



## New South Wales Radio Yachting Association (Inc)

### 2011 Soling One Meter NSW State Title

Place	Skipper	Sail No.	Points	State
1st	Greg Young	111	53	NSW
2nd	Graham Brown	90	80	NSW
3rd	Paul Derwent	70	90	NSW
4th	Kevin Troy	69	129	NSW
5th	Leigh Grove	36	159	NSW
6th	Peter Maddison	77	162	NSW
7th	Tony Bolding	20	164	NSW
8th	Steven Marr	95	178	NSW
8th	John O'Sullivan	91	178	NSW
10th	Colin Ferguson	92	221	NSW
11th	Robert Westaway	14	238	NSW
12th	Julian Clutterbuck	118	262	NSW

The Central Coast Radio Yacht Club conducted the NSW Soling One Meter State Title at their Willoughby Rd venue on the 12th and 13th March. Race Officer Allan Bicknell assisted by Sid Thomas, Bob Brown and Jill Brown conducted an outstanding event that had the benefit of ideal weather conditions.

Twelve skippers representing clubs from Tabourie Lake, Dobroyd, Norwest, EastCoast Sailing Association and the Central Coast got racing underway in 3 to 5 knots, on a gated course. After the first race Allan had the top mark adjusted to suit the eyesight of the 61.3 years average age of the skippers. Graham Brown set the early pace followed closely by the fleet including defending champion Paul Derwent.

An extended break in the racing midmorning was enjoyed by all watching three very talented locals on standup paddle boards. Saturday's racing concluded after 18 very competitive races for all skippers.

Sunday's racing was conducted in 5 to 7 knots and all skippers made good use of the extra breeze with the fleet racing in close quarters and all racing incidents were addressed on water. In total for the weekend thirty two races were conducted with individual race wins and

second places going to 8 competitors.

All skippers are to be congratulated for showing good sportsmanship and boat preparation which saw very few DNFs in the regatta. Julian Clutterbuck completed all races in his first major event - including a second place. Leigh Grove and Kevin Troy were the big improvers from last year's results and Graham Brown won the Hales Micro Trophy finishing second. Points were very tight between 5th and 7th place. The event over the past few years has been won by skippers on their Clubs home waters.

The regatta's location and the skippers put the sport of radio sailing on public display with many spectators of all ages enjoying the racing, asking general questions about the sport and the CCRYC. Thanks again to the Central Coast Radio Yacht Club, Race Officer Allan Bicknell and all the skippers for the competitive and enjoyable weekend.

Greg Young

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