

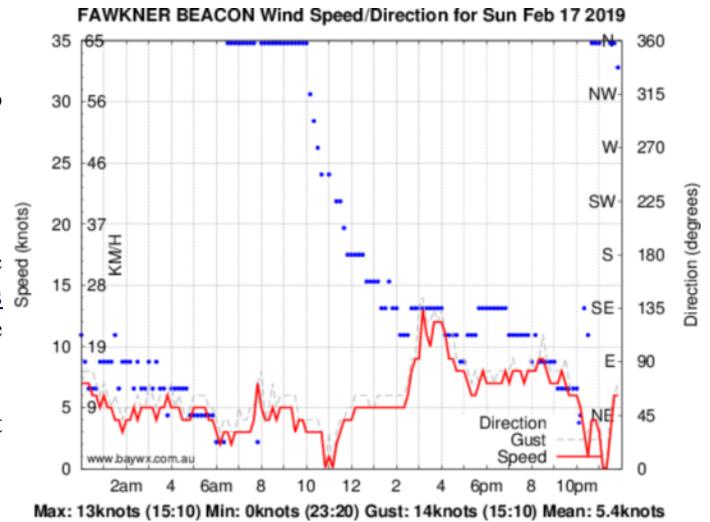
## CYAA 2019 Summer Series Race 7

We've made it. Seven races in a season. Been some close no race calls with light winds and high wind scares.

### Race 7 results

For those not in the know here's the links to how the Classic fleet went in Race 7. [Results including handicappers analysis](#), [Series Aggregate](#) up to Race 7 with no worst score drop and [Marie Louise III Consistency status](#)

Classic thanks go to HBYC race committee and Alistair Hart from RMYS for the prompt race results generation.



Manuka Rere leads Martini and Mercedes III to the start line with one minute to go. Claire is yet to turn.

### Race 7 Details

Twelve classics were all set to go. With a local 4 knot building but swinging breeze, the race committee decision to use a long to first mark course was a gamble with the wind. The dice didn't role our way. The breeze didn't stay and along came the wind holes. What do you do? Keep the boat moving. Unfortunately moving to well for Manuka



Manuka Rere trying to slow down as Mercedes III, Dingo and Zephyr prepare to run down the line. Claire waits on Dingo to pass



Snow Goose and Zephyr join Cyan to approach the start line with 30 seconds to go



Avian about to lift her cover on Frances with a tack to search for better wind. Dingo stays in the shore breeze window. The Northerly mares tails say there's wind up here but not you down there.

Rere with her metre over the start line. She was called back. Avian began a port tack to leave Mark 71 to port and search for new wind while Snow Goose and Zephyr followed shortly after and then Martini not long after. Manuka Rere and Claire followed Dingo, Cyan and Marie Louise III on the shore bound starboard tack. Boambillee also held on to the shore based leg till a bad knock told her it was time to go for new wind.

Keeping the boat moving was the word on **Mercedes III** as Martin Ryan hung on for the shore breeze till began its southerly and then southeasterly swing at Point Ormond. Those gritted teeth began to smile as **Mercedes III** began her lifting tack to the Mark R2. Almost pinned it in one did **Mercedes III**. The local knowledge team from Nova Scotia on the Tumlarén **Dingo** were in full gear as they crossed multiple tacks with **Boambillee** on the beat to the R2 Mark. Those **Dingo/Boambillee** track crossings were the Classic Yacht racing action of Race 7. The pain of enduring the light breeze as worth/while for some. Particularly for Mark Chew on **Avian**. They were clear ahead on starboard when crossing tacks with **Marie Louise III**.



After 90 minutes of racing it was clear a shorten course at Mark R2 would be the call. All good, all starters would have a finish time.

### Close across the line finishes

Although no pics there were some close across the line finishes. **Dingo** was pipped by **Frances** by one second while. Check out the elapsed times to see how close the over the line finish was between **Martini** by one second ahead of **Zephyr**, who was 8 seconds ahead of **Cyan**.

### Corrected time congratulations to Dingo

Watching **Dingo** engage in tack crossing battles with **Boambillee** was big distraction to the task of light wind sail trim on the other Race 7 classics. After race word from **Frances** was they thought **Dingo** had them over the start line. Not so from the Race committee position. Didn't matter a one second difference between a Tumlarén and an International 8 metre after ninety minutes of racing will go down as one of the most notable feats of Classic Yacht racing on Port Phillip. Not far behind in notability was the Race 6 performance by the Tumlarén **Snow Goose** racing against **Mercedes III** and **Boambillee**. These top Tumlarén performances indicate close competition will be the scene in the April 6/7 Tumlarén State Championships at RMYS. Jim's crew from in the form Russell and Heidi Mead from Nova Scotia was a key to **Dingo**'s outstanding performance. Seems trim on the Schooner **Tillikum I** is not different to that of a Tumlarén.



### Line honours and second on corrected to Mercedes III

As the track of **Mercedes III** shows the attraction to tack while in light wind holes was always there. From a distance **Mercedes III**, down by Point Ormond, looked to be out of it but that white water from her bow as she steamed up to Mark R2 showed she was travelling well in the shifting to the south building breeze. The payoff to being in the right location to use the southerly wind shift to almost make the Mark R2 in one tack. Leading the fleet over the line by seven minutes was the result for a brilliant tactical helming by Martin Ryan.

### Manuka Rere fills out the podium

Another race seven sight was the scene of both the Trekka Class **Manuka Rere** and Cousta Boat **Claire** with well set sails beating up to the finish line. For **Manuka Rere** the need to make up for the time lost for her one metre over the line recall had her helm Cam Smith keeping his top crew in the shape of Stephen Cheney very alert. Both had come of the HBYC Sea Pilots race that turned into an 11 hour light wind race the bay before. Congratulations to **Manuka Rere's** for her third placing on corrected time. Checking out these two at HBYC after race showed they were done in.

## Tight corrected times for Race 7

Although the race 7 was a one mark race in light winds the corrected time results were a bit wide amongst the first three further down for places 4 to 6 showed very little in both the elapsed time and corrected times for the placing of **Avian**, **Boambillee** and **Claire**. Corrected time placing from 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> between **Marie Louie III**, **Zephyr**, **Snow Goose** and **Martini** showed working hard in light winds pays off. For **Marie Louise III** Race 7 was one of her better sails with a soon to be CYAA member Albert Doggett watching her trim all race long. The corrected time performances of Frances and Cyan were the result of light winds at the wrong time.

## Recent CYAA news

### New Member Ian Hansen

More good news on the new member front. Ian Hansen from Sydney with his two classic's **Karalee** and **Smokey Cape** now on the CYAA Boat Register.



**Karalee**

Alan Payne first major design from 1947 45 Ft. Cutter Launched 1952  
Builder Morrow Brothers



**Smokey Cape**

Len Randell designed modified Gemini Sloop to yawl rig  
Cec Quilkey builder 1974 Prior owner Jack Earl

## Queen of the Clippers

For a break from Classic Yacht racing Check out the link to a [Grain Race article found in the October 1956](#) issue of the Seacraft magazine. Article was prepared for posting on the web site some time ago as part of the project to bring the old Seacraft magazines alive.

## Race 8 Pursuit start March 3

That's it for Race 7. Now to Race 8. Fingers crossed for decent wind conditions to have a decent pursuit race result. Handicaps readjusted to reflect race 7 results are all set for the Race 8 group start time calculations.

Regards to all

Peter Costolloe, CYAA (Vic) Handicapper.