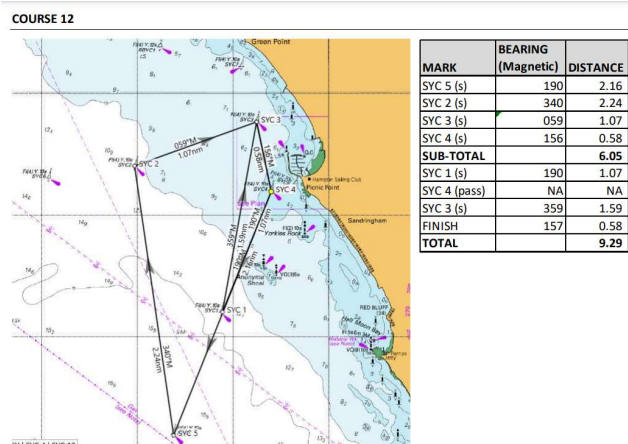


Sunday Sailors Report – Race 2 (23 Oct 2023)

The Race

Course 12 was selected with a Southerly start in mild winds in the vicinity of 10 knots.



17 boats started and 1 (First Passion) retired.

Despite the mild conditions, only 3 boats enacted the Spinnaker option (La Mer, Skulduggery and Antares).

Boats Entered and Results

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The Winners

Congratulations to Valiant (David Keyes-Tilley, Adams 10.6, Handicap of 30) as the winning boat with crew of Ian Hetherington, Adam Keyes-Tilley, Kate Keyes-Tilley & Ian Richards.

Winning by around 4 minutes to the second place, and after also coming 3rd place in the first race, Leeward Larry predicts a serious handicap adjustment is imminent for Valiant.

In second place was La Mer (Dufour 36E Performance, Michael Ebeling, handicap 39) approx. 4 minutes behind Valiant.

In third place was Lebrok (Theo Korbel, Beneteau 36.7, Handicap 33) who were around 1 minutes behind La Mer.

After 2 races, Valiant is willing the series to date followed by Lebrok and then Alliance.

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PROVISIONAL RESULTS

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Series Results [PurHC] up to Race 2

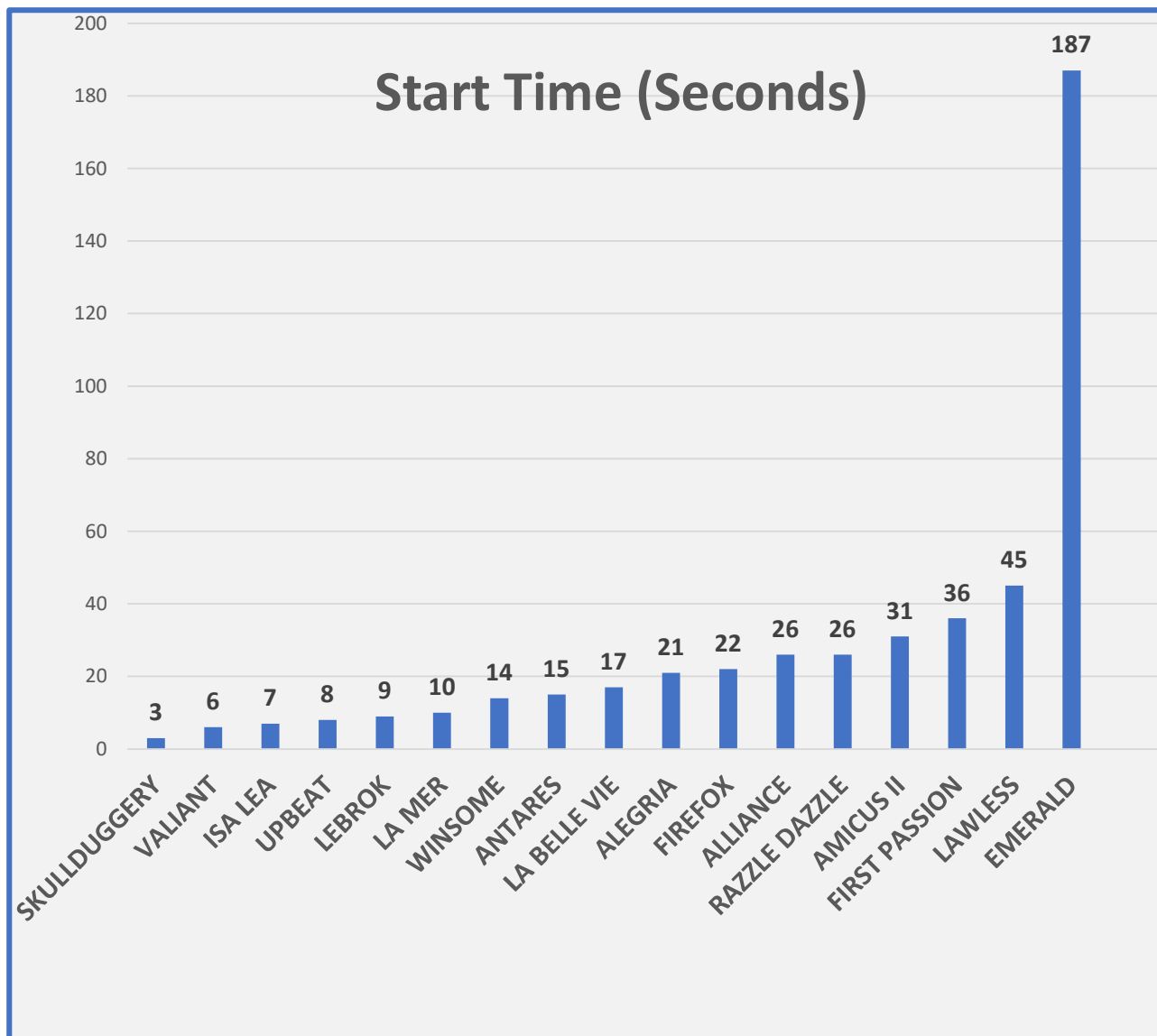
Place	Ties	Sail Num	Boat Name	Skipper	Sers Score	Race 2	Race 1
1		SM328	VALIANT	David Keyes-Tilley	4.0	1.0	3.0
2		SM4646	ALLIANCE	Alex H Simon F Paul S	6.0	5.0	1.0
3		SM367	LEBROK	Theo Korbel	10.0	3.0	7.0
4		SM440	SKULLDUGGERY	Garry McCarten	11.0	6.0	5.0
5		SM190	WINSOME	Simon Hemingway	12.0	8.0	4.0
6		SM6002	LA MER	Michael Ebeling	13.0	2.0	11.0
7	2.0S	SM6915	EMERALD	Tony Tanner	16.0	14.0	2.0
8		SM459	LA BELLE VIE	Grant/Nathan Anderson	16.0	7.0	9.0
9		SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Grahame Jones Andrew Stopp	21.0	13.0	8.0
10	2R	SM88	UPBEAT	Peter Dunne	22.0	10.0	12.0
11		SM321	LAWLESS	Boyd Coulson	22.0	12.0	10.0
12		SM385	FIREFOX	Kim Beveridge/ Anthony Clyne	24.0	4.0	20.0S
13		SM309	ALEGRIA	Simon May	26.0	11.0	15.0
14	14.0S	SM351	FIRST PASSION	Simon Lipman	32.0	18.0R	14.0
15		SM194	ANTARES	G Stewart D Pearce	32.0	16.0	16.0
16		SM343	AMERICA II	Michael Greenfield	40.0	8.0	27.0S



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The Start

Congratulations also to Skulduggery for winning Start of the Day on 3 seconds.



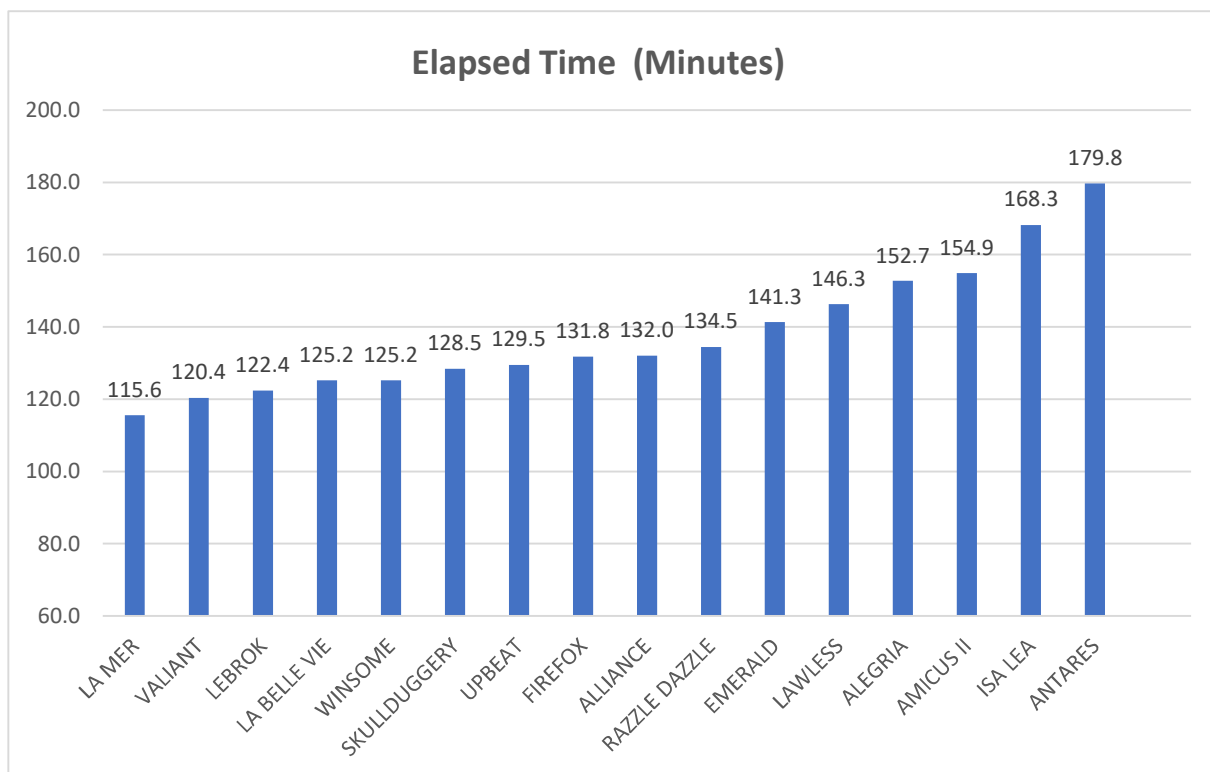


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Boat Speed

La Mer (Dufour 36E Performance, Michael Ebeling) with a non-spinnaker handicap of 39 was the fastest boat on the day with an elapsed time of 115 minutes.

The second fastest boat was the winning boat Valiant on 120.4 minutes followed by Lebrok at 122.4 minutes.





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Handicap Monitoring

Handicap Tracking

The table below shows changes in handicap for the boats in Race 2 after the first race for the series.

Perplexingly it is noted that 11 boats had some handicap relief and two boats copped a handicap hit.

The two boats penalised were Alliance (2 minutes) after winning the previous race and Emerald (1 minute) after second place previously. No change for Valiant after 3rd place in the previously race.

Many boats won some handicap relief after finishing around the middle of the fleet in the previous race.

'Please explain' (as a certain politician famously said).

The Handicap Mystery

To unwrap this mystery, Leeward Larry manned-up and approached our esteemed and much valued Handicapper with the intent to understanding how his handicap system works **'for Sunday Sailors'**.

What You Always Wanted To Know About SS Handicaps But Were Afraid To Ask

Firstly – SS handicaps are weather forecast influenced.

Sunday Sailors handicaps are finalised as late as possible the day before after receiving the latest forecast as an input, and may be weather adjusted. For example, heavier boats may be considered sympathetically in a light wind forecast day, and vice versa.

Secondly – Considers boat performance history rather than just one-off moments of glory.

Our handicapper advised that he does not seek to penalise boats for an abnormal podium finish, or give handicap relief if a boat finished further back in the fleet than normal.

Other Inputs – Elapsed Time

Boats that finish late after starting late, or after starting early and copping the 5-minute penalty cannot expect handicap relief as a result of poor starting performance. The Handicapper consider the elapsed time records as an input to assessing boat performance.

Our Sunday Sailors boats can expect a more complex, considered and dynamic handicap setting than previous methods that seemed to involve just impacting the first and last 3 boats.



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Sunday Sailors Summer 2022/23 Series - Handicap Tracking

Boat			Handicaps (Base)		
Sail	Name	Type	Opening	Change Race 2	Latest
SM328	VALIANT	Adams 10.6	30		30
SM6002	LA MER	Dufour 36e Performanc	37	-1	36
SM367	LEBROK	Beneteau First 36.7	33		33
SM385	FIREFOX	Beneteau 38.5	25		25
SM4646	ALLIANCE	Beneteau Oceanis 46	24	2	26
SM440	SKULLDUGGERY	Jeanneau 44 Ds	28	-1	27
SM459	LA BELLE VIE	Beneteau Oceanis 45	36	-1	35
SM190	WINSOME	Jeanneau Sunfast 40	35		35
SM342	AMICUS II	Swanson 30	7		7
SM88	UPBEAT	Beneteau First 36.7	34	-1	33
SM309	ALEGRIA	Catalina 309	12	-2	10
SM321	LAWLESS	Farr 920	19	-2	17
SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Swarbrick 111	30	-1	29
SM6915	EMERALD	Beneteau Oceanis 40	22	1	23
SM82	ISA LEA	Serendipity 28	5		5
SM194	ANTARES	Vandestadt	2	-2	0
SM351	FIRST PASSION	Beneteau First 35	33	-1	32
SM1400	ALEX - TEAM MACADIE		52		52
SM220	WAVELENGTH	Farr 1020	0		0
SM6222	FOGGY DEW	Northshore 369	40	-2	38
SM3434	ASTORIA	Beneteau Oceanis 34	3		3
SM4535	PANACHE IV	Salar 40	-10	-5	-15
SM742	LUMIERE	Beneteau First 50	42		42

(Larry Apologises for not having photos this time of the winning boats)

Leeward Larry