

Cold, wet, windy, sunshine, becalmed, warm - Sydney turned it all on for the Radio Control Laser State Titles last weekend 30 & 31 August. Held at Dobroyd Aquatic Club, (DAC), there were a total of 13 boats entered, with one, Jurgen Luther, from Adelaide SA and one, Peter O'Grady, from Gold Coast QLD. Philip Page represented Drummoyne Sailing Club, and Cliff Bromiley represented Head Office. The rest were from DAC, including current National Champion, Graham Brown.

Day1 started cold, wet and windy – well not so windy, as we were all lured into A-sails for the warm up race, fortunately a non scoring race as we all quickly changed to B sails. For the rest of the morning, the rain came and went, but the wind stayed in the South West. PRO Paul Martin laid a traditional windward/leeward course, with a gate at the bottom mark. There was some exciting racing up until lunchtime with mixed results for almost everyone, Graham being the most consistent and Peter O'Grady handling the conditions well.

After lunch C-sails were the order of the day, and once or twice there were exhibitions of submarines or duck's disease (nose down, tail up) but the wind remained steady in the South West and did not get any stronger. Philip Page gained in consistency along with Jurgen Luther. At the end of the Day 1 Graham Brown was in the lead, followed by Philip Page, Peter O'Grady and Jurgen Luther.

Day 2 dawned gloriously sunny and light winds! Philip Page and Steve Crewes were unable to sail on Sunday due to prior commitments .It was A-sail all day all day long and we were all scrabbling for the sunscreen as the day wore on.

We started in West and many people struggled in the unusual (for DAC) light winds. Hugh Buckle (DAC) enjoys the light winds and started to push up the Scoreboard.

After lunch we changed course to the South East but the wind died – it became the battle of the drifters!

The afternoon sea breeze came in just before 2pm so we switched to an East course for rest of day. We were able to squeeze on last race in before the 3pm deadline and managed a total of 31 races for the weekend.

The final results were Graham Brown, (DAC) winning the day with a total of 81 points and adding State Champion to his achievements. Second place was Jurgen Luther with 102 points, a position he has often achieved in his visits to Sydney. Third place went to Peter Newman from DAC with 105 points, a good and consistent performance.

The Dobroyd Aquatic Club thanks all those involved in the organising of the weekend, including Paul Derwent, opening the club up at the crack of dawn each day to get the coffee urn on and ready for everyone to arrive at 9am; Paul Martin for performing an excellent job of PRO; Jill Rowe, Sylvia Newman and Janet Luther for the lunches and all the goodies to go with the coffee and teas; Rhys Withers for running the scoring computer and battling with recalcitrant printers to try and keep us all up to date with the progress scores.

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1	Graham Brown	87	81.0	3.0	2.0	4.0	3.0	2.0	2.0	1.0	4.0	3.0	3.0	4.0	9.0	5.0	6.0	2.0	2.0	4.0	8.0	4.0
2	Jurgen Luther	127	102.0	4.0	4.0	1.0	6.0	8.0	5.0	7.0	1.0	6.0	9.0	9.0	7.0	6.0	3.0	3.0	7.0	2.0	2.0	1.0
3	Peter Newman	140	105.0	6.0	3.0	2.0	1.0	6.0	6.0	2.0	6.0	8.0	5.0	7.0	10.0	4.0	2.0	4.0	8.0	8.0	7.0	5.0
4	Paul Derwent	21	113.0	2.0	5.0	7.0	10.0	1.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	10.0	6.0	6.0	2.0	2.0	8.0	6.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	8.0
5	Peter O'grady	145	136.0	9.0	1.0	3.0	2.0	5.0	7.0	3.0	5.0	2.0	7.0	5.0	5.0	7.0	4.0	14.0	5.0	6.0	4.0	3.0
6	Stephen Deane	47	147.0	1.0	6.0	11.0	11.0	10.0	9.0	8.0	8.0	7.0	10.0	10.0	1.0	3.0	1.0	8.0	3.0	9.0	5.0	6.0
7	Hugh Buckle	143	152.0	5.0	9.0	12.0	9.0	4.0	8.0	14.0	7.0	14.0	14.0	2.0	8.0	10.0	9.0	5.0	10.0	3.0	3.0	2.0
8	Gerry Brookes	146	169.0	11.0	11.0	8.0	4.0	7.0	1.0	4.0	9.0	9.0	1.0	8.0	4.0	9.0	5.0	7.0	4.0	10.0	6.0	10.0
9	Bob White	70	195.0	10.0	8.0	5.0	8.0	14.0	4.0	5.0	2.0	5.0	8.0	3.0	6.0	8.0	10.0	9.0	9.0	7.0	10.0	7.0
10	Phillip Page	03	227.0	8.0	7.0	9.0	7.0	3.0	3.0	6.0	14.0	4.0	2.0	1.0	3.0	1.0	7.0	1.0	6.0	5.0	14.0	14.0
11	Narelle O'donnelle	75	315.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	9.0	9.0
12	Steve Crewes	43	331.0	14.0	14.0	6.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	9.0	3.0	1.0	4.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0
13	Cliff Bromiley	02	337.0	7.0	10.0	10.0	5.0	9.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0

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