

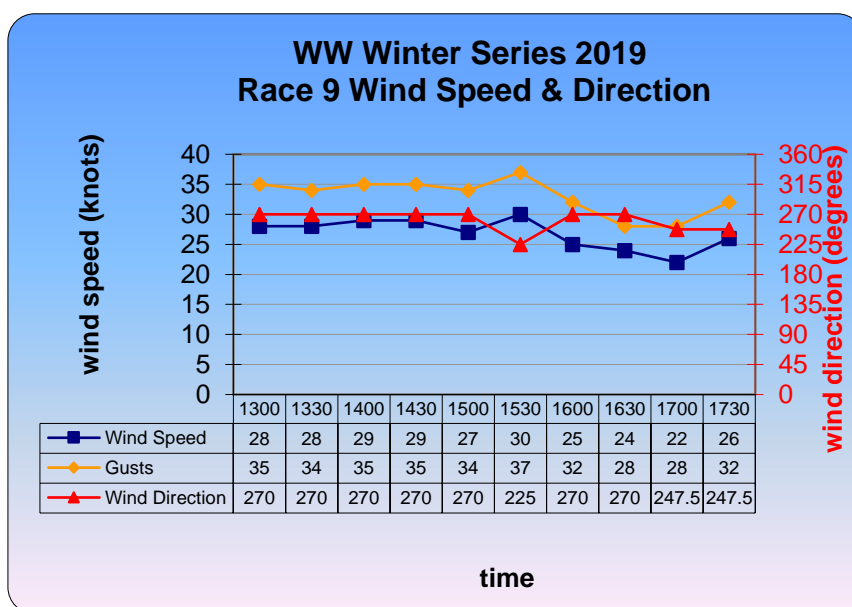
A Third of the Series Complete

Wednesday Wonders Winter Series 2019 Race 9

(29 May 2019)



The weather in Port Philip on Wednesday afternoons continues to be as variable as ever. The start of race 8 was postponed due to no wind. In contrast, strong gusty winds prevailed during what would have been race 9. On Tuesday evening the Bureau of Meteorology issued a gale warning for Port Philip but by Wednesday morning this had become a strong wind warning. The bureau forecast: "A vigorous west to south westerly airstream in the wake of a cold front will shift south to south westerly and moderate during the afternoon and evening as a trough crosses Bass Strait." Fawkner Beacon recorded an average wind speed of about 27 knots for the afternoon which included a gust of 46 knots at 1514. This was the highest wind speed recorded on a Wednesday afternoon in either the last summer or this winter series. Few, if any, would have been disappointed that the race (including the Century Class) was abandoned. The century Class is rescheduled for race 10 (weather permitting)



With the first third of the series complete, strong winds have seen three races abandoned whilst light winds have resulted in 2 shortened races. An average of 28 yachts has competed in the six remaining races. There are 13 yachts that have completed all 6 races. These 13 yachts have between them won 3 of the 6 Starts of the Day; been on the podium on 7 occasions; and, occupy 5 of the aggregate top ten positions.

WW Winter Series 2019 Start of the Day Winners			
RACE	DATE	YACHT	TIME (secs)
1	3-Apr-19	FUN AND GAMES	0
2	10-Apr-19	ARCH DE TRIOMPHE	1
4	24-Apr-19	WICKED	2
6	8-May-19	ARCH DE TRIOMPHE	2
7	15-May-19	UPBEAT	2
8	22-May-19	WHITE POINTER	1

Five different yachts have won Start of the Day and the average winning start time is 1.33 seconds. ARCH DE TRIOMPHE has won twice.



WW Winter Series 2019 Podium Finishers				
YACHT	Place			
	TOTAL	1	2	3
ALIBI	1		1	
ARABESQUE	1	1		
BACARDI	1		1	
BARNSTORMER	1	1		
BON VIVANT	1			1
CASSANDRA MELBOURNE	1			1
DOLPHIN PLAY	2	2		
FOGGY DEW	1		1	
INSX	1			1
LEBROK	1		1	
LUSCIOUS	1	1		
MAGIC	1		1	
MIDNIGHT MAGIC	1			1
THE SECRETARY	1		1	
ULUWATU	1			1
VINDALOO	1			1
WICKED	1	1		

Seventeen different yachts have been on the podium so far this series. With 2 wins DOLPHIN PLAY is the only yacht to have “been on the podium” twice.



Four different yachts have recorded the fastest elapsed time in race. WICKED has been the fastest on 3 occasions with BACARDI, BRANNEW and VINDALOO having the fastest time in the 3 remaining races. The table to the left shows the average elapsed time (in minutes) for yachts that have completed 3 or more races in the series. The median elapsed time is 118.48 minutes.



WW Winter Series 2019 Average Elapsed Time	
YACHT	Time (minutes)
VINDALOO	96.69
WICKED	98.62
WIND SPEED	102.40
BRANNEW	102.55
INSX	102.72
BACARDI	102.80
ALIBI	103.35
PEGASUS	104.81
BARNSTORMER	105.91
LEBROK	107.48
WHITE NOISE	108.18
THE SECRETARY	108.58
PRIMO	111.07
STAMPEDE	112.44
BABYDOLL	112.46
ULUWATU	112.63
ARCH DE TRIOMPHE	113.10
SECOND NATURE	114.05
UPBEAT	116.89
RAZZLE DAZZLE	118.48
ARABESQUE	119.34
FUN AND GAMES	120.28
MAGIC	121.04
BON VIVANT	123.88
HOT CHIPPS	123.97
WHITE POINTER	125.78
FOGGY DEW	127.42
SALTSHAKER	128.30
CASSANDRA MELBOURNE	128.38
ROLLER COASTER	130.22
ANDANTE 1	130.66
LUSCIOUS	131.53
SUMMER WIND	138.47
PIPPA	141.54
CLUB COMEDIE	142.36
WILLARIE	142.68
CAFE RACER	146.97
MIDNIGHT MAGIC	155.34
DOLPHIN PLAY	155.66

WW Winter Series 2019 Aggregate Position & Handicap Race 8		
YACHT	Position	H/CAP
LEBROK	1	43
WICKED	2	51
BACARDI	3	44
ARCH DE TRIOMPHE	4	37
MAGIC	5	28
ALIBI	6	49
VINDALOO	7	45
SALTSHAKER	8	23
WHITE NOISE	9	43
PEGASUS	10	46
PRIMO	11	40
INSX	12	48
CASSANDRA MELBOURNE	13	18
RAZZLE DAZZLE	14	35
BARNSTORMER	15	49
FOGGY DEW	16	24
DOLPHIN PLAY	17	1
THE SECRETARY	18	48
WIND SPEED	19	48
SECOND NATURE	20	33
BRANNEW	21	46
LUSCIOUS	22	23
ARABESQUE	23	35
BON VIVANT	24	27
PIPPA	25	10
ANDANTE 1	26	14
ULUWATU	27	38
FUN AND GAMES	28	39
WILLARIE	29	10
BABYDOLL	30	37
MIDNIGHT MAGIC	31	0
ROLLER COASTER	32	27
UPBEAT	33	38
CARPE DIEM	34	51
STAMPEDE	35	49
WHITE POINTER	36	31
MYUNA III	37	33
CONQUEST	38	50
SUMMER WIND	39	23
CLUB COMEDIE	40	14
CAFE RACER	41	17
MARIBEL	42	23
ESPRIT	43	50
LADY J	44	36
J FORCE	45	
TOO EASY	45	16

ARABESQUE, BARNSTORMER, DOLPHIN PLAY, LEBROK & WICKED have each led the aggregate up to race 8. It's been a good start to the series for some yachts with handicaps of 40 minutes or more. Seven of them are currently in the aggregate top ten. Only 2 yachts with handicaps of over 40 minutes are in the bottom ten of the aggregate – they have a total of 3 races between them.

LEBROK currently leads the aggregate with WICKED in 2nd place and BACARDI 3rd.





Sailing conditions have varied markedly from race to race.



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