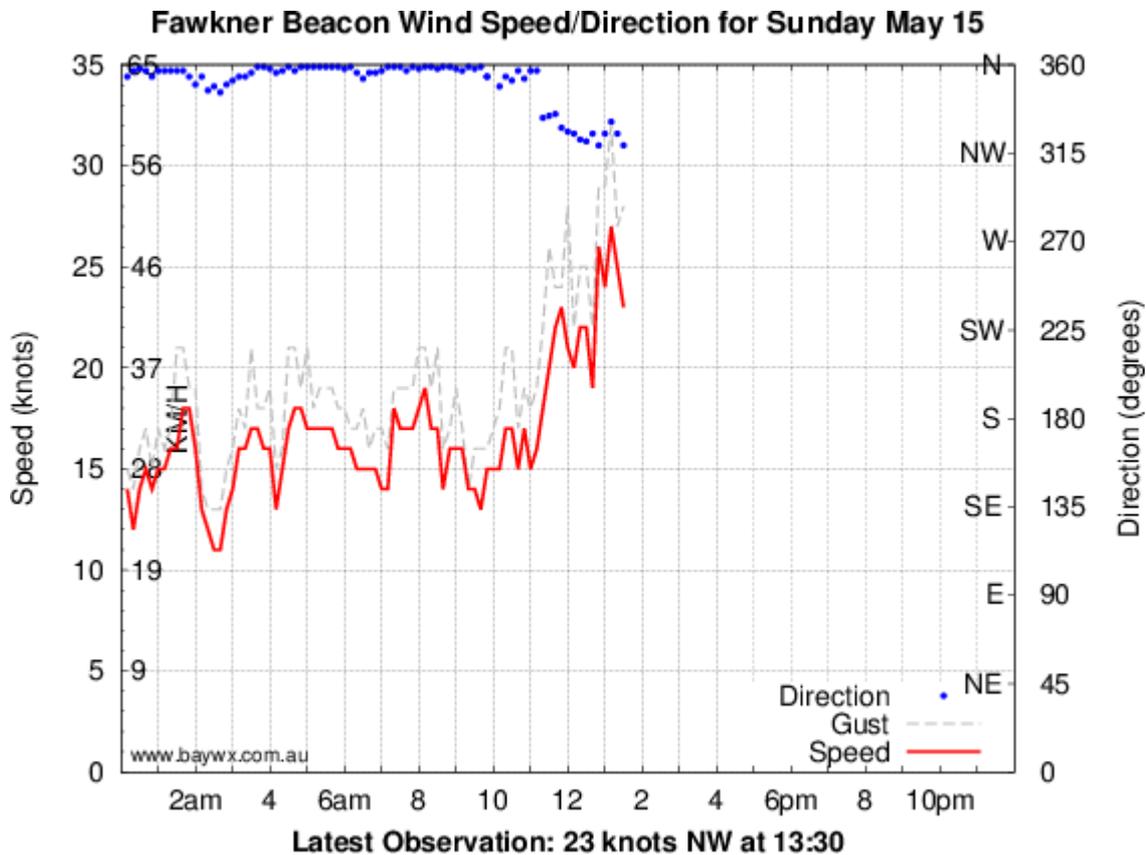


SUNDAY SAILORS REPORT MAY 15th 2022

Intro

The second race of the Sunday series was forecast North Westerly at 14 knots, strengthening as the day went on. It was a bit stronger at 16 knots from the North and switched to the North West and strengthened at the end. The course was number 24 at 9.3 nautical miles. 20 boats fronted up with 18 finishers.



Results

Allegria (Simon May) sailed a very good race, leading from about half way and went on to win by 2 minutes. A great day out – a 3 glasser, as she also won start of the day. **Emerald (Tony Tanner)** was gradually closing the gap and finished second, two minutes behind. Third place went to **Alliance (Alex H, Simon F, and Paul S)** who held off the fast finishing **Winsome (Simon Hemingway)** to take the last podium position by 12 seconds. **Hitchhiker (David Goodman)** finished 5th with the **Salt (Ian Fankhanel)** sixth, flying a great coloured spinnaker (somewhere between purple and pink) and carving up the field from second last, in the fastest elapsed time.

The were several close finishes.

Razzle Dazzle (11th) beat **Firefox** by 5 seconds in a late charge.

Antares (8th) held off **Astoria** by 7 seconds, after the two had been close in the second half of the course.



Emerald heading to the finish line in second.



SALT in full flight with Hitchhiker and Antares heading towards the finish line.



Alliance on her way to finishing 3rd

Start of the Day

As previously mentioned, **Allegría** won start of the day in a great all around performance, 1 second. (Editors note – 1 second is judged the optimum start as zero seconds is reckless and could easily be over early for a 5 minute penalty). Other good starts were **Lawless** (3 seconds), **Firefox** (5 seconds), **Upbeat** and **Astoria** (8 seconds) and **Hitchhiker** (9 seconds).

The fleet average start time was 25 seconds – much better than the first race's 35 seconds, but still not an excellent result. The Editorial Committee has set a kpi of 10 seconds or less. For Race 2 – 30% of the fleet met the 10 second kpi. This kpi will be scrutinised in great detail going forward.

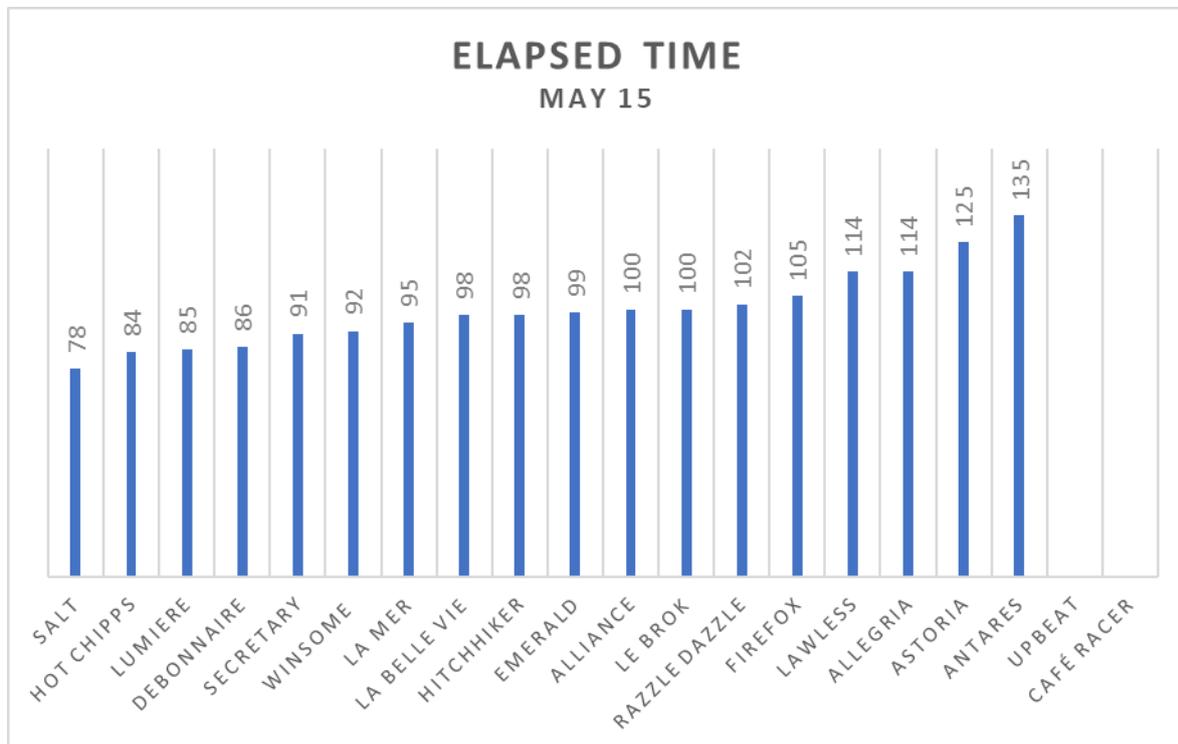
Half Time Score

The first three boats to cross the line all start with the letter A: **Antares**, **Allegría** and **Astoria**. At the second time of passing Mark No 4, **Allegría** led **Antares** by 4 minutes in the first two spots with **Emerald** in third, gradually catching up. **Allegría** and **Emerald** went on to finish 1st and second with **Alliance** (another A) third. **Hitchhiker** dropped two places in the last circuit but still finished 5th as she caught **Antares**.

Elapsed times

Salt had the best elapsed time (1 hour 18minutes) with **Hot Chipps (John Chipp)** second best- to go with his fastest time from Race 1. **Lumiere (Matt Kebell)** and **Debonnaire (Phil Gomez)** were quicker than 90 minutes, with the **Secretary (George Shaw)** (91 minutes) and **Winsome** (92 minutes) also faring well.

Average elapsed time was 1 hour 40 minutes (100 minutes) with a fleet average of VMG of 5.58 knots (9.3 na miles) – quicker than 4.4 knots in Race 1.

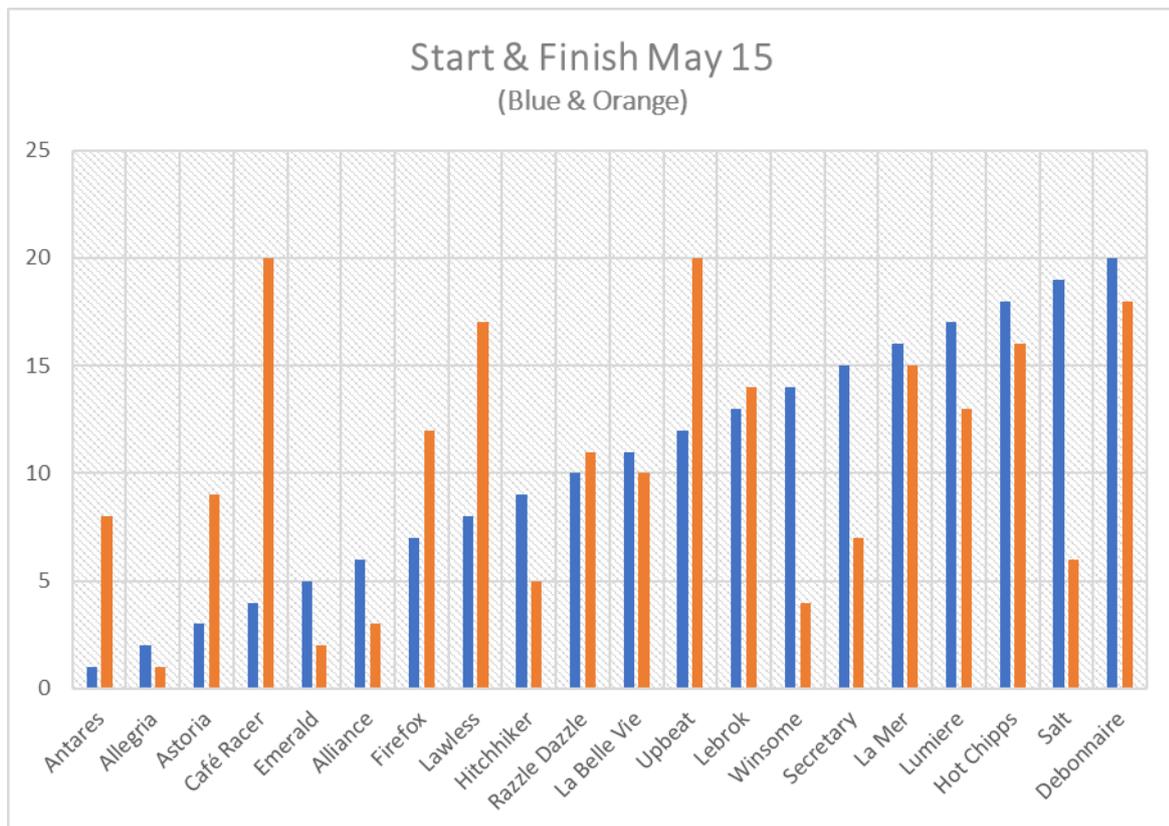


START AND FINISH POSITIONS

The biggest movers in the fleet were **Salt** (19th to 6th), **Winsome** (14th to 4th) and **Secretary** (15th to 7th). **Café Racer**(Peter Ozard) and **Upbeat** (Peter Dunne) retired and **Lawless** (Boyd Coulson) seemed to be handicapped a little harshly.



Astoria (3434) and Café Racer (Sm 104).



Series Scores

After two races, 1 point separates the top 3. **Hitchhiker** (5th and second) and **Winsome** (3rd and 4th) share the lead. **Alegria's** win pulls her up to third. **La Belle Vie** (Grant/Nathan Anderson) (7th and 6th) has sailed consistently in fourth, in contrast to **Hot Chippis** in 5th (16th and first).

Gossip and other matters.

Upbeat has suffered from two retirements in two races due to issues with her new mainsail. My sources tell me that **Peter Dunne** may have made the sail himself. Perhaps he should leave it to the professionals. All humour aside, commiserations.



The two Beneteau 36.7's duelling downwind before **Upbeat** retired. **Lebrok (Theo Korbel)** went on to finish 14th.

Several of our Sunday Sailors stalwarts were competing in the ORCV Apollo Bay Race including **Foggy Dew** and **Skullduggery**. Facebook photos showed the Skullduggery skipper was one **Anne Goodfellow**. They must have surgically removed **Garry MacCarten's** hands from the wheel.

Once again a big thank you to Graham Furness and Jeffrey Woolhouse.

Luffing Lance



Lawless and Firefox



Secretary attempting to pass Firefox and Razzle Dazzle



Hitchhiker, Alliance and Antares – exciting times at Number 1



Razzle Dazzle and Lawless approaching Number 5



Lawless



Winsome on her way to fourth and joint series leadership.



Razzle Dazzle



Lebrok