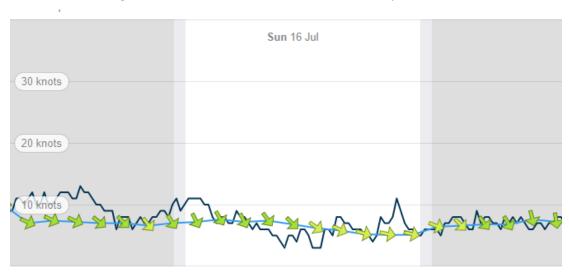


## The Race

Sunday sailors Race 6 was enjoyed on a clear, rainless, winter day with flat seas and a North Westerly wind that started around 7 or 8 knots, then sharply dropped off to 3 or 4 knots just after 11am as the lead boats were finishing.

Course 12 with a Southerly start was selected. Yes. This was indeed tower trickery with a southerly start amidst Northerly winds.

The course was shortened to finish with one circuit. The shortened course combined with the 11am wind reduction advantaged the earlier start boats with lower handicaps.



### **COURSE 12**



MARK	BEARING (Magnetic)	DISTANCE			
SYC 5 (s)	190	2.16			
SYC 2 (s)	340	2.24			
SYC 3 (s)	059	1.07			
SYC 4 (s)	156	0.58			
SUB-TOTAL		6.05			
SYC 1 (s)	190	1.07			
SYC 4 (pass)	NA	NA			
SYC 3 (s)	359	1.59			
FINISH	157	0.58			
TOTAL		9.29			



## The Fleet

18 boats entered and 18 boats finished. Everyone signed on correctly and no one did anything naughty like use a spinnaker without signing on.

Only 7 boats elected to use a spinnaker (FIREFOX, FIRST PASSION, EMERALD, LUMIERE, SHEBA, SKULLDUGGERY and FIRST LIGHT, which was surprisingly low in view of the mild north winds and associated flat seas.

## **Boats Entered and Results**

Score	Number	Name	Туре	Skipper	Spin H'cap		Finish Time			
						(Spin				
						1:	Hrs	Mins	Secs	
						adjusted)				
1	SM42	HITCHHIKER	Beneteau Oceanis 41.1	David Goodman		15	11	23	54	
2	SM385	FIREFOX	Beneteau 38.5	Anthony Clyne	Υ	22	11	25	38	
3	SM4535	PANACHE IV	Salar 40	Egils Stokans		-15	11	27	10	
4	SM342	AMICUS II	Swanson 30	Warwick Stenford		0	11	31	4	
5	SM309	ALEGRIA	Catalina 309	Simon May		4	11	34	26	
6	SM351	FIRST PASSION	Beneteau First 35	Simon Lipman	Υ	32	11	41	26	
7	SM6915	EMERALD	Beneteau Oceanis 40	Tony Tanner	Υ	25	11	42	0	
8	SM377	BACARDI	Peterson 44	Martin Power		38	11	43	35	
9	SM367	LEBROK	Beneteau First 36.7	Theo Korbel		30	11	44	18	
10	SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Swarbrick 111	Graham Jones		28	11	48	43	
11	SM4379	SOUL MATE	Beneteau First 405	David Keyes-Tilley		26	11	51	42	
12	SM742	LUMIERE	Beneteau First 50	Matt Kebbell	Υ	37	11	52	25	
13	SM86	SHEBA	Elliot 780	Michael Pisani	Υ	30	11	53	51	
14	SM440	SKULLDUGGERY	Jeanneau 44 Ds	Garry McCarten	Υ	35	11	54	21	
15	SM321	LAWLESS	Farr 920	Boyd Coulson		19	11	54	59	
16	SM190	WINSOME	Jeanneau Sunfast 40	Simon Hemingway		30	11	55	57	
17	SM911	ROLLER COASTER	Hanse 385	Karin Imming		17	11	58	14	
18	YC447	FIRST LIGHT	Beneteau First 47.7	Mike Coulter	Υ	32	12	0	31	

#### **The Winners**

Congratulations to the winner **HITCHHIKER** (David Goodman, Beneteau Oceanis 41.1, non-spinnaker handicap of 15). The winning crew included Donna Parker, Louise Dann, Michael Smith, Penny Goodman and Rowan Thomas, who had defected from Skullduggery, temporality we think.

Hitchhiker started the season with a cushy handicap of 17, then the handicapper decided to give them additional relief to 15 for this race. For Race 6 we congratulate her for winning the race and also being the third fastest boat in the fleet based on elapsed time. This is a serious improvement, and we will watch with interest their handicap adjustment.

Two minutes behind and in second place was **FIREFOX** (Anthony Clune, Beneteau 38.5, off a spinnaker handicap off 22).

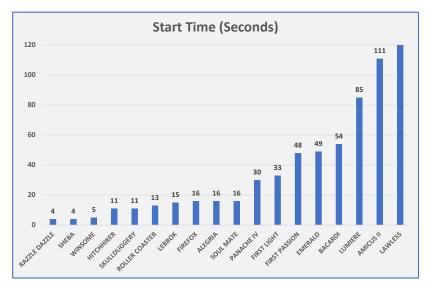
And another 2 minutes behind, in third place was **PANACHE IV** (Egils Stokans, Salar 40, off a non-spinnaker handicap of -15). Rumour has it that Sunday afternoon and into the evening was a serious celebration event for the Panache IV crew.



## **The Start**

Congratulations to **RAZZLE DAZZLE** (Graham Jones, Swarbrick 111, off a non-spinnaker handicap of 28) and **SHEBA** (Michael Pisani, Elliot 780, off a spinnaker handicap of 30) who shared Start of the Day at 4 seconds.

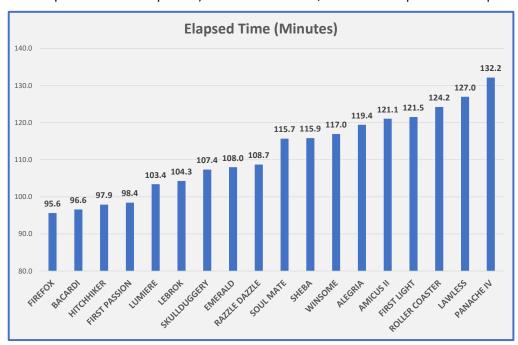
WINSOME (Simon Hemmingway, Jeanneau Sunfast 40 off a non-spinnaker handicap of 30) nearly made the cut with a 5 second start.



## **Boat Speed**

The second-place boat **FIREFOX** (Anthony Clune, Beneteau 38.5, off a spinnaker handicap off 22) was the fastest boat in the fleet. Congratulations and another good reason for a handicap review.

**BACARDI** (Martin Power, Peterson 44, off a non-spinnaker handicap of 38), **HITCHHIKER** (David Goodman, Beneteau Oceanis 41.1, non-spinnaker handicap of 15), and **FIRST PASSION** (Simon Lipman, Beneteau First 35 on a spinnaker handicap of 32) were all a close 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> elapsed time respectively.





## **Series Results**

**FIREFOX** has streamed ahead, leading the series and 5 points ahead of the second-place boat, **EMERALD**. Another 3 point behind is **WINSOME** and **BACARDI**, both on 20.5 points in equal third place.

series kesuits [PurHC] up to kace o (Drops = 1)

Place	Ties	Sail Num	Boat Name	Skipper	Sers Score	Race 6	Race 5	Race 4	Race 3	Race 2	Race 1
1		SM385	FIREFOX	Kim Beveridge/ Anthony Clyne	12.0	2.0	3.0	4.0	[18.0S]	ABN	3.0
2		SM6915	EMERALD	Tony Tanner	17.0	7.0	4.0	1.0	5.0	ABN	[21.0C]
3	2.05	SM190	WINSOME	Simon Hemingway	20.5	[16.0]	5.0	10.0	3.5	ABN	2.0
4		SM377	BACARDI	Martin Power	20.5	8.0	6.0	3.0	3.5	ABN	[21.0C]
5		SM86	SHEBA	Michael Pisani	24.0	13.0	2.0	[13.0]	2.0	ABN	7.0
6		YC447	FIRST LIGHT	Mike Coulter	28.0	[18.0]	1.0	5.0	12.0	ABN	10.0F
7		SM309	ALEGRIA	Simon May	34.0	5.0	13.0	8.0	8.0	ABN	[21.0C]
8		SM6002	LA MER	Michael Ebeling	35.0	[26.0C]	7.0	14.0	10.0	ABN	4.0
9		SM440	SKULLDUGGERY	Garry McCarten	36.0	[14.0]	10.0	7.0	9.0	ABN	10.0F
10	1.05	SM42	HITCHHIKER	David Goodman	37.0	1.0	9.0	26.0C	[26.0C]	ABN	1.0
11		SM342	AMICUS II	Warwick Stenford	37.0	4.0	13.0N	2.0	18.0R	ABN	[21.0C]
12		SM351	FIRST PASSION	Simon Lipman	40.0	6.0	12.0	16.0R	[26.0C]	ABN	6.0
13		VN742	LUMIERE	Matt Kebbell	42.0	12.0	11.0	12.0	7.0	ABN	[21.0C]
14		SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Grahame Jones	48.0	10.0	14.0	11.0	13.0	ABN	[21.0C]
15		SM4646	ALLIANCE	Alex H Simon F Paul S	53.0	[26.0C]	15.0	6.0	11.0	ABN	21.0C
16		SM88	UPBEAT	Peter Dunne	57.0	26.0C	[26.0C]	9.0	1.0	ABN	21.0C
17		SM4535	PANACHE IV	Egils Stokans	58.0	3.0	16.0	[26.0C]	18.0R	ABN	21.0C
18		SM4379	SOUL MATE	David Keyes-Tilley	64.0	11.0	26.0C	[26.0C]	6.0	ABN	21.0C
19		SM911	ROLLER COASTER	Karin Imming	69.0	17.0	17.0	[26.0C]	14.0	ABN	21.0C
20		SM367	LEBROK	Theo Korbel	82.0	9.0	26.0C	26.0C	[26.0C]	ABN	21.0C
21		SM499	BRAVEHEART	Leigh Maddison James Billson	83.0	26.0C	26.0C	26.0C	[26.0C]	ABN	5.0
22		SM321	LAWLESS	Boyd Coulson	88.0	15.0	26.0C	26.0C	[26.0C]	ABN	21.0C

## **Handicap Monitoring**

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

The most notable Handicap movement for race-6 was **ROLLER COASTER** (Hanse 385, Karin Imming) who won 7 minutes relief for an updated handicap of 17.

**LUMIERE** (Beneteau First 50, Matt Kebbell) has won relief of 6 minutes over the last two races from an initial 42, now down to 34.

**BACARDI** (Martin Power, Peterson 44) increased 4 minutes over the last 2 races moving her back to a start of 38.



	Boat Handicaps (Base)									
Sail	Name	Туре	End of	(	Change	(Race N	Number	-)		Latest
			last season	1	2	3	4	5	5	
SM42	HITCHHIKER	Beneteau Oceanis 41.1	17	-2	1				-1	15
SM385	FIREFOX	Beneteau 38.5	17	-2			2		2	19
SM4535	PANACHE IV	Salar 40	-15							-15
SM342	AMICUS II	Swanson 30	0							0
SM309	ALEGRIA	Catalina 309	8	-1				-2	-1	4
SM351	FIRST PASSION	Beneteau First 35	33		-2				-1	30
SM6915	EMERALD	Beneteau Oceanis 40	18	-1	2			2	1	22
SM377	BACARDI	Peterson 44	34					3	1	38
SM367	LEBROK	Beneteau First 36.7	33	-1				1		30
SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Swarbrick 111	27	2				1	-2	28
SM4379	SOUL MATE	Beneteau First 405					26			26
SM742	LUMIERE	Beneteau First 50	42				-4	-2	-2	34
SM86	SHEBA	Elliot 780	24	3	-2				2	27
SM440	SKULLDUGGERY	Jeanneau 44 Ds	32	2			-2	2	-2	32
SM321	LAWLESS	Farr 920	19						1	19
SM190	WINSOME	Jeanneau Sunfast 40	29	-1	1				1	30
SM911	ROLLER COASTER	Hanse 385	24						-7	17

## **General Gossip**

YC447

### WINSOME - ALWAYS HELPFUL

FIRST LIGHT

When SHEBA tangled her spinnaker around a spreader while sailing next to Winsome, it has been reported that the crew of Winsome so helpfully called out to advise them they had a big tangle.

28

As you would expect, the crew of SHEBA were so thankful with this helpful advice.

Beneteau First 47.7

Especially from a boat that decided to not fly their spinnaker despite the gift of a 1-minute spinnaker penalty, light winds in flat seas and a spinnaker-experienced guest skipper (our Handicapper Stuart MJ).

### **SOUL MATE**

David Keyes-Tilley, owner of many boats, past and present, has sold VALIANT (Adams 10.6) and is now the proud owner of SOUL MATE, a Beneteau First 405 which he is sailing in Sunday Sailors off an initial handicap of 26. Apparently, he has a new main sail being stitched up, which Larry suggests is certain to attract a handicap adjustment as he settles in with the new boat.



(Photos are from different races)



Race Winner: HITCHHIKER (David Goodman)



Third Place: PANACHE IV (Eglis Stokens)



**Second Place:** FIREFOX (Anthony Clyne)



**Equal Start of the Day**: RAZZEL DAZZELL (Graham Jones)

# **Leeward Larry**



## **Appendix:**

## **Boat Profile: SHEEBA (Elliot 780)**

SHEBA is the smallest boat in the fleet, at 7.8m LOA (25.6ft) and typically outperforms the bigger keel boats. But, looking around SYC she is nowhere to be found!

She is a trailer sailor with lifting keel and lives on a swing mooring at the side of our marina.

The cruising version of an Elliot 780, she weights around 1200kg, including a 400kg drop keel.

Fractionally rigged she sails a main, jib and asymmetric kite with a prodder that extends some 2 meters out from the bow.

The owner, Michael Pisani, purchased the 2000 build SHEBA around 10 years ago, previously raced her at St Kilda and is now welcomed into the club at SYC.

Michael paddles out in a kayak and then brings her in to pick up the crew. He admits that these SS winter mornings are a motivation for him to consider a pen at SYC.

Michael's comments: It's a typical trailer-sailer - sleeps four at a pinch with basic metho stove, sink and chemical head (no coffee machine!). A really fun boat to sail, although it does get a bit uncomfortable going upwind in choppy water - it doesn't like punching into waves. And of course could do with more crew weight on the rail in stronger winds'



