

Sailing 2 November

Last Week:

Apparently a handful of members did turn up for Labour Weekend but decided not to risk their rigs in the high winds. Half the Coastal Classic fleet pulled out on Friday night and it wasn't any better on Sunday.

Spring Series flight 6:

The sun was shining but there was very little wind. The heat had also brought the pond bottom up, an annual problem that only dredging could solve. The heat causes the silt to gassify and float to the surface.

With the wind in the south to south-east at least most of the debris was blown to the side. As the day progressed the wind got lighter and shifted and this allowed the more of the pond to be affected. The weather station shows a maximum gust of 7 knots with a max sustained of 4. At the end the wind dropped below the minimum recordable and the temperature went up to 25.6 degrees.

But the racing went ahead. The first couple of races in quite good breeze. As the wind died away and the weed became more of a problem members decided that it was too frustrating and left. From 14 sailing in the first race the numbers dropped to 4 for the last which managed to get started within the time limit.

Kevin Webb had the best of the sailing and managed to not get too much weed. With 2 wins and some 2nds and 3rds he had his best day's result of 9. Geoff McGill also had two wins but was two points behind for the day with 11. John managed one win but was unlucky with the weed. I managed one win but was one point behind Geoff with 12.

Peter Vernon is back with new sails and was going well when he managed to avoid the weed.

With one more week in the series Geoff McGill has taken the lead with Kevin Webb in second place just one point ahead of Harry in third. Two points behind Harry are David and I. Any of those could get a good score in the final and take the series.

Next Week:

The Spring Series final, the last race day of the year.

End of Year:

If you have any proposals for the AGM then please send them in to the committee and/or bring them along to the AGM which will be the end of this month.

Photos:

No sailing photos. The NSCC has released its plans to replace the toilet block. There is a poster on the club room for those who want more details. This photo is of the plans on the poster. The new block will be alongside the turning circle and should not interfere with the wind any more than the trees on the circle do.

