

Soling interclub Norwest

Some days you can be blessed and we were as the sun shined and the breeze blew.

22 starters from 6 clubs, in a friendly environment prepared to do battle for the honour of taking home a certificate. Two fleets were required for both scratch and handicap events.

Scratch racing commenced the day with 8 heats being sailed in a gentle breeze which was a typical Norwest lake with the wind being influenced by the surrounding buildings causing variable direction and strength. A lot of variation in results with the following being the most consistent, Graeme Smith (BWRYS), Peter Maddison (TLRYC), Peter Lee (SMMC), Terry Howard (BWRYS) and John Armstrong (SMMC).

A break for lunch with the mandatory sausage and onion on a roll and a range of cakes/slices supplied by our members/wives.

Handicap racing commenced with the wind swinging around more to the west, stronger and constant with the occasional gusts. There were some close finishes during these races indicating the handicapper knew his business.

The most consistent were Leigh Grove (ECSA), Paul Derwent (DRCL), Graeme Smith's second appearance and Julian Clutterbuck (BWRYS).

The sailing was conducted in good spirit with no official protest required as everyone sorted out any indiscretions on the water which allows more sailing and a pleasant day. Thanks to all.

These days do not happen without the assistance of volunteers and I would like to thank the following, Rob Hales and Alan Bicknell (RO), Tony Bolding (assistant caterer), Graeme Thompson and Rob Primrose (Scorers) and all those who helped to set up and pull down.

As we did not have an official presentation, I would again like to thank everybody for coming and hope to see everyone at the next Soling Interclub to be held at Tabourie Lake at the end of October.

John O'Sullivan

Name	Boat No.	Overall Total	Place	Scratch	Place	Handicap	Place
Graeme Smith	166	32	1st	8	1st	24	4th
Paul Derwent	70	53	2nd	34	10th	19	2nd
Terry Howard	146	55	3rd	26	4th	29	6th
Graham Brown	90	62	4th	29	6th	33	7th
John O'Sullivan	91	68	5th	48	15th	20	3rd
Michael McClean	86	69	6th	30	7th	39	9th
Leigh Grove	36	70	7th	58	17th	12	1st
John Armstrong	149	70	8th	26	5th	44	12th
Colin Ferguson	92	78	9th	38	12th	40	10th
Peter Maddison	77	81	10th	13	2nd	68	17th
Tony Bolding	20	82	11th	38	13th	44	11th
Julian Clutterbuck	118	84	12th	59	18th	25	5th
Jim Hand	22	84	13th	50	16th	34	8th
John Uden	83	90	14th	32	8th	58	14th
Peter Newman	45	91	15th	45	14th	46	13th
Peter Lee	41	93	16th	25	3rd	68	15th
Henery Matt	157	105	17th	32	9th	73	21st
Andrew Lothian	162	106	18th	34	11th	72	20th
Jack Lee	46	125	19th	67	20th	58	15th
Ted Hedges	43	134	20th	63	19th	71	19th
Bruce Lothian	163	134	21st	73	21st	61	16th
Terry Howard	56	164	22nd	76	22nd	88	22nd