

Sandringham Yacht Club Noorden Property Wednesday Wonders Race #9 held 30 Nov 2022

As was the case in the previous week, 36 boats crossed the starting line. A 5 to 10 knot SW breeze gradually moved to the S and developed into a 10 to 15 knot breeze. The RO chose course #12 with a length of 9.29 nm. Given the increasing wind strength, the course length was sufficient to enable some of the late starters to push their way through the fleet.

Race management

A big thanks, as always, to the race management crew: Stewart Simmons as race officer, ably assisted by Di Tyndall, Florence Ong and Christina Tyndall. Thanks also to the boating office for having a rescue rib on the water on stand-by.

Pursuit race results

- 1st **White Pointer** (Tom Raft and Mall Billings) finished 19 sec ahead of...
- 2nd **Esprit** (Garry Anderson) which finished 46 sec ahead of ...
- 3rd **Lebrok** (Theo Korbel) which finished a mere 3 seconds ahead of
- 4th **Stampede** (Christopher Gendala) which finished 29 sec ahead of ...
- 5th **Foggy Dew** (Rob D'arcy).

Unfortunately, **Lebrok** and **Stampede** failed to sign on. Accordingly, for the purpose of determining their positions in the aggregate competition, their "scores" were increased by 5 points – that's the equivalent of being moved back 5 places!

To add to their injuries, they were denied the honour and applause of being able to collect any glassware for this race.



White Pointer – 1st



Esprit – 2nd



Foggy Dew – 5th to finish, 3rd on points

Fastest times around the course

The fastest elapsed time was *Esprit* (Garry Anderson) at 1:42:16

The second fastest was *Stampede* (Christopher Gendala) with 1:45:05

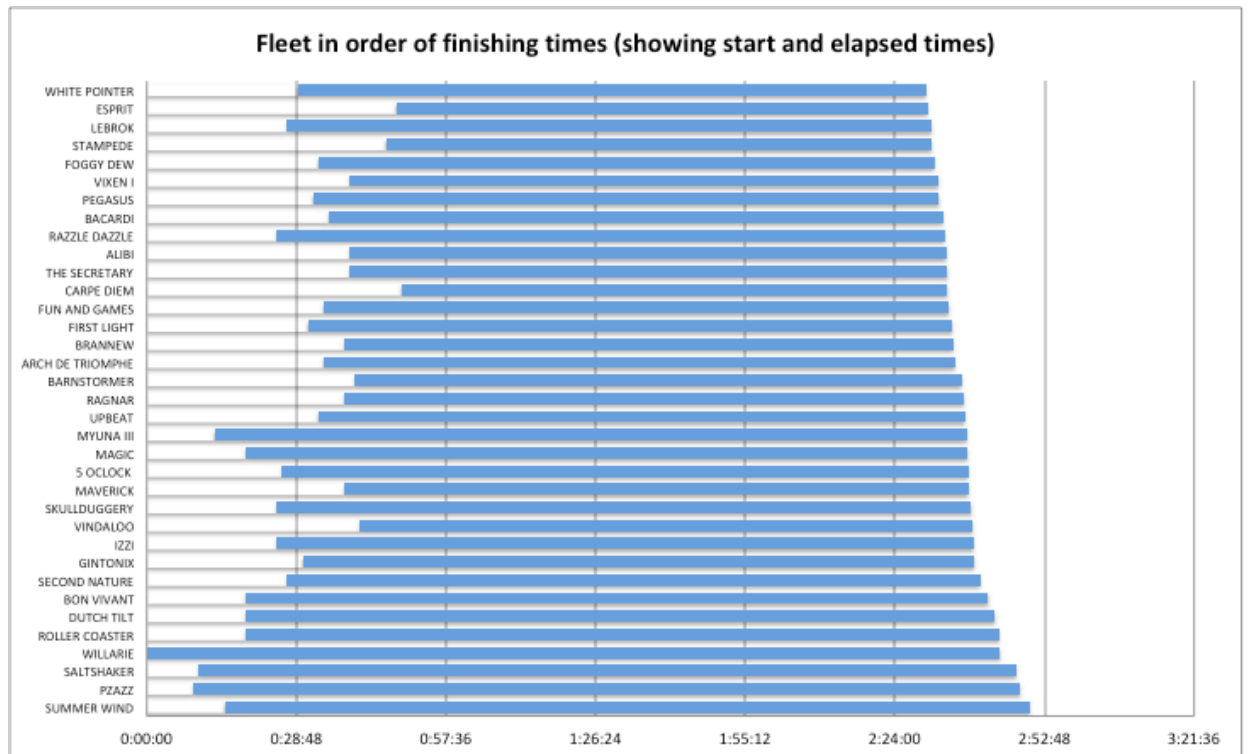
The third fastest was *Carpe Diem* (Paul Commins) which came in at 1:45:07, a mere 2 seconds slower.

Start of the day

Start of the day went to **Brannew** (Clive Sondheim) which crossed the line just 2 seconds after her allotted start time.

Detailed results

The following bar chart lists all competitors in the order of their finishing times. The blue bar represents a boat's elapsed time – each blue bar starts after the elapse of the boat's handicap and ends after it crosses the finish line.



Winsome (Simon Hemingway) retired from the race.

	H'cap	Elapsed	Finish	Score
WHITE POINTER	0:29:00	2:00:57	15:59:57	1
ESPRIT	0:48:00	1:42:16	16:00:16	2
LEBROK	0:27:00	2:04:02	16:01:02	8
STAMPEDE	0:46:00	1:45:05	16:01:05	9
FOGGY DEW	0:33:00	1:58:34	16:01:34	5
VIXEN I	0:39:00	1:53:21	16:02:21	6
PEGASUS	0:32:00	2:00:30	16:02:30	7
BACARDI	0:35:00	1:58:17	16:03:17	8
RAZZLE DAZZLE	0:25:00	2:08:31	16:03:31	9
ALIBI	0:39:00	1:54:50	16:03:50	15
THE SECRETARY	0:39:00	1:55:06	16:04:06	11
CARPE DIEM	0:49:00	1:45:07	16:04:07	12
FUN AND GAMES	0:34:00	2:00:25	16:04:25	13
FIRST LIGHT	0:31:00	2:04:02	16:05:02	14
BRANNEW	0:38:00	1:57:14	16:05:14	15
ARCH DE TRIOMPHE	0:34:00	2:01:32	16:05:32	16
BARNSTORMER	0:40:00	1:56:47	16:06:47	17
RAGNAR	0:38:00	1:59:18	16:07:18	18
UPBEAT	0:33:00	2:04:26	16:07:26	19
MYUNA III	0:13:00	2:24:51	16:07:51	20
MAGIC	0:19:00	2:18:59	16:07:59	21
5 OCLOCK	0:26:00	2:12:05	16:08:05	22
MAVERICK	0:38:00	2:00:07	16:08:07	23
SKULLDUGGERY	0:25:00	2:13:42	16:08:42	24
VINDALOO	0:41:00	1:57:57	16:08:57	25
IZZI	0:25:00	2:14:06	16:09:06	26
GINTONIX	0:30:00	2:09:15	16:09:15	27
SECOND NATURE	0:27:00	2:13:23	16:10:23	28
BON VIVANT	0:19:00	2:22:59	16:11:59	29
DUTCH TILT	0:19:00	2:24:14	16:13:14	30
ROLLER COASTER	0:19:00	2:25:03	16:14:03	31
WILLARIE	0:00:00	2:44:15	16:14:15	32
SALTSHAKER	0:10:00	2:37:20	16:17:20	33
PZAZZ	0:09:00	2:39:07	16:18:07	34
SUMMER WIND	0:15:00	2:34:53	16:19:53	35

Lebrok (Theo Korbel), **Stampepe** (Christopher Gendala) and **Alibi** (Dennis Hambleton) failed to sign on. As a consequence, in determining their “score” for the purpose of the aggregate result, they were penalized 5 points.

Close finishes (If only we hadn’t lost those few seconds!)

Only 1 seconds separated **The Secretary** (George Shaw) and **Carpe Diem** (Paul Commins) at the finishing line.

A whole 2 seconds separated **Five O’clock Somewhere** (Chris, Kate, Greg & Tony) and **Maverick** (Anthony Hammond).

And a relatively large gap of 3 seconds separated **Lebrok** (Theo Korbel) and **Stampepe** (Christopher Gendala).

Series aggregate

The series aggregate is currently led by **White Pointer** (Tommy Raft and Mal Billings) on 14 points, with **5 O'Clock Somewhere** (Chris, Kate, Greg & Tony) in second position on 17 points. **Razzle Dazzel** (Grahame Jones) and **Arch de Triomphe** (Alistair, James & Alex) both move into third place on 22 points.



5 O'clockSomewhere – remaining in 2nd position in the aggregate competition

Century class

The failure by **Lebrok** (Theo Korbel) to sign on denied her the honour of winning the Century Class category. This pleasure was picked up by **Razzle Dazzel** (Grahame Jones).

The aggregate competition is being led by **Fun & Games** (Alan Edwards).

Photo of the week

If you have a shot which you'd like to share, please send it to d.j.lynch@bigpond.com . Preference will be given to photos taken in recent weeks featuring boats and/or crews in action.

Yacht in profile – “*Razzle Dazzle*” Sm2627

Grahame Jones writes:

Razzle Dazzle is a 1983 Swarbrick S111 and I must say, what a great name for a boat that inspires and encourages whomever sails on her. Andrew Stopp bought her in 2016 and sailed her down from NSW to SYC. In 2019 I purchased a half share which made Andrew and me joint owners/skippers.



Yacht in profile – *Razzle Dazzle*

Some of our proudest moments include:

Cock of the Bay 2021 - 1st place in the cruising non spinnaker division.

Geelong regatta 2022 - 1st place in Div 2 PHS.

Sail Peninsular regatta 2022 - 1st place in Div 2 PHS

Razzle also has a women-in-sailing team with Charly Savory as skipper and Cathy Higgins as the on-shore Admiral. Their achievements include:

SYC 21/3/21 - 2nd Div 2 PHS

BLISS 5/5/21 - 7th Div 2 PHS.

About me, Grahame Jones? I joined the club in 2009 with no sailing experience. I was introduced to sailing by the late Frank Hilliard who encouraged me to sail with him on his Columbia 27 (*Foggy Dew*). We used to sail out to the beacon and back after work on very pleasant, warm summer evenings. Things progressed very quickly to a brand new Bavaria 32 cruiser (*Foggy Dew* SM32). I was invited to the join Frank and Joe O’Grady in partnership on our new boat.

Since 2009, I have had the great privilege to sail and learn from some great skippers who have all willingly parted with their extensive knowledge, expertise and experience of seamanship on their own boats. Just recently I have become the sole owner of *Razzle Dazzle* as Andrew has bought another boat and wants to pursue more ocean cruising. But I’m sure you will still see him skippering *Razzle* from time to time.

On another note, if anyone is interested in a half share of *Razzle*, let me know.

About our sponsor

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Good sailing
David Lynch

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The meaning of "stern": a harsh look.
From "With a Pinch of Salt", by Nick Bates