Sailing 30 January 2022

Anniversary Weekend Regatta

In the morning the wind was almost non-existent but it filled in from the north-east, mostly, by 1:30pm. It was quite hot but the club supplied iced drinks.

14 members turned up for the racing and these were drawn into 4 groups, each of 3 or 4 boats. This would give 12 races to be held, with 6 to 8 boats in each race. A simple course was set so that each race would be 10-12 minutes.

Chris Ward had his boat electronics fail and he took club boat 112 for the racing. Mark Christensen's boat failed half way through and he borrowed different boats for his last 3 races. Rick Royden's 234 didn't suit him at all as the controls are the reverse of what he is used to.

Mark took the early lead in the first race followed closely by Neil Purcell, John Macaulay and Brian



Christensen. While John moved up a place on the downwind they were back in that order at the bottom mark (above). Neil was first to the top mark in lap 2 but rounded the wrong way giving the lead back to Mark. Chris Yates also caught up to this group. Mark took the win with Brian second and John third.



Neil led around the first mark in the second race and, with the breeze dying at the mark, was able to escape while the rest were becalmed for a short time (left). Neil took a large lead by the bottom mark



(above). Ian Power led the rest away and he caught Neil before the top mark in lap 2. Ian won with Rick and George Stead placing.



There was some close racing. Here George is taking a win after these three had been swapping positions all the way from the final mark.



Laurie leads around the top mark chased by John. Laurie beat John by a length.



Mike Renner leads around the first mark.

Race wins went to Mark Christensen, Ian Power, Bruce Watson (2), Laurie Glover (3), John Macaulay (2), Rick Royden, and George Stead (2).

Regatta Results:

1st	George Stead	8
2 nd	John Macaulay	11+1
3 rd	Bruce Watson	11+2



See <u>Wayne's Facebook page</u> for more photos.

Richard Plinston, President NZRYS

Next Week(s):

February 6: Waitangi Day - fun day

February 13: Aggregate match Race Series 3

February 20: Autumn Series START New Zealand Radio Yacht Squadron Web site: http://Azonic.co.nz/NZRYS/

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