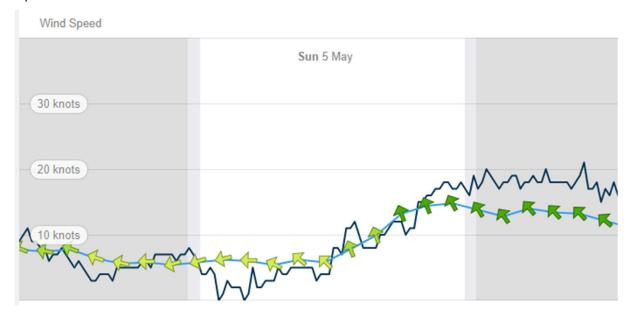


The Race

Race 3 for the winter series was held in light and fluky winds, mostly below 5 knots around the course.

The start was delayed by 15 minutes due to lack of wind and Course 24 was selected and shortened to one lap.



COURSE 24



	BEARING						
MARK	(Magnetic)	DISTANCE					
All marks to Port							
SYC 3	336	0.58					
SYC 2	239	1.07					
SYC 5	160	2.24					
SYC 4	010	2.16					
SUB-TOTAL		6.05					
SYC 3	336	0.58					
SYC 4 (pass)	NA	NA					
SYC 1	179	1.59					
FINISH	010	1.07					
TOTAL		9.29					

Note: Reciprocal = Course 12



The Fleet

20 boats entered.

First across the line **FIRST PASSION** (Simon Lipman, Beneteau First 35 off a non-spinnaker handicap of 26) was disqualified for not signing on.

One boat retired and one recorded a DNS.

8 boats electing to fly their spinnakers (WINSOME, SHEBA, RAGNAR, EMERALD, LAWLESS, LA MER, RAZZLE DAZZLE and SKULLDUGGERY).

In a first for the season, and probably the decade, Winsome proudly called in their spinnaker with a da dat, da da fanfare over the VHF.

Boats Entered and Results

Score	Number	Name	Туре	Skipper	Spin	H'cap (Spin	Finish Time		
							Hrs	Mins	Secs
1	SM46	HOT CHIPPS	Dehler 46	Gavin Swarbrick		41	12	12	44
2	SM190	WINSOME	Jeanneau Sunfast 40	Simon Hemingway	Υ	36	12	13	6
3	SM86	SHEBA	Elliot 780	Michael Pisani	Υ	29	12	14	10
4	SM808	LEILANI	Hanse 400	Carrie Wormald		35	12	15	32
5	SM377	BACARDI	Peterson 44	Martin Power		42	12	15	35
5	SM451	DEBONNAIRE	Beneteau First 45	Phil Gomez		40	12	15	42
7	SM136	RAGNAR	Beneteau First 36	Richard Ekberg	Υ	42	12	15	46
8	SM6915	EMERALD	Beneteau Oceanis 40	Tony Tanner	Υ	25	12	16	13
9	SM88	UPBEAT	Beneteau First 36.7	Peter Dunne		31	12	15	39
10	SM321	LAWLESS	Farr 920	Boyd Coulson	Υ	16	12	16	48
11	SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Swarbrick 111	Graham Jones	Υ	28	12	16	52
12	SM6002	LA MER	Dufour 36e Performance	Michael Ebeling	Υ	41	12	17	12
13	SM440	SKULLDUGGERY	Jeanneau 44 Ds	Garry McCarten	Υ	31	12	17	15
14	SM4646	ALLIANCE	Beneteau Oceanis 46	Alex H Simon F Paul S		20	12	17	31
15	YC447	FIRST LIGHT	Beneteau First 47.7	Mike Coulter		29	12	17	35
16	SM82	ISA LEI	Serendipity 28	Andrew Chapman		-2	12	33	14
17	SM309	ALEGRIA	Catalina 309	Simon May		1	12	34	42
ENP	SM351	FIRST PASSION	Beneteau First 35	Simon Lipman		26	12	4	2
RET	SM4535	PANACHE IV	Salar 40	Egils Stokans		-15			
DNS	SM3800	38 Degrees South	Sydney 38	John Chatham		39			

The Winners

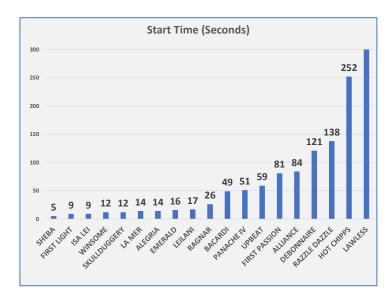
With FIRST PASSION disqualified, congratulations go to the 'other' winning boat **HOT CHIPPS** (Gavin Swarbrick, Delher 46 off a non-spinnaker handicap of 41) which was 7 minutes behind First Passion. The winning HOT CHIPPS crew comprised Gavin Swarbrick, Murray Stewart, Ian Perryman, Matthew Feore, & Ruben Gilles.

Just 21 seconds behind and in second place was **WINSOME** (Simone Hummingway, Jeanneau Sunfast 40, spinnaker handicap of 36) and another minute behind was **SHEBA** (Michael Pisani, Elliot 780 off a Spinnaker Handicap of 29).



The Start

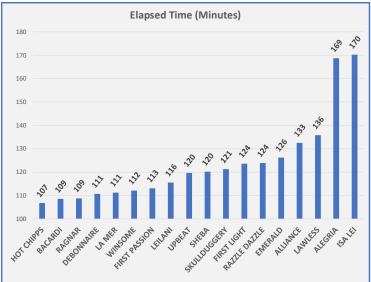
SHEBA (Michael Pisani, Elliot 780 off a Spinnaker Handicap of 29) won Start of the Day with an impressive 5 seconds in fluky light winds. Only two other boats, FIRST LIGHT and ISA LEI, started within 10 seconds.



Boat Speed

Congratulations to **HOT CHIPPS** (Gavin Swarbrick, Delher 46 off a nonspinnaker handicap of 41) as the fastest elapsed time of 107 minutes.

This was even more impressive given that started around 4 minutes late (elapsed time is counted from the allocated start time, not the actual time the boat started)





Series Results

EMERALD (Tony Tanner, Beneteau Oceanis 40, spinnaker handicap of 25) leads the series, with **LA MER** and **WINSOME** in second and third place.

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Series Results [PurHC] up to Race 3

Place	Ties	Sail Num	Boat Name	Skipper	Sers Score	Race 3	Race 2	Race 1
1		SM6915	EMERALD	Tony Tanner	11.0	9.0	1.0	1.0
2		SM6002	LA MER	Michael Ebeling	19.0	13.0	3.0	3.0
3		SM190	WINSOME	Simon Hemingway	24.0	3.0	11.0	10.0
4	2.05	YC447	FIRST LIGHT	Mike Coulter	25.0	16.0	7.0	2.0
5		SM321	LAWLESS	Boyd Coulson	25.0	11.0	10.0	4.0
6		SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Grahame Jones	28.0	12.0	9.0	7.0
7		SM86	SHEBA	Michael Pisani	30.0	4.0	12.0	14.0N
8		SM46	HOT CHIPPS	Gavin Stewart Murray Swarbrick	39.0	2.0	13.0	24.0C
9		SM4646	ALLIANCE	Alex H Simon F Paul S	41.0	15.0	2.0	24.0C
10		SM808	LEILANI	Carrie Wormald	46.0	5.0	17.05	24.0C
11		SM377	BACARDI	Brett Averay	47.0	6.0	17.0R	24.0C
12		SM4535	PANACHE IV	Egils Stokans	49.0	21.0R	4.0	24.0C
13	8.05	SM309	ALEGRIA	Simon May	50.0	18.0	8.0	24.0C
14		SM88	UPBEAT	Peter Dunne	50.0	10.0	31.0C	9.0
15		SM451	DEBONNAIRE	Philip Gomez	51.0	7.0	31.0C	13.0
16	5.05	SM82	ISA LEI	Andrew William Chapman	53.0	17.0	31.0C	5.0
17		SM440	SKULLDUGGERY	Garry McCarten	53.0	14.0	31.0C	8.0
18		SM4379	SOUL MATE	David Keyes-Tilley	55.0	35.0C	14.0	6.0
19		SM351	FIRST PASSION	Simon Lipman	61.0	6.0N	31.0C	24.0C
20		SM136	RAGNAR	Richard Ekberg	63.0	8.0	31.0C	24.0C

Handicap Monitoring

The handicapping dilemma of the season is how/why LA MER won handicap relief of 9 minutes for Race-1, no change for Race-2 and then whacked with a correction of 11 minutes for this Race-3.

Justice is restored.

Another notable adjustment was EMERALD who had 6 minutes added to their handicap, which Leeward Larry would say was well deserved after noting their race-on-race performance improvement. Well done **EMERALD**.

Sunday Sailors Winter 2024 Series - Handicap Tracking							
Boat Handicaps (Base)							
Sail	Name	Туре	End of last	Change (Race No)			Latest
			season	1	2	3	
SM46	HOT CHIPPS	Dehler 46	41				41
SM190	WINSOME	Jeanneau Sunfast 40	36			-2	34
SM86	SHEBA	Elliot 780	29			-2	27
SM808	LEILANI	Hanse 400		new boat		35	35
SM377	BACARDI	Peterson 44	42				42
SM451	DEBONNAIRE	Beneteau First 45	45			-5	40
SM136	RAGNAR	Beneteau First 36	38				38
SM6915	EMERALD	Beneteau Oceanis 40	16			6	22
SM88	UPBEAT	Beneteau First 36.7	33			-2	31
SM321	LAWLESS	Farr 920	14				14
SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Swarbrick 111	25				25
SM6002	LA MER	Dufour 36e Performance	35	-9		11	37
SM440	SKULLDUGGERY	Jeanneau 44 Ds	30			-2	28
SM4646	ALLIANCE	Beneteau Oceanis 46	15	3		2	20
YC447	FIRST LIGHT	Beneteau First 47.7	24		3	2	29
SM82	ISA LEI	Serendipity 28	-2				-2
SM309	ALEGRIA	Catalina 309	1				1
SM351	FIRST PASSION	Beneteau First 35	26				26
SM4535	PANACHE IV	Salar 40	-15				-15
SM3800	38 Degrees Sout	Sydney 38	39				39



Gossip and News

HOT CHIPPS – WERE THEY BRIBING THE TOWER?

Leeward Larry's spies advise that HOT CHIPPS held a slap-up pizza night with special guests of certain tower volunteers, who are believed to have been invited without having to pay for their slice(s).

Was this a bribery attempt?

Was this related to the subsequent first across boat being disqualified?

Leeward Larry asks these questions, but does not infer bribery noting that pizza is a pretty pathetic bribery attempt. The term 'Cheap as Chipps' mighty fit.

Other boats more generously offer bottles of champers for our most valued tower volunteers.

HOT CHIPPS – WHO SKIPPERED.

With John Chipp away there was some confusion as to who helmed HOT CHIPPS.

It seems that there were two skippers, Murray Swarbrick and Gavin Stewart.

With the sailing instructions silent on the legality of two skippers, the name Gavin Swarbrick has been entered to fend off any potential protests.



(Photos are not from this race)



Winner

HOT CHIPPS (Gavin Swarbrick, Delher 46 off a non-spinnaker handicap of 41)



WINSOME (Simone Hummingway, Jeanneau Sunfast 40, spinnaker handicap of 36)



Third Place and Start of the Day.

SHEBA (Michael Pisani, Elliot 780 off a Spinnaker Handicap of 29)

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