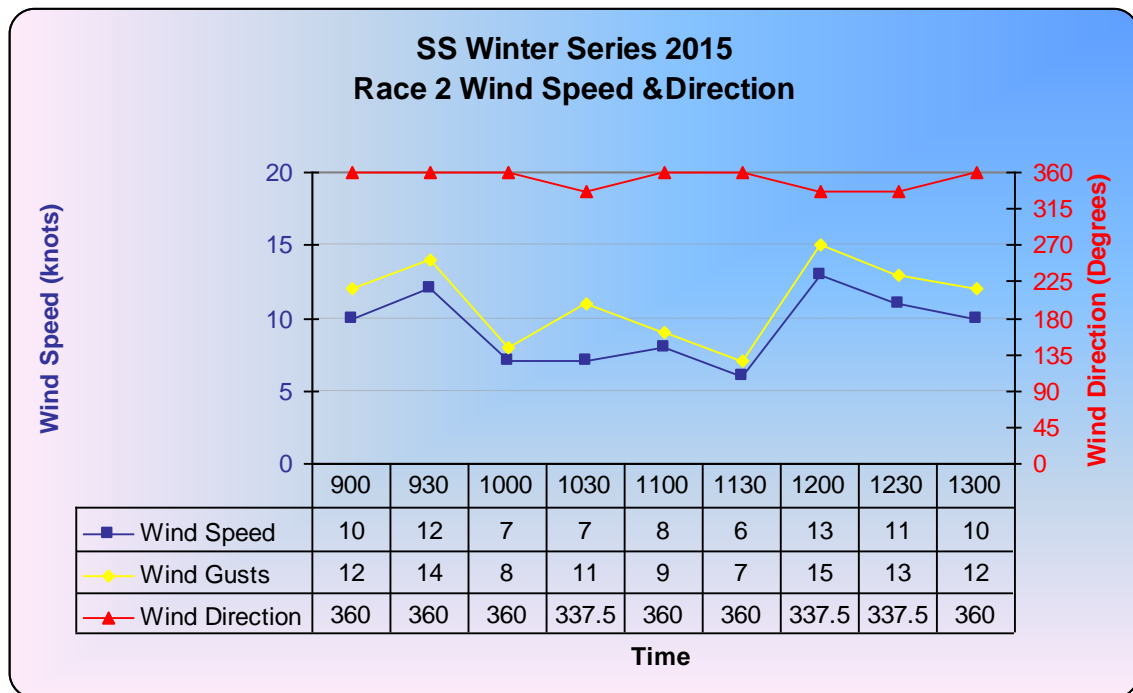


Sunday Sailors Race 2 - A Great Sunday Race

Following a week of unseasonal weather that brought strong winds, hail and low temperatures, Sunday morning delivered blue skies, a comfortable temperature, gentle breeze and flat seas. This marked change in conditions was enough to encourage 24 yachts to contest race 2 of the series, around the 6 leg, 9.8 nautical mile course 14, in a north to north westerly breeze. The breeze averaged around 9 knots for the race so the course was shortened which allowed all yachts to finish. (It is estimated that at least a third of the fleet would not have completed the race if the course had not been shortened.)



The first leg of the race was a run to number 5 followed by a beat to number 7. Rounding number 5 then going inshore on a port tack seemed to be the better option in the lighter breeze, rather than staying further off shore on a starboard tack. What became the last leg of the course from 7 to 4 was another run to the finish line.



Sailing in her second race of the series with a 7 minute handicap was the Beneteau 27.7, PLAY (Ian Pridgeon). She finished 8th out of 19 yachts in the first race and was the second yacht to begin race 2. She had the 4th best start of the day, only 9 seconds late for her handicap and sailed the course in 1:46:52. She made her way to the front of the fleet to be first across the finish line at 11:23:52, 1 minute 54 seconds ahead of WINSOME (Simon Hemingway). This win lifted PLAY from 8th to 2nd place in the aggregate.

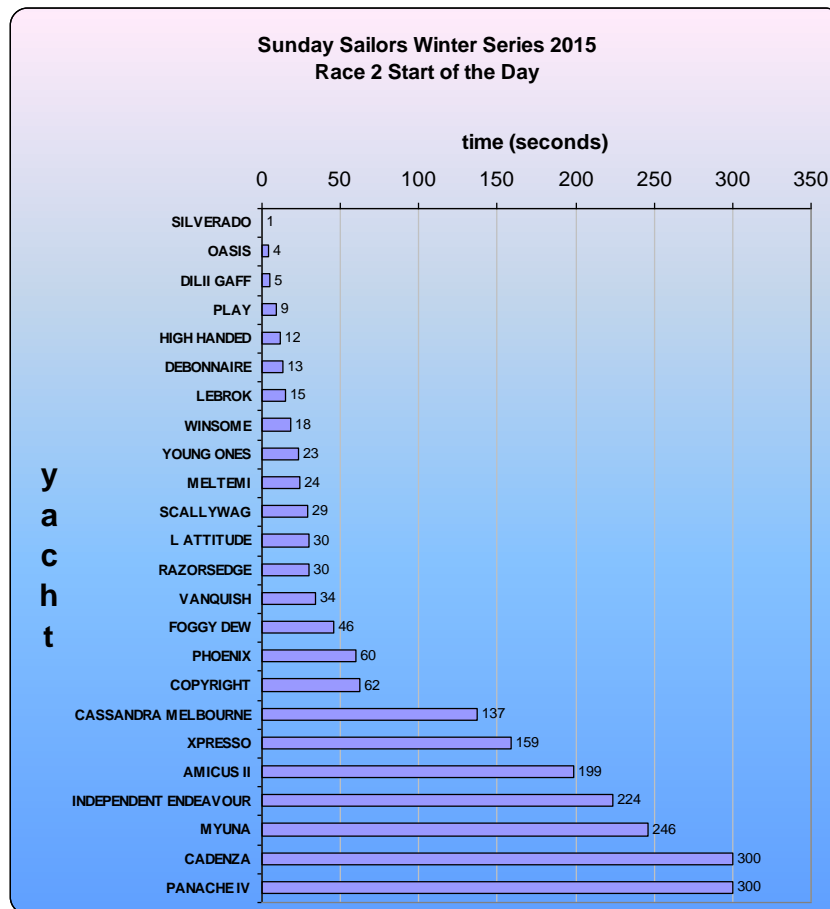


Also sailing her second race of the series was the Jeanneau Sunfast 40, WINSOME. She started from 16th place, 18 seconds late for her 28 minute handicap. WINSOME recorded the 3rd best time of the day sailing the course in 1:27:46. She crossed the finish line at 11:25:46, 17 seconds ahead of FOGGY DEW (Joe Jones & Frank Hilliard). The 2nd place was enough to put WINSOME on top of the aggregate table.



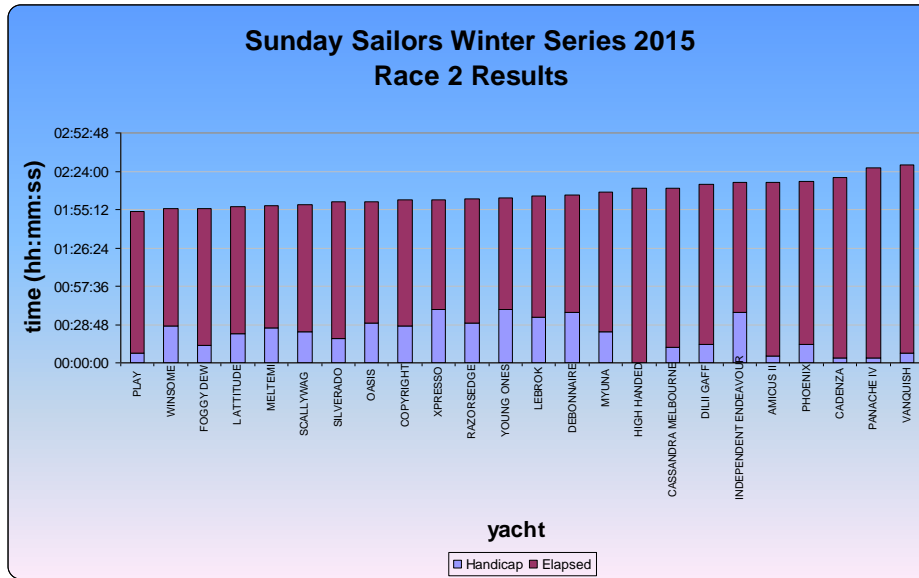
Following a handicap reduction of 2 minutes, FOGGY DEW recorded a better result in this race than the first of the series. She started race 2 from 7th place, 46 seconds late for her 13 minute handicap. She had an elapsed time of 1:43:03 which was about 3 minutes better than the average for the race. FOGGY DEW crossed the finish line at 11:26:03 in 3rd place to record her first podium finish of the season. This puts her into 8th place in the aggregate.

Start of the day was won by the Mull 31, SILVERADO (John Barbieri) only 1 second late for her 18 minute handicap. The median start time for race was 30 seconds with 9 yachts a minute or more late for their respective starts. This includes 2 yachts that were penalized 5 minutes for starting too soon.

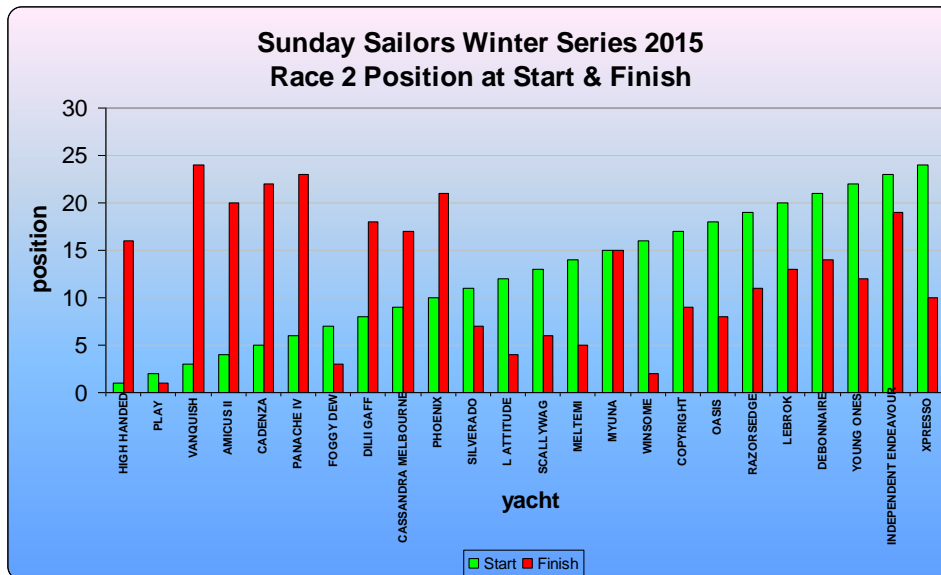


The fleet started 42 minutes 27 seconds apart but the gap narrowed to 35 minutes 5 seconds at the end of the race. The closest finish of the race was 3 seconds that separated the largest yacht in the fleet, the Nautor Swan 65,

INDEPENDENT ENDEAVOUR (Malcolm Mohr), from the SWANSON 30.
 AMICUS II (Warwick Stenford).

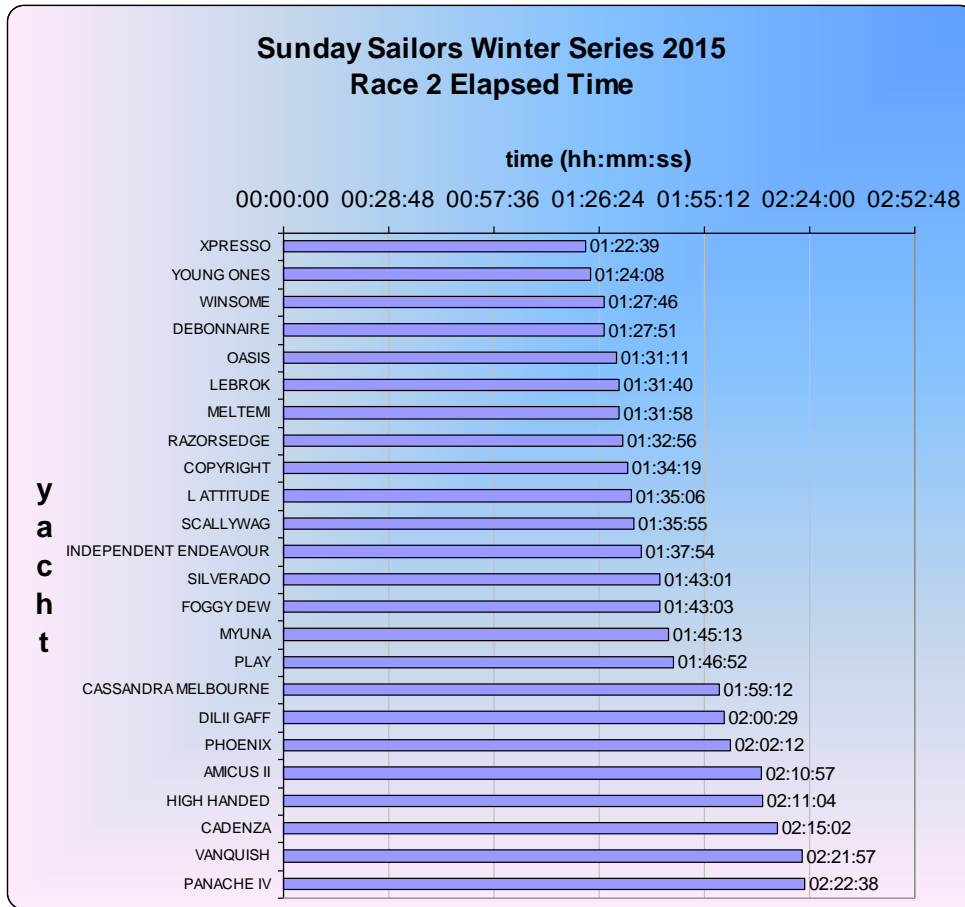


Although 2 early starters were podium finishers it was the 5 mid fleet starters that were amongst the first 8 yachts to finish. Five of the 8 early starters were amongst the 8 late finishers whilst 6 of the 8 late starters finished mid fleet.



The best elapsed time for the race was recorded by the winner of race 1, XPRESSO (D&A Abrahams) in 1:22:39 almost 1 and a half minutes faster than YOUNG ONES (Ian Miller). The range of elapsed times spanned 59 minutes 59

seconds with 7 yachts enjoying a great Sunday morning sail of more than 2 hours.



Race 3 is scheduled for 31 May 2015

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