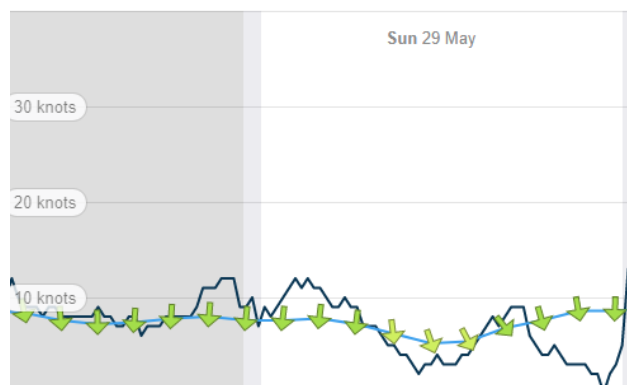


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Weather and the Course

With a forecast promising 9 to 10 knots Northerly, the wind came in at around 7 knots at the start and progressively dropped to 3 to 4 knots at the finish.



COURSE 25



MARK	BEARING (Magnetic)	DISTANCE
SVC 7 (p)	330	1.01
SVC 4 (pass)	NA	NA
SVC 5 (p)	178	3.01
SVC 4 (p)	010	2.16
SUB-TOTAL		6.18
SVC 3 (p)	336	0.58
SVC 4 (pass)	NA	NA
SVC 1 (p)	179	1.59
FINISH	010	1.07
TOTAL		9.42

Course 25 was announced, with a beat to Mark 7, a downwind leg to Mark 5 followed by a beat back to 4 and then on to 3 for a shortened on-water finish.

24 boats entered and all finished.

It is also terrific to see that the fleet includes 6 new boats and one new owner/skipper: Café Racer (with new owner/skipper) and new boats Salt, Luminere, Bushranger, Emerald, Wavelength and Chinook.

Boats Entered – Handicaps and Results

Score	Number	Name	Type	Skipper	Spinnaker	H'cap (Spin adjusted)	Finish Time		
							Hrs	Mins	Secs
1	SM104	CAFÉ RACER	Peterson 30	Peter Ozard		7	11	45	25
2	SM309	ALEGRIA	Catalina 309	Simon May		11	11	53	17
3	SM342	AMICUS II	Swanson 30	Warwick Stenford		7	11	53	37
4	SM4535	PANACHE IV	Salar 40	Egils Stokans		-10	11	57	22
5	SM82	ISA LEA	Serendipity 28	Andrew Chapman		-1	11	57	52
6	SM321	LAWLESS	Farr 920	Boyd Coulson	Y	27	11	59	49
7	SM351	FIRST PASHION	Beneteau First 35	Simon Lipman	Y	40	12	3	18
8	SM328	VALIANT	Adams 10.6	David Keyes-Tilley		33	12	4	38
9	SM8699	SALT	Solaris 50	Ian Fankhanel	Y	56	12	6	25
10	SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Swarbrick 111	Andrew Stopp		31	12	8	59
11	SM88	UPBEAT	Beneteau First 36.7	Peter Dunne		35	12	12	6
12	SM6107	THE SECREATRY	J44	George Shaw		41	12	12	24
13	SM742	LUMINERE	Beneteau First 50	Matt Kebbell		49	12	12	31
14	SM42	HITCHHIKER	Beneteau Oceanis 41.1	David Goodman		30	12	11	2
15	SM190	WINSOME	Jeanneau Sunfast 40	Simon Hemingway		35	12	13	46
16	SM440	SKULLDUGGERY	Jeanneau 44 Ds	Garry McCarten	Y	38	12	14	30
17	SM6915	EMERALD	Beneteau Oceanis 40	Tony Tanner		28	12	14	48
18	SM4646	ALLIANCE	Beneteau Oceanis 46	Alex H Simon F Paul S		29	12	15	14
19	SM727	BUSHRANGER	Beneteau First 40.7	Nick Darlow		37	12	15	33
20	SM459	LA BELLE VIE	Beneteau Oceanis 45	Grant/Nathan Anderson		34	12	17	11
21	SM6002	LA MER	Dufour 36e Performance	Michael Ebeling	Y	45	12	17	25
22	YC447	FIRST LIGHT	Beneteau First 47.7	Mike Coulter	Y	33	12	17	32
23	SM4110	CHINOOK	Beneteau Oceanis 41.1	Doug Jackson		32	12	18	4
24	SM220	WAVELENGTH	Farr 1020	Alex Elliott		32	12	22	18



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The Winner

Congratulations to the winning boat Cafe Racer (Peterson 30) skippered by Peter Ozark with crew of Jason Harrigan and Berend Sweep.

Cafe Racer started with a Handicap of 7 and finished 8 minutes ahead of the second-place boat Alegria (Catalina 309 - Simon May) who was on a Handicap of 9.

Alegria was then 20 seconds ahead of the third-place boat Amicus II (Swanson 30 – Warwick Stenford) with a Handicap of 7 also.

With light winds and a shortened course, it was the 30 footers that brought home the podium finishes in this race.

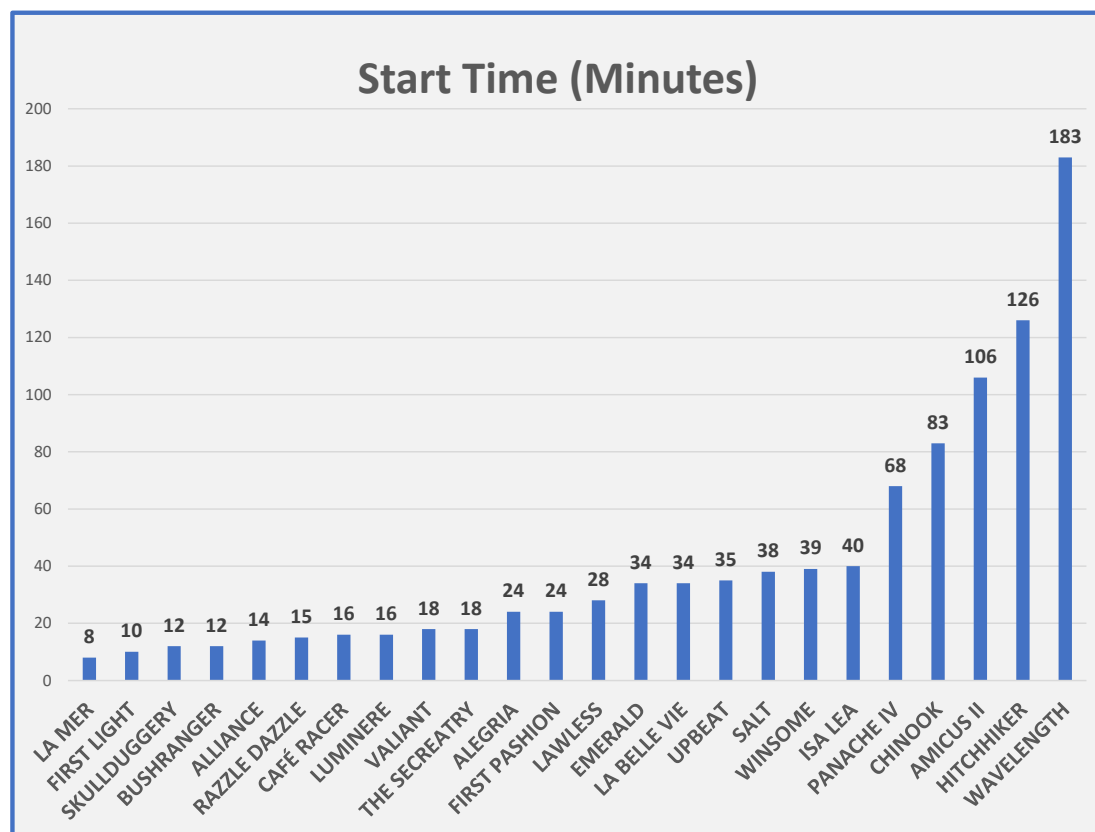
Congratulations also to Alegria (Simon May) for now leading the series with a 7th, 1st and now 2nd place in the 2022 winter Sunday Sailors series.

The Start

Unusually there was only one boat with a start time of less than 10 seconds.

Congratulations to La Mer (Dufour 36e Performance – Michael Ebeling) for winning start of the day on 8 seconds.

Average Start time for the fleet was 41 seconds.





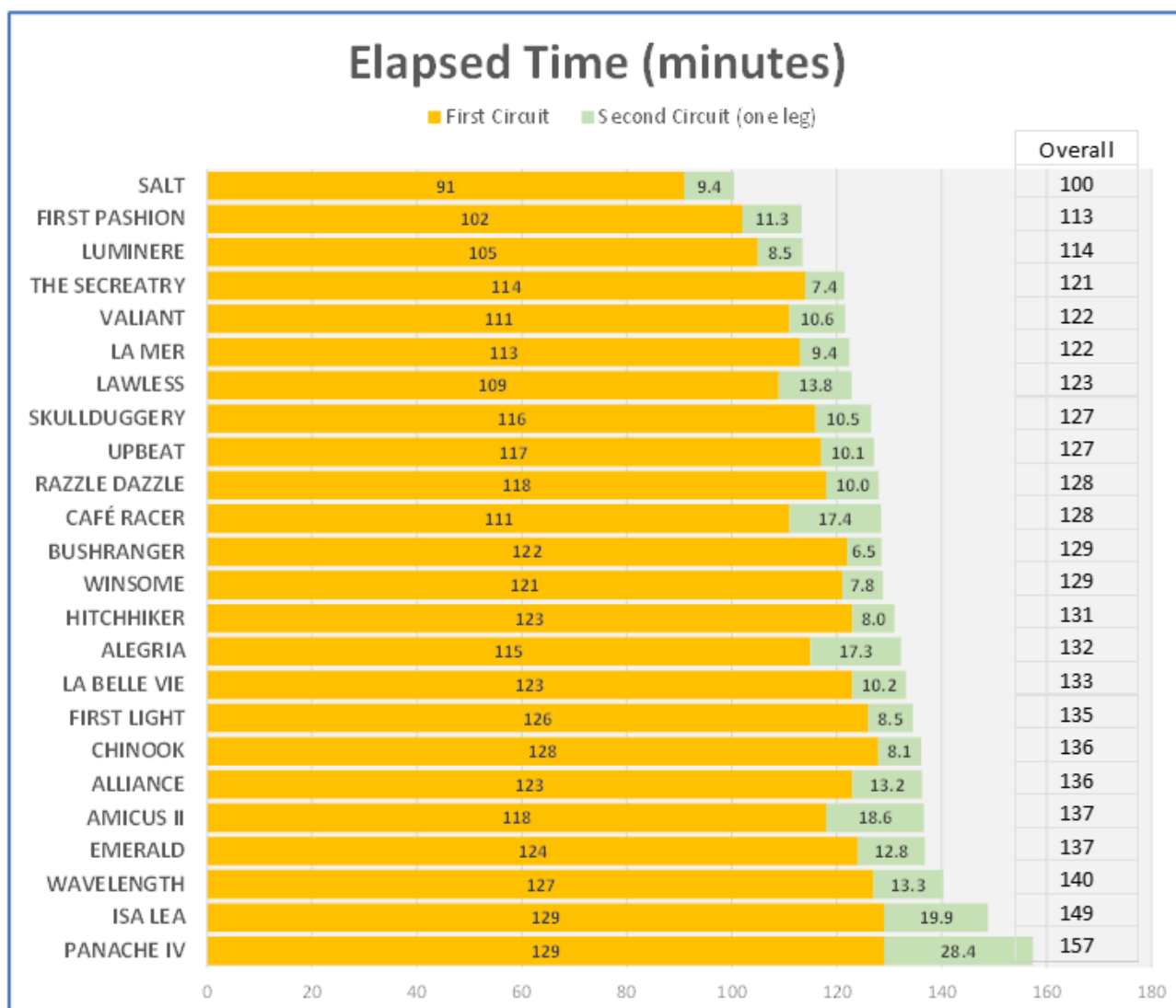
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Speed and Performance.

Salt (Solaris 50 – Ian Fankhanel, Handicap of 52) scooped the best overall elapsed time by 13 minutes to the next fastest boat which was First Passion (Beneteau First 35 – Simon Lipman, Handicap of 37).

However, in the last leg 5 other boats were gaining ground. These were Luminere (Beneteau First 50 – Matt Kebbell), The Secretary (J44 – George Shaw), Bushranger (Beneteau First 40 – Nick Darlow), First Light (Beneteau First 47 – Mike Coulter) and Chinook (Beneteau Oceanis 41.1 – Doug Jackson) with a last leg elapsed time quicker than Salt.

Only 6 boats flew their Spinnaker – Lawless (Far 920 - Boyd Coulson), First Passion (Beneteau First 35 - Simon Lipman), Salt (Solaris 50 – Ian Fankhanel), Skullduggery (Jeanneau 44DS – Garry McCarten), La Mer (Dufour 36e Performance – Michael Ebeling) and First Light (Beneteau 47.7 – Mike Coulter).



In the above graph, the First Circuit is Start to 7 to 5 to 4 (6.2 nm). The Second Circuit is 4 to 3 (0.6nm) for an on water finish at Mark 3.

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Handicaps And Gossip

Sunday Sailors Handicaps are done manually by a much valued and trusted handicapper with unfettered power and authority. (Saturdays and Wednesdays are computerised)

Encouraging new boats and skippers into the fleet, our handicapper has been known to give new boats a cushy 'newbies encouragement' handicap until their performance is understood. Then

You could expect the Handicapper to now be closely watching new boats of Café Racer with new owner/skipper (1st place), Salt (best elapsed time), Luminere (3rd best elapsed time) and Bushranger (fastest for second leg).

Other new boats that might be appealing to his softer side could be Emerald, Wavelength and Chinook who may have the case to expect some Handicap relief for the next race.

A standout handicap observation is the bouncing handicap of Alegria which was around 11 minutes last season. It suddenly bounced up to 7 (sympathy or bribe?) and now Alegria is leading the series, winning first place last race and second place this one. They should enjoy it while it lasts.



Alegria – Series Winner



Salt – Fastest Elapsed Time

Leeward Larry