

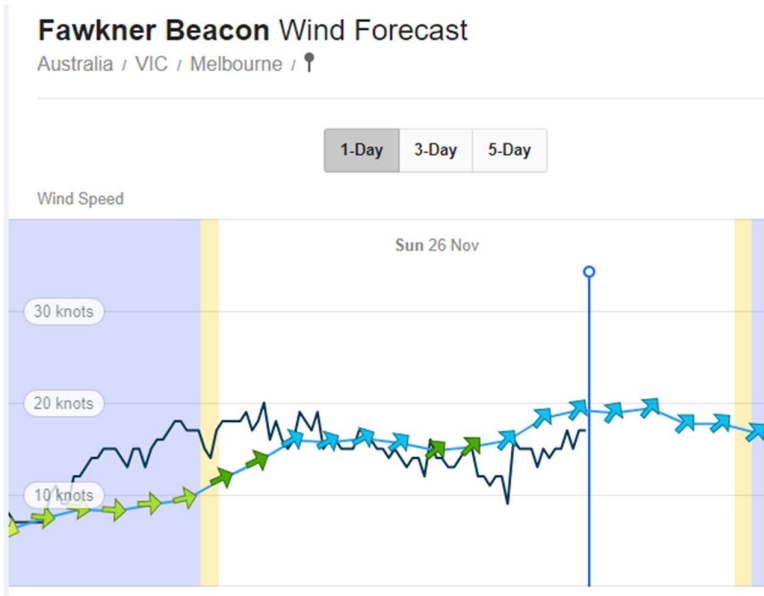


# Sunday Sailors Report – Race 5 (26 Nov 2023)

## The Race

Race 5 for the summer season was held under overcast skies and wind of around 15 knots South Westerly at 9am, and staying within the range 17 to 13 knots throughout the race.

Course 12 was selected with a southerly start, 2 circuits and 9nm total.



## COURSE 12



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

Note: Reciprocal = Course 24



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### The Fleet

Only 10 boats entered and one boat, Isa Lea, retired.

No boats elected to fly a spinnaker, which was surprising given the ideal, spinnaker-friendly conditions. While it was expected that Winsome wouldn't fly their kite (they are allergic to it coming out of its bag), it was surprising that other regular spinnaker users such as Emerald and La Mer didn't opt in.

One boat sailed with a new name – see Addendum for the story of Grumpy ~~Old Men~~.

### Boats Entered and Results

Score	Number	Name	Type	Skipper	Spin	H'cap (Spin adjusted)	Finish Time		
							Hrs	Mins	Secs
1	SM42	HITCHHIKER	Beneteau Oceanis 41.1	David Goodman	-	18	11	25	43
2	SM4646	ALLIANCE	Beneteau Oceanis 46	Alex H Simon F Paul S	-	20	11	28	32
4	SM6915	EMERALD	Beneteau Oceanis 40	Tony Tanner	-	22	11	30	56
5	SM4379	SOUL MATE	Beneteau First 405	David Keyes-Tilley	-	18	11	31	33
6	SM6002	LA MER	Dufour 36e Performance	Michael Ebeling	-	27	11	31	39
7	SM190	WINSOME	Jeanneau Sunfast 40	Simon Hemingway	-	33	11	32	38
8	G385	GRUMPY <del>OLD MEN</del>	Dufour 385	Andrew Stoop	-	17	11	36	52
9	SM342	AMICUS II	Swanson 30	Warwick Stenford	-	-2	11	36	53
RET	SM82	ISA LEA	Serendipity 28	Andrew Chapman	-	0			

### The Winners

Congratulations to the winner **HITCHHIKER** (David Goodman, Beneteau Oceanis 41.1, non-spinnaker handicap of 18) who delivered a convincing win with expert crewing by Penny Goodman, Ian Michell & Jana Com.

About 3 minutes further back, in second place, was **ALLIANCE** (Alex Hall, Benneteau Oceanis 46, non-spinnaker handicap of 20).

Another 2 ½ minutes back in third place was **EMERALD** (Tony Tanner, Beneteau Oceanis 40, non-spinnaker handicap of 22).

All three podium award boats were Beneteau Oceanis's.

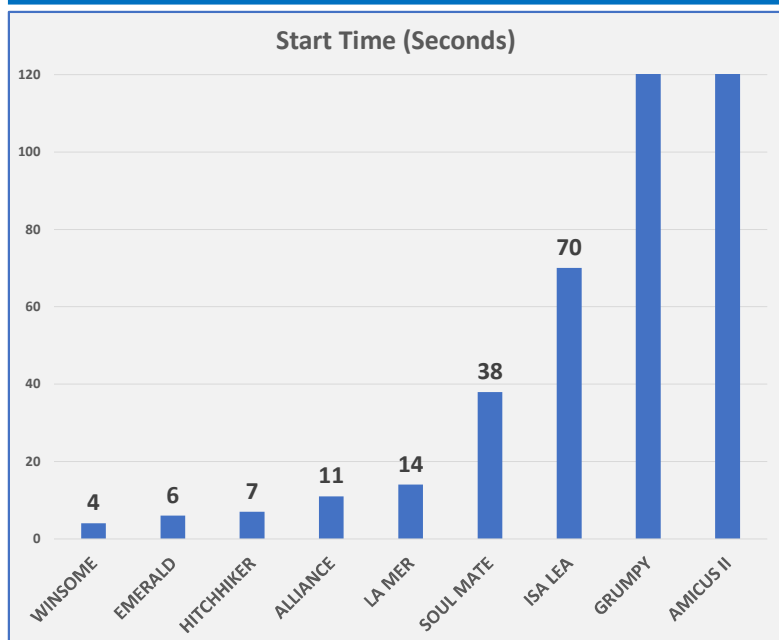
### The Start

Congratulations to **WINSOME** (Simone Hummingway, Jeanneau Sunfast 40, non-spinnaker handicap of 33) for an impressive 4 second start of the day win.

4 other boats had starts within 14 seconds and 3 boats were more than a minute late.

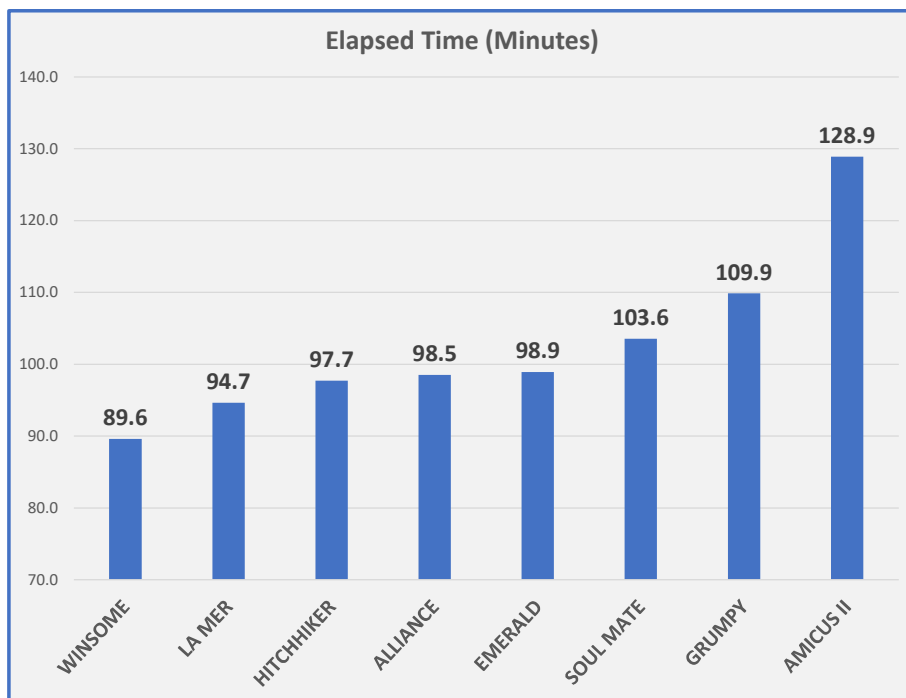


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### Boat Speed

The fastest boat with an elapsed time of 89.6 minutes was **WINSOME** (Simon Hemmingway, Jeanneau Sunfast 40, non-spinnaker handicap of 33), 5 minutes faster than the second fastest boat **LA MER** (Michael Ebeling, Defour 36e Performance, non-spinnaker handicap of 27)





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### Series Results

**SOUL MATE** (David Keyes-Tilley, Benneteau First 405) is winning the series, one point ahead of **RAZZLE DAZZLE** in second place and 3 points ahead of **ALLIANCE** in third place.

**HITCHHIKER** has won the last two races and is now equal 4<sup>th</sup> with **WINSOME**.

PROVISIONAL RESULTS

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Series Results [PurHC] up to Race 5 (Drops = 1)

Place	Ties	Sail Num	Boat Name	Skipper	Sers Score	Race 5	Race 4	Race 3	Race 2	Race 1
1		SM4379	SOUL MATE	David Keyes-Tilley	11.0	5.0	3.0	[11.0]	3.0	ABN
2		SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Grahame Jones	12.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	[5.0]	ABN
3		SM4646	ALLIANCE	Alex H Simon F Paul S	15.0	2.0	11.0	[14.0]	2.0	ABN
4	1.05	SM42	HITCHHIKER	David Goodman	16.0	1.0	1.0	[18.0]	14.0N	ABN
5		SM190	WINSOME	Simon Hemingway	16.0	[7.0]	6.0	4.0	6.0	ABN
6		SM385	FIREFOX	Kim Beveridge/ Anthony Clyne	22.0	[38.0C]	12.0	3.0	7.0	ABN
7	2.05	G385	GRUMPY	Andrew Stopp	23.0	8.0	2.0	13.0	[34.0C]	ABN
8		SM367	LEBROK	Theo Korbel	23.0	[38.0C]	9.0	6.0	8.0	ABN
9		SM6002	LA MER	Michael Ebeling	24.0	6.0	8.0	10.0	[12.0]	ABN
10		YC447	FIRST LIGHT	Mike Coulter	27.0	[38.0C]	7.0	16.0	4.0	ABN
11		SM6915	EMERALD	Tony Tanner	29.0	4.0	14.0	[15.0]	11.0	ABN
12		SM309	ALEGRIA	Simon May	34.0	[38.0C]	16.0	17.0	1.0	ABN
13		SM82	ISA LEI	Andrew Chapman	43.0	11.0R	13.0	19.0	[34.0C]	ABN
14		SM321	LAWLESS	Boyd Coulson	47.0	[38.0C]	5.0	8.0	34.0C	ABN
15		SM136	RAGNAR	Richard Ekberg	49.0	38.0C	[38.0C]	1.0	10.0	ABN
16		SM377	BACARDI	Brett Averay/ Darren Hunter	51.0	[38.0C]	15.0	2.0	34.0C	ABN
17		SM86	SHEBA	Michael Pisani	53.0	[38.0C]	10.0	9.0	34.0C	ABN
18		SM4535	PANACHE IV	Egils Stokans	55.0	[38.0C]	20.0R	21.0R	14.0R	ABN
19		SM511	WATERLINE	Ainslie Allen	63.0	[38.0C]	17.0	12.0	34.0C	ABN
20		SM106	ELLIPSE II	Jonathan Warner / John Lindholm	79.0	38.0C	[38.0C]	7.0	34.0C	ABN



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### Handicap Monitoring

Our esteemed Handicapper has been making some adjustments.

After winning race 4, **HITCHHIKER** was docked 4 points, but a stellar performance for Race 5 put her in the top spot again. *Leward Larry* suggest further adjustment might be necessary.

The other significant handicap changes for the series were **EMERALD** and **LA MER** who were both given 4-point relief over the last 3 races.

### Sunday Sailors Summer 2023/24 Series - Handicap Tracking

Boat Handicaps (Base)								
Sail	Name	Type	End of last season	Change (Race Number)				Latest
				2	3	4	5	
SM42	HITCHHIKER	Beneteau Oceanis 41.1	14				4	18
SM4646	ALLIANCE	Beneteau Oceanis 46	18		2			20
SM6915	EMERALD	Beneteau Oceanis 40	26		-2	-1	-1	22
SM4379	SOUL MATE	Beneteau First 405	17		1	-1	1	18
SM6002	LA MER	Dufour 36e Performance	31		-2	-1	-1	27
SM190	WINSOME	Jeanneau Sunfast 40	31			2		33
G385	GRUMPY	Dufour 385	n/a		18	-2	1	17
SM342	AMICUS II	Swanson 30	-2					-2
SM82	ISA LEA	Serendipity 28	0					0

### Gossip

#### BROKEN BOATS STATUS

*Leward Larry* notes that two broken boats are still not sailing:

- Skullduggery: Engine issues.
- Foggy Dew: Pending new mast.

#### ALLIANCE POACHING FIREFOX CREW

Rumour has it that with **FIREFOX** not sailing due to a maintenance issue, their crew was opportunistically poached by the much bigger **ALLIANCE** for a second-place result, a much better performance than Alliance would have had with her own crew.

#### HITCHHIKER – 2 WINS IN A ROW.

**HITCHHIKER** has won two races in a row. Last time they said they had new antifouling and go quick finish coatings. This time they were sailing with a brand-new genoa. What next?



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(Photos are from different races)



**First Place: HITCHHIKER** (David Goodman, Beneteau Oceanis 41.1, non-spinnaker handicap of 18)



**Third Place: EMERALD** (Tony Tanner, Beneteau Oceanis 40, non-spinnaker handicap of 22).



**Second Place: ALLIANCE** (Alex Hall, Beneteau Oceanis 46, non-spinnaker handicap of 20).



**Start of The Day: WINSOME** (Simone Hemmberg, Jeanneau Sunfast 40, start time 4 seconds)

*Leeward Larry*



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### Appendix: BOAT PROFILE: GRUMPY ~~OLD MEN~~

**GRUMPY (PREVIOUSLY 'GRUMPY OLD MEN')** is the most recent boat to join the Sunday Sailor's fleet, and the last boat to undergo a name change.

A 2000 Dufour 385, 'Grumpy Old Men' was purchased by Andrew Stopp from Geelong where she had been since new. The Dufour 385 has a displacement of just under 7kg and draws 1.76m. Andrew advises that she has not been well maintained in recent years. He has a significant maintenance list of things to sort - leaks, engine, electrical, needs new sails etc, to bring her up to optimum.

Her first SS race was Race 3 where she was given an inaugural handicap of 18. This was then tweaked down by 2 in Race -4 and then up by 1 to settle at 17 for this Race 5.

Andrew Stopp was the previous owner, and then part owner, of Razzle Dazzle which is now fully owned by Graham Jones.

With his new boat Andrew needs to now build a crew from scratch, choosing the honourable path to not poaching his previous Razzle Dazzle crew.

As you could imagine, young men and women sailors, or in fact any sane women, were not lining up with eagerness to crew on a boat called 'Grumpy Old Men'.



That name, with associated hull graphic, conjured up images of sailing with old blokes whinging about the state of the world and how good it used to be back in the day.

A name change was in order.

So Andrew dropped the 'old men', and renamed her to 'Grumpy'. Then added a dolphin for the image, albeit a sort of grumpy aggressive looking dolphin rather than a cute happy dolphin.

