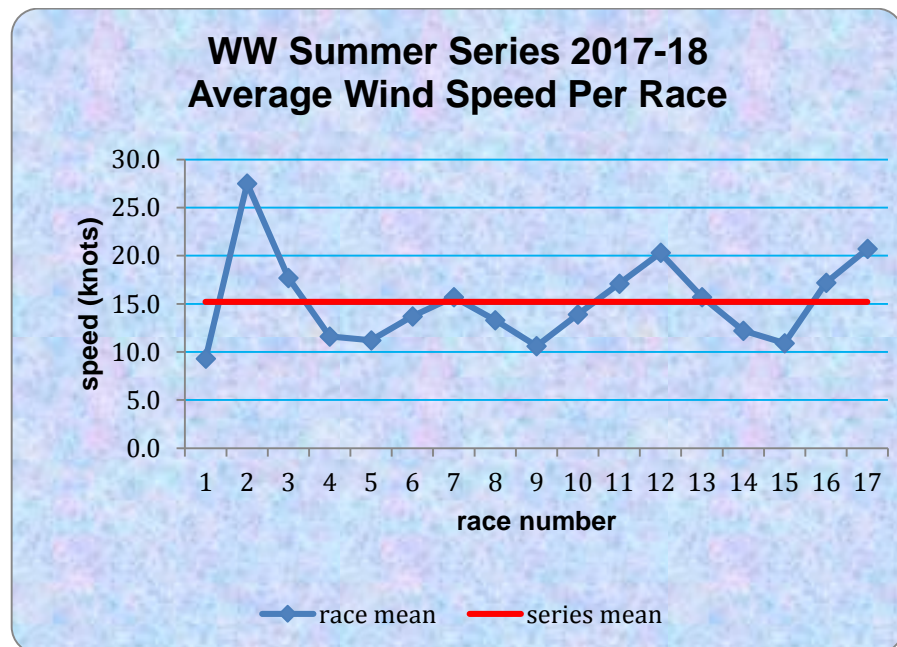
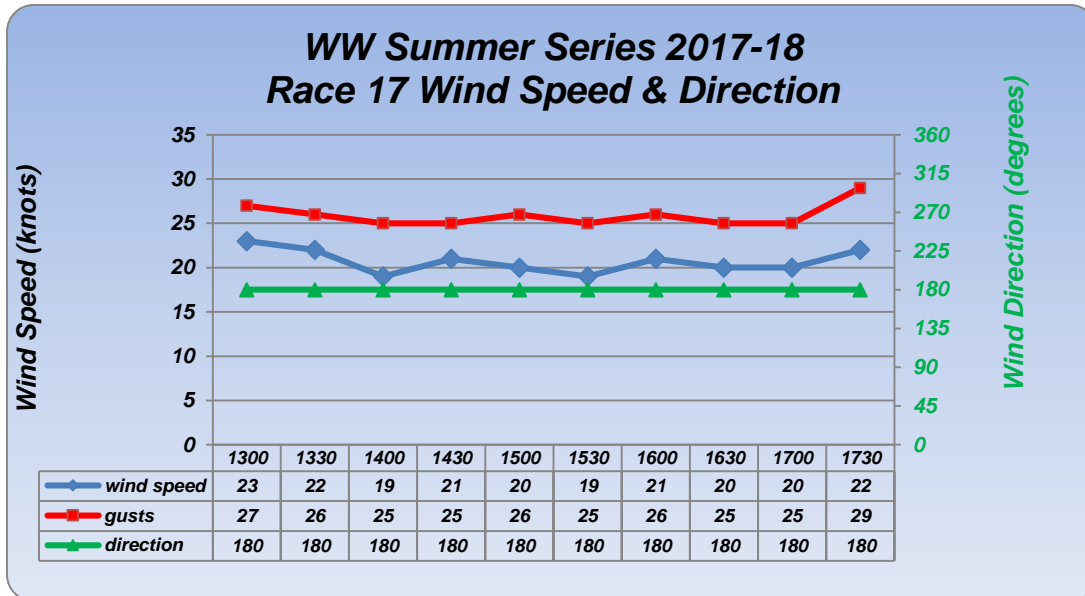


# ONCE IN A BLUE MOON

## Wednesday Wonders RACE 17

### Summer Series 2017-18



#### Dots for Race 17

- Strong wind warning causes race to be abandoned - 2<sup>nd</sup> time this series;
- Beware of Blue Moons and their effect on the wind.
- Observations at Fawkner Beacon indicated a southerly breeze averaging about 21 knots with gusts averaging 5 knots higher;
- Last week's winner (PERFECT SENSE) receives biggest handicap increase of the series – 18 minutes;
- WHITE POINTER and MYUNA III both receive 7 minute increase to their handicaps after finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>;
- The next race, Race 18, will count towards the Century Class Series.
- A reminder about NO ANCHORS on the front of racing yachts

# Alma Doepel in World War II, 1943-46

A special event for Wednesday Wonders Sailors and friends is coming up in about 4 weeks time. We are invited to a tour of Alma Doepel. The date is to be confirmed, but it will not be on a Wednesday.

A specially organized event for SYC by Mark Windward with assistance from Ken Gayler.

It will provide a chance to see the shipwrights at work as well as the 'Soldiers at Sea' display.

Register your interest by emailing [MARK WINDWARD](mailto:MARK.WINDWARD)

[mark-windward@live.com.au](mailto:mark-windward@live.com.au)

Immerse yourself in this discovery tour over Summer and throughout the Sustainable Living Festival at the Docklands Library at the Dock.

Explore Alma's war history "**Soldiers at Sea**" and learn about the craft of ship restoration from the experts.

For the general public

Every Wednesday 10am-12pm  
throughout February and March,  
commencing **Wednesday January 31**. Be the first to see this new Alma Doepel exhibition.

Meet at Library at the Dock,  
ground floor cafe area.

Free booking, and a donation on the day for morning tea.

Bookings: <http://bit.ly/almatour>

## Soldiers at Sea

### Alma Doepel in World War II, 1943-46

In 1943, the 40-year-old tall ship *Alma Doepel* was drafted into the Australian Army.

Crewed by a motley bunch, she set sail for New Guinea to do her bit for the war effort.

Discover this overlooked chapter in the history of World War II and the *Alma Doepel*.



Our motto used to be 'from cowhands to captains in sixteen weeks.'

- Captain Stan Grimson



A working party from 11 Infantry Battalion unloading cargo from AK82 in Wide Bay, New Britain, 6 May 1945



AK82 in Wide Bay, New Britain, 6 May 1945

#### Visit the exhibition

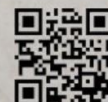
Feb through to Apr 2018  
Wednesdays 11am - 1pm  
Shed 2, North Wharf, Docklands  
Free entry



#### Meet the Maker Discovery Tour

Explore Alma's war history and learn about the craft of ship restoration from the experts.  
Wednesdays 10am - 12 pm  
Meet at Library at the Dock, ground floor cafe area  
Free bookings: <http://bit.ly/almatour>

For more info call Bill on 0416 153 116



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**WW Summer Series 2017-18 Handicap Adjustments**

Boat Name	RACE NUMBER																
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
ALIBI		41	41	43	50	48	47	45	42	47	41	40	40	40	45	44	44
ALLIANCE	17	28	28	30	28	25	34	25	25	34	34	35	35	34	35	38	36
ANDANTE 1	3	8	9	9	17	13	17	14	8	17	11	15	18	18	15	20	19
ARABESQUE					35	32	36	32	32	32	33	32	32	33	35	32	32
BABYDOLL	36	34	34	34	39	36	39	35	35	39	36	35	35	36	40	38	37
BACARDI	40	41	41	38	43	43	43	43	41	43	42	40	40	40	45	47	47
BARNSTORMER	43	40	40	41	49	47	45	46	42	45	45	46	46	46	51	45	45
BLUE TACK	44	40	40	41	42	47	41	46	44	41	42	40	40	42	46	43	42
BON VIVANT	25	18	18	14	20	22	18	22	16	18	18	16	19	19	19	23	26
BRANNEW	42	40	43	47	48	45	49	45	45	49	46	45	45	46	51	48	48
CAFE RACER	15	10	10	15	15	10	13	10	10	13	10	13	13	10	15	18	18
CARPE DIEM	47	47	47	50	51	48	53	46	45	53	52	52	52	52	52	54	52
CASSANDRA	18	14	14	11	11	5	11	12	12	13	24	22	22	23	26	23	20
CLUB COMEDIE				11	9	4	14	4	23	28	25	25	25	25	32	32	32
CONQUEST	43	43	43	45	52	51	53	51	46	53	47	52	52	48	53	54	54
DAYDREAMER										32	28						
DOLPHIN PLAY	2	2	2	1	3	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
ESPRIT	48	46	46	48	54	53	55	51	44	55	55	58	58	58	62	59	59
FIREFOX			28	22		25	23	25	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
FOGGY DEW	18	16	16	12	18	14	17	14	12	17	20	21	23	23	25	23	23
FUN AND GAMES	34	35	35	31	36	32	38	32	32	38	35	34	34	35	36	39	39
HOT CHIPPS	24	36	38	34	35	31	41	32	31	41	32	32	34	36	35	41	40
INSX	49	44	44	44	44	48	47	47	44	47	44	44	44	44	48	48	48
LEBROK	39	37	37	41	42	42	42	40	40	42	36	34	34	34	42	38	37
MAGIC	27	28	28	26	31	24	32	23	23	32	24	29	29	26	30	31	31
MARIBEL	17	15	15	12	10	16	22	18	20	22	21	20	20	20	25	23	20
MIDNIGHT MAGIC	3	1	1	0	3	1	0	2	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	8
MYUNA III	24	24	24	24	23	17	21	18	24	21	23	21	21	19	24	27	34
NUTCRACKER II	65	57	57	65	60	61	57	60	64	57	59	58	58	58	68	61	60
PERFECT SENSE	44	38	38	30	20	10	10	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	12	12	30
PHOENIX													30	30	35	32	32
PIPPA	5	4	4	2	2	1	1	4	3	4	5	3	5	7	11	11	11
PIAZZ	19	24	24	15	24	21	24	21	16	24	27	29	29	28	29	32	31
PRIMO	38	35	35	38	37	39	38	38	39	38	35	34	34	34	40	36	36
QUINCO													34	34	39	38	38
RAZZLE DAZZLE	35	32	32	29	35	30	32	30	27	32	28	30	30	30	31	34	31
ROLLER COASTER	19	25	25	19	25	18	33	18	16	33	20	31	31	20	23	35	35
SALTSHAKER	21	14	14	12	12	10	15	15	15	15	22	25	25	22	26	28	20
SECOND NATURE	26	28	28	34	31	30	36	31	30	36	31	33	33	31	35	35	37
SHIMMER	52	50	50	49	54	53	50	53	51	50	53	52	52	53	56	57	57
STAMPEDE	51	50	50	52	55	52	50	52	50	50	50	53	53	51	53	58	58
SUMMER WIND	14	18	18	11	23	23	23	25	15	24	24	22	22	22	20	27	27
SURI	10	17	17	18	18	13	23	12	16	23	23	21	24	23	23	29	29
THE SECRETARY	45	41	41	41	46	43	44	42	40	43	41	44	44	44	45	48	48
ULUWATU																	52
UPBEAT			36	37	40	40	39	39	38	39	36	34	34	34	40	38	37
VANTAGE	34	34	34	28	35	32	37	31	28	37	31	29	29	28	32	34	32
VINDALOO		33	33	34	39	36	36	36	34	36	36	34	34	36	39	39	39
VIVE LA VIE	17	13	13	10	13	11	12	11	8	12	3	3	3	3	4	3	0
WHITE NOISE	42	39	39	43	44	45	46	42	42	43	39	37	37	37	44	41	42
WHITE POINTER	12	24	24	13	21	19	32	24	26	37	36	38	38	36	38	38	45
WICKED	48	44	44	49	53	53	52	50	48	52	47	47	47	48	52	52	51
WILLARIE	5	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	0	4	2	4	5	10	10	4
WIND SPEED	46	43	43	44	51	48	48	46	44	48	42	41	41	43	47	46	46
MIN	2	1	1	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
MAX	65	57	57	65	60	61	57	60	64	57	59	58	58	58	68	61	60
RANGE	63	56	56	65	58	60	57	59	64	57	58	57	57	57	68	61	60
AVE	30	29	30	29	32	29	32	29	28	32	30	31	31	31	34	35	34
MEDIAN	31	34	34	30	35	31	36	31	29	36	32	33	34	34	35	36	36
INCREASES		12	3	21	33	8	28	11	7	40	11	16	7	13	43	22	6
DECREASES		28	0	21	8	37	14	31	30	6	28	24	0	13	4	19	18



WW Summer Series 2017-18 Average Start Time	
YACHT*	AVERAGE START
NUTCRACKER II	4.69
ESPRIT	7.47
LEBROK	9.54
PIAZZ	10.00
WIND SPEED	10.17
SURI	10.40
WHITE POINTER	11.07
STAMPEDE	11.25
BLUE TACK	11.62
BRANNEW	11.92
WICKED	12.08
SECOND NATURE	12.55
ALLIANCE	13.08
WHITE NOISE	13.43
UPBEAT	15.92
RAZZLE DAZZLE	17.21
BACARDI	18.38
ROLLER COASTER	20.77
ALIBI	21.08
WILLARIE	22.90
HOT CHIPPS	23.93
PIPPA	24.00
MAGIC	25.93
MARIBEL	26.92
CASSANDRA MELBOURNE	27.71
FOGGY DEW	30.87
BABYDOLL	31.08
THE SECRETARY	36.00
SALTSHAKER	38.67
BON VIVANT	38.85
ANDANTE 1	41.77
INSX	42.17
BARNSTORMER	46.08
MIDNIGHT MAGIC	54.33
CARPE DIEM	55.09
MYUNA III	74.10

WW SUMMER SERIES 2017-18 TOP TEN FINISHERS	
YACHT	TOP TEN FINISHES
WHITE POINTER	7
WHITE NOISE	6
LEBROK	6
BON VIVANT	6
PIAZZ	5
ESPRIT	5
FOGGY DEW	5
BACARDI	5
SECOND NATURE	5
FUN AND GAMES	4
INSX	4
ALIBI	4
MYUNA III	4
CASSANDRA MELBOURNE	4
PIPPA	4
ROLLER COASTER	4
WILLARIE	4
BARNSTORMER	4
RAZZLE DAZZLE	4
ANDANTE 1	4
THE SECRETARY	3
CONQUEST	3
CARPE DIEM	3
WICKED	3
ALLIANCE	3
HOT CHIPPS	3
UPBEAT	3
WIND SPEED	3
SURI	3
NUTCRACKER II	3
SALTSHAKER	3
MARIBEL	3
BLUE TACK	2
BRANNEW	2
MAGIC	2
PRIMO	2
STAMPEDE	2
SUMMER WIND	2
CLUB COMEDIE	1
FIREFOX	1
CAFE RACER	1
PERFECT SENSE	1
BABYDOLL	1
VANTAGE	1
VINDALOO	1
MIDNIGHT MAGIC	1

2017-18 NOELLE CORAM TROPHY			
YACHT	WEDNESDAY WONDERS	SUNDAY SAILORS	COMBINE
RAZZLE DAZZLE	12	6	18
FOGGY DEW	13	8	21
LEBROK	19	11	30
THE SECRETARY	11	27	38
BLUE TACK	17	22	39
CASSANDRA MELBOURNE	28	12	40
MYUNA III	27	16	43
ALLIANCE	31	25	56
DOLPHIN PLAY	42	14	56
VIVE LA VIE	43	15	58
PERFECT SENSE	47	26	73

## Some Changes in Wednesday Wonders - Windward Buoy

There are many features of WW that have remained the same for a number of years. There is both a winter and summer series. The race is held on a Wednesday and starts at 1330. It is a pursuit race around a preselected club course and open to all keelboats. There are changes taking place – not revolutionary but more evolutionary as the event grows in popularity. There are

	Summer Series				
	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
<b>Aggregate Entries</b>	48	49	49	51	52
<b>Ave Yachts per Race</b>	31.7	36.4	33.8	33.3	36.6
<b>Median Start Time</b>	19.6	17.8	16.0	19.6	14.8

more yachts in the current summer series than there have been in the previous four. This series also sees more yachts per race than in previous years.

One improvement that has occurred is the reduction in the average start time. It has broken the 15-second barrier for the first time in 5 series

The average wind speed for each of the 5 summer series since 2013 has been in the 14 to 15 knot region. The exception was in 2014-15 when the wind speed averaged only 11.5 knots. This was reflected not only in the average elapsed time of the race (126.4 minutes) and the average course length (8.8 nautical miles) but also in the average time it took to sail a mile (14.4 minutes). This series has seen an increase in the average rhumb line length of the course. This has seen a corresponding increase in the average elapsed time.

	Summer Series				
	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
<b>Ave Wind Speed</b>	14	11.5	15	14.9	14.1
<b>Ave Elapsed Time</b>	118.1	126.4	112.9	113.3	123.9
<b>Ave Rhumb Line Distance</b>	9.2	8.8	9.5	9.5	9.9
<b>Minutes Per Mile</b>	12.9	14.4	11.9	11.9	12.5

	Summer Series				
	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
<b>Nos of yachts with Podium Finishes</b>	29	35	40	36	32
<b>Nos of podium finishes available</b>	57	69	66	69	45
<b>Nos of Races</b>	19	23	22	23	15

Thirty-two different yachts have won the 45 podium prizes on offer this series. About 71% of the podium prizes have been awarded to different yachts. This is significantly more than in the 4 previous series in which only 57% of the prizes were awarded to different yachts.



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Advice from Sandy Capper



WW 2017-18 SHEBASSA SHIELD			
YACHT	WINTER	SUMMER	COMBINE
WHITE NOISE	2	4	6
BON VIVANT	9	2	11
PIPPA	4	9	13
MAGIC	7	8	15
WHITE POINTER	15	1	16
LEBROK	5	19	24
ROLLER COASTER	18	6	24
BACARDI	17	7	24
FOGGY DEW	12	13	25
SECOND NATURE	6	20	26
RAZZLE DAZZLE	16	12	28
NUTCRACKER II	10	18	28
BLUE TACK	11	17	28
CASSANDRA MELBOURNE	1	28	29
ALIBI	21	10	31
WIND SPEED	8	23	31
BARNSTORMER	22	15	37
ESPRIT	38	3	41
THE SECRETARY	30	11	41
VANTAGE	3	40	43
BRANNEW	14	30	44
ANDANTE 1	41	5	46
SALTSHAKER	13	33	46
PIAZZ	25	22	47
MYUNA III	23	27	50
UPBEAT	19	32	51
HOT CHIPPS	36	16	52
STAMPEDE	28	25	53
FUN AND GAMES	32	21	53
SURI	35	24	59
WILLARIE	26	35	61
MARIBEL	29	34	63
PHOENIX	20	44	64
PRIMO	27	41	68
WICKED	42	26	68
MIDNIGHT MAGIC	34	37	71
CONQUEST	33	38	71
ALLIANCE	43	31	74
SUMMER WIND	39	39	78
DOLPHIN PLAY	40	42	82
VINDALOO	46	46	92
CAFE RACER	45	49	94

Thank you to Windward Buoy for this report.

. Keep tuned for the details about the visit to ALMA DOEPEL.

If you register MARK will send you an email as soon as dates and times are confirmed.

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