



## QLYC Cec Anderson Series Race 5 Sat March 15 2014.

### “Thunder And Lightning!”

Some regulars were on the high seas or trapped in the social whirlpool of significant birthdays, weddings even, others may have been deterred by the Weather Bureau's warnings; nonetheless five vessels, all serious contenders for series victory, signed on for the second last race of the Cec. Anderson Series.

Club Captain Steve Lee and OOD Ian Lee briefed the assembly. Because of the absence of Dave Hatton (recovering from some repair work), Jennifer Gilbert deserted Wave Dancer to assist Ian and Bev. in Swan Rescue. Ian Lee replaced Brian Golland as official photographer. Once again it was our old favourite, Course Seven. The calendar was still in the Ides of March, and perhaps that explains the friskiness of the wind gods who served everything from calm to gale and tried every point of the compass during the race.



In Division One, we had Drizabone. Look at that sky.

Division Two was graced by Valentine and Tiercel.



Sundance and Imagine resumed the battle of the Titans in Division Three.



Drizabone was first to the Wedge.

As the race progressed, the wind lightened, Drizabone fell back to last as Imagine took the lead from Sundance. But on the reach from the Wedge to Drapers a spinnaker put Sundance back into the lead.

A bit after three o'clock the breeze freshened to twenty knots and went to Northwest. Imagine passed Sundance and went on to to the finish.

Just thirteen seconds after the maxis finished there was a gusty wind change preceding a thirty knot southwesterly and heavy rain.

Imagine was first across the line followed by Sundance, Tiercel, and Valentine. Drizabone elected to retire.



After some handicapping magic, the first four, in order were Imagine, Sundance, Tiercel, and Valentine. As things now stand, Imagine, Sundance, and Tiercel are all practically even money for series victory, but Drizabone is still an outside chance.

Thanks to Ian, Bev, and Jennifer for personning Swan. Thanks to Ian for photographs and comments.

Ian and Moyneen Curtis are cruising the Pacific aboard the Queen Victoria.

Colin Bishop went to a younger relative's seventieth birthday party.

Geoffrey Mathews was a guest at someone else's wedding.

**The Next Club Event is Race 6 of the Cec. Anderson Series. 22/3/2014. This is the last race of this series.**

**The weekend after is devoted to the Maritime Weekend; one race Saturday afternoon and two races on Sunday. The second Sunday race is SAIL VERSUS THE FERRY.**

**Lonsdale Golf Club has been booked for the PRESENTATION DINNER, SATURDAY 17 MAY.**