

Sailing 6 August 2023

Aggregate Match Race Series 8

There was almost no wind at 2pm and it was difficult to determine if there was any direction. A course was set and a race was attempted to be started but this was soon abandoned. There were some light gusts which encouraged some resetting of a course but eventually we waited half an hour when it seemed that the wind had settled.



Rick Royden and Chris Yates were first up and set off in a reasonable south-west breeze (above). At the top mark, bridge yellow, it did get somewhat lighter and when the wind returned it was more south-east so it was another windward leg.



With twelve members turning up for the racing there were 24 races to complete the day. By keeping four or five races on the course we managed to get through the day's requirement, running past 4pm by just 5 minutes.



At the start of the race between Rick and Bruce Watson in the final round, with other racers getting between them (above) the wind had swung to the north-east.



The wind continued to fluctuate in both speed and direction. Here (above) in the start of the race between Neil Purcell and Dave Morgan, both with new Readysets, the wind appears to be north-westerly.



The final race was between Brian Christensen and Dave Morgan. His 'sail number' actually isn't '88' but is two 'B's' back to back. In order to avoid them being left on the course while everyone else left, they agreed that their race would be shortened to a single lap.

Tom Clark and **Rick Royden** won all four of their races today.

Web Site <http://Azonic.co.nz/NZRYS>

The NZRYS web site was set up in 2007 on a second hand machine running Fedora Linux 8 that sat on my desk. That machine ran almost continuously for 16 years until last week when the CPU failed. Another machine has now been set up running Linux Mint 21 with the complete web site.

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Next Week(s):

August 13: Spring Series 3

August 20: Spring Series 4

August 27: Spring Series 5

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