

The second regatta on the Paper Tiger North Island Freshwater Series was hosted by the Ngaroto Sailing Club on 19-20 November.

29 boats travelled from all four corners of the Island to compete at a fantastic regatta in a magnificent location.

With ten past or present New Zealand Team members and two past national champs in attendance the completion was always going to be fierce.

Six races were completed over the two days with Saturday being a day of mixed breeze with plenty of decent gusts coming across the lake allowing for some spectacular capsizes. While Sunday provide some more of the same and a lot of entertainment for those watching the tight racing from the Grandstand on the banks of the lake.

Racing was tight throughout the regatta with multiple lead changes in every race, the final race saw the finishers pen working overtime with 3 separate pairs of boats finishing in dead heats. The short leg races made for some intense racing and meant that everyone got plenty of tacking and mark rounding practise.

After the two days of tight racing the results for second and third separated by half a point.

Final results were:

1st - PT 3026 Yellow Fever Doug Ferguson Howick
2nd - PT 3025 Ultra High Modulus Richard Dent Tauranga
3rd - PT 3070 Double Vision Scott Pedersen Napier

B Grade:

1st - PT 2988 Learning to Fly Denis Leatham New Plymouth
2nd - PT 2940 The Ounce Les Gallagher Howick
3rd - PT 776 2 Elusive Stuart Morrish Napier

C Grade:

1st - PT 2634 Roar Speed Jamie Hatch New Plymouth
2nd - PT 2789 Tramp II David Tiller SSANZ
3rd - PT 2368 Scarface Claw Greg Bain Maraetai Sailing Club

For full results [click here](#) and the photo gallery can be [found here](#)

A huge thanks to the team at Ngaroto Sailing Club for their magnificent hospitality and race management, it is always an amazing place to visit!

With two regattas now completed in the North Island Freshwater Series, Scott Pedersen leads and is the man to beat heading into the final two rounds at Turangi and Taupo in early 2012.