



2014 NSW Marblehead State Championship

Hosted by the Northern Mariners at Mount Penang Gardens

25th and 26th October 2014

The NSW RM state championships was held over 2 days at the Northern Mariners home waters at Mt Penang, just north of Sydney, where 10 boats turned up to contest the event.

Sailors from Drummoyne SC, Northern Mariners, Lake Macquarie RYC, Forster Tuncurry RYC, Koonawarra Bay SC and even two raiders from the Paradise RYC in Queensland entered the regatta.

Sailing started off just after the scheduled time with real light winds shifting around making it hard for the NM team to get the course right. Seems the father-son team of Greg and Josh Torpy liked the conditions and were 1st and 2nd in the first race.

Lake Macquarie stalwart Paul Jones wasn't far behind, but hitting things, kept him back in the pack. Needless to say he hit back with 2 wins in a row to show the contestants the 20 year old Paradox still has something to offer. With a good lunch offered by NM, PRO for the day Scott Condie altered the course to suit the shifting Sou'easterly which prevailed for the rest of the day.

At stumps day 1, with 15 races under our belt, Greg Torpy led Paul Jones with Josh Torpy nipping at Jonesy's heels followed by NM Prez Phil Page.

Nine skippers returned on Sunday, but unfortunately after a couple of races two skippers retired not feeling well. (It was very hot)

Jonesy was determined to catch Greg and Josh was determined to catch Jonesy but neither happened, though Josh got within one point of second place.

The breeze was light to moderate through the morning from mainly the SW. A two triangle and windward and return course was set and racing got underway just after 10am. After lunch the breeze swung to the south, then back to the SW, then back to the south and finally

