

WW Winter Series 2014 Race 17 A Close One

This race provided one of the closer finishes of the series with 25 of the 26 yachts crossing the line within 10 minutes of the winner. The entire fleet was separated by only 11 minutes 33 seconds. It was the Triton 24 WILLARIE (Graeme Kaufman) that was not only first to start but first around number 4 and first to finish race 17 beating her rival Triton 24 PIPPA (Jeffrey Woolhouse). It was race 5 held on May 7th when these two yachts last competed against each other and on that occasion they finished at the back of the fleet. Race 17 saw them at the front of the fleet with WILLARIE finishing 31 seconds ahead of PIPPA at 15:23:37. WILLARIE started 17 seconds late for her 0 handicap and sailed the course in 1:53:37. This was the first win of the series for WILLARIE and she maintains the series pattern of a different winner every race. She has sailed only 6 races this series but this win helped her move up 3 places in the aggregate to be 37th.

RACE RECORD - WILLARIE									
RACE	DATE	POSN	ELAPSED	FINISH	HCAP	SOD	COURSE	DISTANCE	WIND SPEED
1	9/04/2014	2	02:00:01	15:33:01	00:03:00	81	6	8.4	8
2	16/04/2014	29	02:29:34	16:05:34	00:06:00	25	65	8.6	8
4	30/04/2014	30	02:23:53	15:57:53	00:04:00	19	14	9.8	15
5	7/05/2014	30	02:59:18	16:31:18	00:02:00	18	62	9.5	9
16	23/07/2014	4	03:07:41	16:37:41	00:00:00				4
17	30/07/2014	1	01:53:37	15:23:37	00:00:00	17	62	9.5	21

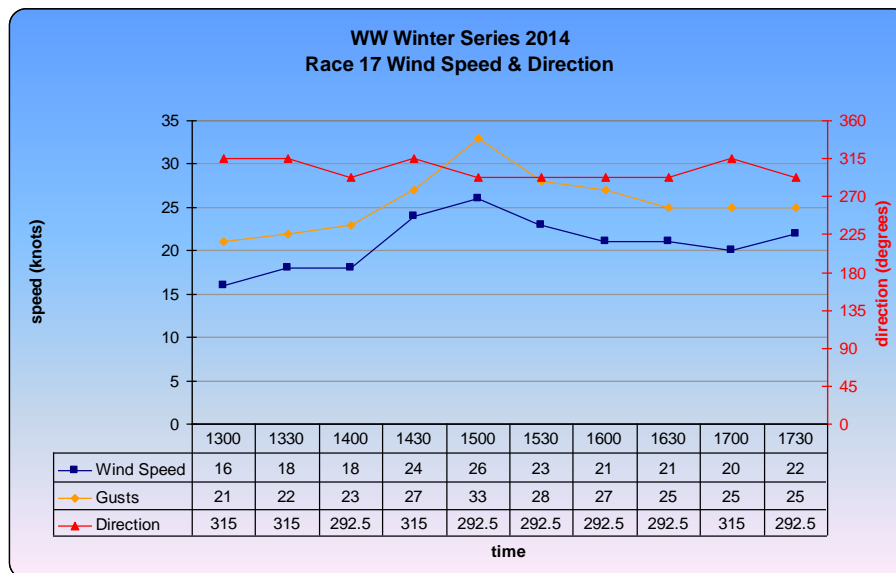
Second place in race 17 went to PIPPA who started 18 seconds late for her 4 minute handicap. She sailed the course in 1:50:08 to cross the finish line at 15:24:08 in second. Her previous race, which she won, was race 8 on MAY 28th. PIPPA has completed 6 races this series with 2 podium and 4 top ten finishes. She is in 28th position in the aggregate.

RACE RECORD - PIPPA									
RACE	DATE	POSN	ELAPSED	FINISH	HCAP	SOD	COURSE	DISTANCE	WIND SPEED
2	16/04/2014	4	02:23:05	15:57:05	00:04:00	26	65	8.6	8
4	30/04/2014	4	02:18:42	15:50:42	00:02:00	14	14	9.8	15
5	7/05/2014	31	03:01:23	16:35:23	00:04:00	9	62	9.5	9
6	14/05/2014	28	02:26:18	15:58:18	00:02:00	47	61	9.8	16
7	21/05/2014					7	6	4.6	5
8	28/05/2014	1	01:47:24	15:17:24	00:00:00	10	31	8.8	15
17	30/07/2014	2	01:50:08	15:24:08	00:04:00	18	62	9.5	21

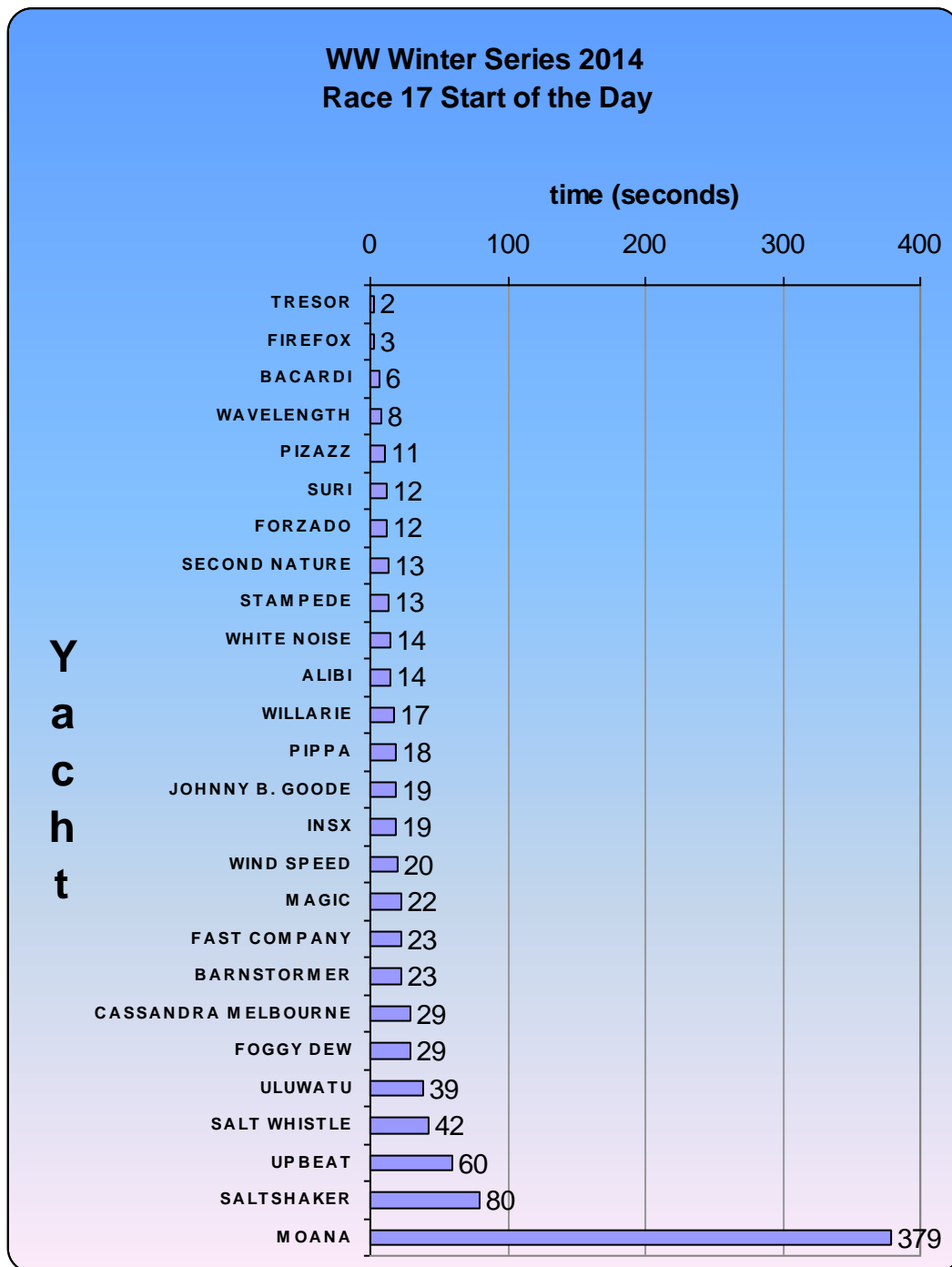
It was the Beneteau 385 FIREFOX (Kim Beveridge Howard) that crossed the line in 3rd place 34 seconds behind PIPPA. FIREFOX was 3 seconds late for her 23 minute start and sailed the course in 1:31:42 to finish at 15:24:42. This was 8th race completed by FIREFOX and her first top ten finish of the series. She is in 32nd place in the aggregate.

RACE RECORD - FIREFOX									
RACE	DATE	POSN	ELAPSED	FINISH	HCAP	SOD	COURSE	DISTANCE	WIND SPEED
2	16/04/2014	17	02:04:23	16:01:23	00:27:00	21	65	8.6	8
3	23/04/2014	18	02:34:01	16:30:01	00:26:00	7	63	6	4
8	28/05/2014	23	01:40:14	15:37:14	00:27:00	22	31	8.8	15
9	4/06/2014	22	01:59:08	15:55:08	00:26:00	13	6	8.4	9
10	11/06/2014	24	01:58:37	15:53:37	00:25:00	21	61	9.8	18
13	2/07/2014	32	02:28:21	16:22:21	00:24:00	17	16	6.1	8
15	16/07/2014	23	01:50:40	15:44:40	00:24:00	22	61	9.8	20
17	30/07/2014	3	01:31:42	15:24:42	00:23:00	3	62	9.5	21

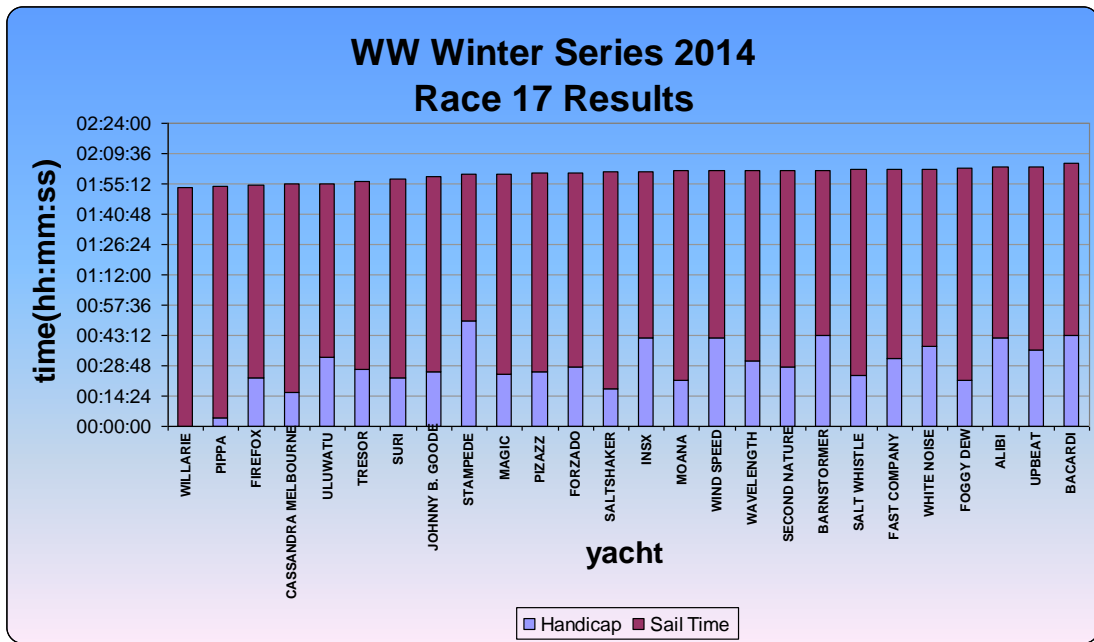
Driving the yachts around the 9.5 mile course 62 was a strengthening north westerly breeze with an average speed of about 21 knots. Fawkner Beacon recorded a peak of about 26 knots at 1500 before starting to ease.



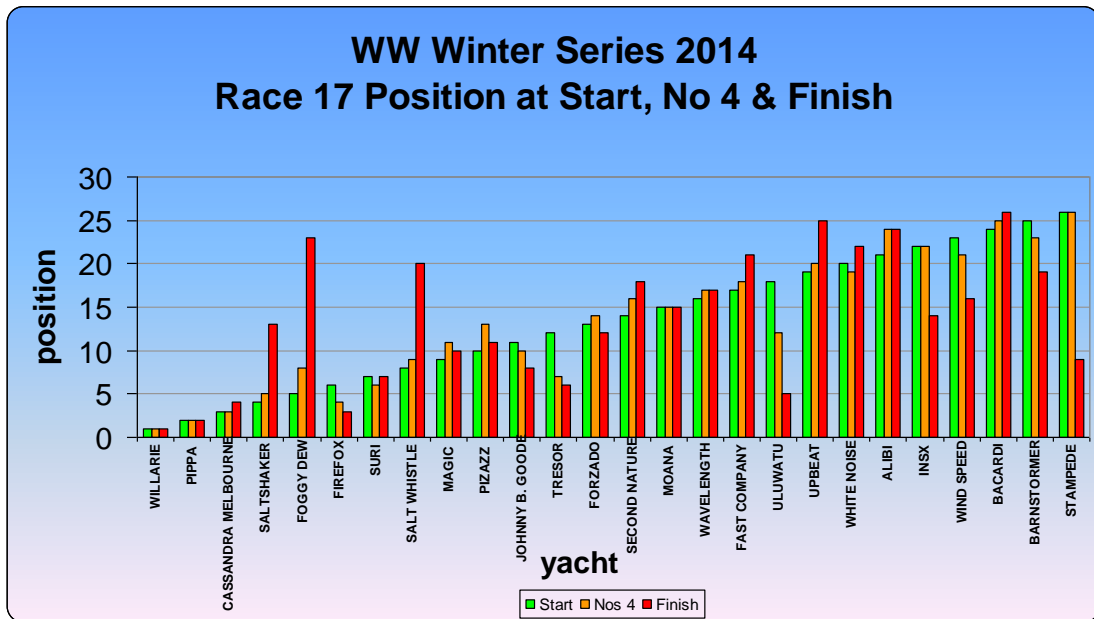
Start of the Day was won by the Cavalier 37 TRESOR (Andrew Stopp) by starting within 2 seconds of her handicap. With a median start time of 18 seconds there was a good start to race 17. However, MOANA (Stan Rankin) appeared to be temporarily indisposed being 6 minutes 19 seconds late for her start which resulted in her starting 15th rather than in 6th place.



With an average sail time of 1:31:13 this was the third fastest race of the series. There was 50 minutes between the first and last yacht at the start of the race this difference was 26 minutes 31 seconds at the first rounding of number 4 and was 11 minutes 33 seconds at the finish – the closest finish of the series.



Although some significant positional changes did occur, the first 9 yachts to start the race included 5 in the first 9 to finish.



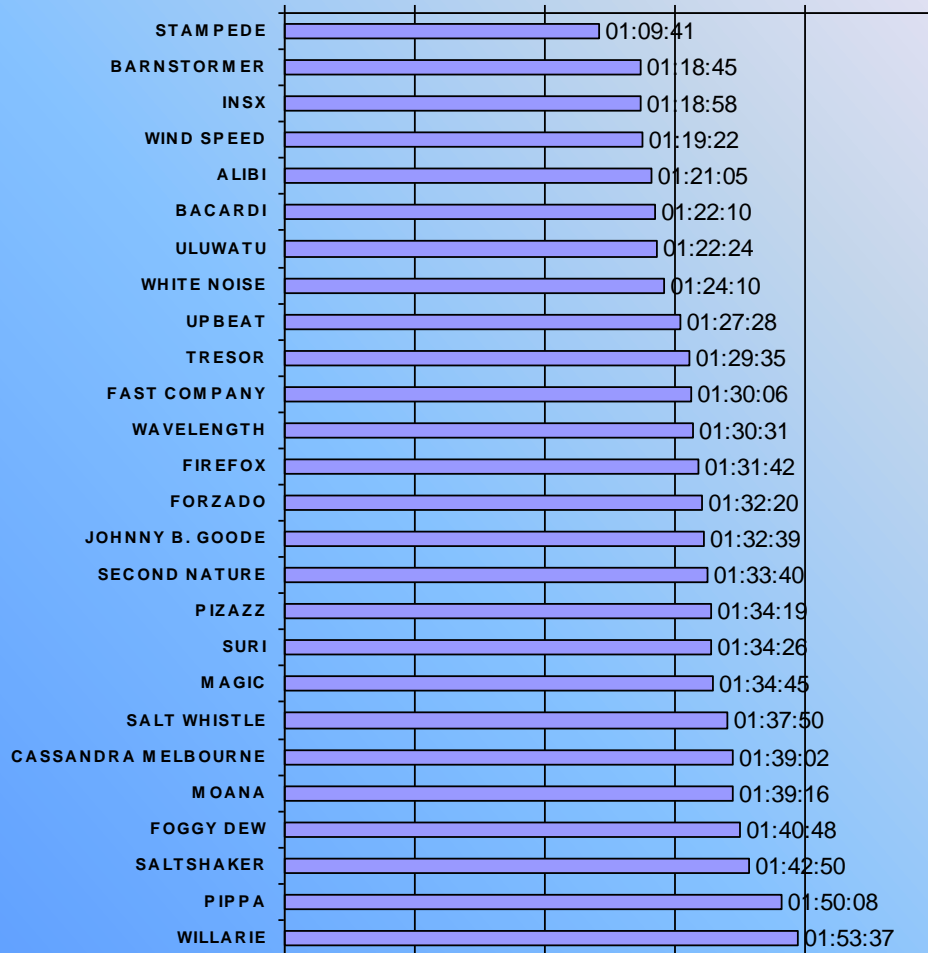
Out of 13 attempts this race saw STAMPEDE (Christopher Gandala) sail the course quickest for the 6th time. She recorded a time of 1:09:41, 9 minutes 4 seconds faster than the second fastest time recorded by the Bavaria Match 42 BARNSTORMER (Brian Barnes). The average sail time was 1:31:13 with a range of 43 minutes 53 seconds.

WW Winter Series 2014 Race 17 Sail Time

time (hh:mm:ss)

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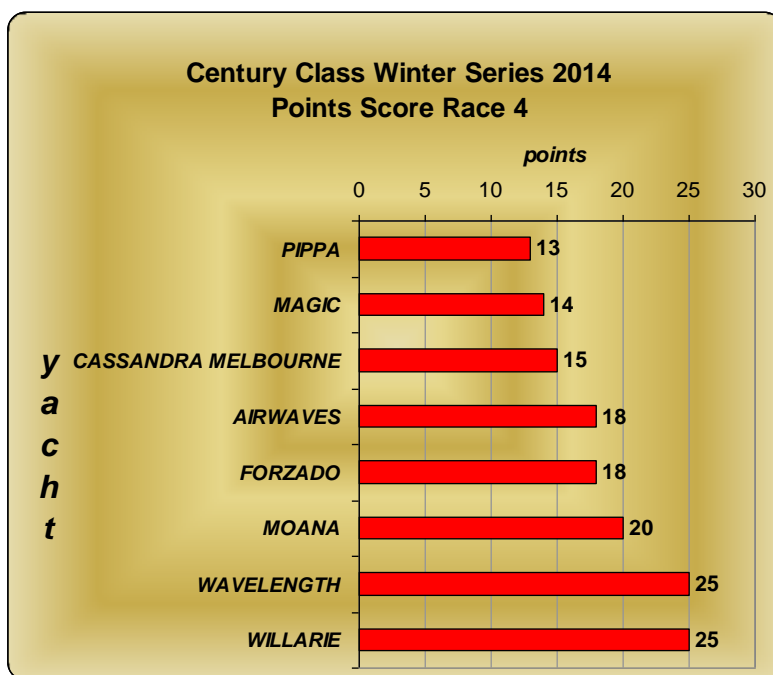
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Being the last Wednesday month race 17 hosted the 4th in the 6 race Century Class Series. With her first race in the series it was WILLARIE that won the class with PIPPA and CASSANDRA taking the minor placing's. The result of the race is as follows:

CENTURY CLASS RESULT RACE 4		
YACHT	SKIPPER	POSITION
WILLARIE	Graeme Kaufman	1
PIPPA	Jeffrey Woolhouse	2
CASSANDRA MELBOURNE	Bob Reeves	3
MAGIC	Phil Spry Bailey	4
FORZADO	Bruce Dobie	5
MOANA	Stan Rankin	6
WAVELENGTH	Brendan Kruger	7
AIRWAVES	Rob Fenton	8

The result of the race puts PIPPA on top of the Century Class aggregate a single point ahead of MAGIC.



Re-Marking

Mark has been away and needs to check on what has been happening in his absence. Please email [Mark](#) if any of the following is incorrect, or if you can add a bit more information.

Arabesque wanted to escape the cold Melbourne and did not want to spend another winter here so has gone dancing to Northern parts of Australia.

The **Chequered mate** has followed somewhere closer ... (I always thought Chequemate was a final move, and that no further action could take place).

The past owner of Chequemate can't quite realize that he is suffering from withdrawal symptoms as a result of not sailing. He is considering piloting a plane instead!

Daniel did not think he was being heard enough so has gone to contribute some more **noise** on a **white** yacht.

Which brings to mind the question: **What do White Noise and Cassandra share in common in this series?**

Mark accepts at least two answers to this question? [MARK](#)

In Race 17 **Moana** was 6 mins late to the start. Was it because the scones were still cooking? David, a visitor to Moana, thought they were joking when they offered him a cup of coffee, but realized they were serious when it came out served with a scone. No wonder Stan does not have any crew problems.

Cassandra took the chance to move to the top of the aggregate while Cavalier was not sailing. **Saltshaker** finished 13th to jump to being second in the series.

Pippa wanted to make sure that everyone knew she was back so finished second, letting **Willarie** finish first (maybe hoping for a closer handicap next week).

Forzado is determined to prove that sailing with just two up is not a handicap. She again finished well and has had 9 finishes in the top 12, currently sitting 7th overall.

Midnight Magic is missing an injured crew (Colin) who is nursing a shoulder. The skipper is deeply concerned about her accent and is departing to foreign shores just to top it up.

The Secretary is in warmer waters, but a message from Vanuatu said that if he had been in this race, he would have only been 16th as the computer won't let him do any better. The surprising thing is that this season despite only finishing 4 races his average finishing place is 16.

Question Catch Up

RACE 11 Question 3 set by Phil...Where is this photo taken?
No, the answer is not Holland. Windmills were and are used elsewhere in the world. Pay close attention to the type of hull and design of the boats in the photo. Send your answers to this question? [MARK](#)

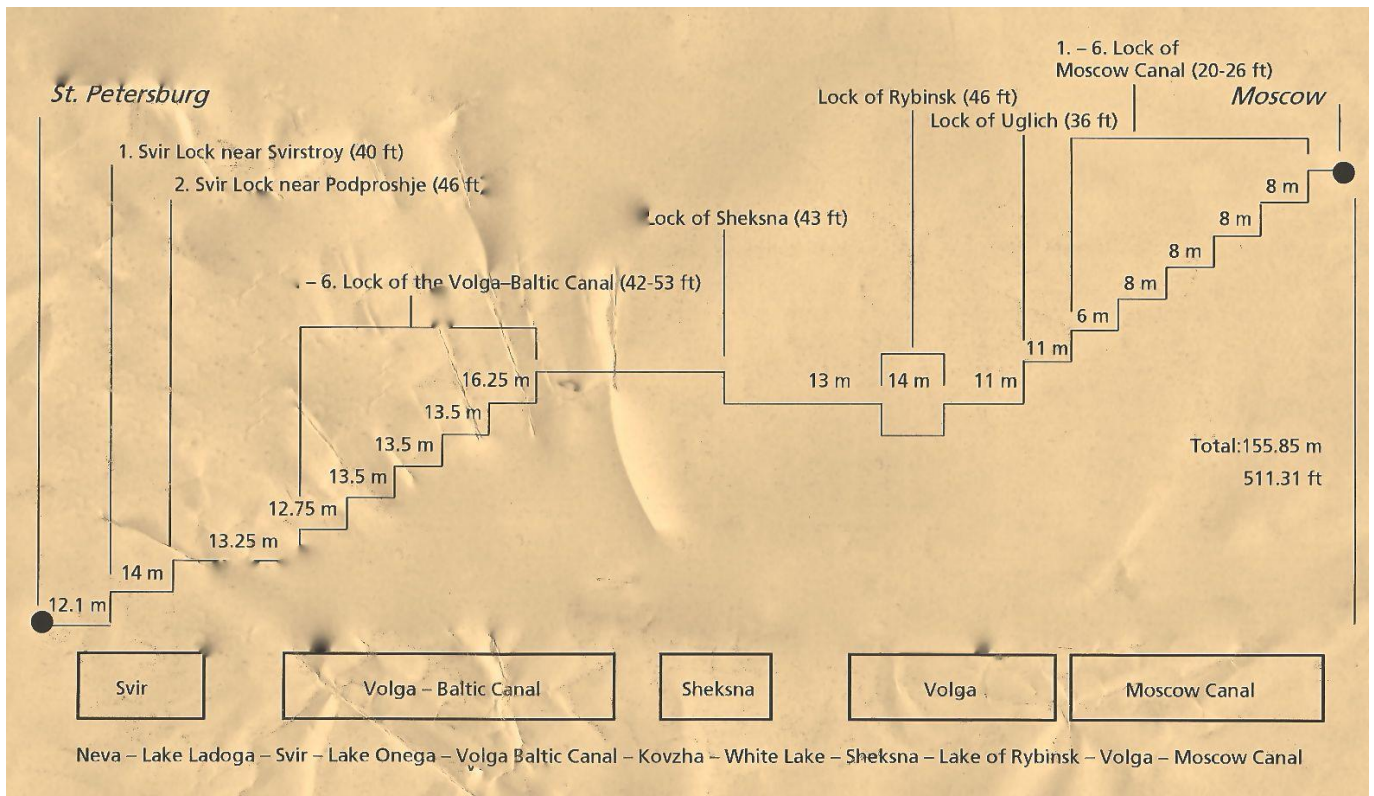


RACE 12 Question This photo was sent from Overseas.
Where is it?



Complaints have reached Mark's ears that this has been an unanswered question. so read on.

Answer: This is one of the 17 locks that are in use for about 8 months of the year on the Moscow to St Petersburg Waterway. This links Moscow with the Baltic Sea...when it is not iced over. The height of the lock system alters a total of 155.85 meters. It was constructed from 1932 to 1937 by **Gulag prisoners** (forced Labor camps) early in the **Stalin** era. During the process, about 22,000 prisoners died.



Race 16 Question: What ship is this in the Rijksmuseum ?

Answer Phil S Bailey correctly identified it as the William Rex, and provided the details requested. Dr Algie correctly stated that it was “*built in Holland in 1698 at Vlissingen by Adriaen de Vriend*”. It is a model of the *William Rex, Cornelis Moesman, Adriaen de Vriend (1698)*

Materials used: Wood, brass, iron, glass, rope, and textiles.

It shows the appearance of a Dutch warship of the late 17th century. It was made at the docklands of Vlissingen (Flushing) where real warships were also built. It is a 1/12-scale model. The ship had 74 guns. The model was displayed in the council chamber of the Admiralty of Zeeland in Middleburg

[Link to Rijksmuseum photo of William Rex](#)

In the museum numerous scale models of ships in a similar scale are featured. Many of these models were 'samples' built to show prospective buyers the ship's design.

[Link to Ship Models Rijksmuseum](#)

RACE 17 Question: What ship am I?

I was a fully rigged, three-masted iron barque built in Glasgow in 1870. I was 180ft long. Owned by interests in Mauritius, I completed many years voyaging between Rockingham, WA and Mauritius with jarrah logs. In my heyday, I had been noted for my speed and grace under sail, having at one time been compared with the famous sailing clipper CUTTY SARK for those very same attributes.

Early in 1908, while I was in Sydney, a fire onboard caused severe damage to me, which effectively ended my long-distance sailing career.

I was purchased by James Patterson & Co P/L, Melbourne, for conversion to a coal hulk. My final voyage down to Melbourne caused much excitement, taking just 40 hours.

I now lie off the heads resting in the ships graveyard...I went to my grave but only after I put up a big struggle.

Send your answer to [MARK Windward](#) and any news or comments

A letter came to Mark signed by "A recently Renovated Sailor". I wonder howmany WW Sailors would claim such a title?

Why is a person who plays the piano called a pianist, but a person who races a yacht not called a racist?

Mark Windward