

A case study in Applied Psychology and Handicaps

Wednesday Wonders RACE 8 summer 2017

22/11/2017



Race 8 was an interesting study of Applied Psychology for Sandy Capper. When a yacht wins a race in a fleet of 43 yachts by 4:26 minutes, you have to ask questions. It wasn't that the whole fleet were spread out, just the first 4 yachts to cross the line. In the 10mins after the 6th yacht finished 33 yachts crossed the line. 2 yachts retired.

The wind did freshen a little so there was not a big advantage for early starters, unlike Race 7. The chosen course did have 2 long downwind legs, which made up 33% of the course and did not offer much catch up time.

So how did **CLUB COMEDIE's** skipper gain an advantage from his knowledge of Psychology and gain a handicap of just 4 mins? you have to go back a few weeks. This season we have not seen much of this yacht. She has only raced in Race 4 and came 33rd. Club Comedie is a Jeanneau SO 32i (to see a video [CLICK](#)) and certainly looks like a fast yacht. Sandy Capper looked at her race performance and thought he should encourage this newcomer to yacht racing, so gave her a handicap of 4mins to start with Pippa. It was too late to alter this time when Sandy Capper found out a little more about the skipper. Apart from a degree in Applied Psychology, Darren Eger does know a little bit about sailing. If you check on Yachting Victoria

You will realize he is a National Sailing Judge, as well as advising competitors in the Melbourne Osaka Race. In these roles as a judge he will miss a few more races.



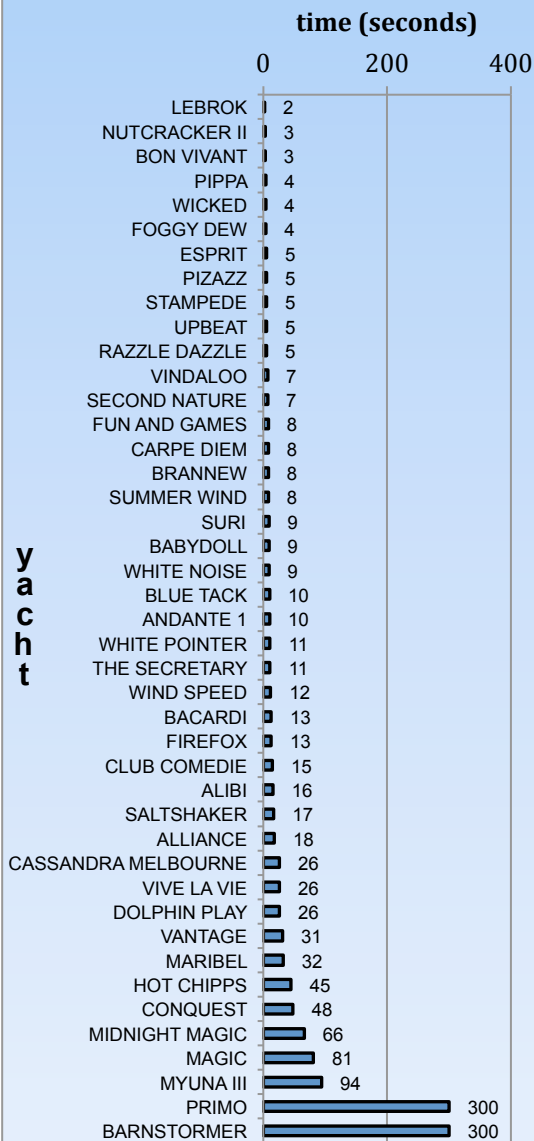
It will be unlikely that he will see a 4 min handicap start again.

His time around the course was 2:12:58, 3 mins faster than **SURI** who was second, but started off 12 mins. Tommy Raft is getting to like having the yellow flag flying on **WHITE POINTER** and sailed the course in 2:01:35 finishing in third place with a 24min handicap.

Alan Edwards on Fun & Games, was a bit unlucky just missing out on third by 21 seconds. He started 32nd off 32mins only 8 seconds late and had elapsed time of 1:53:56.

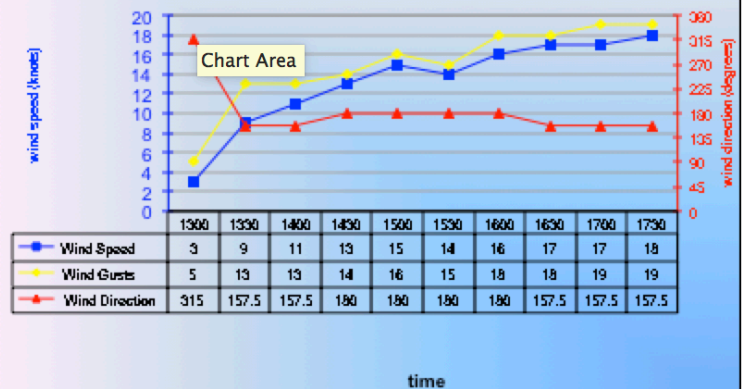
A 2-up father and Son winning combination

WW Summer Series 2017-18 Race 8 Start of the Day



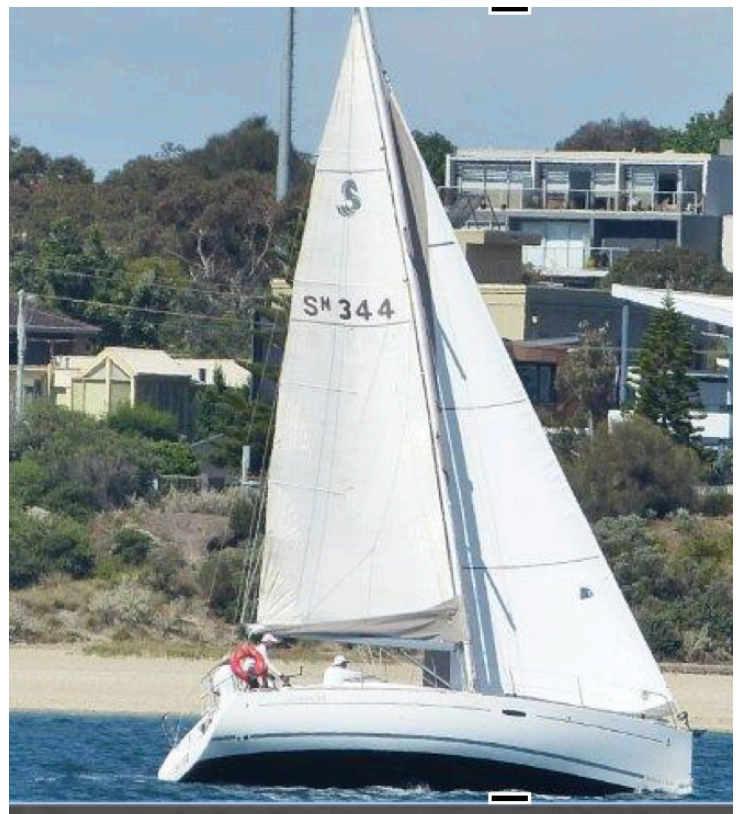
SURI - Second place
Started 6th off 12 mins, 9 seconds late.
First time past 4 moved to second place 6 mins behind the leader and finished second, 4 mins in front of White Pointer.
Total time taken 2:09:24. This just places her in the top ten but she is equal points with 2 other yachts.

WW Summer Series 2017-18 Race 8 Wind Speed & Direction



LEBROK won Start of the Day on 2 seconds.
Six boats started in less than 5 seconds.

Barnstormer did not have a good day. One crew injured and could not sail.
One halyard broke, and then the replaced one also broke, so they retired. Chris can't be called a 'Jonah', as he was not on board.



Wednesday Wonders 2017 Grand Prix Classic Car Yacht Race 9 November 28



Thanks to RED Bluff Homes

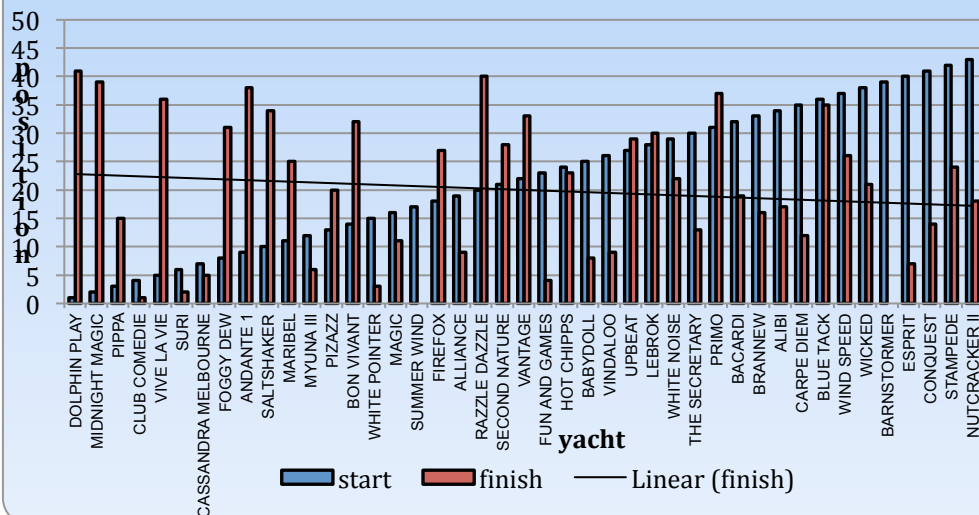
15 yachts registered.
Please have Classic Cars parked by 11.45.

Start times from Ken King centre will be 20mins before handicap time.

.... And this race day is Chris Carlile's 70th Birthday. Will White Pointer have more than just a birthday celebration after this race?

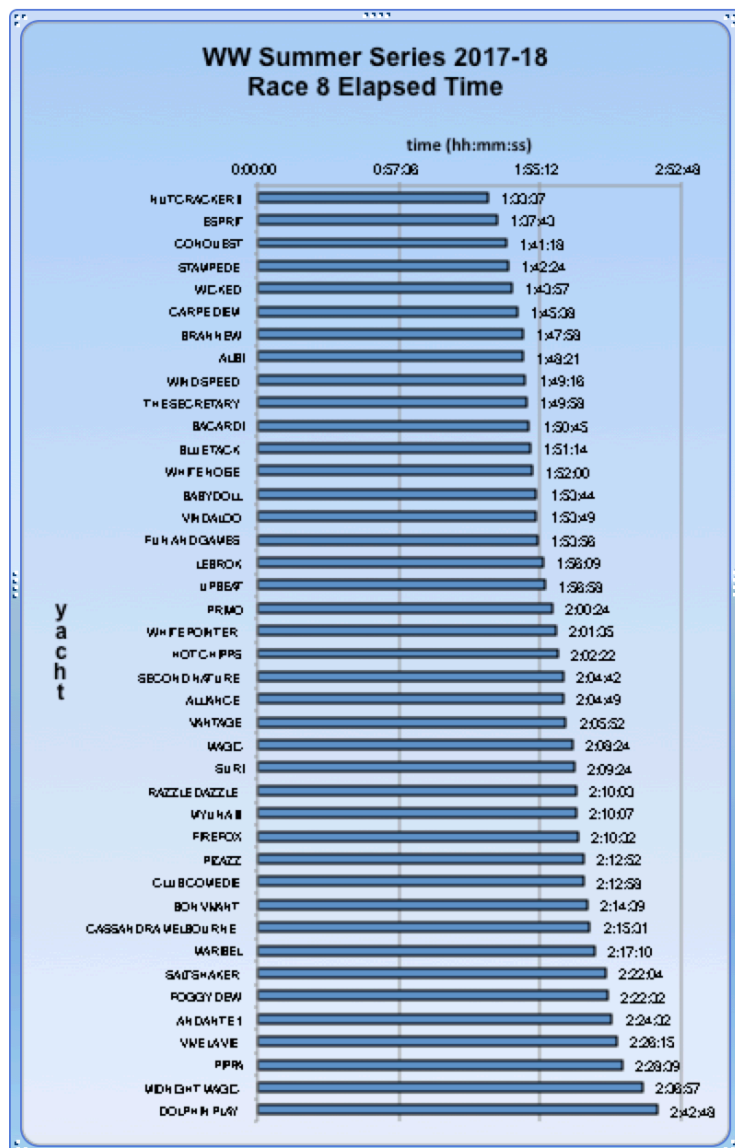


WW Summer Series 2017-18 Race 8 Position at Start & Finish



Windward Buoy's Bullet points Race 8

- Sandy Capper had another busy week increasing 11 handicaps decreasing 31;
- Second largest fleet of the series – 43 yachts;
- Breeze averaged 13 knots for the afternoon but ranged from 9 to 17 knots
- – beyond the forecast range of 10 to 15 knots;
- LEBROK became the 6th winner of Start of Day with a 2 second start;
- Being 3 seconds over the start line early cost PRIMO 20 places.
- Median start time – 10 seconds;
- 38 yachts started within 48 seconds or less of their handicaps, 2 yachts started too soon;
- The fleet started 58 minutes 37 seconds apart and finished 26 minutes 50 seconds apart;
- 3 yachts finished within 10 minutes of the winner;
- CLUB COMEDIE wins the race recording the widest winning margin of the series - 4 minutes 26 seconds.
- It was the first time on the podium for 1st & 2nd place getters CLUB COMEDIE & SURI;
- ALLIANCE & VINDALOO tied for 9th place;
- WHITE POINTER remains on top of the aggregate for 3rd successive week;
- Average elapsed time 2:03:16;
- NUTCRACKER II fastest in race. 1:33:37 Second fastest was ESPRIT 1:37:43
- 3 podium finishers in Race 8 had their handicaps reduced by 10, 11 and 8 minutes.
- Applying Race 7 handicaps to Race 8 (both races used the same marks except race 7 was anti clockwise rather than clockwise) the podium finishers were Cassandra, Club Comedie and Pippa.



WHITE POINTER recorded her second 3rd place; She still carries the yellow flag



Noelle Coram Trophy Highest Combined Summer Sunday and Wednesday series
Have you noticed that there are ten boats (not just 3) that qualify for the Noelle Coram trophy?

Boats are: Dolphin Play, Vive La Vie, Cassandra, Foggy Dew, Myuna, Perfect Sense, Razzle Dazzle, Blue Tack, Lebrok and The Secretary MW

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Similar Lapsed times for the race but different handicaps and results

1st Club Comedian 2:12:59 off 4 20th Pizazz 2:12:52 off 21

32nd Bon Vivant 2:14:39 off 22 5th Cassandra 2:15:01 off 12



Always make sure you are going the correct way. Would you believe that these boats finished just 3 mins apart, but started 17 places apart?

REC BOATING CHRISTMAS PARTY 6.00PM WEDNESDAY 6TH DECEMBER

Recreational Boating Power and Sail Committee welcome all Club members to join us at the Recreational Boating Christmas get together. All you have to do is bring your nibbles, cutlery, plates and special tincture together with a chair – and don't forget your festive spirit!

Bookings now open! **VENUE:** Undercroft car park \$20 per person, \$5 for children under 12

Bookings open! [CLICK HERE TO BOOK](#) Bookings close on Friday 1 December 2017



TENACIOUS

Video on Tenacious

<http://jst.org.uk/our-tall-ships/tenacious> To give you a more visual understanding of how Jubilee Sailing Trust operates we have just published a short film following a fantastic series of voyages sponsored by Barclays Bank in the UK where the staff raised funds for their own voyage and then the Bank match funded to provide the opportunity for someone living with disability to sail as a 'buddy' with them. The 15-min film follows the experience of three of those

people and examines how their lives have been changed by the experience. This provided a unique opportunity to almost 200 people living with disability, engaged with over 50 charitable partners, was the bank's largest ever community project and had 10,000 visitors.

TENACIOUS SeaChange: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F1cNR31wYXs&feature=youtu.be>

Can you name the drivers of these cars? The real drivers of these Classic Cars are all competing in the GRAND PRIX YACHT RACE this Wednesday.

Send your entry to MARK, OR submit your written entry before presentations of Race 9.



Photo 1

Photo 2



Photo 3

Photo 4



Photo 5

Photo 6



Photo 7

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WW Summer Series 2017-18 Handicap Adjustments								
Boat Name	Race Number							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
ALIBI		41	41	43	50	48	47	45
ALLIANCE	17	28	28	30	28	25	34	25
ANDANTE 1	3	8	9	9	17	13	17	14
ARABESQUE					35	32	36	32
BABYDOLL	36	34	34	34	39	36	39	35
BACARDI	40	41	41	38	43	43	43	43
BARNSTORMER	43	40	40	41	49	47	45	46
BLUE TACK	44	40	40	41	42	47	41	46
BON VIVANT	25	18	18	14	20	22	18	22
BRANNEW	42	40	43	47	48	45	49	45
CAFE RACER	15	10	10	15	15	10	13	10
CARPE DIEM	47	47	47	50	51	48	53	46
CASSANDRA MELBOURNE	18	14	14	11	11	5	11	12
CLUB COMEDIE				11	9	4	14	4
CONQUEST	43	43	43	45	52	51	53	51
DOLPHIN PLAY	2	2	2	1	3	1	1	1
ESPRIT	48	46	46	48	54	53	55	51
FIREFOX			28	22		25	23	25
FOGGY DEW	18	16	16	12	18	14	17	14
FUN AND GAMES	34	35	35	31	36	32	38	32
HOT CHIPPS	24	36	38	34	35	31	41	32
INSX	49	44	44	44	44	48	47	47
LEBROK	39	37	37	41	42	42	42	40
MAGIC	27	28	28	26	31	24	32	23
MARIBEL	17	15	15	12	10	16	22	18
MIDNIGHT MAGIC	3	1	1	0	3	1	0	2
MYUNA III	24	24	24	24	23	17	21	18
NUTCRACKER II	65	57	57	65	60	61	57	60
PERFECT SENSE	44	38	38	30	20	10	10	9
PIPPA	5	4	4	2	2	1	1	4
PIAZZ	19	24	24	15	24	21	24	21
PRIMO	38	35	35	38	37	39	38	38
RAZZLE DAZZLE	35	32	32	29	35	30	32	30
ROLLER COASTER	19	25	25	19	25	18	33	18
SALTSHAKER	21	14	14	12	12	10	15	15
SECOND NATURE	26	28	28	34	31	30	36	31
SHIMMER	52	50	50	49	54	53	50	53
STAMPEDE	51	50	50	52	55	52	50	52
SUMMER WIND	14	18	18	11	23	23	23	25
SURI	10	17	17	18	18	13	23	12
THE SECRETARY	45	41	41	41	46	43	44	42
UPBEAT			36	37	40	40	39	39
VANTAGE	34	34	34	28	35	32	37	31
VINDALOO		33	33	34	39	36	36	36
VIVE LA VIE	17	13	13	10	13	11	12	11
WHITE NOISE	42	39	39	43	44	45	46	42
WHITE POINTER	12	24	24	13	21	19	32	24
WICKED	48	44	44	49	53	53	52	50
WILLARIE	5	2	2	2	2	2	1	1
WIND SPEED	46	43	43	44	51	48	48	46
MIN	2	1	1	0	2	1	0	1
MAX	65	57	57	65	60	61	57	60
RANGE	63	56	56	65	58	60	57	59
AVE	30	29	30	29	32	29	32	29
MEDIAN	31	34	34	30	35	31	36	31
INCREASES		12	3	21	33	8	28	11
DECREASES		28	0	21	8	37	14	31



Photo 8



Photo 9



Photo 10



Photo 11



Photo 12



Photo 13

Looking at other yachts: below are short video clips

Sun Odyssey 32i Yacht https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pxl0RU48V_U

Jeanneau SO 32i ([CLICK](#))

Sun Odyssey 32i Legende https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oX_bMHZr8ZA

Beneteau Oceanis 41.1 A local Review with Jessica Watson at SYC
[CLICK https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1QKuVyOdwp0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1QKuVyOdwp0)

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See you on the race track!