

Sunday Sailors Report - Race 4 (18 June 23)

The Race

Sailors in Race 4 on 18th June enjoyed perfect sailing weather. Winds were N to NW consistently around 15 knots delivered on flat seas, slightly higher than the NW forecast.

All boats were finished in the time range of 11.24 am to 11.44 am, a result that which would have pleased the Handicapper.

Courses 25 was selected with a Northerly start and two long North to South sausage shaped circuits. Sailing the course consisted of two long beats to the North and two long reaches to the South. Ideal for boats that elected to use a spinnaker.

Wind Speed



COURSE 25



MARK	BEARING (Magnetic)	DISTANCE
SYC 7 (p)	330	1.01
SYC 4 (pass)	NA	NA
SYC 5 (p)	178	3.01
SYC 4 (p)	010	2.16
SUB-TOTAL	24	6.18
SYC 3 (p)	336	0.58
SYC 4 (pass)	NA	NA
SYC 1 (p)	179	1.59
FINISH	010	1.07
TOTAL		9.42



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The Fleet

15 boats entered and surprisingly only 6 elected to a fly a spinnaker.

Boats Entered and Results

Score	Number	Name	Туре	Skipper	Spin	H'cap	Finish Time		ne
						(Spin			
						adjusted)	Hrs	Mins	Secs
1	SM6915	EMERALD	Beneteau Oceanis 40	Tony Tanner		19	11	24	0
2	SM342	AMICUS II	Swanson 30	Warwick Stenford		0	11	28	47
3	SM377	BACARDI	Peterson 44	Martin Power		34	11	29	34
4	SM385	FIREFOX	Beneteau 38.5	Kim Beverage		17	11	30	30
5	YC447	FIRST LIGHT	Beneteau First 47.7	Mike Coulter	Υ	29	11	31	39
6	SM4646	ALLIANCE	Beneteau Oceanis 46	Alex H Simon F Paul S		26	11	34	34
7	SM440	SKULLDUGGERY	Jeanneau 44 Ds	Garry McCarten	Υ	35	11	34	48
8	SM309	ALEGRIA	Catalina 309	Simon May		7	11	37	19
9	SM88	UPBEAT	Beneteau First 36.7	Peter Dunne		30	11	37	51
10	SM190	WINSOME	Jeanneau Sunfast 40	Simon Hemingway		29	11	37	56
11	SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Swarbrick 111	Graham Jones	Υ	32	11	39	3
12	SM351	FIRST PASSION	Beneteau First 35	Simon Lipman		31	11	40	42
13	SM742	LUMIERE	Beneteau First 50	Matt Kebbell	Υ	41	11	41	43
14	SM86	SHEBA	Elliot 780	Michael Pisani	Υ	27	11	42	42
15	SM6002	LA MER	Dufour 36e Performance	Michael Ebeling	Υ	39	11	44	11

The Winners

Congratulations to EMERALD (Tony Tanner, Beneteau Oceanis 40, off a non-spinnaker handicap of 19) for first across the line, 4 minutes ahead of the next boat. Emerald's winning crew was Andrew Mollison, Joanna Tanner and Ross Thompson.

In the previous race EMERALD won 5th place. These two results catapulting them to 5th place overall in the series to date. *Leeward Larry* predicts this performance will surely win them a handicap penalty for the next race.

In second place was AMICUS (Warwick Stenford, Swanson 30 off a non-spinnaker handicap of 0). This is the first race of the winter series that AMICUS has competed in, having retired from race 3 and not entered race 1.

One minute behind AMISCUS and in third place was BACARDI (Martin Power, Peterson 44 on a non-spinnaker handicap of 34).



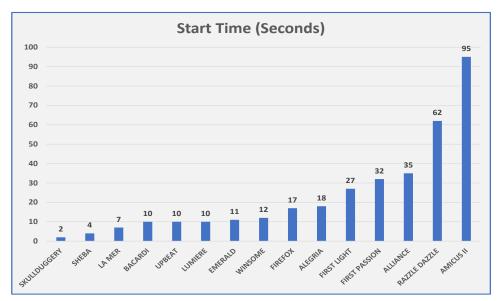
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The Start

Congratulations to SKULLDUGGERY (Garry McCarten, Jeanneau 44DS on a Spinnaker handicap of 35) for winning Start of the day with a 2-second start.

SHEBA and LA MER were the other two boats that started with less than 10 seconds.

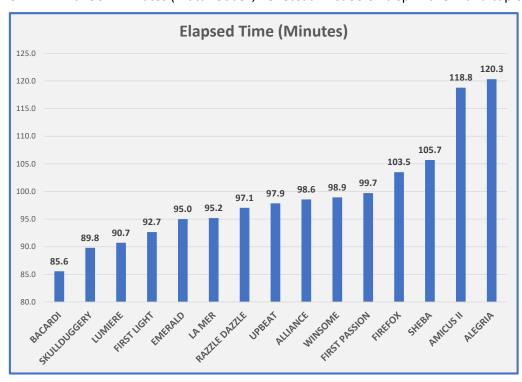
Ten boats had starts of less than 20 seconds.



Boat Speed

BACARDI (Martin Power, Peterson 44 on a non-spinnaker handicap of 34) blitzed the field to deliver the fastest elapsed time of 85.6 minutes. This equated to an average speed of 6.6 knots, mark to mark, around the 9.4nm course.

The second fastest boat was Skullduggery using a spinnaker for an 89.8 minute elapsed time, followed by LUMIERE with 90.7 minutes (Matt Kebbell, Beneteau First 50 on a spinnaker handicap of 41).





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Series Results

Overall for the series, congratulations to WINSOME (Simon Hemingway, Jeanneau Sunfast 40) who is leading the winter series, followed by SHEBA, FIREFOX and then SKULLDUGGERY.

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Series Results [PurHC] up to Race 4

Place	Ties	Sail Num	Boat Name	Skipper	Sers Score	Race 4	Race 3	Race 2	Race 1
1		SM190	WINSOME	Simon Hemingway	15.5	10.0	3.5	ABN	2.0
2		SM86	SHEBA	Michael Pisani	23.0	14.0	2.0	ABN	7.0
3		SM385	FIREFOX	Kim Beveridge/ Anthony Clyne	25.0	4.0	18.05	ABN	3.0
4		SM440	SKULLDUGGERY	Garry McCarten	26.0	7.0	9.0	ABN	10.0F
5	1.05	SM6915	EMERALD	Tony Tanner	27.0	1.0	5.0	ABN	21.0C
6		YC447	FIRST LIGHT	Mike Coulter	27.0	5.0	12.0	ABN	10.0F
7		SM377	BACARDI	Martin Power	27.5	3.0	3.5	ABN	21.0C
8		SM6002	LA MER	Michael Ebeling	29.0	15.0	10.0	ABN	4.0
9		SM88	UPBEAT	Peter Dunne	31.0	9.0	1.0	ABN	21.0C
10		SM309	ALEGRIA	Simon May	37.0	8.0	8.0	ABN	21.0C
11		SM4646	ALLIANCE	Alex H Simon F Paul S	38.0	6.0	11.0	ABN	21.0C
12	2.05	SM342	AMICUS II	Warwick Stenford	41.0	2.0	18.0R	ABN	21.0C
13		VN742	LUMIERE	Matt Kebbell	41.0	13.0	7.0	ABN	21.0C
14		SM351	FIRST PASSION	Simon Lipman	44.0	12.0	26.0C	ABN	6.0
15		SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Grahame Jones	45.0	11.0	13.0	ABN	21.0C
16	1.05	SM42	HITCHHIKER	David Goodman	53.0	26.0C	26.0C	ABN	1.0
17		SM4379	SOUL MATE	David Keyes-Tilley	53.0	26.0C	6.0	ABN	21.0C
18		SM499	BRAVEHEART	Leigh Maddison James Billson	57.0	26.0C	26.0C	ABN	5.0
19		SM911	ROLLER COASTER	Karin Imming	61.0	26.0C	14.0	ABN	21.0C
20		SM4535	PANACHE IV	Egils Stokans	65.0	26.0C	18.0R	ABN	21.0C

Handicap Monitoring

The table below shows changes in handicap for the series to date.

There has been little movement for the season, except LUMIERE won 4 minutes relief. And both FIRST PASSION and FIRST LIGHT have each won 2 minutes relief.

Sunday Sailors Winter 2023 Series - Handicap Tracking								
Boat Handicaps (Base)								
Sail	Name Type			Change (Race Number)			Latest	
			End of last season	1	2	3	4	
SM6915	EMERALD	Beneteau Oceanis 40	18	-1	2			19
SM342	AMICUS II	Swanson 30	0					0
SM377	BACARDI	Peterson 44	34					34
SM385	FIREFOX	Beneteau 38.5	17	-2			2	17
YC447	FIRST LIGHT	Beneteau First 47.7	28	-2				26
SM4646	ALLIANCE	Beneteau Oceanis 46	26					26
SM440	SKULLDUGGERY	Jeanneau 44 Ds	32	2			-2	32
SM309	ALEGRIA	Catalina 309	8	-1				7
SM88	UPBEAT	Beneteau First 36.7	31	-2	1			30
SM190	WINSOME	Jeanneau Sunfast 40	29	-1	1			29
SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Swarbrick 111	27	2				29
SM351	FIRST PASSION	Beneteau First 35	33		-2			31
SM742	LUMIERE	Beneteau First 50	42				-4	38
SM86	SHEBA	Elliot 780	24	3	-2			25
SM6002	LA MER	Dufour 36e Performance	36		1		-1	36



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Spinnaker Handicaps - The Winsome Anomaly

Spinnaker handicaps have generally been around 3 minutes for 40'ish size boats, less for smaller or slower boats and more for any larger fast racers. See the table below.

The one exception is Winsome, (Jeanneau Sunfast 40), arguably the best performing 40-footer in the fleet. She is currently allocated a <u>'one'</u> minute spinnaker penalty.

How could this be?

Upon enquiry, the Handicapper advised that this reflected his observation of Winsome's sailing expertise and performance in using their spinnaker. Given our Handicapper's mission to develop sailing skills across the fleet, he has assigned them 'one' as a token spinnaker penalty to encourage Winsome to get it out and practice.

Leeward Larry suggests that a negative handicap might work better in the case of Winsome.

We watch with interest.

Spinnaker Penalties

Sail Num	Boat Name	First Name	Last Name	Non Spinnaker Handicap	Spinnaker Handicap	Spinnaker Penalty
SM4535	PANACHE IV	Eglis	Stokans	-15	-12	3
SM194	ANTARES	G Stewart	D Pearce	-2	-2	0
SM342	AMICUS II	Warwick	Stenford	0	1	1
SM309	ALEGRIA	Simon	May	7	9	2
SM42	HITCHHIKER	David	Goodman	16	19	3
SM385	FIREFOX	Kim Beveridge	Anthony Clyne	17	20	3
SM6915	EMERALD	Tony	Tanner	19	22	3
SM512	Scallywag	Ross Smith	Phil Herkess	20	23	3
SM911	ROLLER COASTER	Karin	Imming	24	27	3
SM86	SHEBA	Michael	Pisani	25	27	2
SM4646	ALLIANCE	Alex H	Simon F Paul S	26	29	3
YC447	FIRST LIGHT	Mike	Coulter	26	29	3
SM4379	SOUL MATE	David	Keyes-Tilley	26	29	3
SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Andrew Stopp	/Grahame Jones	29	32	3
SM190	WINSOME	Simon	Hemingway	29	30	1
SM367	LEBROK	Theo	Korbel	30	33	3
SM88	UPBEAT	Peter	Dunne	30	33	3
SM106	ELLIPSE II	Jon	Warner	31	33	2
SM351	FIRST PASSION	Simon	Lipman	31	34	3
SM440	SKULLDUGGERY	Garry	McCarten	32	35	3
SM377	BACARDI	Martin	Power	34	37	3
SM6002	LA MER	Michael	Ebeling	36	39	3
VN742	LUMIERE	Matt	Kebbell	38	41	3
SM499	BRAVEHEART	Nick	Maddison	46	49	3
SM1400	ALEX-TEAM MACADIE	Jock	Macadie	52	56	4

Other Gossip -

Luffing Lance Sent Away For Training

The writing of this report is shared with my colleague Luffing Lance, who has lately demonstrated difficulty with the task of correctly spelling boat names.

For example, he has inadvertently misspelled Skullduggery as Skullthuggery, Skulldrudgery and Skullruggery, on multiple occasions.

Similarly, he has also misspelled Foggy Dew as Doggy Dew, Foggy Do (and you can imagine the rest). Not to mention struggling with the correct spelling of Debonnaire. And more.

Accordingly, Luffing Lance has taken a break for around 6 weeks to attend 'boat spelling school'.

Readers should look forward to seeing the results upon his return.



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(Apologies that photos are from different races)



First Place
EMERALD (Tony Tanner, Beneteau Oceanis 40),



Third Place and Fastest Elapsed Time BACARDI (Martin Power, Peterson 44)



Second Place
AMICUS (Warwick Stenford, Swanson 30)



Start of the Day SKULLDUGGERY (Garry McCarten, Jeanneau 44DS)

Leeward Larry