

QLYC....Summer Series – Cole Cup to Portsea...Return! November 17, 2012

Another good sailing day!

Well this week it was the annual trophy race "Cole Cup to Portsea".

Additionally it was also the day of the QCYC Annual "Goorangai Memorial Race" from Brighton to Queenscliff.

With this and other issues the Cole Cup was limited to eight yachts but still many sailors and skippers at briefing again to greet a great day of sailing.

OOD for the day were the Lees (Ian & Bev) with Jennifer Gilbert as supporter.

The course was a leisurely Grass Beds start off to Drapers (port), Chinaman's Hat (starboard), Sorrento Channel No. 2 (starboard), then pass within fifty metres of Portsea Pier on to Pope's Eye Pile (starboard), around West Channel No. 3 (port) and finally finish at Grass Beds.

The fleet had expected up to 20 knots, but the breeze of a south to south easterly never got above 15 with "Huey" seeing to that!



A surprise couta boat, "Enterprise", at briefing, paid sailing fees, but did not appear to have signed on, and was never seen again....please let them know we did think about their waywardness!!

From the elapsed times the fleet got their money's worth of sailing around this course.



Early, Zen was leading Imagine with Chinon next and closing the gap.... between Pope's Eye Pile and West Channel No. 3.

Further back were Christabelle and Wave Dancer making for Pope's Eye Pile from the Nepean side.

Even further back was Defiance. Fancy and Rosie were not in sight at this stage.

The belief was that most positions were maintained through to the finish with Zen taking line honors.

The result was a good one for Christabelle with Jock and Rick taking the gold! Well done!

In second place was Zen who really pulled out the stops this week followed closely by Wave Dancer!

Interestingly on handicap there was only 47 seconds difference



and 13 seconds gap to third!!

AND in the "Goorangai" the winner on handicap was Mal Billings of QCYC and Sandringham YC in "Uluwatu" but second on handicap was QLYC and QCYC's "Sundance" with John Barry and crew. Congratulations guys on a great race and result for the club!

Remember: Next week is a day off due to the QMF or "Queenscliff Music Festival"..... However we will return to normality on Sat Dec 1st with briefing at

Midday and some more Army charges to assist us out there!! Be Prepared!

This will be the old "Champagne Stern Chaser" followed by the Commodore's Champagne Reception!

AND if you want morethen be prepared to front up to the Club House on Sunday 2nd December for another of the famous "Off the Beach Messabout Days"....be there and enjoy a BBQ lunch plushelp us out!!