

# Sandringham Yacht Club Noorden Property Wednesday Wonders Race #18 held 1 Feb 2023

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This race was held in a SSW breeze ranging from 15 to 23 knots. The water was lumpy and there were few clouds overhead. The RO chose course #13 with a length of 9.42 M. A total of 19 boats braved the conditions and all completed the course.

## Race management

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

## Pursuit race results

This was a race where the course length, wind strength and wind conditions favoured the early starters.

- 1<sup>st</sup> **Izzi** (Patrick O'Brien) – started on 24 min, sailed for 1:45:29 and finished a 1 min 11 sec ahead of...
- 2<sup>nd</sup> **Summer Wind** (Martyn Sly) – started on 16 min, sailed for 1:54:40 and finished 29 sec ahead of ...
- 3<sup>rd</sup> **Magic** (Phil Spry-Bailey) – started on 18 min, sailed for 1:53:09 and finished 1 min 11 sec ahead **Saltshaker** (Ken Gayler). Last week, **Magic** came 2<sup>nd</sup> with the same margin of 1 min 11 sec. Well choreographed Phil!



**Izzi** - 1st across the line

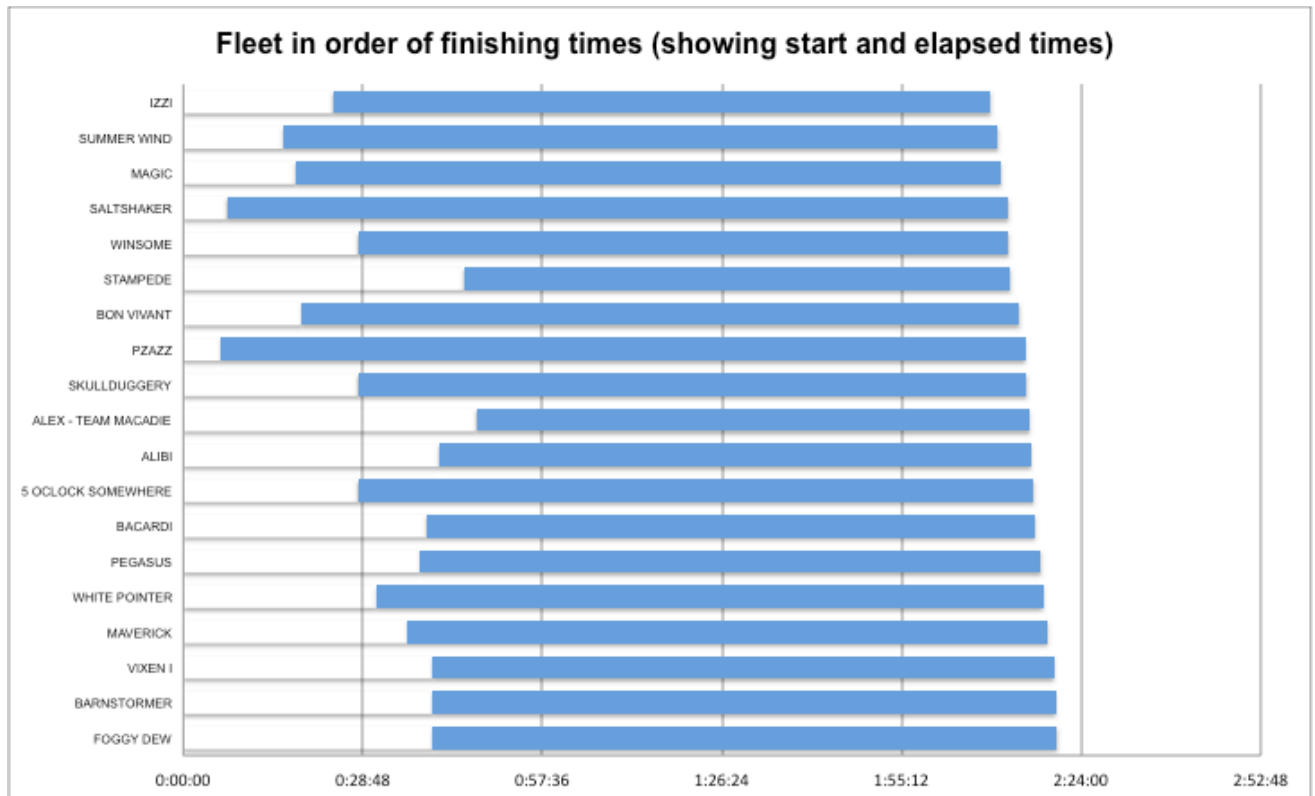


***Summer Wind*** – 2<sup>nd</sup> across the line.



***Magic*** – 3<sup>rd</sup> place

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	Boat Name	H'cap	Elapsed	Finish	Score
1	IZZI	0:24:00	1:45:29	15:39:29	1
2	SUMMER WIND	0:16:00	1:54:40	15:40:40	2
3	MAGIC	0:18:00	1:53:09	15:41:09	3
4	SALTSHAKER	0:07:00	2:05:20	15:42:20	4
5	WINSOME	0:28:00	1:44:23	15:42:23	5
6	STAMPEDE	0:45:00	1:27:40	15:42:40	6
7	BON VIVANT	0:19:00	1:55:07	15:44:07	7
8	PZAZZ	0:06:00	2:09:00	15:45:00	8
9	SKULLDUGGERY	0:28:00	1:47:17	15:45:17	9
10	ALEX - TEAM MACADIE	0:47:00	1:28:42	15:45:42	10
11	ALIBI	0:41:00	1:34:58	15:45:58	11
12	5 OCLOCK SOMEWHERE	0:28:00	1:48:24	15:46:24	12
13	BACARDI	0:39:00	1:37:37	15:46:37	13
14	PEGASUS	0:38:00	1:39:33	15:47:33	14
15	WHITE POINTER	0:31:00	1:46:53	15:47:53	15
16	MAVERICK	0:36:00	1:42:38	15:48:38	16
17	VIXEN I	0:40:00	1:39:37	15:49:37	17
18	BARNSTORMER	0:40:00	1:39:54	15:49:54	18
19	FOGGY DEW	0:40:00	1:40:10	15:50:10	19

Unfortunately, **Maverick** (Anthony Hammond) was 2 sec early for her start and was penalized 5 min resulting in her finishing in 16<sup>th</sup> place rather than 7<sup>th</sup>. Ouch!!

There was only one noteworthy close finish:  
**Winsome** (Simon Hemingway) finished just 3 sec behind **Saltshaker** (Ken Gayler). Well managed Ken, there's no point being too far ahead.

## Fastest times around the course

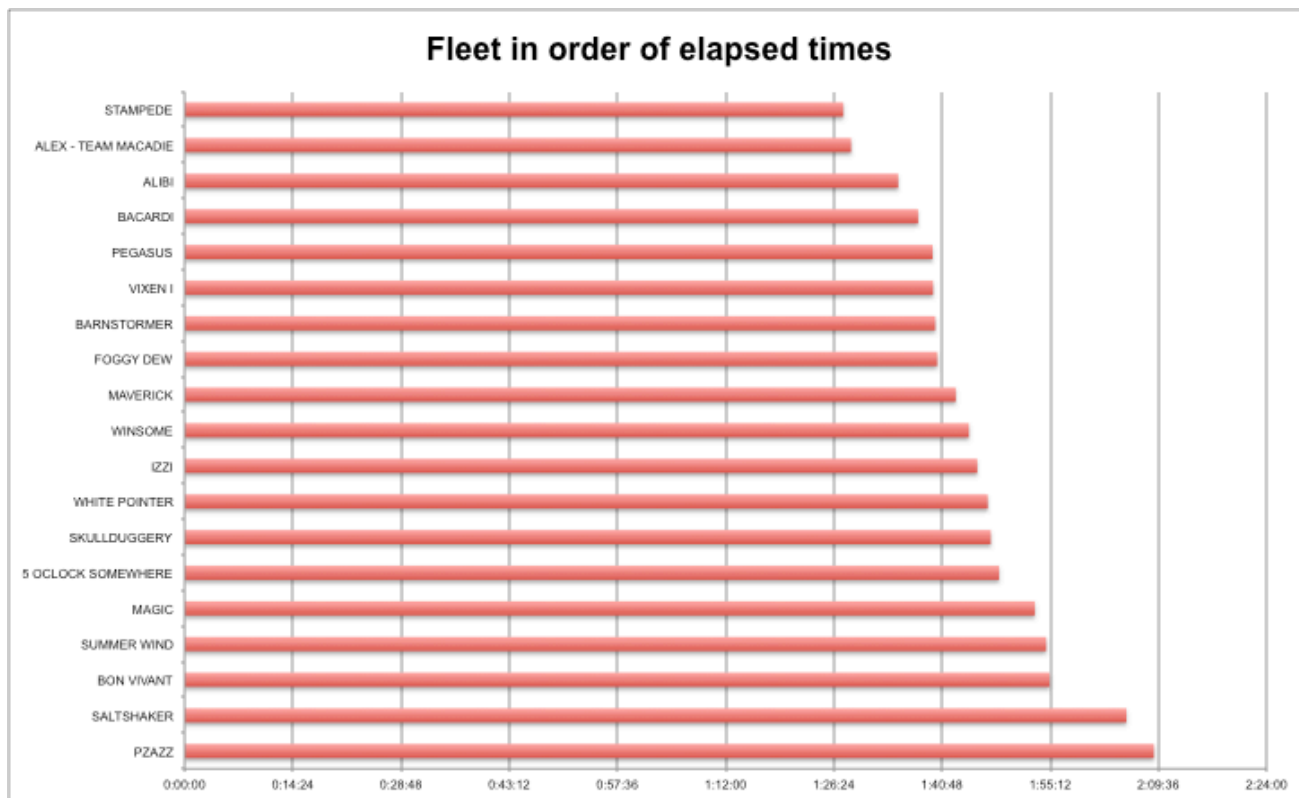
**Stampede** (Christopher Gendala) – completed the course in 1:27:40, 1 min 2 sec faster than ...

**Alex - Team Macadie** (Jock Macadie) – completed the course in 1:28:42, which was a respectable 6 min 16 sec faster than ...

**Alibi** (Dennis Hambleton) – completed Course 13 in 1:34:58.



**Stampede** cracking the pace to record the fastest time – source photo library.



**Pzazz** (Michael Vandertop) enjoyed the best value-for-money being on the course for 2 hours and 9 min.

## Start of the day

Start of the day was shared by the 2 boats which crossed the line in 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> positions. Congratulations to **Izzi** (Patrick O'Brien) and **Summer Wind** (Martyn Sly) which were both only 3 sec late for their allocated start times.

## Series aggregate

Scheduled races = 18

Abandoned = 5

Races completed = 13

Races to count = 7 best

**Skullduggery** (Garry McCarten) moves into 1<sup>st</sup> position on 42 points.

**Foggy Dew** (Rob D'Arcy), stays in 2<sup>nd</sup> position, again only on the basis of a count back. She also has a series score of 42 points.

**5 O'Clock Somewhere** (Chris, Kate, Greg & Tony) only just slips into 3<sup>rd</sup> spot on 43 points relinquishing her long held lead.



***Skullduggery*** – moves to 1<sup>st</sup> position in the aggregate competition



***Foggy Dew*** – 2<sup>nd</sup> in the aggregate series (on count-back); equal points to series leader.

The top ten leaders in the aggregate competition are:

Place	Boat Name	Series Score
1	SKULLDUGGERY	42
2	FOGGY DEW	42
3	5 OCLOCK SOMEWHERE	43
4	BON VIVANT	46
5	WHITE POINTER	48
6	HOT CHIPPS	48
7	PEGASUS	50
8	PZAZZ	51
9	RAZZLE DAZZLE	52
10	BRANNEW	60

## Yacht under focus – *Izzi* (Patrick O'Brien)

I asked Patrick O'Brien if he would send me an info brief on *Izzi* and her crew. Here is Pat's response:

"*Izzi* is a Northshore 380c (the gentleman-sailor's version of the sportier Northshore 38). Launched in 2004 as *Blossom*, the second owner had the good sense to rename her *Izzi* and raced her successfully out of the Greenwich Flying Squadron in Sydney .

Colin Nicol (owner of *GinToniX*) and I bought her in late 2018 and were too lazy to change the name. We have no idea what it means but we liked the boat. We then raced her out of Blairgowrie YS for a year or so. When Colin brought *GinToniX* back to Australia, I became the sole owner and moved up to SYC. Great club.

Having crewed on *Blue Tack* and *Pegasus*, I am an honorary member of the Lynch family sailing academy and with their help we have been able to cobble together a motley crew of vastly varying experience. When we have been short of crew a Pegasasi has always jumped ship to make sure we can race. We may not be quick but we have fun!

When we were lucky enough to win the last Wednesday Wonders Winter series, no-one was more surprised than us. I have learnt that keeping a well-stocked fridge is crucial to keeping a regular crew. Bruce Parry kindly offered to skipper whilst I was away last February and hasn't left!

At the moment we only race on Wednesdays but it is great fun and you feel like you learn something every time you go out."



*Izzi*, with **Bruce Parry** at the helm and **Pat O'Brien** helping him find SYC3. That's a problem which only arises when you're in the lead! I suggest you leave that big round fender on the dock Pat ... or do you always provide for visitors?

## Photo of the week



***Brannew***, at a cracking pace in an earlier race with owner **Clive Sondheim** at her helm.

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

## About our sponsor

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Good sailing  
**David Lynch**

Photos by courtesy of **Sharon Parsons** (Izzi) and the photo library.

*The meaning of "displacement tonnage": the act of forgetting where you left your boat.*  
From "With a Pinch of Salt", by Nick Bates