

2017 NSW Regional Championships Report – 30th September

The inaugural DF65 New regatta was hosted by the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron in the marina pond. The scheduled 2 day event was reduced to 1 day as there were less than 20 entries to not use the HMS.

Fluky conditions tested all skippers over 11 races which were professional managed by David Flakelar who led a fantastic team of Graham Lambert, Locky Pryor and Eddy with time allowed repairs and maintenance to keep the maximum fleet size

Matthew Anna, (Kogarah) and **Paul Martin** (Hubertus) had great starts before the gremlins set in, while **Kel Burgess (RSYS)** dominated the first 6 races. **Stuart Thorpe (RSYS)** was consistent all day and narrowly missed several top 3 finishes by less than a boat length. Similarly, **Nigel Brimble (SMMC)** and **Damien Vlotman (Cronulla)** were constant threats with plenty of boat speed. **Locky Pryor (RSYS)** had some steering issues after a great start. **Phil Burgess (RSYS)** had an ugly start with weed around the keel and a heavily leaking boat, before recovering to be 7th at the lunch break after 7 races. Kel and Mathew were match racing each other for the last 4 races, allowing Phil to sneak up the leader board with finishing scores of 2, 1, 6, 2 to take the lead in the last race and win by just 4 points with a dead heat for 2nd!

Only 18 points separated the top 8 boats which made for tense racing, screwed up faces, dry mouths, twitchy fingers on the control sticks, but plenty of banter and fun. It was great to see all skippers helping others out with tips, sail set up and replacement parts. That's what made it a wonderful friendly regatta and it was great to meet skippers from other Clubs and hear how they are organising their events!!!

The numbers were lower than expected due to school holidays and the AFL & NRL Grand Finals, so we will know to avoid that next year. We will probably try for a Spring Champs before the Club's racing season starts and the Pond is more readily available. So we have plenty of learnings from the first Championships and will start planning for the 2018 regatta early next year.



NSW Regional Dragonforce 65 Championship

The Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron

Results are provisional as of 15:24 on September 30, 2017

Overall

Sailed: 11, Discards: 3, To count: 8, Entries: 14, Scoring system: Appendix A

Rank	Class	SailNo	Club	HelmName	<u>R1</u>	<u>R2</u>	<u>R3</u>	<u>R4</u>	<u>R5</u>	<u>R6</u>	<u>R7</u>	<u>R8</u>	<u>R9</u>	<u>R10</u>	<u>R11</u>	Total	Nett
1st	DragonForce65	714	RSYS	Phil Burgess	(11.0)	2.0	(6.0)	3.0	3.0	(7.0)	1.0	2.0	1.0	6.0	2.0	44.0	20.0
2nd	DragonForce65	100	RSYS	Kel Burgess	(6.0)	3.0	4.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	4.0	4.0	(10.0)	5.0	(8.0)	48.0	24.0
3rd	DragonForce65	64	Kogarah	Mathew McAnna	2.0	4.0	5.0	2.0	2.0	1.0	3.0	5.0	(7.0)	(11.0)	(9.0)	51.0	24.0
4th	DragonForce65	06	WHMBC	Paul Martin	1.0	1.0	(8.0)	(9.0)	7.0	8.0	(9.0)	1.0	5.0	3.0	1.0	53.0	27.0
5th	DragonForce65	123	RSYS	Stuart Thorpe	4.0	(9.0)	2.0	5.0	4.0	(6.0)	6.0	3.0	3.0	(9.0)	3.0	54.0	30.0

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6th	DragonForce65	44	SMMC	Nigel Brimble	(9.0)	7.0	(15.0 DNC)	4.0	(8.0)	3.0	5.0	6.0	4.0	1.0	5.0	67.0	35.0
7th	DragonForce65	322	EC12	Damien Vlotman	5.0	(8.0)	3.0	(10.0)	(9.0)	4.0	7.0	7.0	2.0	4.0	4.0	63.0	36.0
8th	DragonForce65	096	RSYS	Locky Pryor	(7.0)	5.0	1.0	6.0	6.0	5.0	2.0	(11.0)	6.0	(7.0)	7.0	63.0	38.0
9th	DragonForce65	222	RSYS	John Hopkins	(12.0)	(10.0)	9.0	7.0	10.0	9.0	8.0	10.0	(11.0)	2.0	6.0	94.0	61.0
10th	DragonForce65	141	RSYS	John Vickery	3.0	(11.0)	(10.0)	8.0	5.0	10.0	(12.0)	8.0	9.0	10.0	10.0	96.0	63.0
11th	DragonForce65	312	RSYS	Peter Cotton	8.0	(12.0)	(11.0)	(12.0)	11.0	11.0	10.0	9.0	8.0	8.0	11.0	111.0	76.0
12th	DragonForce65	513	RSYS	Brett Madsden	10.0	6.0	7.0	11.0	(15.0 DNC)	(12.0)	11.0	12.0	12.0	(15.0 DNC)	12.0	123.0	81.0
13th	DragonForce65	33	QMP	Brian Shirvington	14.0 RET	13.0	12.0	(15.0 DNC)	14.0 RET	(15.0 DNC)	(15.0 DNC)	15.0 DNC	15.0 DNC	15.0 DNC	15.0 DNC	158.0	113.0

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14th	DragonForce65	390	RSYS	John Hunt	(15.0 DNC)	(15.0 DNC)	(15.0 DNC)	15.0 DNC	15.0 DNC	15.0 DNC	15.0 DNC	15.0 DNC	15.0 DNC	15.0 DNC	15.0 DNC	165.0	120.0

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