Ghz
Ian Power	104	2.4Ghz
Neil Purcell	6	29 905
Richard Plinston	1	2.4Ghz
Mike Renner	85	2.4Ghz
Peter Rickerby	18	2.4Ghz
Rick Royden	234	2.4
Alan Smith	70	2.4 Ghz
Andy Spierer	4	27.145
George Stead	94	2.4Ghz
Foster Watkinson	37	2.4Ghz
Alan Watson	515	2.4GHZ
Bruce Watson	33	26 975
Kevin Webb	30	29.775
Matt Wilmot	898	2.4GHZ

Systems using 2.4GHz do automatic channel searching and do not clash with each other.

Note: Membership expires 30th September each year.