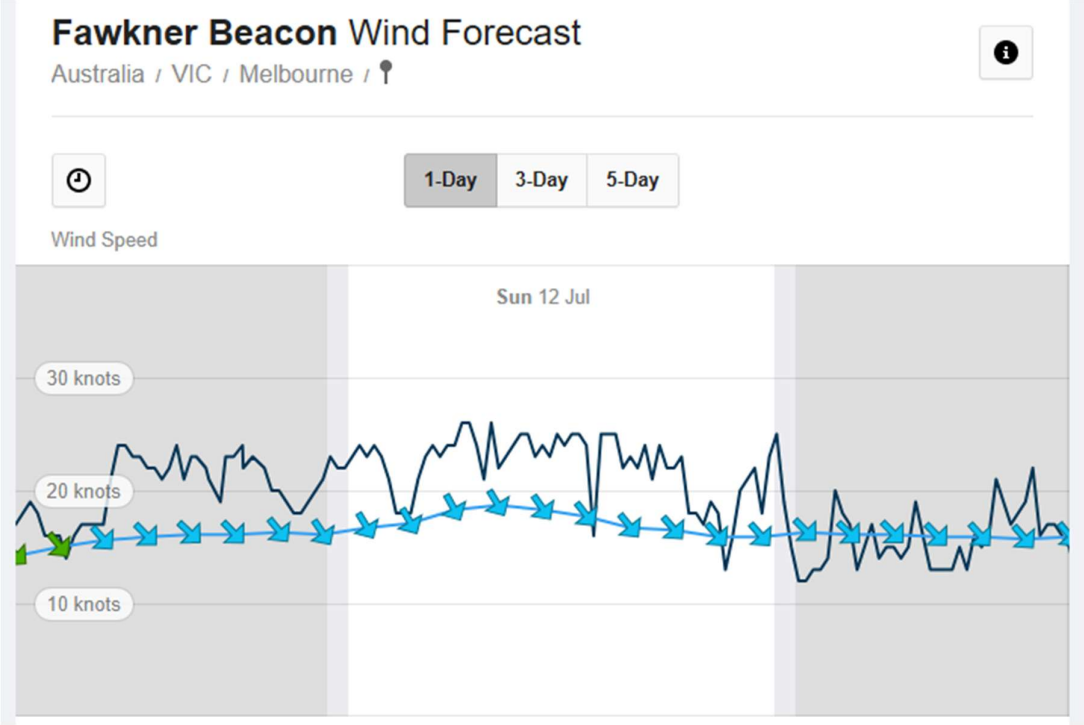
Sunday Sailors Report – Race 7 (12 July 2026)

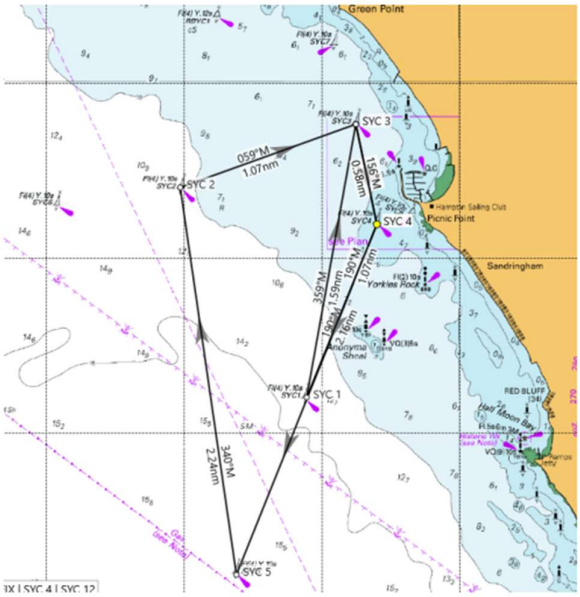
The Race

After 2 abandoned races, Race-7 kicked off with winds forecast to be around 18 knots NNW. But after a short lull to 18 knots around 9am, the wind settled into around 24 knots for most of the race.

Course 12 was selected with a Southerly start in a NNW wind.



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	157	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**

Comparable Course: 24

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Boats Entered and Results

The weather delivered a small fleet only 5 boats. And obviously no boats elected to fly their kite in these conditions.

Score	Number	Name	Type	Skipper	Spin	H'cap (Spin adjusted)	Finish Time		
							Hrs	Mins	Secs
1	SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Swarbrick 111	Graham Jones		14	11	23	54
2	SM6002	LA MER	Dufour 36e Performance	Michael Ebeling		27	11	36	34
3	SM342	AMICUS II	Swanson 30	Warwick Stenford		-2	11	37	49
4	SM46	HOT CHIPPS	Dehler 46	John Chipp		40	11	39	40
5	SM385	FIREFOX	Beneteau 38.5	Anthony Clyne		15	11	57	43

The Winners

Congratulations to the winning boat **RAZZLEL DAZZLE** (Grahame Jones, Swarbrick 111, non- Spinnaker handicap of 14) who handsomely won by 13 minutes ahead of the second-place boat.

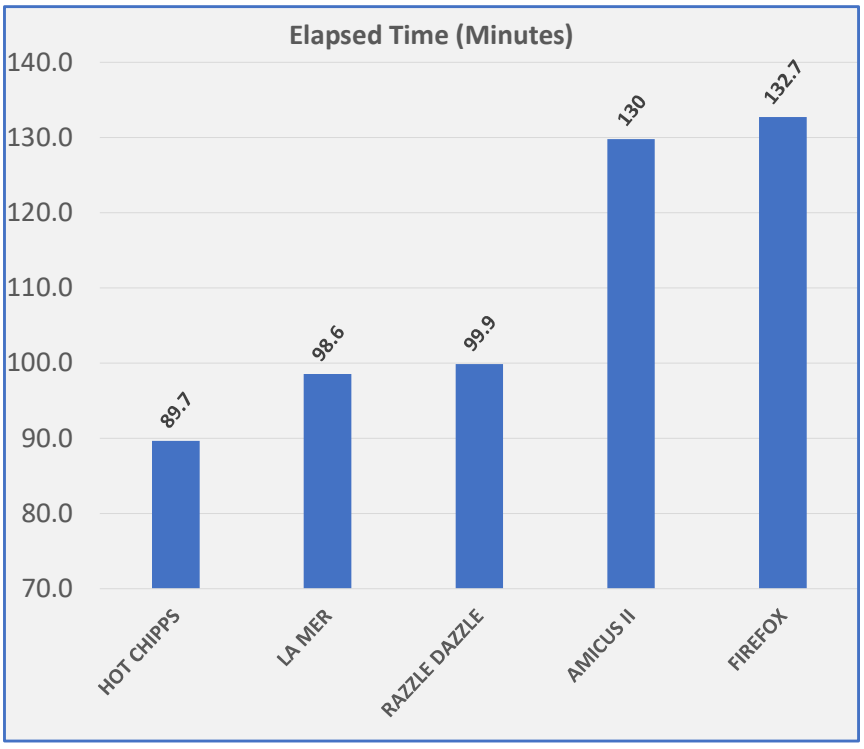
Razzle's winning crew was Grahame Jones, Jennifer Dunn, Patrick Portier & Marius Seglis.

Congratulations also to the second-place boat **LA MER** (Michael Ebeling, Defour 36e Performance, non-spinnaker handicap of 27)

And in third place to complete the podium was **AMICUS II** (Warwick Stenford, Swanson 30, non-spinnaker handicap of -2)

Boat Speed

The fastest boat around the courses was **HOT CHIPPS** (John Chipp, Delher 46 off a non-spinnaker handicap of 40), some 9 minutes ahead of the second and third fastest boats, **LA MER** and **RAZZEL DAZZLE.**



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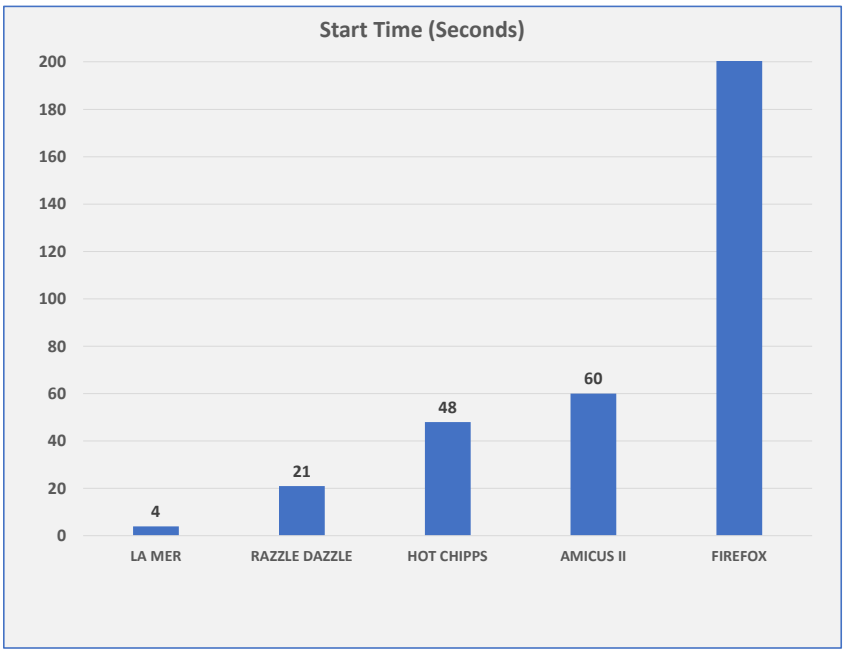
The Start

Start of the Day was won by **LA MER** (Michael Ebeling, Defour 36e Performance, non-spinnaker handicap of 27) at 4 seconds.

The other notable start was **FIREFOX** (Anthony Cline, Beneteau 38.5 with a non-spinnaker handicap of 15) with a start 9 minutes late. Yes indeed, that is 540 seconds late for the inaugural Leward Larry prize of convincingly the worst start of the season.



Series Results

Despite coming last today, Firefox scored an impressing 5th place to now lead the series.

In second and third place is **LA MER** and **SHEBA** respectively.

Place	Ties	Sail Num	Boat Name	Skipper	Sers Score	Race 7	Race 6	Race 5	Race 4	Race 3	Race 2	Race 1
1		SM385	FIREFOX	Kim Beveridge/ Anthony Clyne	10.0	5.0	ABN	ABN	[10.0]	3.0	ABN	2.0
2		SM6002	LA MER	Michael Ebeling	14.0	2.0	ABN	ABN	8.0	4.0	ABN	[9.0]
3		SM86	SHEBA	Michael Pisani	16.0	[38.0C]	ABN	ABN	11.0	1.0	ABN	4.0
4		SM351	FIRST PASSION	Simon Lipman	18.0	[38.0C]	ABN	ABN	9.0	2.0	ABN	7.0
5		SM82	ISA LEI	Andrew Chapman	19.0	[38.0C]	ABN	ABN	5.0	8.0	ABN	6.0
6		SM190	WINSOME	Simon Hemingway	24.0	[38.0C]	ABN	ABN	6.0	6.0	ABN	12.0
7		SM42	HITCHHIKER	David Goodman	41.0	[38.0C]	ABN	ABN	1.0	5.0	ABN	35.0C
8		SM440	SKULLDUGGERY	Garry McCarten	46.0	[38.0C]	ABN	ABN	4.0	7.0	ABN	35.0C
9		SM6915	EMERALD	Anthony Tanner	52.0	[38.0C]	ABN	ABN	3.0	35.0C	ABN	14.0
10		SM46	HOT CHIPPS	John Chipp	54.0	4.0	ABN	ABN	35.0C	[35.0C]	ABN	15.0
11		M010	AURORA	Paul Challis	66.0	[38.0C]	ABN	ABN	35.0C	14.0N	ABN	17.0
12	7R	SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Grahame Jones	71.0	1.0	ABN	ABN	35.0C	35.0C	ABN	[35.0C]
13		SM321	LAWLESS	Boyd Coulson	71.0	[38.0C]	ABN	ABN	35.0C	35.0C	ABN	1.0

Gossip - Every One's a Winner

This is possibly the only race for the season, or in the history of Sunday Sailers, where every boat entered was a prize winner.

RAZZLE DAZZLE: First Place,

LA MER: Second Place and Start of The Day,

AMICUS II: Third Place,

HOT CHIPPS: Fastest boat,

FIREFOX: Inaugural trophy for worst start of the season.

One thing to note is that Leward Larry calculates elapsed time based on the handicap start time, not actual start time. With **FIREFOX** starting 9 minutes late, their true elapsed time would have been 123 minutes, which is 7 minutes faster than **AMICUS II.**

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Handicap News

Sunday Sailors Winter 26 Series - Handicap Tracking								
Boat			**Handicaps (Base)**					
Sail	Name	Type	End of last season	Change (Race No)				Latest
				1	3	4	7	
SM2627	RAZZLE DAZZLE	Swarbrick 111	14					14
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SM342	AMICUS II	Swanson 30	-2					-2
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SM385	FIREFOX	Beneteau 38.5	7	3	3	2		15

Of the boats that sailed in Race-7, it was only **LA MER** that had a handicap change in the form of 1 minute relief.

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you.

A special thank you to those that enabled this Sunday Sailors race: Tower volunteers (Cathy Higgins, Eryl Harris and Helen Millican), our Handicapper Stuart Morrison-Jack and the Boating Office.

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Photos are not from this race)

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