

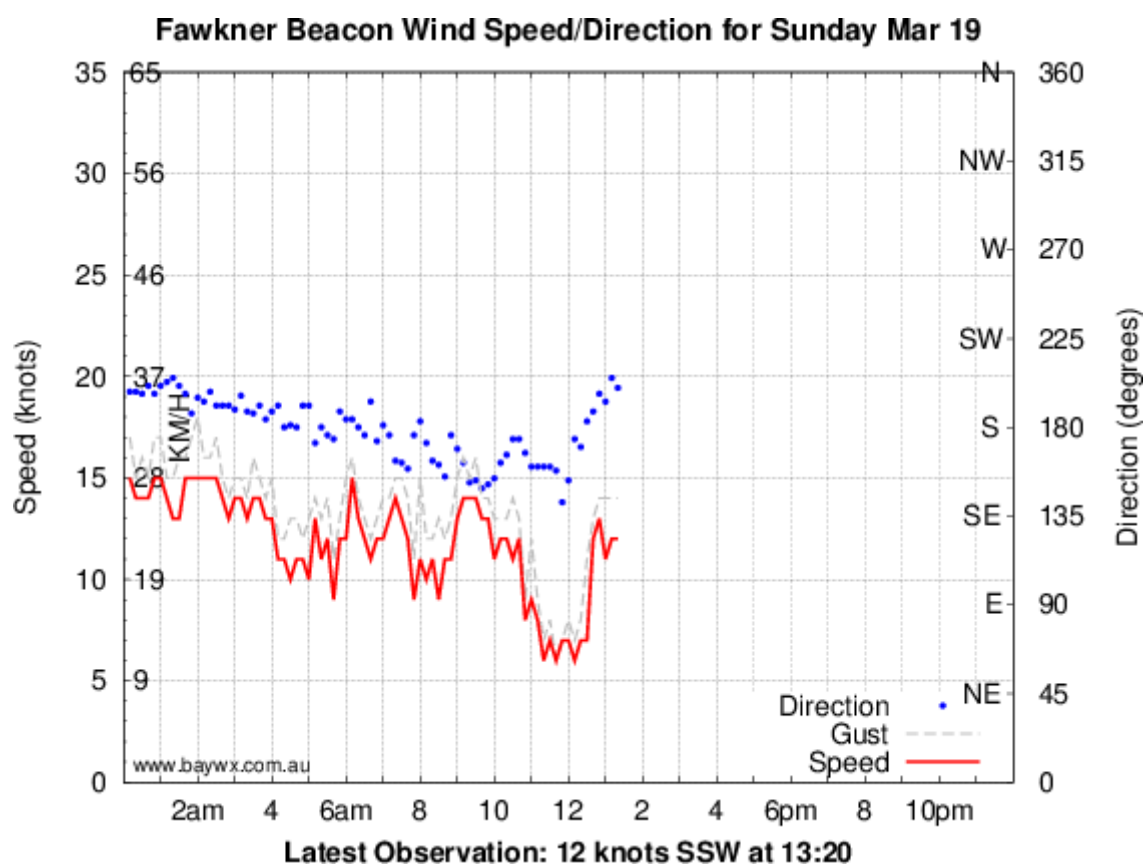
## SUNDAY SAILORS REPORT MARCH 19 2023 – RACE 12

### Intro

A beautiful Sunday Morning about 20 degrees. The wind started out above 10 knots but gradually dropped out and turned a bit Westerly at the end. The wind inshore was lighter than what was registered at Fawkner Beacon. The conditions favoured the early starters and handicapped the last couple of boats. in the 20's, mostly sunny, but no wind to start with.

It was a busy day on the water with the J24's, Sunday Sailors and the Associations Cup.... At the time of submitting my copy your correspondent was not aware of the Association Cup result.

But the most important event this Sunday was the arrival of the Commodore's boat to SYC after an absence of 2 years sailing northern climes. In a not so quick hop from lakes Entrance, "**That Boat**" arrived at SYC at 9.15 AM with **Sue, Charles and crew** to rapturous greetings from... well.... A few people.



### Results

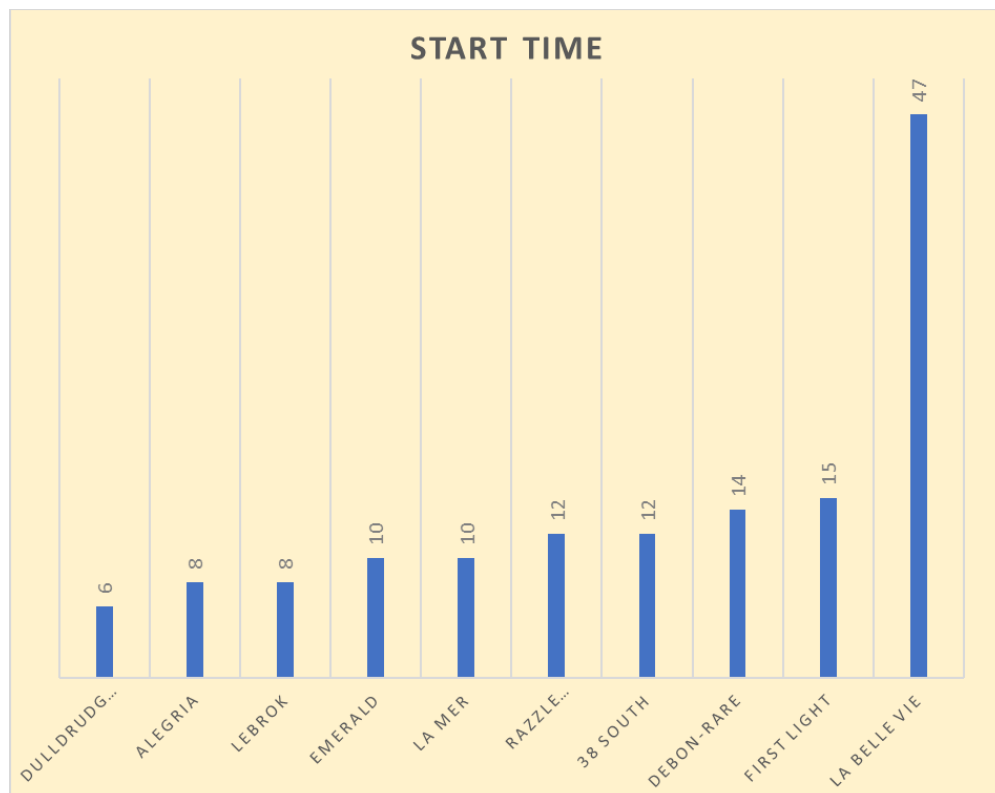
Five boats flew spinnakers and 14 boats toed the line. In an almost all the way in front victory **Lawless** powered around the course to finish in front by 15 minutes. Well done to **Boyd Coulsen** and crew. Second was **Alegria (Simon May)** just holding off **La Belle Vie (Grant and Nathan Anderson)**. **Lebrok (Theo Korbel)** and **La Mer (Michael Ebeling)** rounded out the top 5. **First Passion** sailed well but **Simon Lipman** just does not like memberpoint!!!

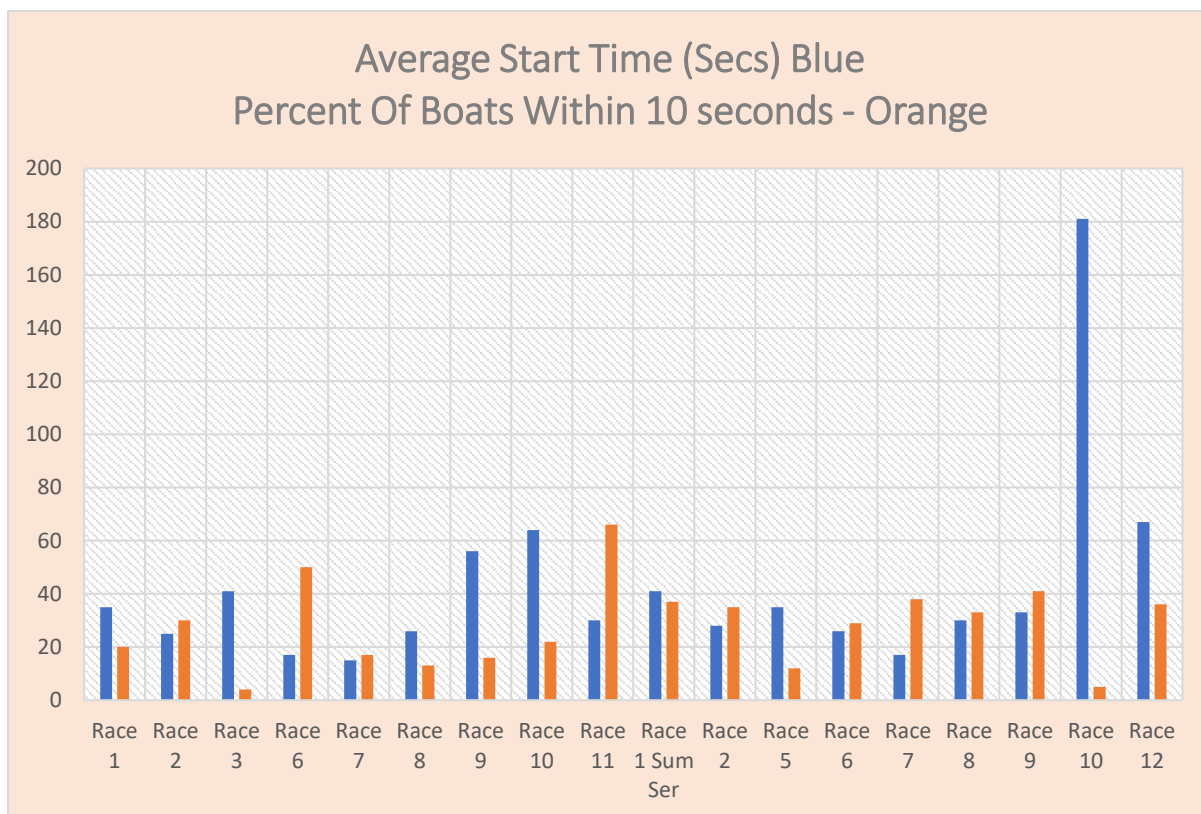


Today's Winner **Lawless**- marching around the course in a dominant display  
**38 degrees South (John Chatham)**- a lonely race out the back with **Debon-rare (Phil Gomez)**.

### Start of the Day

Some good starts today, and some very poor ones (what is new??). The **Dulldrudgeries (Harry McCarten)** won the best start with 2 boats on eight seconds (**Alegria and Lebrok**) and two boats on 10 seconds (**Emerald- Tony Tanner and La Mer**). In the visual below I have left out the starts over 60 seconds to spare the blushes of those concerned.....





Although the average start time was, well, average, this was dragged down by the last 4 starters. You know who you are!! But 70% of the fleet started within 15 seconds of their allotted time.

#### **SERIES BEST STARTERS**

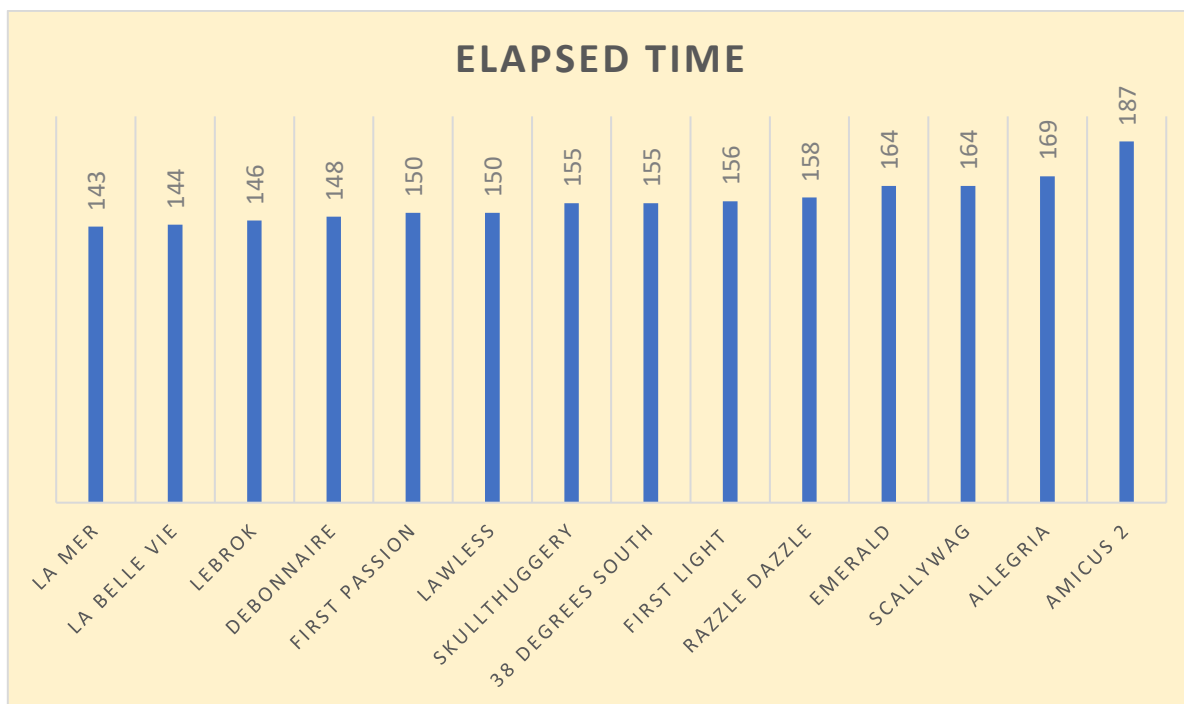
SUNDAY SAILORS STARTS - BEST 8		
La Mer		69
Razzle Dazzle		197
La Belle Vie		202
Skullduggery		281
Emerald		326
Winsome		358

The drifting conditions at the start in races 10 and 11 have blown out the starts for all except **La Mer**. What sustained skill and concentration from Mile Ebeling and his crew of Amazons and Warriors.

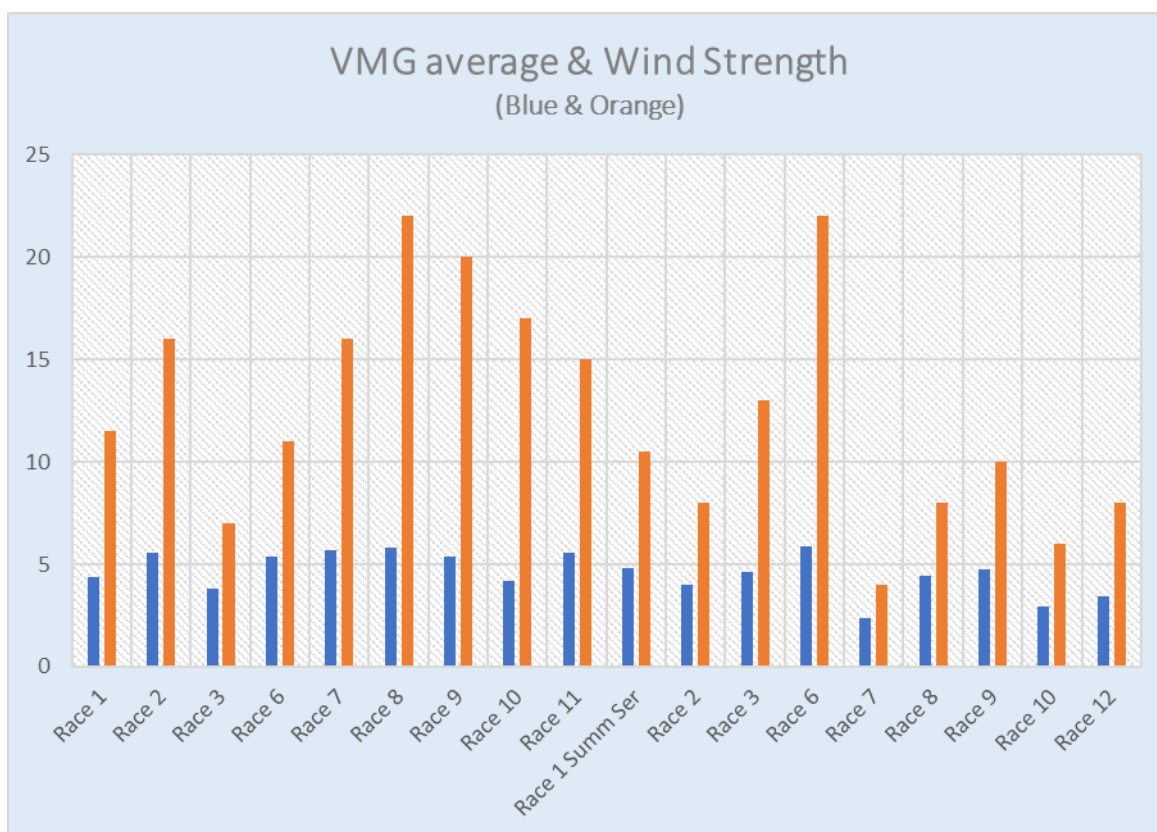
#### **Half Time Score**

Your scribe was in the tower to see **Lawless** come through no 4 sailing tidily efficiently and the crew were keeping her going very nicely. Even at that stage **Lawless** looked every inch (or cm) a winner. **Alegria** was hanging on in second, and did so successfully with a well-deserved podium finish for **Olwyn**....

#### **Elapsed times**

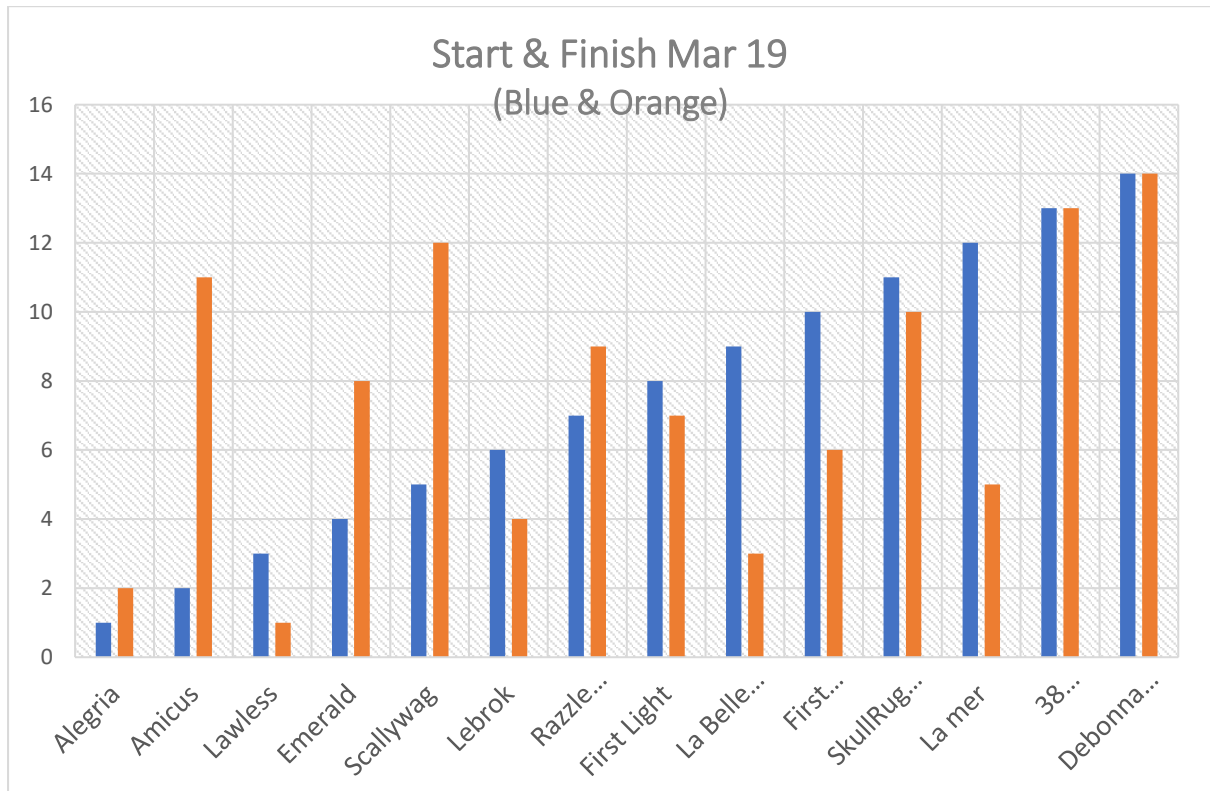


Little more than 10 minutes covered the first 10 boats with **La Mer** being quickest followed by **La Belle Vie** and **Lebrok**. The average elapsed time was 156 minutes with an average VMG of 3.46 knots on a 9nm course. The winds were moderate becoming light. One boat, on the second run, was heard to be complaining of only 2 knots of speed even with a very big kite up. **Lawless** sailed well to be equal 4<sup>th</sup> fastest. **Stuart Morrison Jack** please note.



### START AND FINISH POSITIONS

As accurately pointed out before by your roving correspondent, the conditions aided the first boats and hampered the last couple. **La Belle Vie** picked up 6 spots, and **La Mer** 7.



### SERIES LEAD

So the series would be very close and exciting, with two points separating the top 4 but..... Skullhuggery is well in the lead out the front, even after having to drop their 10<sup>th</sup> today. So well done to the pirates and beating them will be hard. They were into self-congratulations even before the race was finished today with posted photos and smiles all around!! **Murray, Anne and Garry** yucking it up.....





Series Results [PurHC] up to Race 12 (								
Place	Ties	Sail Num	Boat Name	Skipper	Sers Score	Race 12	Race 11	Ra
1		SM440	SKULLDUGGERY	Garry McCarten	34.0	[10.0]	1.0	5.0
2		SM459	LA BELLE VIE	Grant/Nathan Anderson	48.0	3.0	4.0	[4
3		SM6915	EMERALD	Tony Tanner	49.0	8.0	7.0	[1
4		SM6002	LA MER	Michael Ebeling	50.0	5.0	3.0	10
5		SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Grahame Jones Andrew Stopp	50.5	9.0	10.0	8.0
6		SM321	LAWLESS	Boyd Coulson	65.0	1.0	[50.0C]	14
7		SM190	WINSOME	Simon Hemingway	72.0	[50.0C]	5.0	13
8		SM385	FIREFOX	Kim Beveridge/ Anthony Clyne	85.0	[50.0C]	12.0	9.0
9		SM328	VALIANT	David Keyes-Tilley	88.0	[50.0C]	[50.0C]	7.0
10		SM42	HITCHHIKER	David Goodman	91.0	[50.0C]	11.0	17
11		SM351	FIRST PASSION	Simon Lipman	94.0	11.0N	17.0	3.0
12		SM367	LEBROK	Theo Korbel	99.0	4.0	[50.0C]	11
13		SM309	ALEGRIA	Simon May	109.0	2.0	20.0R	22

Second is **La Belle Vie**, third **Emerald**, with **La Mer** and **Razzle Dazzle** rounding out the top 5.

#### Gossip and other matters.

Very little gossip this week as your correspondent is hopping on a plane to cover events in northern Australia. **Winsome** was a notable absence today. After spending two weeks in the yard being polished and painted, topsides and below water **Simon Hemingway** was heard moaning that he couldn't get his motor going despite spending thousands on it. Well that was his story..... Maybe he is wary of **Skullduggery's** crew and spinnaker!!

#### LUFFING LANCE



**Alegria** – Second today, **La Belle Vie**- third Today (both taken on another day).