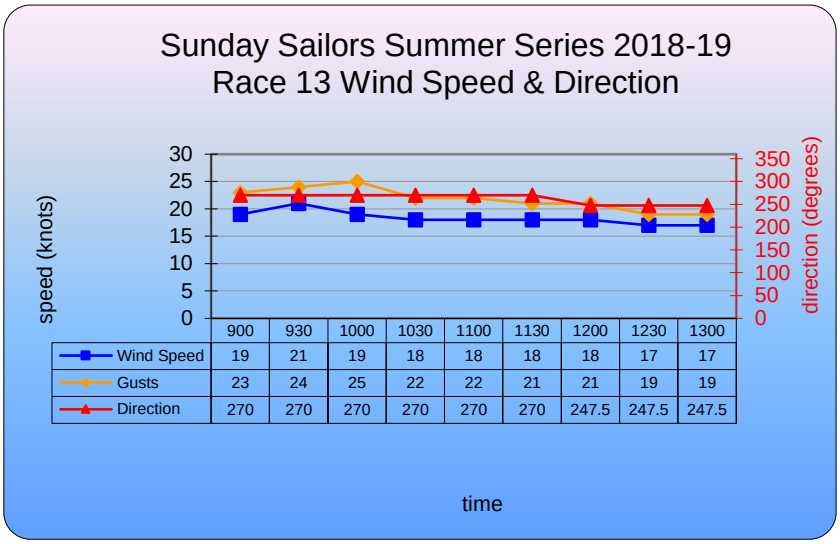
Quickest Race of the Series
Sunday Sailors Summer Series 2018-19 Race 13

Thirteen yachts ventured out for the final race of the summer series. The conditions were not particularly inviting for a summer race. It was dull and overcast with choppy seas and a westerly breeze that averaged about 18 knots at Fawkner Beacon. The race was around the 8.7 nautical mile course 11 and with plenty of breeze it was the quickest race of the series.



	900	930	1000	1030	1100	1130	1200	1230	1300
Wind Speed	19	21	19	18	18	18	18	17	17
Gusts	23	24	25	22	22	21	21	19	19
Direction	270	270	270	270	270	270	247.5	247.5	247.5

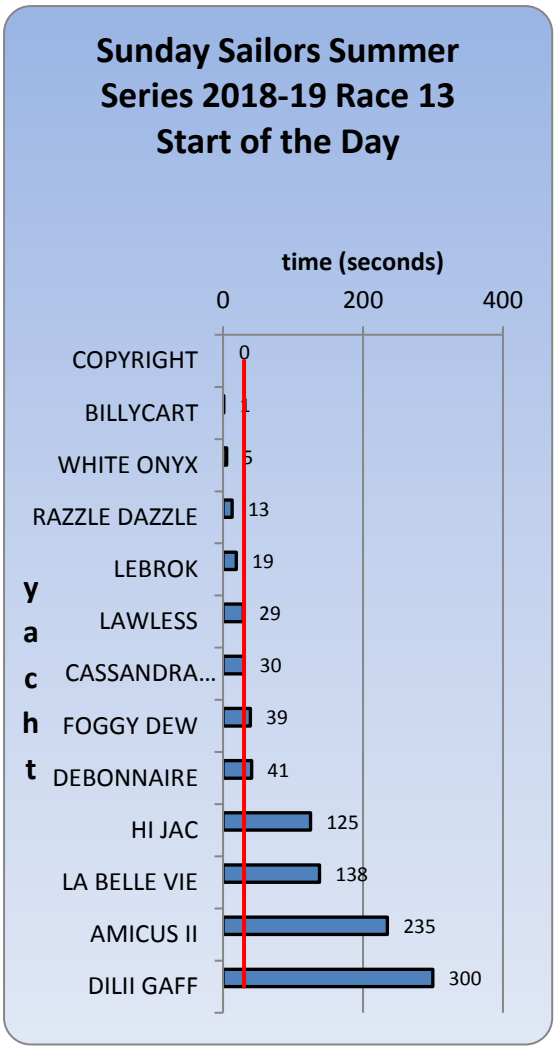
COPYRIGHT (Stuart Morrison Jack) has started every race in the series and saved her best till last. She started right on her handicap time of 32 minutes to win Start of the Day. Revelling in the breezy conditions was CASSANDRA of MELBOURNE (Bob Reeves) who won the race. She was followed by FOGGY DEW (Joe O'Grady) in 2nd place with HI JAC (John Gledhill) 3rd. For the fourth time this series WHITE ONYX (Ben & Katherine Solly) sailed the course in the fastest time.

It was down to this last race to decide the aggregate winner. By finishing in 4th place LAWLESS (Boyd Coulson) moved to the top of the aggregate equal on points with LEBROK (Theo Korbel). Winning the winter series and finishing 5th in the summer series resulted in DEBONNAIRE (Phil Gomez) winning the Sunday Plate whilst LEBROK won the Noelle Coram Trophy.

CASSANDRA is one of six yachts to have completed all 12 races in the series. She recorded 5 top ten finishes and this win became her third podium finish of the summer. CASSANDRA was one of two yachts with an 18 minute handicap and she started the race from 4th place 30 seconds late. BILLYCART was the other yacht with an 18 minute handicap and started 29 seconds earlier. CASSANDRA was able to sail the course 5 minutes 55 seconds faster than BILLYCART and finished six places ahead. CASSANDRA was first across the finish line at 11:24:38 and this win took her from 10th to finish 9th in the aggregate.

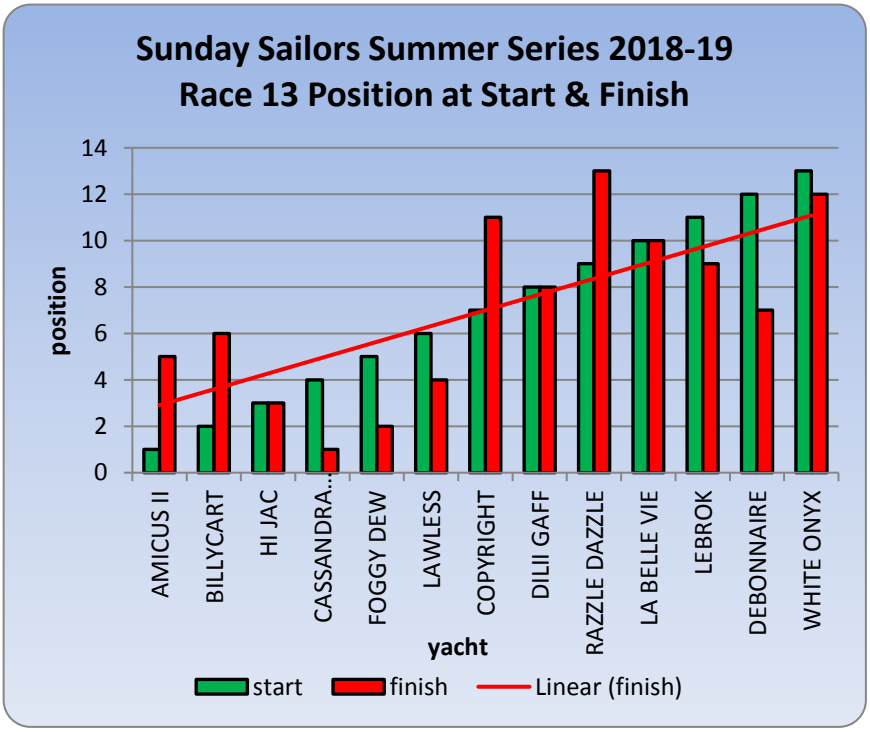
FOGGY DEW is one of 2 yachts that have completed 11 races this summer. She and has been placed in the top ten on five occasions. Her 2nd place in this race is her best result since the last race of 2018 when she also finished 2nd. FOGGY DEW started this race from 5th place 39 seconds late for her 25 minute handicap. She started 1 minute and 50 seconds ahead of LAWLESS and after sailing the course in 1:30:59 finished 2 places and 33 seconds ahead. FOGGY DEW crossed the finish line at 11:25:59 – 71 seconds behind the winner. She has been in the aggregate top ten since race 5 and finished the series in 8th place.

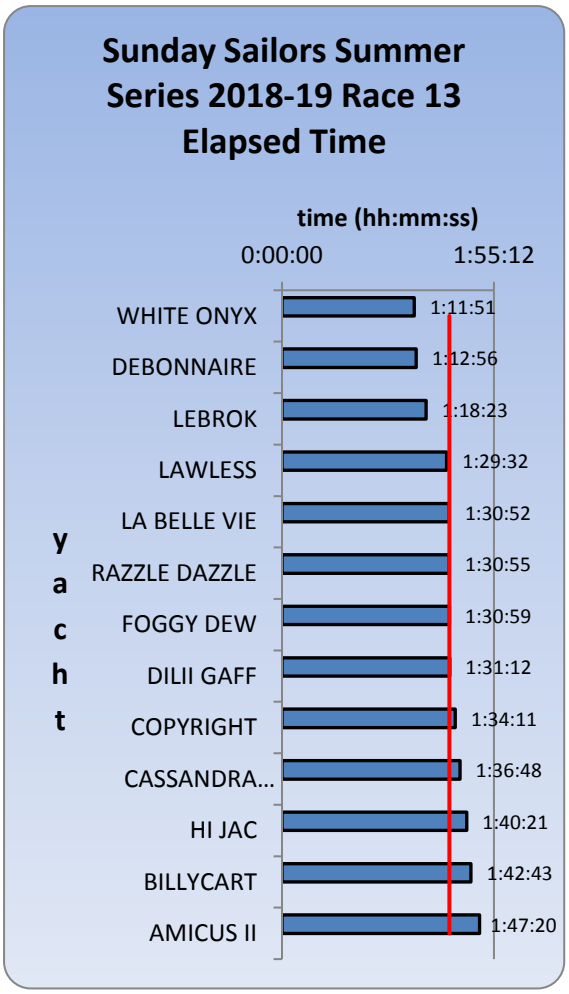
HI JAC didn't make her best start to the series being 2 minutes 5 seconds late for her 16 minute handicap – her lowest handicap for the series. She started from 3rd place and sailed the course in 1:40:21 to finish in the same place – 3rd at 11:26:21. However she was lying 4th on entering the last leg of the course but was able to regain her place before the finish line. HI JAC has completed 7 races and this was her best result of the series. She was 25th in the aggregate after race 21 but finished the series in 22nd place.



COPYRIGHT has started a race within 7 seconds or less of her handicap on 5 occasions but this was her first Start of the Day win. The median start time was 30 seconds but there was plenty of variation in start times between individual yachts.

The 13 yacht fleet started 42 minutes 10 seconds apart and came closer together as the race progressed to finish 13 minutes 7 seconds apart. Although the early starters were chased they couldn't be caught. The first 6 yachts to start the race were the first six yachts to finish.





The median elapsed time was 1:30:59 – the quickest of the series. The range of elapsed times was 35 minutes 25 seconds. Throughout the series DEBONNAIRE has been the fastest yacht in 6 races, WHITE ONYX in 4 and THE SECRETARY in 2 races.

(Left) AMICUS II was 3minutes 55 seconds late for her start but finished 5th. (Right) DILII GAFF started too soon which cost her 2 places.

(Left) BILLYCART had her best start of the series and second best of the race.

(Right) LA BELLE VIE started & finished in 10th place.

(Right) It was during the final leg that WHITE ONYX overtook RAZZLE DAZZLE. WHITE ONYX finished 3rd in the aggregate, RAZZLE DAZZLE runner up in the Noelle Coram Trophy.

(Left) Although LAWLESS was over taken by HI JAC she still went to the top of the aggregate.

DEBONNAIRE (left) winner of the Sunday Plate. LAWLESS (right) winner of the Summer Aggregate.

The Sunday Sailors Winter series is scheduled to start 5 May 2019

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