The 2017 NSW Marblehead GP Rd 2

On Sunday, the 23rd July the second round of the Marblehead GP Series was held at Mount Penang Gardens, Kariong and hosted by the Northern Mariners.

Six enthusiastic skippers turned up to race, Maurie Fletcher and Paul Ziems sailing Boogies, Andrew Sands sailing his Paradox, Glenn Kinsela sailing a Starkers, Patrick O'Donnell sailing the Dreadnought and Garry Bromley sailing his Prime Number.

The weather was fine and sunny and the breeze was a very nice 10 to 15 knot westerly. A windward and return course of three laps was set using the start line as the leeward gate and a run to the finish on the final lap. Racing got under way after a short delay at about 10.20am.

Garry made his intensions clear by winning race 1 then races 3, 4, 5 and 7 before lunch was called after eight races. He did not have it all his own way. Paul Ziems and Maurie Fletcher gave him plenty of close finishes. Unfortunately, Glenn packed up and left early as he has been having some health challenges and was finding the racing a tough gig. Pat O'Donnell and Andrew Sands missed some races due to technical problems.

After lunch, the wind became less predictable with swings of 10 to 15 degrees to the left or right making choosing the best side of the course a bit of a challenge. Everyone experienced being left behind when the wind shifted and the other side of the course had the most favourable conditions.

Twenty races were completed in a very friendly relaxed atmosphere and everyone had a great time.

Thanks to Pat for setting the course and Garry for going to rescue a couple of boats.

Kogarah Bay Radio Yacht Club is going to host the 2017 NSW RM State Championships on the weekend of 21st and 22nd of October. KBRYC is hoping for a big rollup so all you RM sailors get your boats tuned up and get ready for a fun weekend of sailing. The notice of race and online entry will be published on the NSWRYA website soon.

Owen Jarvis

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Position	Skipper	Sail #	Club/City	Hull	MYA No.	Score	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Sort 6	Sort	Sort	Sort 6	Sor 6	Sort 0	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
1	Garry Bromley	55	KBRYC	Prime Number		20.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	2.0	4.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	3.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
2	Paul Ziems	24	DSC	Boogie		30.0	3.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.0	4.0	3.0	1.0	2.0	3.0	2.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
3	Maurice Fletcher	18	NM	Boogie		46.0	2.0	5.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.0	1.0	2.0	4.0	2.0	4.0	3.0	5.0	2.0	3.0	3.0	4.0	3.0	3.0
4	Patrick O'Donnell	14	NM	Dreadnought		67.0	6.0	6.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	7.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	3.0	4.0	3.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.0	4.0	4.0
5	Andrew Sands	43	NM	Paradox		82.0	4.0	3.0	5.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	5.0	5.0	3.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	5.0	4.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.0	7.0	7.0
6	Glenn Kinsela	64	WMYC	Starkers		113.0	5.0	4.0	6.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0