

Division 2 Race 6 Spring series. Saturday 5/11/11

Again at 8.30 am early morning birds arrive to set up their Yachts, around 10.30 only one starter only for the Start boat, now that the Rear Commodore was ashore he was given the job of arranging a crew to assist Ian. He had one of his crew Brian assist well done Brian we all thank you.

Wind started to increase to about 10knots at the wharf and most yachts stated to leave at around mid day, travelling half way to Outer Tower we measured 13-15 knots we made our minds up No.2 was the order of our day.

12 Starters milling around near the start set SE of OTP, rumour has it one yacht was trying for the Mud Crab award.

One minute from the start, bedlam, as one of the smaller boats had his front sail tear badly and they were stalled halving the start line, when the flag went down we in Wundurra had no chance and went around and let all but Wasabi cross the line it must have been close for some, but good skippering by the fleet saved the day. Not much cursing was heard.

As we were so far behind and could see the fleet heading North West we tacked off to the East and with the wind at about 13 knots considered it a good way to go.

At the first mark it was hard to see from the rear who actually was first around, I think Halcyon Daze, Red Ned had a way to make up but goes well to windward and looses out off the breeze I believe.

Fast Forward is improving (I think by not using there Kite they are playing the Handicap system), but well done. It took a long time for Stella to come back into the fleet they were flying earlier, Happy Daze is working things out and is improving each time out, some thing was wrong Windy point did not perform as they have been 8 on scratch, Jeeves which was inspired last week was deserted by the sailing God. Blys is another yacht that is not performing as well for some reason, Tic Tac was on the money as far as the Class and with 5 on board looked unbeatable every time they had a problem Wundurra would cheer but they would recover and seem to retain their 200 metre at least lead from us, On rounding the bottom mark for the last time the fleet again went to the N/W and the lead yachts were well ahead we decided to stay on the Easterly tack and followed Tic Tac who was still way ahead, he tacked off and we continued up further and when we tacked we noticed he was on a knock and we were on a lift next time we tacked we were ahead and was able to keep in front till the finish it might not seem important to be sixth home but a big deal to be able to beat Tic Tac.

IMPOTANT NOTICE

The TENDER SERVICE operator KYLE finishes at 12 noon on race days after that it is DO IT YOURSELF.

Skippers and Crew try and think of people who may be interested to help in the starting of races and becoming a Starter,

Brian C