

## Another Abandoned Race

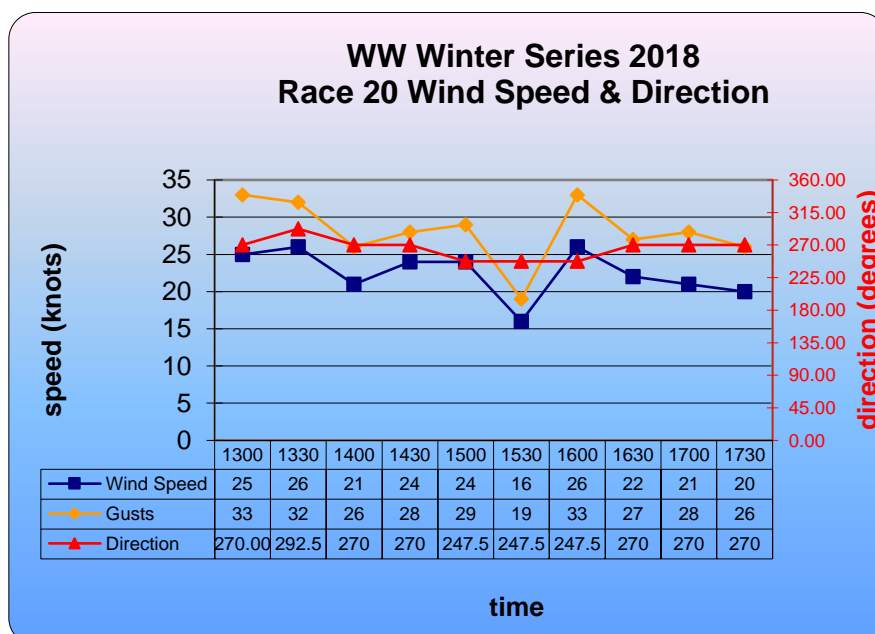
### Wednesday Wonders Winter Series 2018 Race 20

(15 Aug 2018)



This was the fifth WW race to be abandoned in the past 8 weeks. Of the five, two have been abandoned as a result of insufficient breeze whilst the remaining three (including this one) have been abandoned as a result of too much breeze. Observations at Fawkner Beacon show the wind speed for the afternoon averaging about 23 knots with a maximum gust of 33 knots. It was the early hours of the morning (0100) that the breeze reached its maximum for Wednesday with a speed of 33 knots and gust of 29 knots. It fell to a low of 10 knots at 0830 before increasing and becoming more westerly during the late morning and afternoon.

For the first 10 Wednesdays in the series the wind speed averaged 12 knots. For the second 10 Wednesdays the average has increased to 16 knots. The breeze has shifted from a south westerly towards the west south west.



Without a race the aggregate remains the same for another week. WILLARIE (Graeme Kaufman) is at the top with PHOENIX (Alex Tseberg in 2<sup>nd</sup> place and WHITE POINTER (Tom Raft) 3<sup>rd</sup>.



RACE RECORD WILLARIE									
RACE	FINISH POSN	Nos Of YACHTS	ELAPSED	FINISH	H/CAP	START TIME	COURSE NUMBER	COURSE DISTANCE	WIND SPEED
1	32	45	2:25:46	16:02:46	0:07:00	8	14	9.9	14
2	40	44	2:29:47	16:03:47	0:04:00	12	13	9.8	13
3	9	45	2:30:53	16:03:53	0:03:00	4	24	9.8	10
4	18	36	2:28:03	16:02:03	0:04:00	12	12	5.7	6
5	22	35	2:25:16	15:59:16	0:04:00	31	25	6.4	12
6	8	38	2:10:28	15:44:28	0:04:00	14	28	10.1	18
7	2	38	2:49:14	16:23:14	0:04:00	5	14	8.8	11
8	14	34	2:13:19	15:49:19	0:06:00	25	28	10.1	12
9	7	37	2:06:28	15:42:28	0:06:00	13	28	10.1	17
10	4	39	1:50:55	15:56:55	0:06:00	40	8	4.1	7
11	15	19	2:25:18	16:01:18	0:06:00	11	25	9.8	23
12	16	39	2:21:20	15:57:20	0:06:00	20	26	9.9	15
15	16	38	2:40:16	16:16:16	0:06:00	7	12	9.8	13
17	28	37	2:51:43	16:27:43	0:06:00	12	28	9.5	12
18		37				13	14		5
19	4	23	2:14:27	15:50:27	0:06:00	0	29	10.2	18

WILLARIE has made it to the top of the aggregate without a podium finish. She has completed all the 15 races and recorded 6 top ten finishes. She won Start of the day in Race 19.

RACE RECORD PHOENIX									
RACE	FINISH POSN	Nos Of YACHTS	ELAPSED	FINISH	H/CAP	START TIME	COURSE NUMBER	COURSE DISTANCE	WIND SPEED
1	5	45	1:54:51	15:53:51	0:29:00	12	14	9.9	14
2	2	44	1:50:18	15:51:18	0:31:00	5	13	9.8	13
3	31	45	2:03:47	16:08:47	0:35:00	10	24	9.8	10
4	30	36	2:02:08	16:07:08	0:35:00	9	12	5.7	6
5	14	35	1:51:36	15:56:36	0:35:00	10	25	6.4	12
6	20	38	1:43:27	15:48:27	0:35:00	2	28	10.1	18
7	8	38	2:27:36	16:32:36	0:35:00	6	14	8.8	11
8	11	34	1:44:02	15:49:02	0:35:00	6	28	10.1	12
9	21	37	1:43:25	15:48:25	0:35:00	5	28	10.1	17
11	14	19	1:51:42	15:56:42	0:35:00	13	25	9.8	23
12	11	39	1:51:02	15:55:02	0:34:00	10	26	9.9	15
15	4	38	2:06:24	16:10:24	0:34:00	5	12	9.8	13
17	18	37	2:10:44	16:16:44	0:36:00	4	28	9.5	12
18		37				27	14		5
19		23				154	29	10.2	18



PHOENIX has recorded 1 podium finish in her 13 completed races. She has made consistently good starts throughout the series with 11 being within 10 seconds or less of her handicap. Her handicap has increased from 29 to 36 minutes as the series progressed.

YACHT RACE RECORD - WHITE POINTER									
RACE	POSN	Nos Of YACHTS	ELAPSED TIME	FINISH TIME	H/CAP	START TIME	COURSE LENGTH	COURSE DISTANCE	WIND SPEED
1	13	45	1:55:20	15:57:20	0:32:00	300	14	9.9	14
2	9	44	1:49:09	15:54:09	0:35:00	6	13	9.8	13
3	14	45	1:59:07	16:05:07	0:36:00	6	24	9.8	10
4	28	36	2:00:38	16:06:38	0:36:00	21	12	5.7	6
5	11	35	1:49:44	15:55:44	0:36:00	22	25	6.4	12
6	4	38	1:35:06	15:41:06	0:36:00	9	28	10.1	18
7	32	38	2:37:37	16:44:37	0:37:00	27	14	8.8	11
8	21	34	1:44:56	15:51:56	0:37:00	2	28	10.1	12
9	3	37	1:32:43	15:39:43	0:37:00	5	28	10.1	17
10	38	39	1:41:09	16:19:09	0:38:00	29	8	4.1	7
11	3	19	1:43:21	15:51:21	0:38:00	42	25	9.8	23
12	12	39	1:47:37	15:55:37	0:38:00	20	26	9.9	15
15	25	38	2:12:46	16:20:46	0:38:00	9	12	9.8	13
17	20	37	2:09:38	16:17:38	0:38:00	7	28	9.5	12
18		37				10	14		5
19		23				16	29	10.2	18

The winner of the 2017-18 Summer Series has performed well in this winter series. Among her 14 completed races are 4 top ten finishes including 2 podium finishes. Her handicap has steadily increased throughout the series from 32 to 38 minutes.

As mentioned earlier the average breeze in the first half of the series is markedly different to that experienced in the second half. All of the races in the first half of the series were able to be completed with 4 races shortened due to lack of sufficient breeze. In contrast only 50% of the scheduled races for the second half of the series (races 11 to 20) have been completed. The increase in wind speed has resulted in a small increase in the average course length from 8.8 to 9 nautical miles. However, the fleet has been able to cover the extra distance at a faster speed. The average elapsed time to complete a course in the first half of the series was 2:01:46 which fell by 5% to 1:56:25 in the second half. Although most yachts sailed faster in the second half of the series some have not. The table on the following page compares the elapsed times of yachts in the first and second halves of the series.

WW Winter 2018 Elapsed Times					
YACHT	OVERALL AVERAGE	1 <sup>st</sup> Half TO 8	2 <sup>nd</sup> Half 9 to 20	% Change	Races
ALIBI	1:42:43	1:47:31	1:33:07	15%	12
ANDANTE 1	2:16:55	2:15:54	2:18:27	-2%	5
ARABESQUE	1:58:58	2:02:34	1:53:32	8%	10
ARCH DE TRIOMPHE	1:47:10	1:50:45	1:44:36	6%	12
BABYDOLL	1:53:32	1:52:20	1:55:13	-2%	12
BACARDI	1:48:05	1:49:17	1:46:23	3%	12
BARNSTORMER	1:49:10	1:47:23	2:01:40	-12%	8
BLUE TACK	1:48:03	1:50:08	1:45:58	4%	14
BON VIVANT	2:08:07	2:11:47	2:04:26	6%	14
BRANNEW	1:41:14	1:44:53	1:37:04	8%	15
CAFE RACER	2:13:32	2:14:57	2:11:52	2%	13
CARPE DIEM	1:41:51	1:40:37	1:45:35	-5%	4
CASSANDRA MELBOURNE	2:14:15	2:14:41	2:13:41	1%	14
CLUB COMEDIE	2:13:39	2:20:21	2:03:37	14%	10
DOLPHIN PLAY	2:34:07	2:37:03	2:28:58	5%	11
ESPRIT	1:38:39	1:40:33	1:29:04	13%	6
FOGGY DEW	2:14:03	2:26:05	2:07:11	15%	11
FUN AND GAMES	1:45:49	1:50:20	1:32:16	20%	8
HOT CHIPPS	1:59:38	1:55:32	2:13:59	-14%	9
LEBROK	1:53:43	1:52:32	1:56:06	-3%	12
LUSCIOUS	2:19:19	2:17:07	2:20:57	-3%	7
MAGIC	2:01:39	2:02:15	2:00:52	1%	14
MARIBEL	2:10:48	2:14:45	2:03:53	9%	11
MIDNIGHT MAGIC	2:23:53	2:27:09	2:18:10	6%	11
PERFECT SENSE	2:00:21	2:00:11	2:00:26	0%	7
PHOENIX	1:57:00	1:57:13	1:56:39	0%	13
PIPPA	2:22:41	2:23:23	2:21:53	1%	15
PIAZZ	2:07:21	2:08:26	2:06:17	2%	6
PRIMO	1:56:31	1:55:13	1:59:08	-3%	12
ROLLER COASTER	2:04:20	2:01:07	2:09:11	-6%	10
SALTSHAKER	2:10:26	2:11:37	2:08:46	2%	12

SECOND NATURE	1:55:25	1:57:11	1:54:05	3%	7
STAMPEDE	1:37:14	1:40:11	1:34:17	6%	14
SUMMER WIND	2:05:33	2:10:58	1:59:02	10%	11
SURI	2:08:24	2:16:38	1:56:02	18%	10
THE SECRETARY	1:37:42	1:43:40	1:33:14	11%	7
ULUWATU	1:50:34	1:54:10	1:46:22	7%	13
UPBEAT	1:52:39	1:54:18	1:49:47	4%	11
VANTAGE	1:58:32	1:59:10	1:56:49	2%	11
VINDALOO	1:47:51	1:52:14	1:37:38	15%	10
VIVE LA VIE	2:26:56	2:25:16	2:30:16	-3%	12
WATERMARKII	1:54:35	2:01:51	1:32:48	31%	4
WHITE NOISE	1:47:21	1:49:42	1:44:40	5%	15
WHITE POINTER	1:54:12	1:56:27	1:51:12	5%	14
WICKED	1:39:25	1:41:36	1:35:55	6%	13
WILLARIE	2:24:13	2:26:36	2:21:30	4%	15
WIND SPEED	1:44:16	1:46:14	1:41:37	5%	14
AVERAGE	1:59:10	2:01:46	1:56:25	5%	15

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