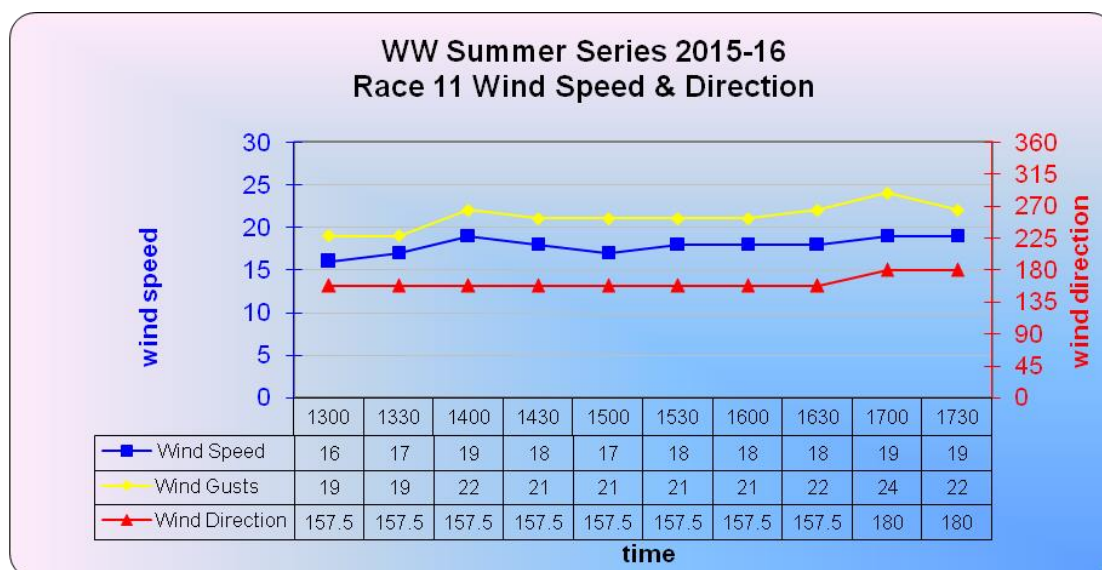


## Largest Fleet of the Series WW Summer Series 2015-16 Race 11 (16 Dec 2015)



Forty yachts turned out on a warm sunny day to contest race 11 in a lively breeze. It resulted in the 3<sup>rd</sup> win of the series for the Bluewater 40 MOANA (Stan Rankin). She is the only yacht so far with more than one win. The win cements her place at the top of the aggregate, a position she has occupied for 6 of the 11 weeks of the series. The result of this race also produced some significant rearrangement of the aggregate top ten. Dropping out of the top ten were WHITE NOISE (Daniel Edwards), BACARDI (Martin Power), MAGIC (Phil Spry Bailey) and ESPRIT (Garry Anderson). Entering the top ten were PIZAZZ (P.Martyn & R.Kemp) in 3<sup>rd</sup> place up from 14<sup>th</sup>; FOGGY DEW (Joe O'Grady) in 5<sup>th</sup> up from 15<sup>th</sup>; BELLABU (John Lake) 7<sup>th</sup> up from 19<sup>th</sup>; and, CASSANDRA of MELBOURNE (Bob Reeves) 10<sup>th</sup> up from 17<sup>th</sup> place.

ESPRIT repeated her performance of race 10 with another perfect start. Only one yacht started more than 47 seconds late for her handicap and no yacht started too soon. The average sail time for the race was 1:45:07 with the last yacht crossing the finish line at 15:56:22. It produced a three way tie for 8<sup>th</sup> place with FIREFOX (Kim Beveridge Howard Davis); CASSANDRA (Bob Reeves); and SALTSHAKER (Ken Gayler) all finishing at 15:45:10.



It was a consistent breeze averaging around 18 knots from the south south west for most of the afternoon. Although gusts reached 24 knots the wind speed was consistent varying between 16 and 19 knots.



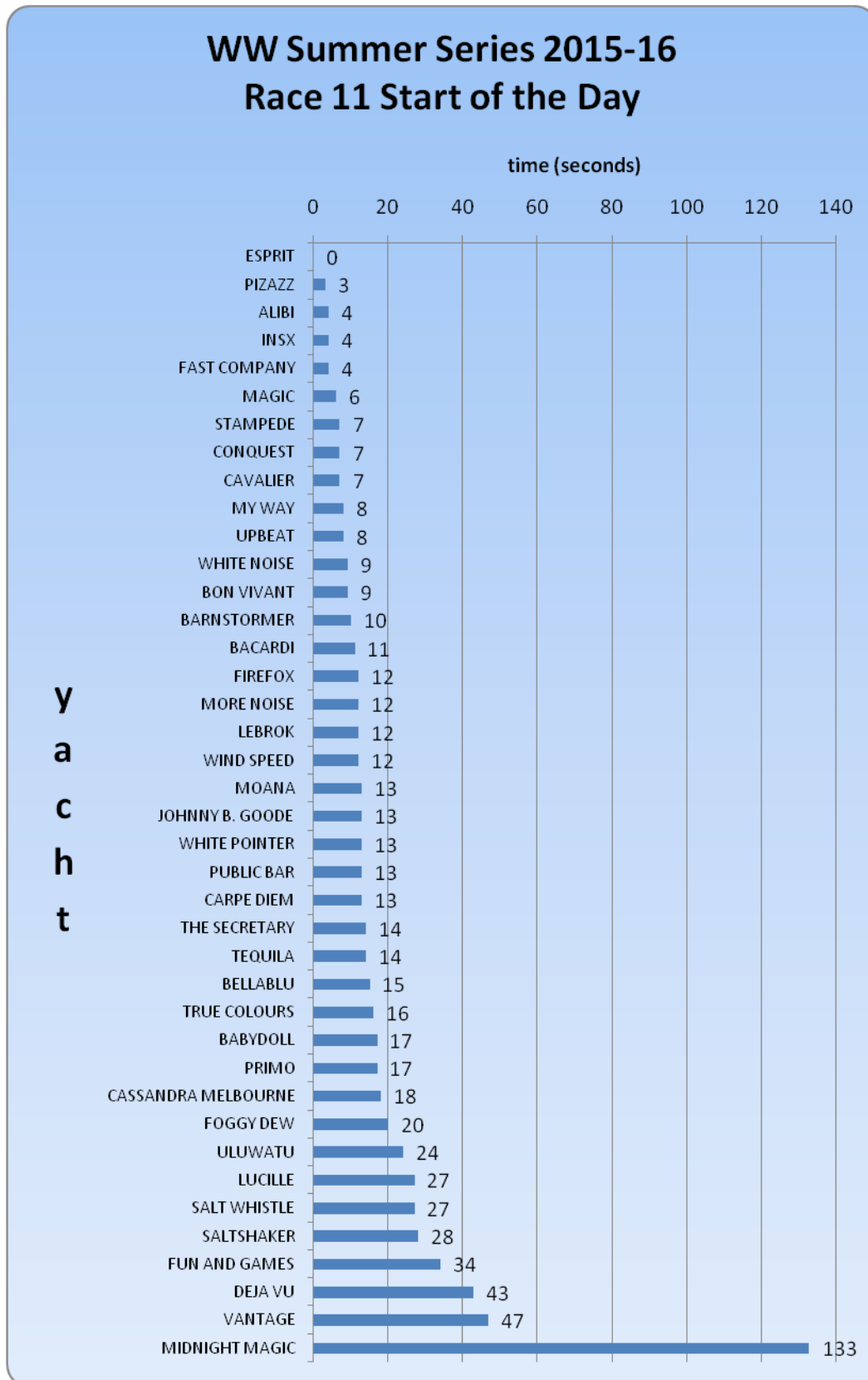
MOANA is one of eleven yachts to have completed all ten races this series. As well as her 3 wins she has a further 3 top ten finishes to her credit. MOANA started the series with a handicap of 16 minutes which, in light of her success, has steadily increased to 25 minutes. She started this race 13 seconds late for her 25 minute handicap from 12<sup>th</sup> place. MOANA rounded number 4 for the first time already in 3<sup>rd</sup> place at 14:54:26. She sailed the 6 leg 9.5 nautical mile course 62 in the 15<sup>th</sup> fastest elapsed time of 1:42:28. MOANA crossed the finish line at 15:37:28 – 1 minute 38 seconds ahead of the Bavaria 32 FOGGY DEW (Joe O’Grady). MOANA sits on top of the aggregate with a very healthy score of 8 points.

FOGGY DEW has also completed all ten races and follows up a 4<sup>th</sup> place in race 10 with a 2<sup>nd</sup> in race 11. She started the race from 3<sup>rd</sup> place 20 seconds late for a 15 minute handicap. After sailing for 1:07:04 FOGGY DEW rounded number 4 in second place 2 minutes 2 seconds ahead of MOANA. During the last 3 legs of the course FOGGY DEW maintained her second place as she overtook the Eastcoast 31 MIDNIGHT MAGIC (Bernadette Moore) but was overtaken by MOANA. FOGGY DEW sailed the 6 legs of the course in 1:54:06 crossing the finish line in 2<sup>nd</sup> place at 15:39:06. This was enough to put her in 5<sup>th</sup> place on 31.5 points.

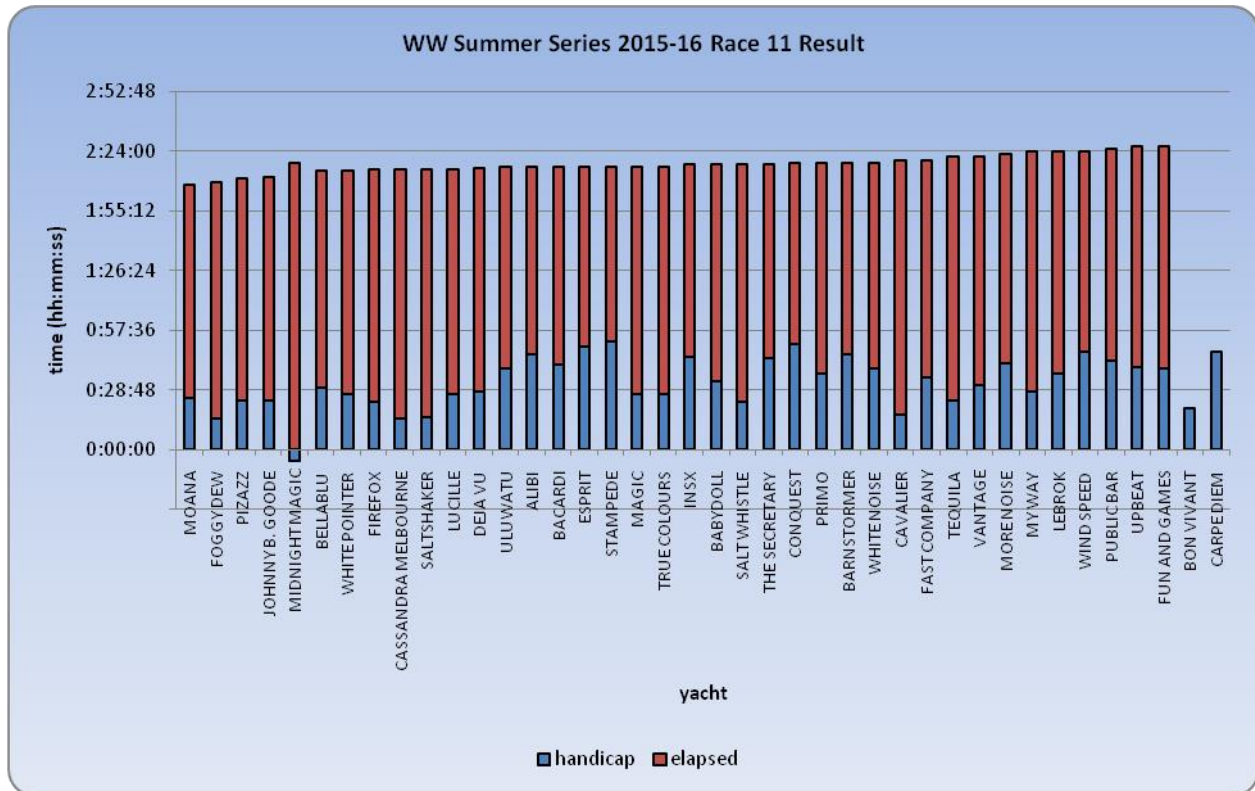


The Oceanis 34 PIZAZZ (Philip Martyn & Russell Kemp) has recorded some mixed results this series. Although she has 4 top ten positions to her credit this was her first podium finish. Her handicap has remained relatively stable starting at 24 minutes, increasing to 25 minutes for race 6 before falling back to 24 for race 10. PIZAZZ had the next best start to this race only 3 seconds late for her 24 minute handicap from 9<sup>th</sup> place. She rounded number 4 at 14:56:16 in 6<sup>th</sup> place, 8 minutes 57 seconds behind the leader. PIZAZZ completed the final 3 legs of the course in 44 minutes 12 seconds and crossed the finish line in 3<sup>rd</sup> place at 15:40:28. This elevated PIZAZZ from 14<sup>th</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> in the aggregate on 31 points.

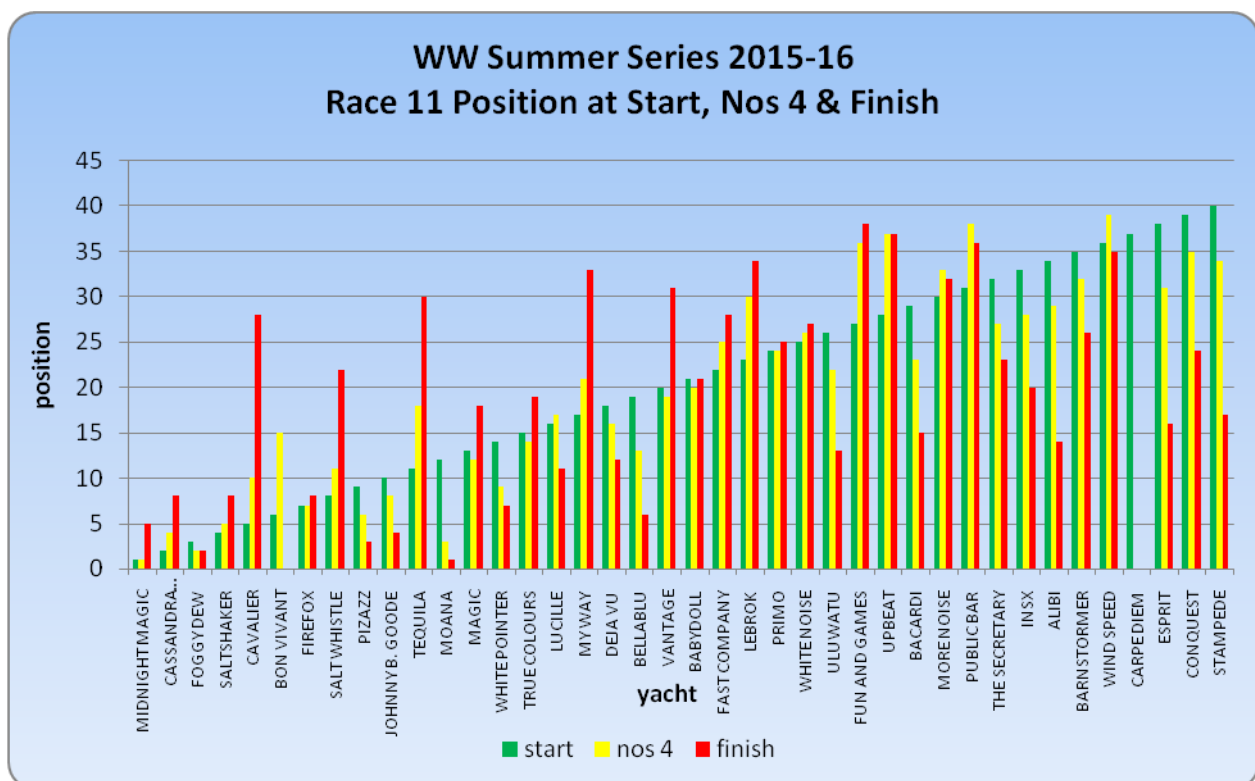
As mentioned earlier ESPRIT won Start of the Day with another perfect start. Four yachts have had a perfect start this series but ESPRIT is the only one to have two. The other yachts are BARNSTORMER (Brian Barnes); INSX (Rob Sill); and, JOHNNY B. GOODE (John Chipp).



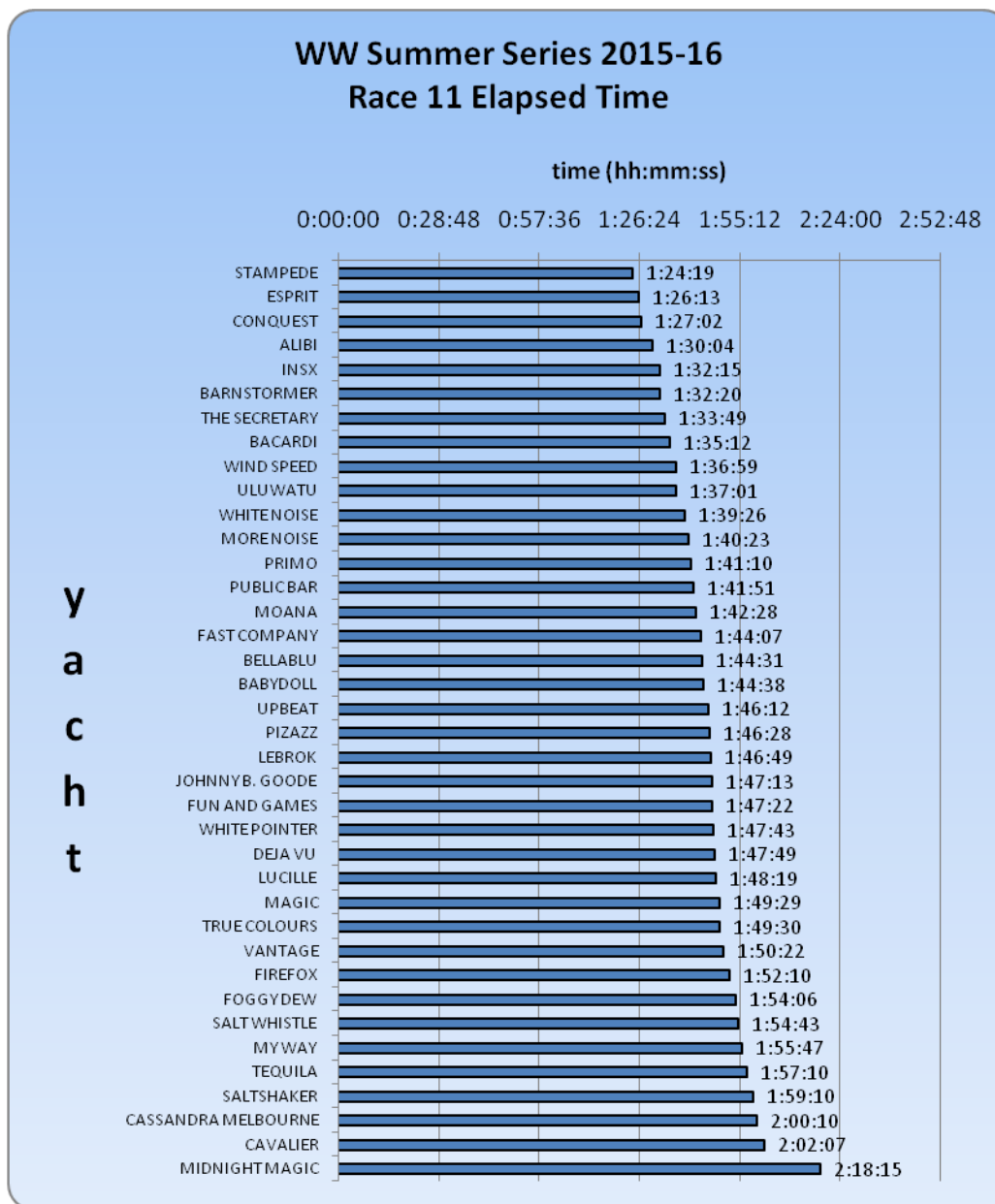
The 40 yachts started the race 54 minutes 54 seconds apart and this gap reduced to 26 minutes 15 seconds at the first rounding of number 4. The 38 finishers all completed the race within 18 minutes 54 seconds of each other. The equivalent of one yacht finishing every 28 seconds. The best was race 9 with a yacht finishing every 27 seconds.



Eight of the first 13 finishers were among the first 13 yachts to start the race. The remaining five early finishers started mid fleet. The best of the late starters was ALIBI (Denis Hambleton) who finished 14<sup>th</sup>.



It was the 51 foot Elliot STAMPEDE (Christopher Gendala) that sailed the course in the fastest time. She was the last yacht to start the race with a handicap of 52 minutes. She sailed the course in 1:24:19 – 1 minute 54 seconds faster than her closest rival ESPRIT. There was only 1 second difference between the elapsed times of the 39 foot S&S MAGIC (Phil Spry Bailey) and the 44 foot Bavaria TRUE COLOURS (Peter Akers) who sailed the course in 1:49:29 and 1:49:30 respectively. The average elapsed time was 1:45:07.



The table below shows the average elapsed and average finish times of races this series.

WW SUMMER SERIES 2015-16 AVE ELAPSED & FINISH TIME PER RACE			
RACE	AVERAGE ELAPSED TIME	AVERAGE FINISH TIME	AVERAGE WIND SPEED
1	1:50:11	15:50:21	17
2	1:33:42	15:35:16	13
3	1:51:18	15:53:39	20
4	2:28:49	16:29:03	8
5	1:31:46	16:14:31	21
6	2:16:42	16:17:33	6
7	2:00:00	16:01:45	11
9	1:51:36	15:51:58	16
10	1:42:02	15:43:59	19
11	1:45:07	15:47:33	18

## WW Summer Series 2015-16 Finish Position & Handicap Adjustment Races 6 to 11

YACHT	RACE 6		RACE 7		RACE 9		RACE 10		RACE 11	
	FINISH	HANDICAP	FINISH	HANDICAP	FINISH	HANDICAP	FINISH	HANDICAP	FINISH	HANDICAP
	POSITION		POSITION		POSITION		POSITION		POSITION	
UPBEAT	1	36:00	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	37	40:00
MORE NOISE	2	39:00	20	42:00	DNC	DNC	26	42:00	32	42:00
WIND SPEED	3	43:00	3	45:00	20	47:00	23	47:00	35	47:00
CAVALIER	4	18:00	6	18:00	21	18:00	33	18:00	28	17:00
BON VIVANT	5	22:00	DNC	DNC	31	22:00	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC
BACARDI	6	41:00	8	41:00	19	41:00	DNC	DNC	15	41:00
LEBROK	7	38:00	26	38:00	24	38:00	30	37:00	34	37:00
PRIMO	8	35:00	4	35:00	32	38:00	DNC	DNC	25	37:00
INSX	9	44:00	10	44:00	5	44:00	21	45:00	20	45:00
BARNSTORMER	10	46:00	13	46:00	17	46:00	24	46:00	26	46:00
MYUNA	11	29:00	11	29:00	28	29:00	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC
PUBLIC BAR	12	43:00	24	43:00	22	43:00	31	43:00	36	43:00
ESPRIT	13	50:00	15	50:00	14	50:00	15	50:00	16	50:00
FIREFOX	14	23:00	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	8	23:00
FAST COMPANY	15	31:00	5	31:00	2	31:00	18	35:00	28	35:00
ALIBI	16	46:00	14	46:00	10	46:00	21	46:00	14	46:00
SALTSHAKER	17	19:00	29	19:00	25	19:00	35	19:00	8	16:00
WICKED	18	50:00	22	50:00	DNC	DNC	19	49:00	DNC	DNC
BABYDOLL	19	34:00	23	34:00	DNC	DNC	7	33:00	21	33:00
SALT WHISTLE	20	23:00	DNC	DNC	27	23:00	12	23:00	22	23:00
MIDNIGHT MAGIC	21	minus 5	2	minus 5	35	minus 2	32	minus 4	5	minus 5
MAGIC	22	28:00	27	28:00	9	27:00	13	27:00	18	27:00
PIPPA	23	02:00	17	02:00	30	02:00	34	01:00	DNC	DNC
DEJA VU	24	30:00	39	29:00	10	26:00	10	26:00	12	28:00
TEQUILA	25	23:00	1	22:00	26	25:00	28	25:00	30	24:00
CARPE DIEM	26	48:00	12	47:00	16	47:00	20	47:00	DNC	DNC
PIZAZZ	27	25:00	21	25:00	29	25:00	6	24:00	3	24:00
ULUWATU	28	40:00	31	39:00	8	39:00	26	39:00	13	39:00
THE SECRETARY	29	42:00	32	41:00	3	41:00	16	44:00	23	44:00
MOANA	30	22:00	37	21:00	1	20:00	8	25:00	1	25:00
WHITE POINTER	31	28:00	38	27:00	12	26:00	11	26:00	7	27:00
VANTAGE	32	30:00	34	28:00	13	28:00	2	28:00	31	31:00
JOHNNY B. GOODE	33	24:00	33	23:00	23	23:00	4	23:00	4	24:00
CASSANDRA MELBOURNE	34	15:00	18	14:00	4	14:00	29	16:00	8	15:00
FOGGY DEW	35	18:00	9	15:00	33	15:00	4	14:00	2	15:00
PACEMAKER	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC
MY WAY	DNC	DNC	35	30:00	34	29:00	DNC	DNC	33	28:00
STAMPEDE	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	14	52:00	17	52:00
SURI	DNC	DNC	36	26:00	7	24:00	3	24:00	DNC	DNC
LUCILLE	DNC	DNC	30	28:00	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	11	27:00
FUN AND GAMES	DNC	DNC	28	40:00	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	38	39:00
WILLARIE	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC
CONQUEST	DNC	DNC	18	51:00	15	51:00	25	51:00	24	51:00
BELLABLU	DNC	DNC	25	30:00	6	30:00	9	30:00	6	30:00
BLUE CHIP	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC
SECOND NATURE	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	1	28:00	DNC	DNC
WHITE NOISE	DNC	DNC	7	39:00	18	39:00	17	39:00	27	39:00
TRUE COLOURS	DNC	DNC	16	27:00	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	19	27:00



### Mark Windward

*Mark is still having a break (the absence of a red hulled yacht may have been noticed) but he left a couple of notes which may be of interest. The Bureau of Meteorology has a short video which offers an overview the climate. It can be found at the following address.*

<http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/outlooks/#/overview/video>

### Last Week's Quiz

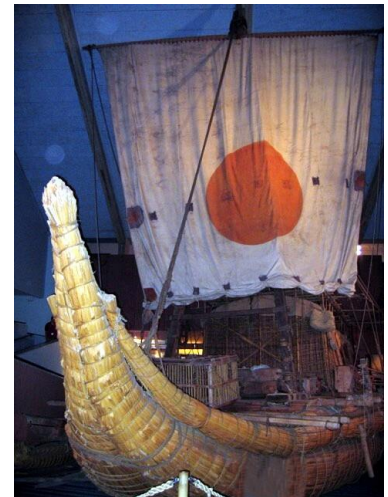
*The question asked was what ship is this? It was built between 1626 and 1628 but sank on its maiden voyage. It remained submerged for about 333 years before being raised, restored and put on display.*

*The answer is the Vasa. A correct answer was given by Denis Hambleton who, along with Theo Korbelt visited the Vasa Museum in Stockholm. (Other SYC members have also visited the museum). It is possible that the Vasa holds an important place in maritime history. It is believed the ship sank due to lack of "initial stability". That concept is important today as it was in the 17<sup>th</sup> century. There is plenty of information about the Vasa on the internet including: [www.vasamuseet.se/en/](http://www.vasamuseet.se/en/)*



### Another Quiz

*The vessel pictured right was built to prove that people from South America could have settled Polynesia in pre-Columbian times. What is the name of the vessel and who was the explorer who made the journey?*



### Last WW Race for 2015

*The 23 December 2015 is the 12<sup>th</sup> and last WW race of the year. Being the last Wednesday in the month it is also a Century Class race.*

*MARK WINDWARD*