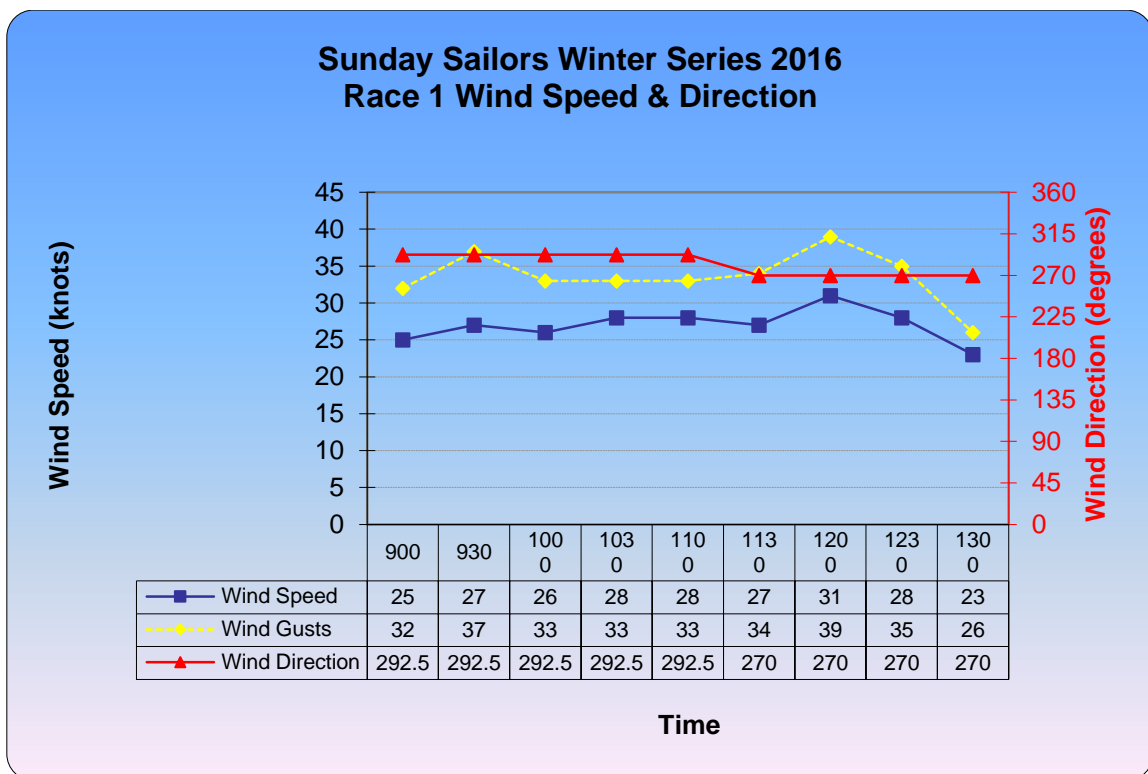


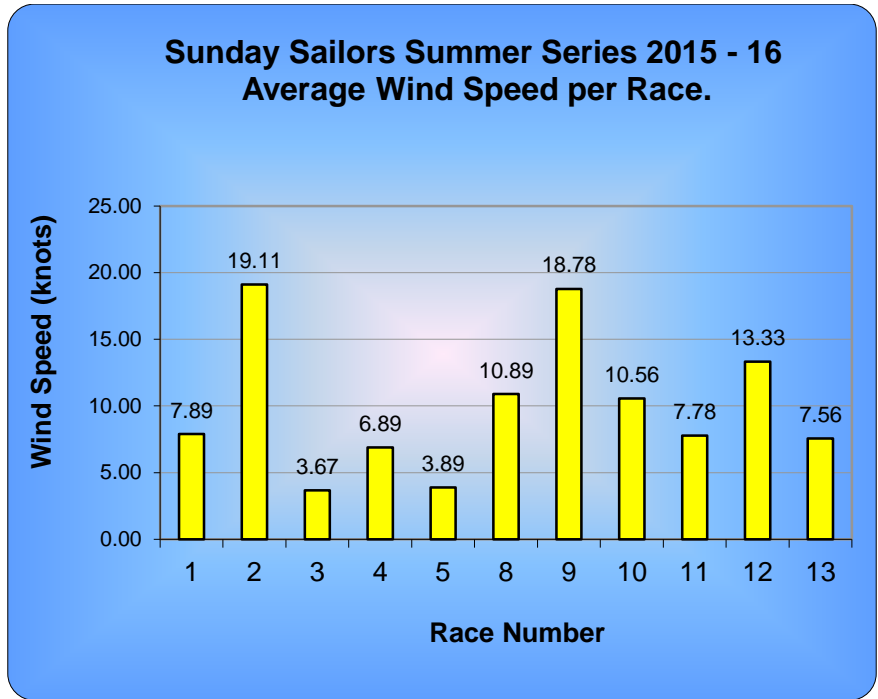
## Race 1 Abandoned

The start of this winter series was reminiscent of the 2014 series which also began with an abandoned race. On that occasion the breeze averaged around 23 knots from the west north west. Observations from Fawkner Beacon showed the breeze was again from the west north west and a bit stronger averaging 27 knots for the morning. The 58 knots recorded around 0300 early Sunday morning plus the 33 knots later in the morning made for choppy waters.

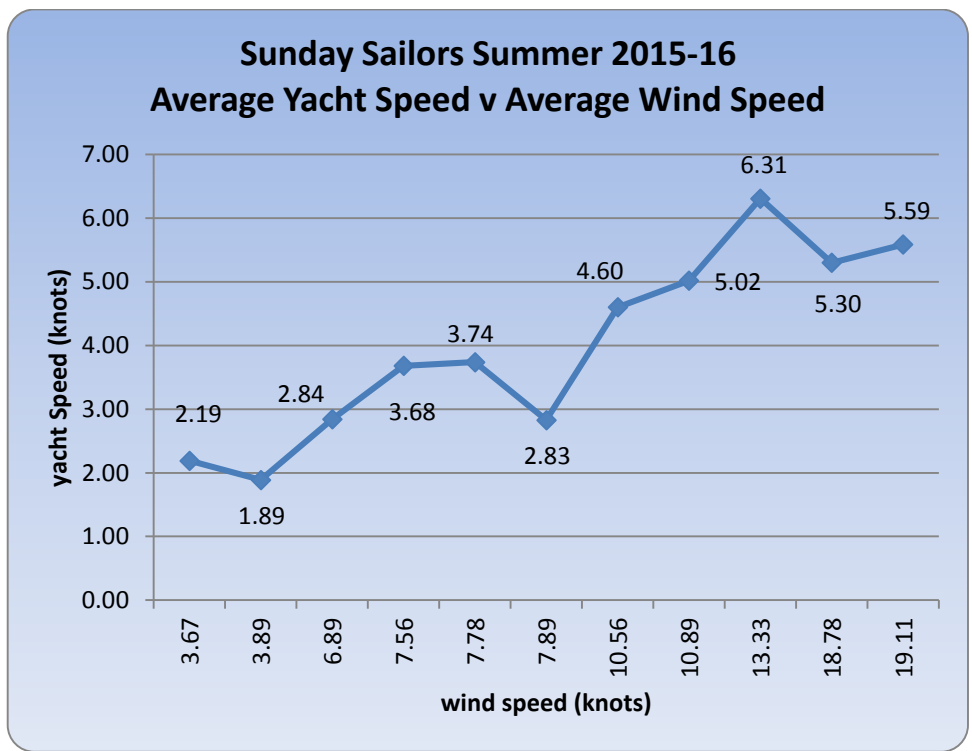
Despite the temporary setback to the start of the series, 26 yachts have entered the aggregate including 4 that were not in the summer series. There are 11 races scheduled for the series which is due to finish 25 Sept 2016.



Abandoned races are not that frequent on Sundays. Of the 52 scheduled races since the opening of the 2014 winter series only 6 have been abandoned compared with 16 courses being shortened. This suggests the breeze is more likely to be too light than too strong on Sunday mornings. The average breeze for the races in the previous summer series is shown in the following chart. The average for the series was about 10 knots and tended to increase as the morning progressed.



As expected the stronger the breeze the faster the fleet sailed. The fastest average yacht speed, of 6.31 knots, was reached in an average of 13.3 knots. It is interesting to note that when the breeze exceeded this level the average yacht speed decreased.



The average speed of the individual yachts is shown in the following table. The value of the average speed for yachts completing only a small number of races is not likely to be an accurate reflection of their performance in various conditions.

<b>SUNDAY SAILORS SUMMER SERIES 2015-16 – AVERAGE SPEED</b>			
<b>YACHT</b>	<b>AVE SPEED</b>	<b>AVE HANDICAP</b>	<b>NOS OF RACES</b>
A CUNNING PLAN	6.87	0:48:00	1
PHOENIX	5.12	0:13:40	3
DEBONNAIRE	5.08	0:43:07	9
THE SECRETARY	5.01	0:37:45	4
TRIM	4.99	0:17:00	1
AMICUS II	4.98	0:08:45	4
PLAYLIST	4.81	0:40:00	1
LEBROK	4.62	0:31:54	10
WINSOME	4.61	0:36:00	11
CARPE DIEM	4.48	0:46:40	3
VANQUISH	4.41	0:02:30	2
WINEDOWN	4.40	0:20:00	5
OASIS	4.36	0:30:00	8
MYUNA III	4.33	0:25:00	6
COPYRIGHT	4.27	0:27:05	11
SCALLYWAG	4.25	0:26:13	9
DILII GAFF	4.25	0:19:30	10
PANACHE IV	4.17	minus 0:00:45	4
L ATTITUDE	4.08	0:22:16	11
CASSANDRA MELBOURNE	4.04	0:13:12	10
SHILO	4.03	0:06:10	6
SKULLDUGGERY	4.01	0:28:00	10
IMAGINER	3.90	0:25:17	7
FOGGY DEW	3.85	0:15:49	11
SILVERADO	3.83	0:19:13	9
INDEPENDENT ENDEAVOUR	3.80	0:32:00	3
FAROUCHE	3.70	0:06:00	1
KAOS	3.62	0:05:51	7
PLAY	3.59	0:07:45	4
BON VIVANT	3.52	0:10:00	1
ANTARES	3.46	0:02:23	8
HIGH HANDED	3.20	minus 0:01:22	8
ISA LEI	2.93	0:01:20	6
CADENZA	2.51	0:00:17	7
DELL ERA	2.17	0:10:30	4

**The next race is scheduled for 14 May 2016**



Windward Buoy