



## **Race Officers Report**

### **Geoff Smale Memorial Regatta**

#### **Quarry Lake – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

The Geoff Smale Memorial Regatta was again hosted by the North Shore Radio Yacht Squadron (NSRYS) at Quarry Lake, Takapuna on the 5th of February and attracted 20 entries from GHRSC, NMMS and NSRYS.

The good numbers entered is a reflection of the respect Geoff has in the sailing community and particularly his sailing ability, good sportsmanship and manners.

Saturday dawned with a fresh NE breeze that was well into B rig range for the morning races. We decided to sail with one fleet which made for a busy start line which everyone coped well with.

After lunch the breeze freshened to the top of the range for B rig, which produced some different winners and good close racing.

Ian Vickers sailed a very consistent series especially given it was his first time back sailing after a lengthy hand injury. There was very little rust showing in his sailing.

Reuben Muir came into his own after lunch having a number of wins on the trot.

Ian Power sailed a steady series staying out of trouble for third place.

All in all it was a pleasure to officiate at this regatta along with my crew of George Tui and Doug Leith - my thanks to them.

All competitors were well behaved, abiding by the rules and doing their penalties with little official intervention and good manners displayed.

The regatta concluded with a BBQ (thanks Trevor) and drinks, which was enjoyed by all.

To all the competitors, keep up with the pills and ointment and enjoy your sailing.

Here's to good sailing.

Ted Miller

Race Officer