

## How Did They Do It? WW Summer Series 2019-20



The final makeup of the aggregate top ten for the 2019-20 WW summer was settled after race 22 of the series. The scores for each yacht were decided on the best 8 results from a maximum of 15 races completed over the summer. The top ten represented the best of the 58 yachts in the aggregate and included yachts from 24 to 47 footers with handicaps ranging from 6 to 59 minutes. Their progress in the aggregate throughout the series was varied. Of the ten, two yachts started and finished the series in the top ten; another started well outside and got there only after the final race; others moved in and out as the series progressed. They did have one thing in common – they all had top ten finishes in 4 or more individual races.

WW Summer Series 2019-20 Aggregate Top Ten Race by Race																						
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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
WILLARIE	6	3	4	12	12	12	4	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	2	<b>1</b>
LUSCIOUS	2	26	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	<b>2</b>
PIPPA	32	33	29	25	25	25	16	18	10	6	6	8	8	8	11	12	12	12	13	9	4	<b>3</b>
ESPRIT	5	4	3	9	9	9	8	4	5	7	7	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	3	<b>4</b>
FOGGY DEW	24	13	24	29	29	29	28	33	24	14	14	12	12	12	13	8	8	8	8	8	9	<b>5</b>
MAGIC	4	9	12	11	11	11	14	16	12	12	12	9	9	9	8	5	5	5	6	6	7	<b>6</b>
ALEX - TEAM MACADIE	29	28	28	32	32	32	31	19	22	23	23	27	27	27	23	20	20	20	14	12	12	<b>7</b>
PEGASUS	13	5	5	8	8	8	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	5	<b>8</b>
CONQUEST	9	8	7	10	10	10	7	7	6	8	8	6	6	6	7	6	6	6	7	7	8	<b>9</b>
PRIMO	17	19	11	5	5	5	5	3	3	3	3	5	5	5	6	9	9	9	9	10	10	<b>10</b>



### 10<sup>th</sup> PRIMO

PRIMO completed 13 races in the summer series and recorded her best results from races 3 to 8 when the average wind speed stayed between 8 and 11 knots. She achieved her highest position (3<sup>rd</sup>) in the aggregate at this point. From then on the wind speed tended to increase as did her handicap which increased from 40 to 49 minutes before decreasing to 46 minutes for the final five races. Her average start time for the series was about 23 seconds including a 3 and two 4 second starts. PRIMO had 4 top ten finishes among the 8 results that contributed to her final score.

## 9<sup>th</sup> CONQUEST

CONQUEST started and finished 9<sup>th</sup> in the aggregate without leaving the top ten during the series. Her “purple patch” was between races 3 and 8 when she had 4 consecutive top ten finishes including a 3<sup>rd</sup> place. As a result her handicap was increased from 50 to 53 to 55 minutes after race 8 where it stayed for the remainder of the series. CONQUEST had an average start time of 18 seconds with her best start of 3 seconds made in race 7. She completed 11 of the 15 races which included 5 top ten finishes and ended the series with a total of 77.5 points.



## 8<sup>th</sup> PEGASUS

PEGASUS finished the series in 8<sup>th</sup> place on 73 points after completing all 15 races. Although she started the series outside the top ten she joined in race 2 and stayed there for the rest of the series. Her best results were recorded in the early stages of the series when she collected 4 top ten finishes including a 1<sup>st</sup> place which took her to 2<sup>nd</sup> in the aggregate. Her handicap increased from 44 minutes at the start of the series to be 52 minutes at the end. The average start time for PEGASUS was 38 seconds and she had 5 top ten finishes for the series.



## 7<sup>th</sup> ALEX TEAM MACADIE

ALEX – TEAM MACADIE could lay claim to the most improved yacht of the series. She started 29<sup>th</sup> in the aggregate but she improved both her performance and race results throughout the series to finish 7<sup>th</sup>. ALEX was the fastest yacht in 4 of her 11 races, recorded 6 top ten finishes and had an average start time of less than 10 seconds. Her handicap was 56 minutes at the start of the series, became 58 minutes by race 9 before returning to 56 minutes. Her best result was recorded in race 19 – a race that had the strongest wind speed of the summer.



## 6<sup>th</sup> MAGIC



MAGIC was one of the more consistent performers in the fleet. The difference between her elapsed time and the median elapsed time for the fleet in each of the 15 races was the steadiest of any yacht in the top ten. Her handicap increased as the series progressed from 29 to a maximum of 35 minutes for race 17. MAGIC had an average start time of about 20 seconds and there were 6 top ten finishes but no podium finishes in her 8 best results. Her best place was a 4<sup>th</sup> in the first race of the summer which she equalled in race 15.

## 5<sup>th</sup> FOGGY DEW

FOGGY DEW was one of only two yachts to sail all the races in the WW winter and summer series. She finished a close second in the winter series and sailed well particularly in the second half of this series. On average she finished 26<sup>th</sup> in the first 6 races of the series but averaged 10<sup>th</sup> in the remainder. She was one of four yachts to record 5 top ten finishes which included a 2<sup>nd</sup> place in race 16. Her best results usually coincided with winds over 15 knots. Her average start time was about 22 seconds.



## 4<sup>th</sup> ESPRIT

ESPRIT was the longest yacht to finish in the aggregate top ten and from race 13 carried the largest handicap (59 minutes) of any yacht in the series. All her 6 top ten finishes, including a 1<sup>st</sup>, had been recorded by race 12. Nevertheless she remained 2<sup>nd</sup> in the aggregate from race 12 and carried the leaders yellow flag for race 20 before slipping back to 3<sup>rd</sup> and finishing 4<sup>th</sup>. ESPRIT completed all 15 races, recording the fastest elapse time on 2 occasions and had an average start time of about 17 second.



### 3<sup>rd</sup> PIPPA



PIPPA didn't make the best start to the summer series missing the first race and was 33<sup>rd</sup> in the aggregate after race 2. Things quickly improved. By race 10 she was 6<sup>th</sup> in the aggregate with 2 podium finishes to her credit. However her handicap had increased from 8 to 13 minutes. PIPPA slipped out of the top ten after race 14: missed races 16 and 19 but re-entered the top ten after race 20 and recorded 2 top ten positions in the last 3 races. She sailed 12 of the 15 races; won Start of the Day on two separate occasions; and although she had variable results she finished with 5 top ten places to be 3<sup>rd</sup> with 61 points.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> LUSCIOUS

Despite her handicap increasing from 22 to 37 minutes over the course of the series LUSCIOUS was at the top of the aggregate from race 4 for 16 consecutive weeks. She performed consistently throughout the summer completing 14 of the 15 races and accumulating 7 top ten finishes - 4 of them in the first half of the series. After losing top spot in the aggregate for one week she was back there after race 21. In the final race of the summer LUSCIOUS, finished 18<sup>th</sup> - ending the series equal on 52 points with WILLARIE.



### 1<sup>st</sup> WILLARIE



WILLARIE sailed all 15 races in the series and ended with 7 top ten finishes including a 1<sup>st</sup>, a 2<sup>nd</sup> and a 3<sup>rd</sup>. She had some of the most variable results of any yacht finishing anywhere from 1<sup>st</sup> to 41<sup>st</sup> and recording the slowest elapsed time in a race on 4 separate occasions. Despite increases to her handicap (from 8 to 12 minutes) WILLARIE remained in the aggregate top five from race 8 onwards and a 1<sup>st</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> in the last two races of the series helped her to the top. A good result and probably surprising win for WILLARIE.

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