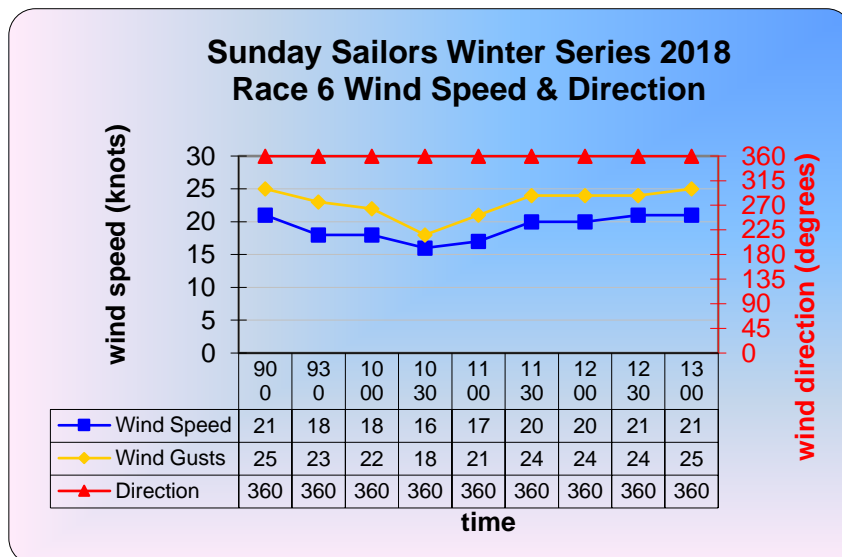


A Good Winter Race Sunday Sailors Winter Series Race 6



Race 6 came to an end when the last of the 18 starters crossed the finish line at 11:51:40. They had sailed around the longest course of the series (10.2 nautical miles) in a relatively fast time with the strongest average breeze of the series. (None of the fleet flew a spinnaker). This is the second time this course has been sailed this series. This time the race was with a 19 knot northerly rather than the 17 knot westerly experienced in race 2. The average elapsed time was 2 minutes 29 seconds faster than the earlier race.



UPBEAT (Peter Dunne) won start of the day with a time of 4 seconds, to continue the practice of a different winner in each race. First across the finish line by a margin of 2 minutes 55 seconds was PERFECT SENSE (Peter Sutton). She also won race 2. OASIS (David Keyes-Tilley) recorded her first podium finish of the series when she finished 2nd. HI JAC (John Gledhill) also had her first podium finish of the series when she crossed the line in 3rd place. For the second time this series the fastest elapsed time was recorded by DEBONNAIRE (Phil Gomez). She sailed the course in 1:25:12 - 4 minutes 44 seconds faster than her elapsed time in race 2.

CASSANDRA OF MELBOURNE (Bob Reeves) was 8th across the finish but still leads the aggregate by 2 points from FOGGY DEW (Frank Hilliard) with DEBONNAIRE 3rd.



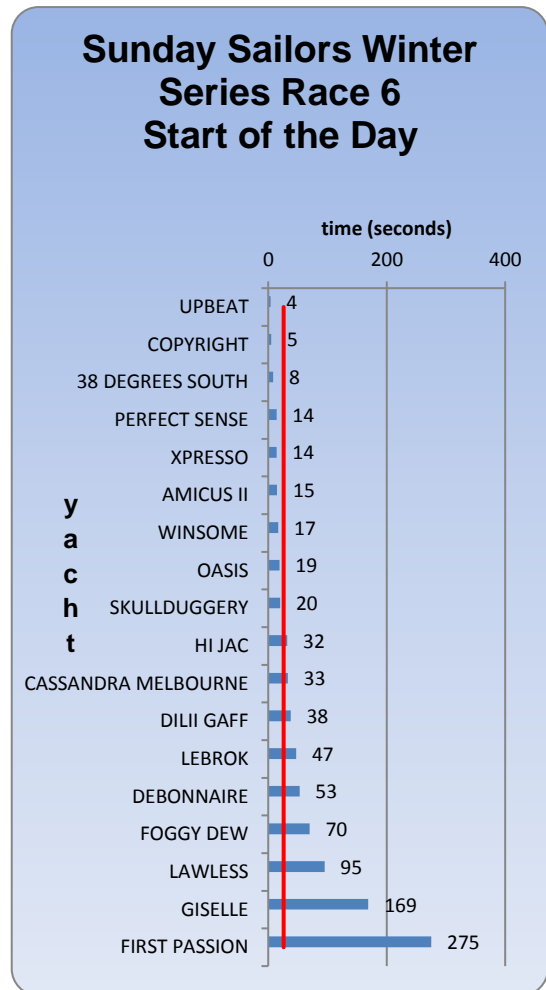
Although PERFECT SENSE is a casual entry she has completed all 4 races. Her handicap was 25 minutes at the start of the series but was increased by 3 minutes following her race 2 win. She started this race from 8th place 14 seconds late for her 28 minute handicap. PERFECT SENSE sailed the course in the 3rd fastest time of 1:32:45 and crossed the finish line at 11:30:45. She had started 23 minutes 25 seconds after the first yacht to start – GISELLE (Robert Freeman) but went on to finish 15 minutes 21 seconds ahead.

Starting 1 place and 2 minutes 5 seconds behind PERFECT SENSE was the Skye 51 OASIS. Although OASIS remained close to PERFECT SENSE throughout the race she was not quite able to match her speed around the course. Her elapsed time of 1:33:40 was the 5th fastest of the race, 55 seconds slower than PERFECT SENSE. She crossed the finish line at 11:30:40. OASIS has completed three races this series finishing 4th, 19th and 2nd in races 2, 4 and 6 respectively. This 2nd place helped her move from 12th to 4th in the series aggregate.

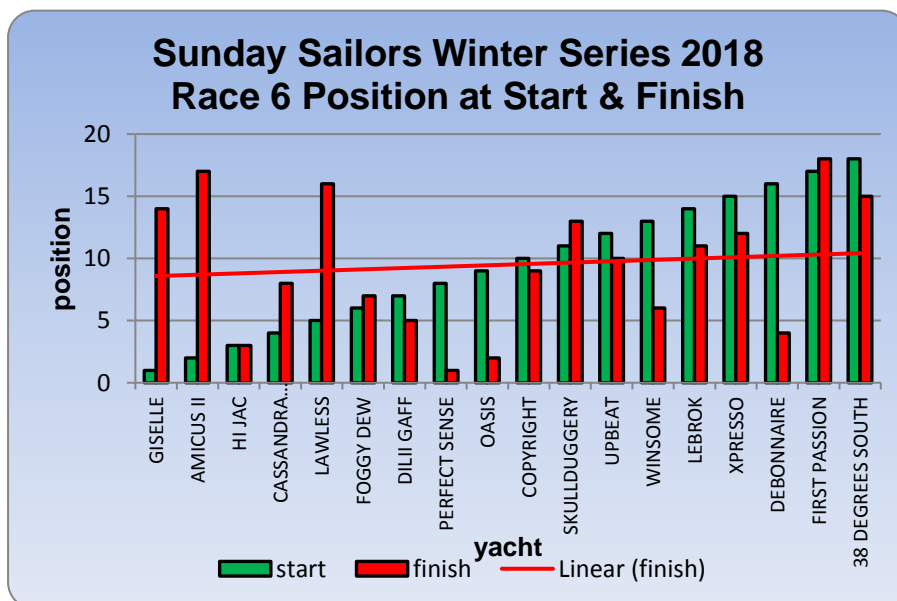


The Jeanneau 42 HI JAC decided on a reef in the main and still recorded her best place of the series. She started from 3rd place 32 seconds late for her 15 minute handicap. HI JAC sailed the course in 1:50:14 – 9 minutes 49 seconds below the median elapsed time for the race – and went on to cross the finish line at 11:35:14. Although she overtook both yachts that started ahead of her she was overtaken by PERFECT SENSE and OASIS finishing 1 minute 34 seconds behind the latter. It was a good result for HI JAC lifting her from 15th to 7th in the aggregate, her first time in the aggregate top ten this series.

The median start time of 26 seconds (red line) was not the best for a race this series nor was it the worst. Only three yachts started within 10 seconds of their handicap with four yachts starting more than a minute late. UPBEAT won Start of the Day.

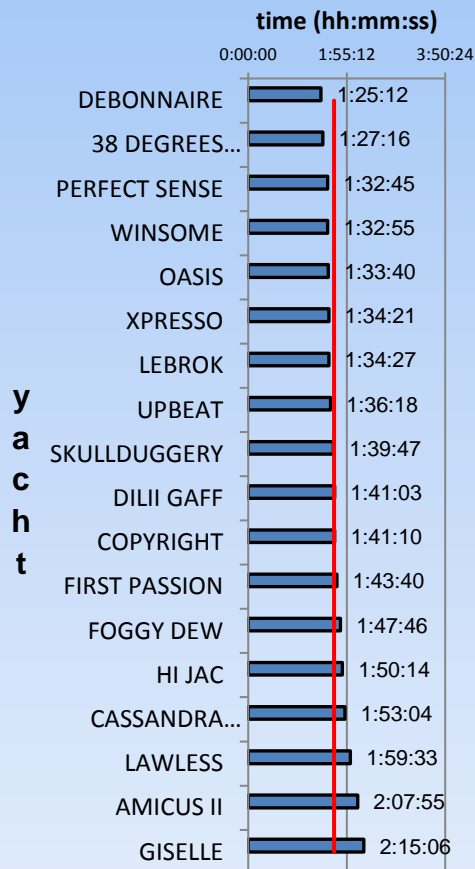


The fleet started 47 minutes 19 seconds apart and finished closer at 20 minutes 55 seconds apart. The average time between yachts crossing the finish line was 1 minute 10 seconds, however there were closer finishes.



COPYRIGHT (Stuart Morrison Jack), UPBEAT and LEBROK (Theo Korbel) finished within 17 seconds of each other in 9th, 10th and 11th place respectively. With 3 yachts among the first 6 to finish it was the mid fleet starters that had the best finish.

Sunday Sailors Winter Series 2018 Race 6 Elapsed Time



The median elapsed time (red line) for the race was 1:40:25. This is the second fastest median elapsed time this series despite the race being around the longest course. The 49 minute 54 second handicap range fits well with the 50 minute handicap range. DEBONNAIRE had the fastest elapsed time. She was the 16th yacht to start and the 4th to finish.



There were plenty of hulls on display in this race. XPRESSO and COPYRIGHT were 2 good examples.



(Below Left) UPBEAT (foreground) & LEBROK were evenly matched in this race with UPBEAT finishing 9 seconds ahead.



(Below) XPRESSO managed to overtake GISELLE & SKULLDUUGERY and finish 26 seconds ahead.



OASIS passed DILLI GAFF and they finished 2nd & 5th.

AMICUS started from 2nd place and



kept a bit of sail in reserve. She finished 17th.



The Farr 920 LAWLESS made this her first race of the series.

A bird's eye view is easy for some.



CASSANDRA of MELBOURNE has been on top of the aggregate since race 2.



Sunday Sailors Race 7 is scheduled for 5 August 2018

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