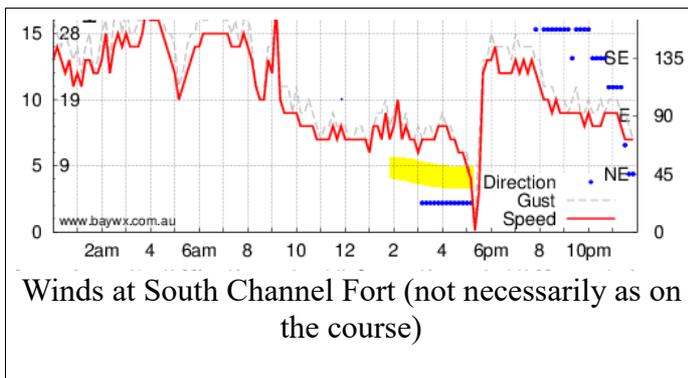


Ray Maki 2 21st October 2018 and postponement of RM3

The Weather Gods seem to have reverted to tormenting us. It was with some relief to skippers that the shifting of Ray Maki 2, from Saturday (Opening Day) to Sunday, promised more benign weather. However the abatement of wind rather overshot the mark. The resulting calm and uncertain winds set even greater challenges for the race committee than for the competitors. With tide setting vessels backwards away from the line, a postponement was signalled and the four participants (Imagine, Boomaroo, Tiercel and Warrior) got away 35 minutes later than scheduled, with course 12 announced..

Warrior then Boomaroo made good starts, followed by Tiercel (late) and Imagine a relatively successful half-minute late, as the now increasing tide ran against a light and fluky wind.

No major dramas occurred and across the line (shortened course) it was Imagine, Warrior, Boomaroo and Tiercel. On handicap, results were Imagine, Boomaroo and Warrior all very close and Tiercel well behind.



Imagine – winner on the day -again.

With only two members at the Clubhouse and Tiercel's crew running late, socialising and chips were left for another day. Many thanks to Frank McMahon and Ian McKenzie for OOD duties on Swan.

Leading up to 27th October, scheduled for Ray Maki 3, the wind gods turned their attention to tormenting the Club Captain with forecasts of winds increasing during the afternoon to be just beyond our limits. And as usual



the timing of the increase was looking worse as the day approached. In the end a good decision to cancel as the wind got up rapidly to well over the forecast, and into the region of 27 knots (lower 20's recorded even in the harbour where Tiercel was reinstating her anemometer).



Warrior on a better day.