



'UPWIND'

November 2021

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

From the President - AGM

Normally, this November newsletter would contain the reports and minutes of the Annual General Meeting and a report of the prize giving. This year, however, it is not possible to hold the AGM due to the lockdown. Even when the group numbers are allowed to increase, as they may do in a week's time, this will only be for outdoor activities.

The prize giving is also having to be delayed as it has not been possible to collect the cups let alone have them engraved with the new winners. Those who won the cups last year should bring them to the pond when sailing resumes.

If you no longer want to keep the backstands that you have received over the last few years then these can be recycled with new engraved plates so please return these as well.

Annual General Meeting

The current proposal is not have an AGM this year and to have the current officers, including the race committee, to continue for a further year each having the option to withdraw. If there are any proposals from members then these should be sent to the secretary and they can be distributed and voted on using email.

Prize Giving

When the cups and trophies have been collected and engraved it is proposed that we will have a prize giving at the side of the pond on a competition day before racing begins.



Work at the Pond

This week work has started on the new path that will run behind the picnic tables. This was first discussed in 2019 and was ready to be started in April last year when a lockdown had all work cancelled.

The originally proposed works included removing the first section of the existing path which had subsided somewhat and was flooded when the pond was only slightly above its normal level. This area, from the pond back to the new path and from the entrance to the first picnic table was then to be planted with wetland shrubs and several trees.

At the time I had written a report to the council pointing out some aspects they may not have considered. I resent this report to the council when I received the updated plans a week or so ago. This report is available on the web site in the Onepoto section, reports sub-section, where the original and the new plans are also available.

First of all the Onepoto Management Plan specifies that the pond is to be maintained for model sailing boats and paths are required around the edge of the pond. For this they have agreed to keep the old section of path, this will allow the recovery of yachts without have to trample shrubs.

The Management Plan also requires that trees and other impediments to the wind are to be kept away from the pond so that there is a free flow of wind. This area is still under discussion. When I first sent the report mentioning this the council did trim and thin out the trees on the south eastern side of the pond.

There is also an issue that the council clears silt from the forebay at the North end of the pond each year or so and they use heavy trucks to do this and park them exactly where the new planting area is to go.

Fortunately the planting in this area is not scheduled until May next year so there is plenty of time to continue discussions with the council.

Getting back to sailing

Many of your boats will have been left now for nearly three months, and it still may be a few weeks before the lockdown goes to a level that will allow groups to gather. In order to get the yachts back to reliable sailing condition they will probably need some maintenance.

Batteries

If rechargeable batties are being used then they should be recharged back to full capacity. Eneloops and similar may only self-discharge slowly, but these still will be less than full. Alkalines hold their charge well but should be checked for corrosion. Wiring and battery connection points should also be checked and cleaned.

Rudders

One of the main problems arising from a boat not being used regularly is that the rudder may seize in the rudder tube due to corrosion. In extreme cases the rudder won't turn at all, but it may appear to turn satisfactorily even though it is seized by turning the rudder tube with it. This unscrews the tube and may lead to water leaking into the boat and also the rear frame becoming worn to the point where the thread no longer holds the tube in place.

In order to free the rudder, remove the cross head and unscrew the rudder and tube together. To free the tube from the rudder shaft do not grip the tube and try twisting the rudder blade, this can make the shaft loose in the rudder.



Hold the shaft tightly with needle-nose pliers on the flat at the top of the shaft and try loosening the tube with pliers. Do not squeeze too tight as this may distort the tube.

it will be necessary to clean up the shaft with fine wet-and-dry sand paper and the inside of the tube by wrapping a strip of this around a toothpick to clean out the corrosion. Follow this with a Q-Tip to clean out all debris.

Several type of waterproof grease are available, some specifically for use in salt water.

New Divisions for 2021-2022

Average	Div	Sail#	Total score	Races	Sum
A Division					
2.237	A	196	85	38	
3.457	A	3	159	46	
4.000	A	33	184	46	
4.140	A	5	178	43	
4.262	A	94	179	42	
4.625	A	234	259	56	271
B Division					
5.196	A	2	239	46	
5.226	A	1	162	31	
5.667	A	30	34	6	
5.667	B	70	187	33	
5.831	B	15	344	59	
6.032	B	104	187	31	
8.216	B	58	304	37	
8.316	B	6	158	19	
8.318	B	82	183	22	284
C Division					
8.545	B	80	94	11	
8.683	C	85	521	60	
8.980	C	23	440	49	
9.065	B	674	281	31	
9.333	C	133	56	6	
9.333	C	4	84	9	
9.568	C	48	354	37	
9.778	C	113	176	18	
9.800	C	18	49	5	
9.848	C	515	453	46	
10.000	B	12	20	2	
10.000	C	38	210	21	
10.000	C	67	140	14	
10.000	C	84	30	3	312

These scores and race counts are based on the the scratch races in the four seasonal series of the year.

For this redistribution I have taken the sum of the number of races sailed in 2020-2021 into account to set the split between the divisions. This may help equalise the numbers in each division that turn up on race days.

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Racing Report 2020-2021

Six competition days were lost last year due to lockdowns: one in the Autumn Series in February and March, four in the Spring Series in August and September and one on the Aggregate Match Race Series in September. In addition one race day in the Autumn Series was abandoned due to weed and lack of wind. A couple of race days were also cut short and the divisional start race not sailed due to increasing high winds.

We also lost the President's Cup Regatta in this club year which would have been sailed in October.

In spite of those lost days the year was successful with 29 members taking part on at least one seasonal race day. 18 of these had one or more race wins and 22 had a placing. 20 of them acted as referees. The average turnout on a seasonal race day was 14 members.

There were also 29 members that competed on at least one day in the Aggregate Match Race Series.

The McCaw Cup and Fraser Cup Match Race Series are still to be completed but this can be done over the next few months.

Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30 September 2021

2019/2020		2020/2021
3,830.14	Balance as at 1 October	4,110.33
	Income	
515.68	Members subscriptions	467.00
402.20	Race day entry fees	267.60
-	Sale of donated yacht	500.00
250.00	Bond refund	-
0.62	Interest (nett of RWT)	1.48
<u>1,168.50</u>	Total income	<u>1,396.08</u>
	Expenditure	
164.00	AGM Catering	-
549.31	Trophies engraving	637.00
75.00	Venue hire	-
<u>888.31</u>	Total Expenditure	<u>637.00</u>
4,110.33	Balance as at 30 September	4,869.41



Rick's 234 is no more, see [Wayne's Facebook page](#).

Number	Name	Races	Total	Average	Wins	Places	Refs
1	Richard Plinston	62	364	5.87	4	13	47
2	Tom Clark	91	500	5.49	5	15	3
3	Wayne Carkeek	92	398	4.33	15	30	3
4	Andy Spierer	18	158	8.78	1	0	0
5	John McCaulay	86	404	4.7	14	21	4
6	Neil Purcell	37	284	7.68	1	1	2
12	Terry O'Neill	4	40	10	0	0	0
15	Laurie Glover	119	652	5.48	9	19	4
18	Peter Rickerby	9	80	8.89	0	0	1
23	Brian Christensen	98	813	8.3	2	8	2
30	Kevin Webb	12	87	7.25	1	1	0
33	Bruce Watson	91	399	4.38	16	25	3
38	Patricia Parkin	42	411	9.79	0	0	0
48	David Williams	72	670	9.31	1	1	0
58	Kjeld Parkin	71	539	7.59	3	8	1
67	Tony Nissen	27	270	10	0	0	0
70	Alan Smith	65	374	5.75	1	18	5
80	Sam Hill	22	186	8.45	0	0	2
82	Simon Adamson	44	356	8.09	0	0	2
84	Ivan Fraser	8	61	7.62	0	2	2
85	Mike Renner	119	962	8.08	4	6	5
94	George Stead	84	427	5.08	6	21	4
104	Ian Power	63	334	5.3	12	11	3
113	Chris Yates	35	301	8.6	0	3	0
133	Chris Ward	12	98	8.17	0	1	0
196	Reuben Muir	78	256	3.28	25	26	1
234	Rick Royden	112	539	4.81	10	29	6
515	Alan Watson	90	878	9.76	0	0	0
674	Daniel Leech	63	579	9.19	0	1	1

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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:

The Secretary
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Bank Account: 11-5373-0654026-11

Note: Membership expires 30th September each year.

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.