

## SFS Race Report Sat 27<sup>th</sup> October 2018

by Bob Chapman, 29 Oct 2018.

Photographs by Adrienne Jackson and Roy Milford.

Race 3 of the 2018-19 Season and Heat 3 of the Spring Point Score. Warm sunny conditions with 8 skiffs on hand and the forecast for a moderate to fresh NE seabreeze. Most skiffs rigged with intermediate rigs, some electing for a reefed mainsail and some sailing with reduced crew numbers.

The race got underway from a handicap start off Clark Island on the no.1 NE course into a fresh NE breeze and a strong run-out tide making for lumpy conditions on a busy harbour. Britannia and Top Weight were first away off 15mins, then Tangalooma (14), Scot (13), and Alruth (12), followed by Australia IV (9), Yendys (3) and Aberdare off scratch.



The run-out tide made for a quick if somewhat bumpy beat down to the Beashel Buoy with Britannia first to round for the square run to Shark Island followed by Top Weight, Alruth, Australia IV, Scot, Tangalooma, Yendys and Aberdare. Top Weight's race ended early when they ran down by the head whilst setting the spinnaker and suffered a terminal fill-up. Britannia set a ringtail on the first run and was first skiff to gybe at Shark Island for the run to Clark Island, followed by Alruth, Australia IV, Scot, Tangalooma, Yendys then Aberdare. Yendys' race came to an abrupt end after completing the gybe when a runner/backstay malfunction resulted in a broken mast.

Britannia was first to round at Clark Island for the beat to Chowder Bay into a solid breeze, followed by Alruth, Australia IV, Scot, Aberdare and Tangalooma. Alruth had a lee cloth malfunction off Bradley's Head that resulted in a terminal fill-up to end their race whilst well placed – their problems were further compounded whilst under tow when the bowsprit broke then resulting in a broken mast.



Britannia continued upwind to Chowder Bay to round with a clear lead from Australia IV, then Aberdare, Scot and Tangalooma.

Britannia was first to gybe at Shark Island with Australia IV having made up time, wherein Australia IV sailed into the lead on the final run to win by a minute from Britannia, with another 20 secs to Aberdare then Scot and Tangalooma.

With thanks to our on-water support team of Barley, Roy, Russell, Adrienne, Peter, Chuck, Bill. We look forward to seeing you down at the Squaddie next week.

**Results for Sat 27<sup>th</sup> October 2018.**

| Race 3        | 27-Oct-18    |           | Hcp Start  | #1 Course   | NE        | 15-18kts   |          |           |
|---------------|--------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|----------|-----------|
| Skiff         | Skipper      | Race Hcap | Start Time | Finish Time | Race Time | H'cap Time | New Hcap | Ring tail |
| Australia IV  | T. Stewart   | 0:09      | 14:21:00   | 15:52:55    | 1:31:55   | 1:22:55    | 7        |           |
| Britannia     | I. Smith     | 0:15      | 14:15:00   | 15:54:00    | 1:39:00   | 1:24:00    | 14       | 1         |
| Aberdare      | J. Winning   | 0:00      | 14:30:00   | 15:54:19    | 1:24:19   | 1:24:19    | 0        |           |
| Scot          | J. Watt      | 0:13      | 14:17:00   | 16:00:30    | 1:43:30   | 1:30:30    | 13       |           |
| Tangalooma    | N. Turbit    | 0:14      | 14:16:00   | 16:07:00    | 1:51:00   | 1:37:00    | 14       |           |
| Alruth        | J. Tickner   | 0:12      | 14:18:00   | DNF         |           |            | 12       |           |
| Top Weight    | A. Robertson | 0:15      | 14:15:00   | DNF         |           |            | 15       |           |
| Yendys        | B. Watson    | 0:03      | 14:27:00   | DNF         |           |            | 3        |           |
| Myra Too      |              | 0:07      | DNC        |             |           |            | 7        |           |
| The Mistake   |              | 0:07      | DNC        |             |           |            | 7        |           |
| Australia     |              | 0:06      | DNC        |             |           |            | 6        |           |
| FD Sail-no 33 | I. McCrossin | 0:00      | 14:31:00   | 15:38:03    | 1:07:03   |            |          |           |

| Skiff        | Spring Point Score | Ringtail Point Score |
|--------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Aberdare     | 14                 | 1                    |
| Alruth       | 11                 | 0                    |
| Australia    | 0                  | 0                    |
| Australia IV | 12                 | 0                    |
| Britannia    | 6                  | 2                    |
| Myra Too     | 0                  | 0                    |
| Scot         | 7                  | 0                    |
| Tangalooma   | 5                  | 0                    |
| The Mistake  | 0                  | 0                    |
| Top Weight   | 11                 | 0                    |
| Yendys       | 1                  | 0                    |

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