

**Sandringham Yacht Club
Noorden Property Wednesday Wonders
Race #10 held 7 Dec 2022**

27 boats crossed the starting line in a 10 to 20 knot southerly breeze which steadily increased to the 15 to 25 knot range. The RO chose course #13 (length of 9.42 nm) giving the fleet a long down-wind run from SYC5 to SYC7 and a short down-wind run from SYC1 to SYC3. The fleet finished within a 19 minute window, with the heavily handicapped boats rapidly closing on the leaders.

Race management

A big thanks, as always, to the race management crew: Margaret Whitbread as race officer, ably assisted by Di Tyndall and Kathryn Woods. Thanks also to the boating office for having a rescue rib on the water on stand-by.

Pursuit race results

- 1st ***Skullduggery*** (Garry McCarten) – started on 23 min and finished 1 min 47 sec ahead of...
- 2nd ***Roller Coaster*** (Geoffrey Simpson) – started on 17 min and finished 2 min 14 sec ahead of ...
- 3rd ***Izzi*** (Pat O'Brien & Bruce Parry) – started with ***Skullduggery*** on 23 min and finished just 27 sec ahead of ***Winsome*** (Simon Hemingway).



1st - ***Skullduggery*** on the way to SYC 1



2nd - **Roller Coaster** - on the way to SYC 5 (and a long way from the photographer)



3rd - **Izzi**

Said Bruce to Pat: "I was sure SYC 3 was around here somewhere."
Said Pat to Bruce: "You should have gone to Spec Savers Bruce!"

Fastest times around the course

Stampede (Christopher Gendala) achieved 1:30:57, which was 4 min 54 sec faster than

Wicked (Mike Welsh) recorded 1:35:51, a respectable 57 sec faster than ...

Esprit (Garry Anderson) which came in at 1:36:48.

The boat which enjoyed the best value-for-money was **Willarie** (Graeme Kaufman). Graeme was on the course for 2:24:35 and only paid the same race entry fee as every other competitor.

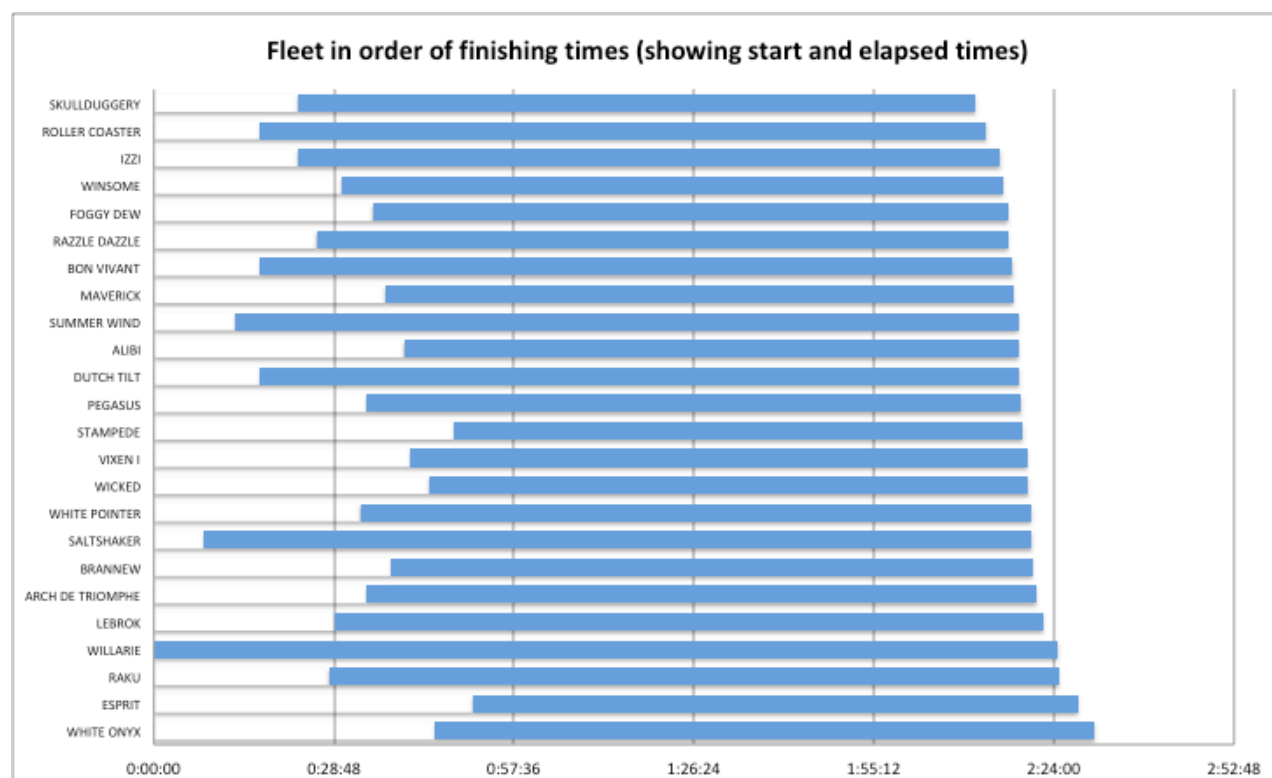
Start of the day

Start of the day went to **Foggy Dew** (Rob D'Arcy) which crossed the line exactly on her allotted start time. No need for Rob to go to Spec Savers.

Winsome (Simon Hemingway) and **Esprit** (Garry Anderson) started only 1 second after their allotted times. Well done lads.

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.



Place		H'cap	Elapsed	Finish
1	SKULLDUGGERY	0:23:00	1:48:22	15:41:22
2	ROLLER COASTER	0:17:00	1:56:09	15:43:09
3	IZZI	0:23:00	1:52:23	15:45:23
4	WINSOME	0:30:00	1:45:50	15:45:50
5	FOGGY DEW	0:35:00	1:41:36	15:46:36
6	RAZZLE DAZZLE	0:26:00	1:50:38	15:46:38
7	BON VIVANT	0:17:00	2:00:21	15:47:21
8	MAVERICK	0:37:00	1:40:29	15:47:29
9	SUMMER WIND	0:13:00	2:05:16	15:48:16
10	ALIBI	0:40:00	1:38:17	15:48:17
11	DUTCH TILT	0:17:00	2:01:26	15:48:26
12	PEGASUS	0:34:00	1:44:42	15:48:42
13	STAMPEDE	0:48:00	1:30:57	15:48:57
14	VIXEN I	0:41:00	1:38:41	15:49:41
15	WICKED	0:44:00	1:35:51	15:49:51
16	WHITE POINTER	0:33:00	1:47:20	15:50:20
17	SALTSHAKER	0:08:00	2:12:25	15:50:25
18	BRANNEW	0:38:00	1:42:32	15:50:32
19	ARCH DE TRIOMPHE	0:34:00	1:47:07	15:51:07
20	LEBROK	0:29:00	1:53:14	15:52:14
21	WILLARIE	0:00:00	2:24:35	15:54:35
22	RAKU	0:28:00	1:56:43	15:54:43
23	ESPRIT	0:51:00	1:36:48	15:57:48
24	WHITE ONYX	0:45:00	1:45:28	16:00:28

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White Onyx (Ben Solly) had to overcome a massive handicap of 45 minutes. You'd better have a chat to the handicapper Ben. Alternatively you could attend Tommy Raft's next handicap auction (for details, refer to the WW Report for race #8).

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

Only 1 second separated **Summer Wind** (Martyn Sly) and **Alibi** (Dennis Hambleton) at the finishing line. I suggest you extend your prodder (**Alibi's** prodder) next time Dennis.

A whole 2 seconds separated **Foggy Dew** (Rob D'Arcy) and **Razzle Dazzle** (Grahame Jones).



Wednesday sailing caters for all shapes and sizes. In this photo **Winsome** (Simon Hemingway) is on its way to 4th place, with **Summer Wind** (Martyn Sly) on its way to 9th and the J24 **Dutch Tilt** (Daniel Gallagher) on its way to 11th place.

Series aggregate

The series aggregate is currently led by **Skullduggery** (Garry McCarten) on 26 points, with **Razzle Dazzel** (Grahame Jones) in 2nd position on 28 points. Only 1 point behind in 3rd position is **5 O'Clock Somewhere** (Chris, Kate, Greg & Tony).



5 O'clock Somewhere – still on the podium for the aggregate competition but now in the 3rd spot

The top ten leaders in the aggregate competition are:

Pace	Ties	Boat Name	Sers Score
1		SKULLDUGGERY	26
2		RAZZLE DAZZLE	28
3		5 OCLOCK SOMEWHERE	29
4	1.0S	WHITE POINTER	30
5		ARCH DE TRIOMPHE	30
6		BON VIVANT	33
7		MAVERICK	35
8	1.0S	BRANNEW	36
9		PEGASUS	36
10		HOT CHIPPS	37

Photo of the week



Vixen 1 (Christine Matheou-Fox),
bow down, in beautiful trim.

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 – “*Saltshaker*” Sm1298

Ken Gayler writes:

Since becoming the prized possession of the current owner **Ken Gayler** in 2002, *Saltshaker* has undertaken multiple Bass Strait cruises and accumulated over 10,000 miles in Port Phillip races. She’s a Jarkan design and despite being only 9.25 metres (30 feet and a few inches) she seems to relish the challenge of racing under all weather and wind conditions safely.



In spite of clearly being relatively slow learners, handicap race wins include a Latitude Race, a Geelong passage race, the Patrick Memorial Trophy, an Anonyma Trophy, a Hobson’s Bay two handed race and the Goorangai Memorial race to Queenscliff ... all of them handicap races, but a win is win.

Saltshaker turns 33 years old this year and is good for at least that again. She has participated in the Wednesday Wonders Series for over 20 years crewed long term by Nick Withers, Lee Bebbington, Tim Walker and Ken O’Brien, ably backed up by many, many others over the years

My thanks to all my crew with whom I have great fun out on the water.

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Good sailing
David Lynch

Photos by courtesy of **Bruce Parry** (Izzi)

The meaning of "capsize": the internal dimensions of a piece of head gear.
From "With a Pinch of Salt", by Nick Bates