

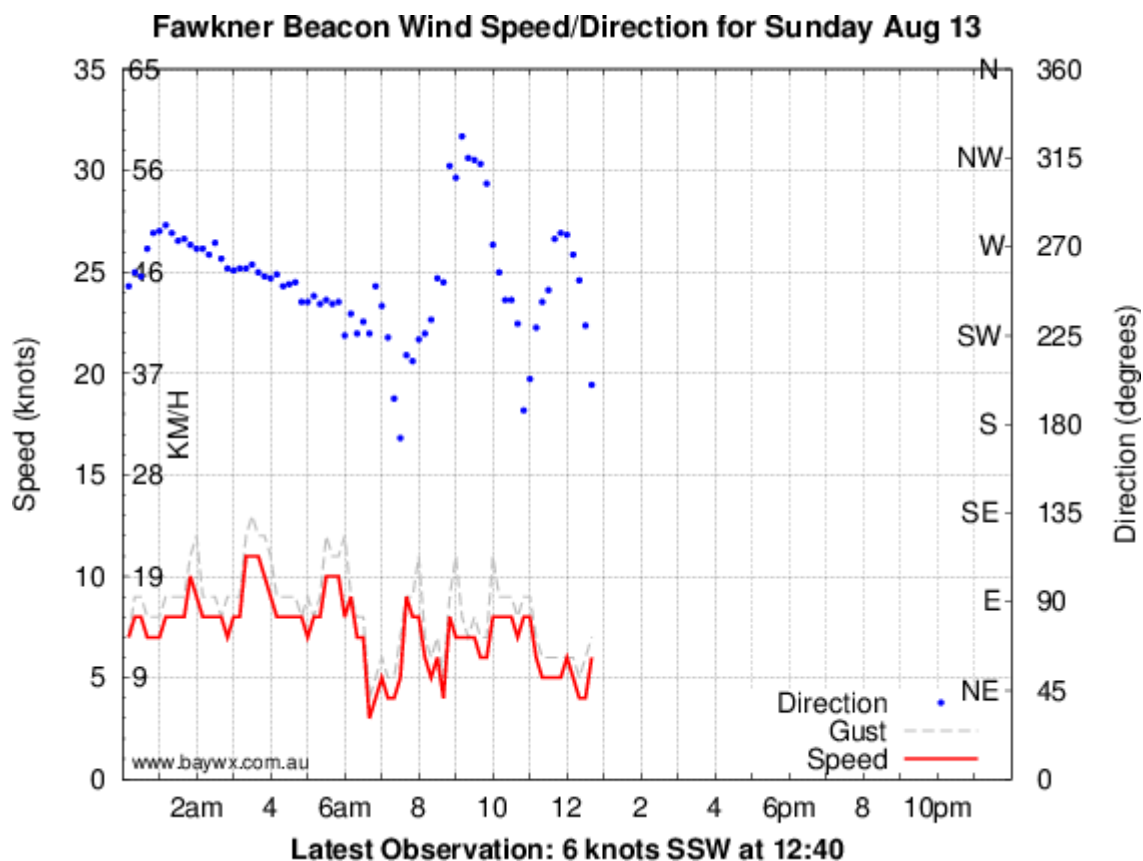
SUNDAY SAILORS REPORT August 13 2023 – Winter Series Race Eight

Intro

Again basically fine weather heralded in Race 8. Some showers on the horizon, after some rain overnight. But the threatening showers drifted North towards Altona and left us alone. The wind was steady in strength, 6 to eight knots, but did vary in direction. A North Westerly at the start became a South Westerly on the second leg and then gradually eased towards the West again. Along the shore there was a hint of a lift closer in. The weather got sunny and the seas were fairly flat. All very pleasant.

The course was a short one, course 17 – 7.3 Nm a well picked one in the conditions!!!

Tower staff were **Margaret Whitbread and Bruce Reidy**. Many many thanks to them!!



Results

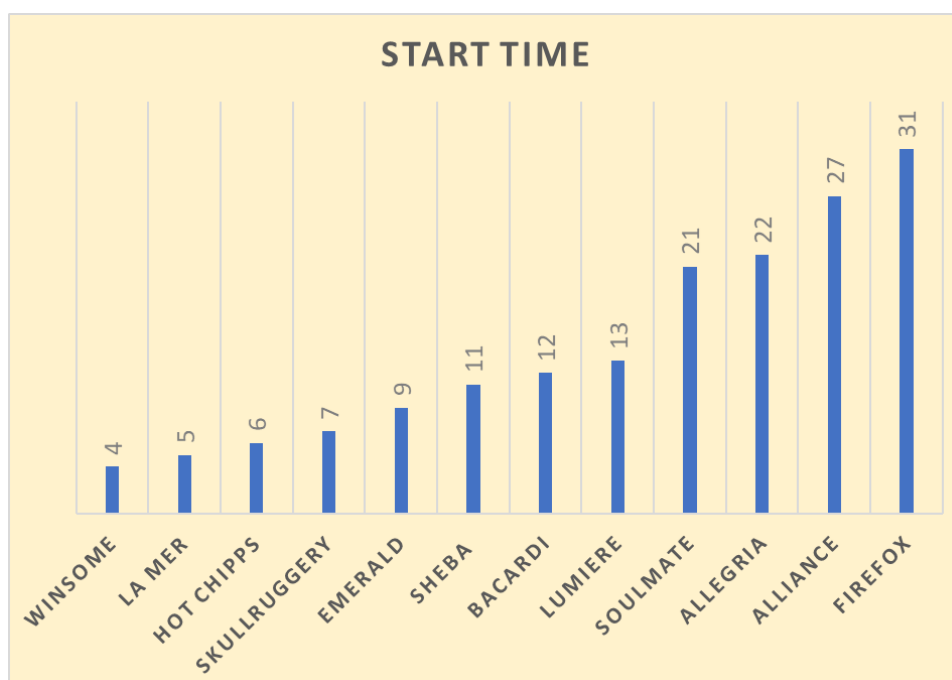
There were 16 starters and all finished and recorded a result. **David Keyes- Tilley** still hasn't worked out this new fangled Member Point technology and so had an ENP that relegated him from 12th to 17th.... Well **Sheba (Michael Pisani)**, the smallest boat in the fleet, overtook two boats on the last leg to snatch a well earned victory flying a large assymetrical kite. Similarly second was **La Mer (Michael Ebeling)** who came from 4th to 2nd on the same leg, following **Sheba** in tacking downwind under assy kite also. The third was **Winsome (Simon Hemingway)** who got past **Allegria (Simon May)** on the last leg to snatch the lead before being overhauled by the kite bandits. **Allegria** had led through most of the race and must have thought they were going to bring home the bacon (or kale if you are vegetarian). **Sheba** reported that they spent the whole race in close contact with **Winsome** with the places being swapped many times, before prevailing on the last leg.



Sheba- a well earned victory today.

Start of the Day

Start of the day was won by **Winsome** at 4 seconds, with **La Mer** and **Hot Chipps (John Chipperry)** recording 5 seconds, from **Dullthuggery (Garry McClintock)** on 7 seconds... **Simon Hemingway (Winsome)** said that he had a better run at the line this week because **Peter Dunne (Upbeat)** wasn't there trying to mess him up...



Again starts over a minute are not shown to spare the blushes of the miscreants.

Series: Start of the Day

Best 5 Starts: **Skullduggery** 23 seconds, **Winsome** 34 seconds, **La Mer** 55 seconds, **Firefox** 61 seconds. Maybe there is something to **Skullduggery** charging the line, pinging the line and terrorising us mere mortals!!



La Mer placed second and had the fastest elapsed time

Below: **Skullduggery** – starting experts; leading the series for Start of the Day

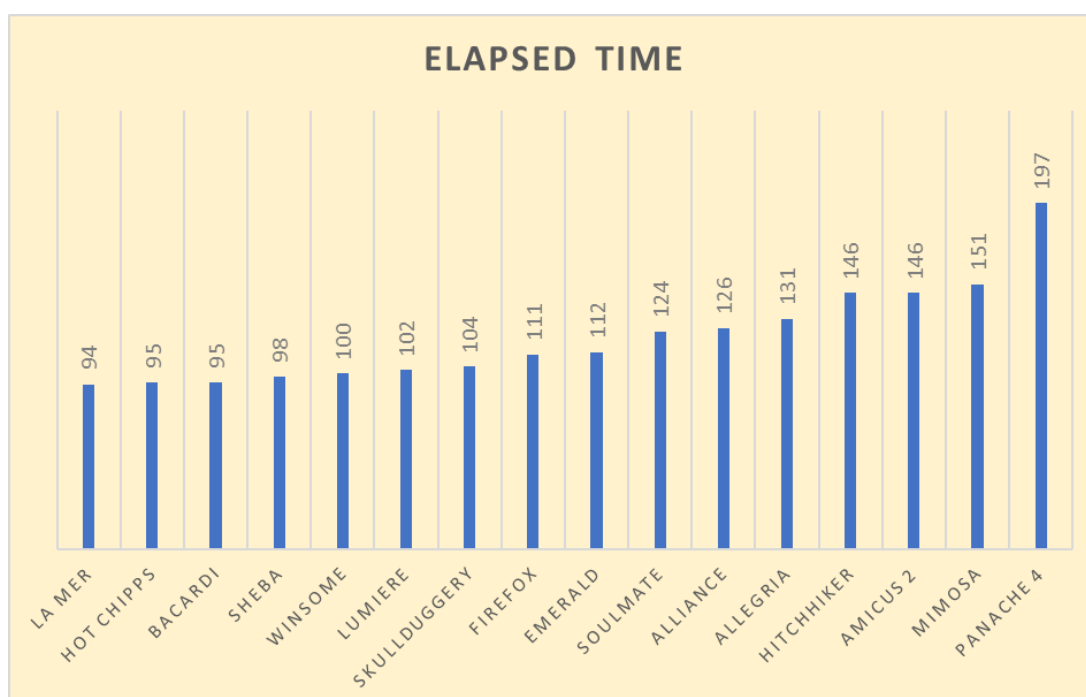


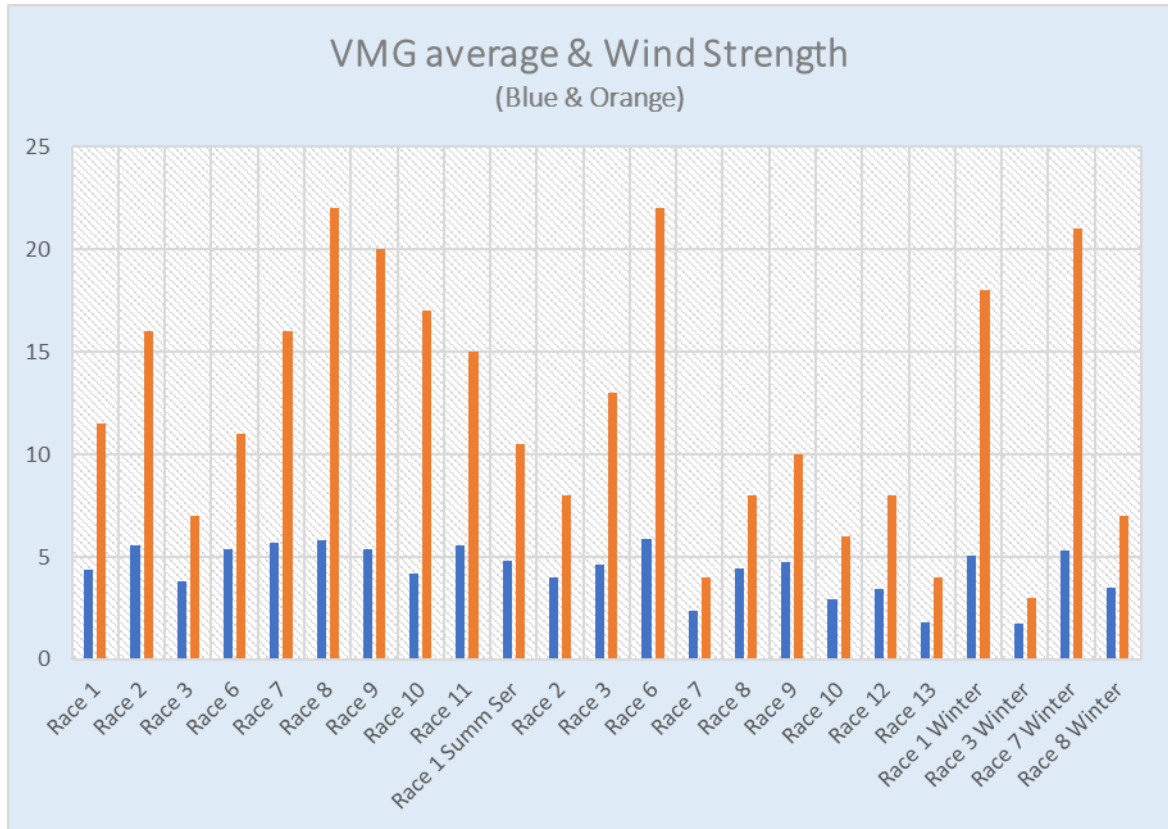


Winsome (on another day). A third and Start of the Day. Also placing second in the series!!

Elapsed Times

La Mer (under spinnaker) was the fastest from **Hot Chipps** and **Bacardi**. A minute split the top three. **Sheba** (the smallest boat in the fleet) was fourth fastest (and won) – well done. **Winsome** was fifth. **Hot Chipps** would have featured more prominently in the finish results but had a 52 minute handicap. Average elapsed time was 128 minutes, giving a fleet average VMG of 3.47 knots in the light conditions.

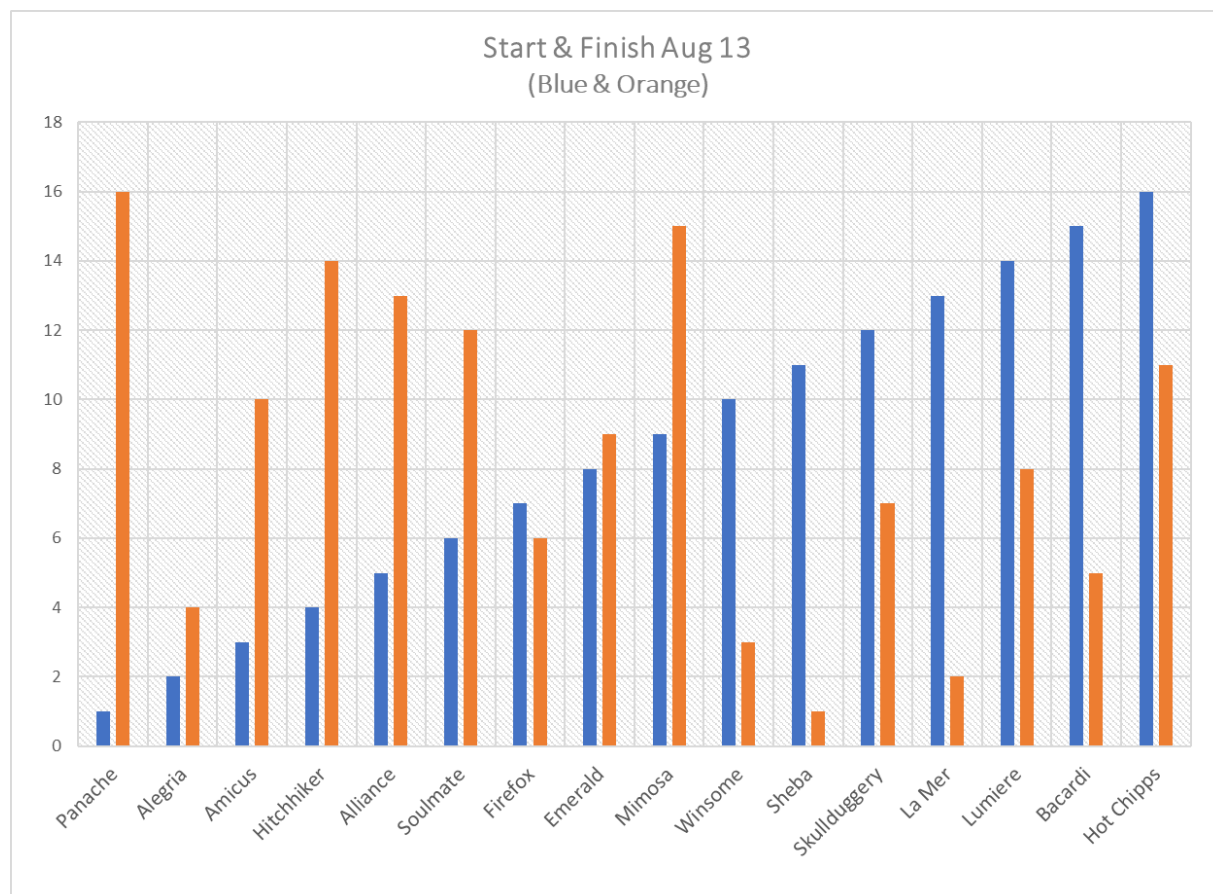




Firefox , placing third in the series

START AND FINISH POSITIONS

The biggest movers in the fleet were **La Mer** (11 places), **Sheba** (10 places) and **Bacardi** (10 places). **David Keyes-Tilley** got mixed up between MemberPoint and his appointment book for next week and so dropped 4 places with his ENP. **Mimosa (Joshua Buxton)** sailed for the first time and did well, so we will forgive him his Brighton sail number (B51), although Mimosa was down in the race results as SM899!!!



SERIES LEAD

After 8 races (with 1 drop and 1 abn) **Emerald, Winsome and Firefox** are separated by 1 point. With 2 races to go **Bacardi** and **Sheba** are also in contention. Last seasons winner, by the home stretch, **Dullthuggery** is out of contention although they were handicapped a bit and have spent all season improving their handicap – and now have had 5 minutes of relief- despite 5 results in the top 10 . **Stuart Morrison- Jack** please investigate!!!

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PROVISIONAL RESULTS											
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Series Results [PurHC] up to Race 8 (Drops = 1)											
Place	Ties	Sail Num	Boat Name	Skipper	Sers Score	Race 8	Race 7	Race 6	Race 5	Race 4	Race 3
1		SM6915	EMERALD	Tony Tanner	27.0	9.0	1.0	7.0	4.0	1.0	5.0
2		SM190	WINSOME	Simon Hemingway	27.5	3.0	4.0	[16.0]	5.0	10.0	3.5
3		SM385	FIREFOX	Kim Beveridge/ Anthony Clyne	28.0	6.0	10.0	2.0	3.0	4.0	[18.0S]
4		SM377	BACARDI	Martin Power	32.5	5.0	7.0	8.0	6.0	3.0	3.5
5		SM86	SHEBA	Michael Pisani	38.0	1.0	[26.0C]	13.0	2.0	13.0	2.0
6		SM309	ALEGRIA	Simon May	44.0	4.0	6.0	5.0	13.0	8.0	8.0
7		SM6002	LA MER	Michael Ebeling	45.0	2.0	8.0	[26.0C]	7.0	14.0	10.0
8		VN742	LUMIERE	Matt Kebbell	52.0	8.0	2.0	12.0	11.0	12.0	7.0
9		SM440	SKULLDUGGERY	Garry McCarten	55.0	7.0	12.0	[14.0]	10.0	7.0	9.0
10		SM342	AMICUS II	Warwick Stenford	58.0	10.0	11.0	4.0	13.0N	2.0	18.0R
11	1.0S	SM42	HITCHHIKER	David Goodman	69.0	14.0	18.0R	1.0	9.0	26.0C	[26.0C]

Only the latest high tech presentation from your race correspondent!!

Gossip and other matters.

La Mer had a very good result today (2nd), particularly as they turned to go around no 3 with kite and genoa up, fair confusion and promptly hit no 3. This tense moment was witnessed (from a distance) by your correspondent. Surprisingly the boat was calm despite almost hitting **Winsome** as she came up from behind.

Bob Reeves "the wind whisper" sailed on **Winsome** today. Their third (and start of the day) continues the excellent results on boats he sails on: **Alliance, Razzle Dazzle and Foggy Dew**. Rumour has it that **Simon Hemingway** parted with some money to Get Bob's services – I think he received value for money.

Warwick Stenford was again seen sailing **Amicus2** solo around the course. When those of us think 5 is a bare minimum, he sailed with just himself. Bravo!! His father **John** used to sail **Amicus** 10-15 years ago and used to battle with **Defiance (Ian Hetherington)**, **Kaos (the Cleavers)**, **Cassandra of Melbourne (Bob Reeves)**, **Moncouer (Geoff Lomdahl and partners)** and **Antares (Stewart and Pearce)**.

With thanks to the tower volunteers **Margaret Whitbread and Bruce Reidy**, the sponsors **Mercedes Benz Brighton** and apologies to anyone he feels they have been slandered or misrepresented.

LUFFING LANCE



Series Leader **Emerald (Tony Tanner)** who had an uneventful day today.



Simon “You’re taking my wind” May (**Allegria**) who finished fourth today after leading most of the race.