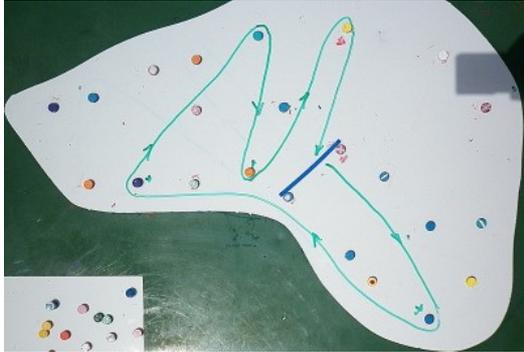


Sailing 14 November 2021

Summer Series 1

A dozen members turned out for the restarting of competitive sailing. There had been heavy rain on the previous day and in the morning but this had cleared away for the afternoon. The wind was westerly and quite variable both in speed and direction.



In **race 1** Kjeld Parkin got away to the best start and led for the first lap but was involved in a collision and was given a penalty which let several others get past. Bruce Watson was rather late at the start and then caught a start line buoy which left him trailing. Rick Royden, Laurie Glover and Simon Adamson on the podium.



The group following Kjeld at the first mark.

Race 2 had Mike Renner lead at the first mark and then race away to be unchallenged. Brian Christensen and Laurie Glover led the rest to take the places.

There were too many collisions today, granted the wind was very gusty. In race 3 three boats locked together and were DNF. In the final race this collision (left) could have sunk 32. Another boat tried to help separate the boats but got caught and went to the shore.



Rick Royden was top boat today with three wins and two second places. **Bruce Watson** was second with two wins and a second place. **Laurie Glover** was third. **Mike Renner** won one race.

Members and Boats

Rick Royden's boat, 234, was attacked by a swan at Quarry Lake during the lockdown and a large hole was pecked in the deck. He bought one of John Hinton's boats to replace it but then managed to repair the deck.

Mark Christensen has joined the club sponsored by Rick and is sailing the boat that Rick bought that will be numbered 13. Mark recorded a second, third and fourth on his first day racing.

Hans Koerselman has returned after being away with other sailing matters for a few years.

State of the Pond

Several members had been sailing at the pond as individuals over the last week or so and they have reported that on hot days there has been quite a lot of floating gunge. This has been to the point of making it difficult to sail. Hopefully this is being blown to the forebay and sinks there.

Today was not so warm so the water was reasonably clear with just a small amount of gunge rising close to the path.

Work at Onepoto

The concrete has been laid for the new paths now. It seems that they didn't put any drainage under the paths as they raised the level above the surrounding grass so there is a large puddle of water on the far side of the path.

After we complained that the plan included having trees in the planting area at the north end of the pond between the old path and the new one, they have re-designed the plan (available on the website) and the trees will now be planted on the other side of the road in the children's cycling area. The planting area will just be of low shrubs.

Richard Plinston, President NZRYS

Next Week(s):

November 21: Spring Series 2

November 28: Spring Series 3

December 5: Aggregate match Race Series 1

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