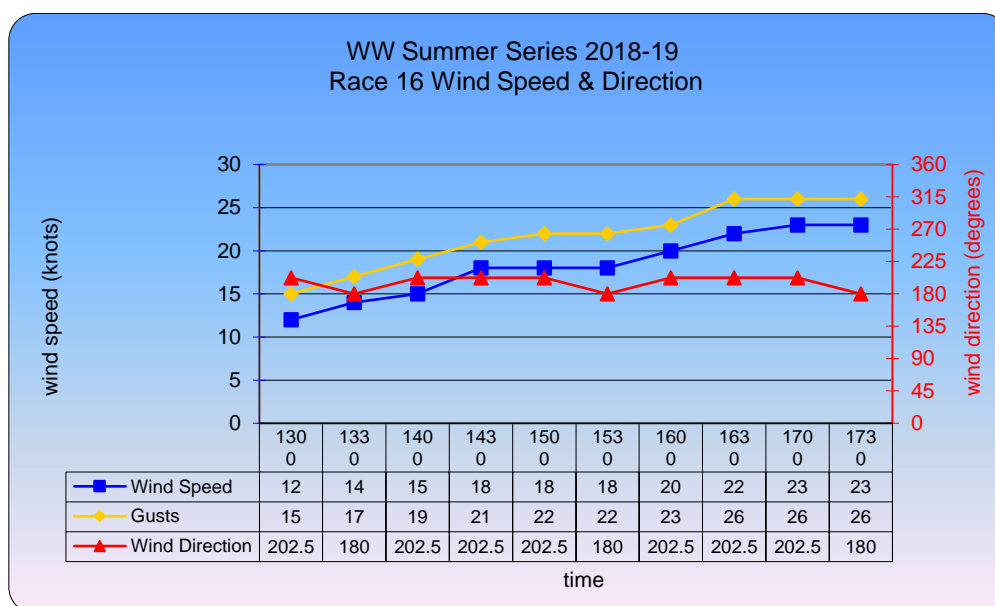


Closest Finish of the Series
Wednesday Wonders Summer Series 2018-19 Race 16
23 Jan 2019



The record set in race14 for the closest finish of the series lasted until 16:01:39 on Wednesday 23 January. Thirty two yachts finished race 16 within 12 minute 36 seconds of each other to establish a new record. The race was around the 9.9 nautical mile course 26. This was the 3rd time the course had been selected this series and it was this race that produced the fastest median elapsed time of 108.73 minutes beating the previous best set in race 4 by 4 minutes. The 35 starters had the help of a southerly breeze that increased as the race progressed and averaged about 18 knots for the afternoon. It came complete with a bit of water over the deck.



THE SECRETARY (George Shaw) won Start of the Day crossing the line 2 seconds late for her handicap. The three podium finishers all recorded their best results of the series. First across the finish line was LUSCIOUS (Michael Butler) becoming the 3rd yacht to record two wins. She was followed by WHITE POINTER (Tom Raft) with FUN & GAMES (Alan Edwards) in third place. STAMPEDE (Christopher Gendala) finished in 6th place and recorded the fastest elapsed time of the race.

SURI (Rick Blanck) finished in 7th place and moved to the top of the aggregate. She replaces PIPPA (Jeffrey Woolhouse) who after 4 weeks at the top slipped into 2nd place vacated by BON VIVANT (Russell Keays) who moved into 3rd place.



LUSCIOUS has completed 11 races this series and has 3 top ten finishes including two wins. She started the series with a 21 minute handicap which increased to 24 minutes following her win in the first race. She started this race from 8th place 8 seconds late for her 23 minute handicap. It took 1:03:58 to sail the first 3 legs of the course and she rounded SYC 4 in 6th place 10 minutes 10 seconds behind the leader. LUSCIOUS sailed the last 3 legs of the course in 47 minutes 57 seconds crossing the finish line at 15:49:03 – 94 seconds ahead of her closest rival. LUSCIOUS moves up from 25th to 15th in the aggregate.

WHITE POINTER is another one of 6 yachts to have completed 11 races but she has accumulated 4 top ten finishes including 2 podium finishes. Finishing 2nd in this race has helped her up from 19th to 11th in the aggregate. WHITE POINTER started from 17th place 7 seconds late for her 36 minute handicap. She made steady progress through the fleet during the first 3 legs of the course rounding SYC 4 in 12th place at 15:06:42. She sailed the course in 1:44:37 and crossed the finish line at 15:50:37. WHITE POINTER started 59 seconds ahead of BABYDOLL (Brendan Kruger) and 67 seconds ahead of HOT CHIPPS (John Chipp). She sailed the course faster than both and finished 8 minutes 14 seconds ahead of BABYDOLL and 4 minutes 6 seconds ahead of HOT CHIPPS.



This was the first podium finish in 8 races for the Lidgard 36 FUN and GAMES. She was one of three yachts that started this race with a 38 minute handicap and started 6 seconds late from 22nd place. She rounded SYC 4 in 16th place, 18 minutes 1 second behind the leader. FUN and GAMES sailed the last 3 legs of the race in 41 minutes 34 seconds and crossed the finish line at 15:50:51 only 14 seconds behind WHITE POINTER. Of the other two yachts with 38 minute handicaps one retired and the other finished 23rd. FUN and GAMES moves up from 34th to be 28th in the aggregate.



WW Summer Series 2018-19 Race 16 Start of the Day

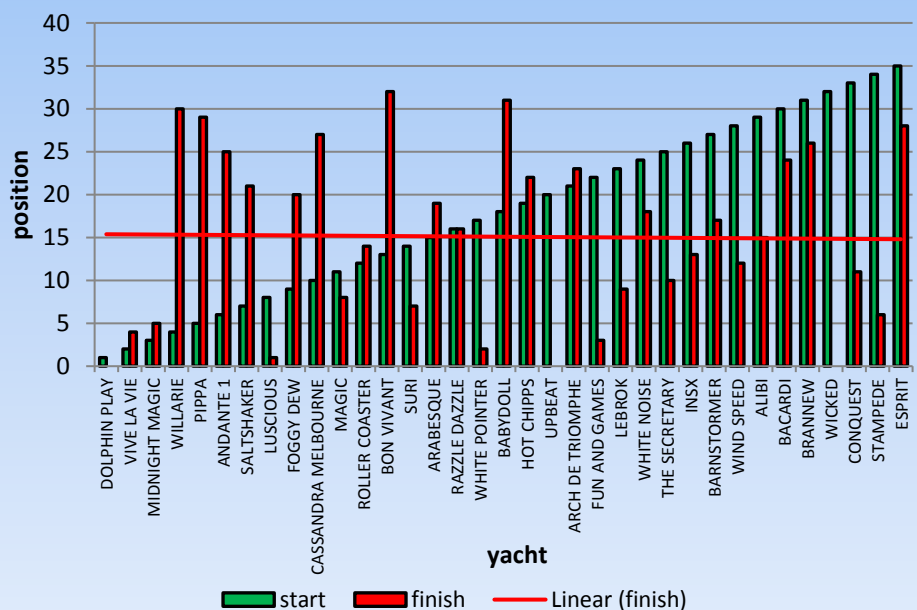


The median start time was 10 seconds – the time recorded by 6 different yachts. THE SECRETARY won Start of the Day for the first time this series whilst CASSANDRA of MELBOURNE started 5 seconds too soon also for the first time this series. It proved costly in a tight finish as she could have finished 5th rather than 27th.

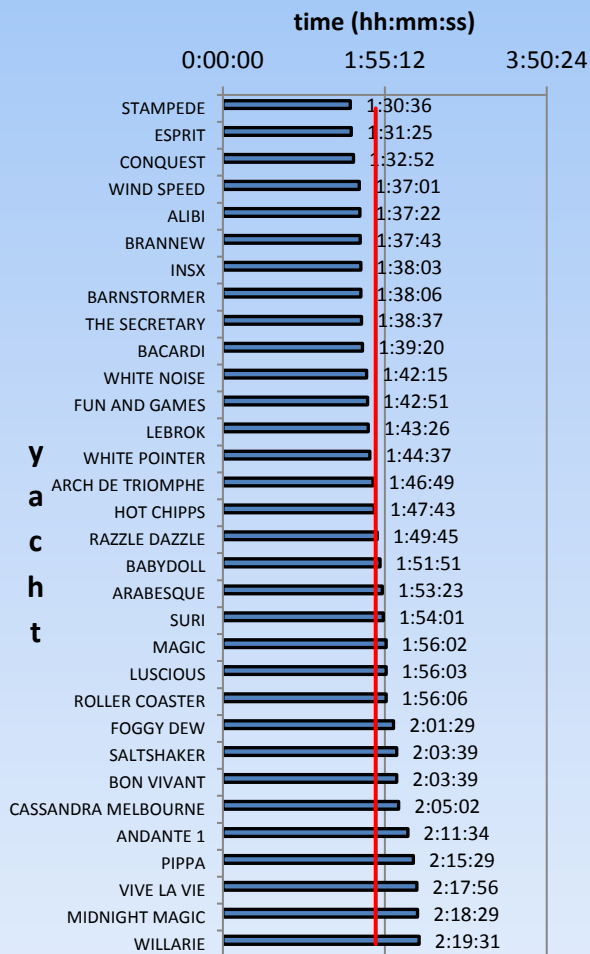


The 35 yacht fleet started 56 minutes 53 seconds apart. This gap had reduced at SYC 4 to 27 minutes 23 seconds and became 12 minutes 13 seconds at the finish line – good pursuit race. Of the first third of the fleet to cross the finish line 4 were early starters, 4 mid fleet starters with 4 late starters. The closest finish was for 7th place with SURI beating MAGIC (Phil Spry Bailey) by 1 second. Two seconds separated WINDSPEED (Les Browne) from INSX (Rob Sill) who finished 12th and 13th.

WW Summer Series 2018-19 Race 16 Position at Start & Finish



WW Summer Series 2018-19 Race 16 Elapsed Time



It was the first time in 7 races that STAMPEDE recorded the fastest elapsed time of a race. Her time was 49 seconds faster than ESPRIT (Garry Anderson) her closest rival. The median elapsed time for the race was 1:48:44 with a range of 48 minutes 55 seconds separating the 32 yachts. Although they have a 7 minute difference in handicap SALT SHAKER (Ken Gayler) and BON VIVANT recorded the same elapsed time.



Both ESPRIT
(left) &
BRANNEW (right)
had good start &
elapsed times but
finished 28th and
26th.





(Left) PIPPA got ahead in this encounter with WILLARIE.



(Right) WINDSPEED has sailed course 26 three times and finished 29th, 14th and now 12th.

(Below) ANDANTE 1 has 2 podium finishes to her name but finished 25th in this race.



(Right) INSX finished 2 seconds after WINDSPEED.



(Left) VIVE LA VIE had her 3rd top ten finish of the series finishing 4th.



(Right) SALTSHAKER sailed the course in exactly the same time as BON VIVANT.



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Wednesday Wonders 2019 Grand Prix Classic Car Yacht Race



Race 20, February 13, 2019

Eligibility: Any Wednesday Wonders Summer series entrant (skipper or crew member) that can prove by bringing their car, showing a photo, or by other means, that the car that they own, or did once own, was manufactured pre 1975.

This race will be conducted within the normal Wednesday Wonders Race with normal handicap times determined by the Wednesday Wonders handicapper.

Yacht and cars must be registered VIA EMAIL by Monday 11th February 2019.

There will be modifications to the start procedure:

- Start time 25 mins before handicaps and will be timed from the Ken King centre.
- Adjustments will be made to the yacht's finishing position by various time criteria to determine the results for the Car Yacht Race Scores.

Prizes will be awarded to the winning FIRST 3 yachts based on their adjusted time.

For car owners who register in advance and bring a classic car to SYC Car Park on the day, a bottle of liquid refreshment will be presented.

To register Email jeffrey.woolhouse@bigpond.com

Further details on following page

Note: Late entries received after 23:00 on 11th February will be penalized

The Wednesday Wonders Classic Car Yacht Race - Wednesday 13 February 2019

This race will be conducted within the normal Wednesday Wonders Race. Normal scoring for the Wednesday Wonders series will remain in place.

For those registered for the Classic Car Yacht Race there are some modifications to the start procedure. Adjustments will be made to the yacht's finishing position by various time criteria to determine the results for the Car Yacht Race Scores.

Eligibility: Any Wednesday Wonders Summer series **Skipper or Crew** who can prove by photo or other means that the car that they own, or did once own, was manufactured pre 1975. The car owner must race on a yacht on the day.

Rules: There will be an old style Grand Prix Le Mans start. The nominated car "driver" will start from the Ken King Centre 25 minutes before his/her yacht's official handicap start time (as per the regular sheets for WW racing). Other crew or the Skipper may be aboard the yacht. The nominated "Driver" must be named in advance of the race on the entry form for the car yacht race. Berthing at the fuel pumps is prohibited.

Penalties:

An 8 minute penalty applies for incorrect starting. Other adjustments to finish times, as listed below, will be made after the race.

Reduction to finish times:

LESS 5 mins if the Classic car recorded in your entry is parked in SYC under croft Car Park.

LESS 2 mins for a second Classic Car registered by a yacht if the car is parked in SYC under croft Car Park

Increases to finish time:

PLUS 10 mins for late entry.

PLUS **double** the time your "driver" was late passing the Marshal at the Ken King Centre e.g. if you started 40 seconds late 40sec X2 = 80seconds, 1:20 will be added to your time.

PLUS 6 mins if the designated driver starts at an incorrect time or place.

Prizes: Donated by Red Bluff Homes.

A Perpetual Trophy will be presented to the winner, and a special bottle of **sesquihoral** wine will be presented to the skipper's finishing first, second and third, based on their corrected time.

A bottle of wine will be presented to each car owner who has their car at the SYC Classic Car Park on the day, is registered on time, and is sailing in the race.

ENTRY: email to Jeffrey.woolhouse@bigpond.com and include

- Yacht Name
- Sail Number. Skippers Name & Phone Number
- Car Owner entrant's name, phone and email address
- The make and year of the classic car.
- Evidence of Car ownership
e.g. a photo of that car, or registration papers,
- State clearly if a car will be at the SYC car park. Space will be reserved.
- The name of the nominated Classic Car "Driver" to start from Ken King Centre.

Send entries photos or evidence of ownership to Jeffrey.woolhouse@bigpond.com

NOTE: To avoid penalties entries must reach [Jeffrey Woolhouse](mailto:Jeffrey.woolhouse@bigpond.com) before 23:00 Monday 11 Feb.

*Thanks to Harpo and **Red Bluff Homes** for providing all the prizes for this event*

At 7:30 in the Port Philip Room SYC Member & WW Ken Gayler will be speaking on the tall ship
Alma Doepel