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Race Records

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FACTS AND STATS; RACE RECORDS

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INTRODUCTION

Over the years, thousands of boats have participated in the Swiftsure International Yacht Race. For many, just being in the event is a personal triumph and a long-standing memory. For others, it is an annual rite as many skippers and crews come back to face a new challenge.

Each year, some new yachts appear, sometimes with first-timers, sometimes with hardened Swiftsure veterans at the helm. In other cases, boat names are very familiar but have changed hands.

FASTEST/SLOWEST SUMMARY

A summary of certain Swiftsure records has been developed - both the fastest elapsed and corrected times for the various races and the winners that took the longest to gain their achievements. Other records, such as the last to finish are of mixed distinction but still show that the Swiftsure International Yacht Race requires stamina, endurance and concentration. It is about personal challenges as well as vying with other yachts.

***Note 1:** From 1963 to 1971, official results based on finish times and the time allowances were applied. Data recalculated to show elapsed times.*

***Note 2:** From 2000, the course length for Fastest Elapsed Times calculations is 140.4 N.M. vs 136.8 N.M. for Pyewacket's 1996 record, a distance of 3.6 N.M. longer.*



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A) SWIFTSURE LIGHTSHIP CLASSIC

1. Fastest Elapsed Times for First Boat Home - under 24 hours from start

hr.:min.:sec.

15:08:02	Braveheart	PHRF	2007
16:48:52	Coruba	PHRF	2005 (Based on 140.4 N.M)
16:45:39	Pyewacket	PHRF	1996 (Based on 136.8 N.M.)
17:44:11	Cassiopeia	PHRF	1997
17:52:33	Cassiopeia	PHRF	1995
20:36:35	Windward Passage	IOR	1978
21:11:50	Meridian	PHRF	1991
21:37:19	Heather	IOR	1991
21:43:03	Charley	IOR	1984
21:45:58	Sorcery	IOR	1986
21:55:06	Allure	IOR	1990
22:01:03	Meridian	PHRF	1990
22:28:17	Jam	PHRF	2001
22:52:40	Rage	PHRF	1994
23:38:46	Rage	PHRF	1993
23:53:00	Endless Summer	IOR	1972

2. Fastest Corrected Times for Swiftsure Winners - 24 hours or less

17:21:48	Coruba	PHRF	2007
18:23:12	Atalanta	PHRF	1997
19:02:14	Coruba	PHRF	2005
19:26:02	Cassiopeia	PHRF	1995
19:32:26	Cassiopeia	PHRF	1996
20:07:27	Sachem	IOR	1978
20:35:27	Atalanta	PHRF	1990
20:51:24	Allure	IOR	1990
21:16:06	Slick Silver	IOR	1983
21:25:27	Meridian	PHRF	1991
21:42:43	Charley	IOR	1984
21:43:21	Pearce Arrow	IOR	1979
21:45:18	Sorcery	IOR	1986
21:58:14	Surprise	PHRF	1983
22:14:15	Jam	PHRF	2001
22:47:37	Apparition	PHRF	1978
23:17:18	Endless Summer	IOR	1972
23:17:25	Sachem	IOR	1988
23:46:35	Jeunesse II	PHRF	1972
23:56:48	Coruba	PHRF	2003



B) CAPE FLATTERY

1. Fastest Elapsed Times for First Boat Home - under 18 hours

12:51:13	Flash	PHRF	2007
14:51:13	Wind Bird	PHRF Light	1996
15:41:50	Sally	PHRF	1985
15:42:58	Kasatka	PHRF Heavy	1996
15:50:13	Wind Bird	PHRF Light	1995
16:02:29	Sly'd Away	PHRF Light	1997
16:05:46	Pachena	PHRF Heavy	1995
16:07:53	Time Bandit	PHRF Heavy	1997
16:18:48	Oaxaca	PHRF Light	1991
16:59:19	Coruba	PHRF Light	1993
17:06:24	Pendragon III	IOR	1991
17:07:24	Jo	IMS	1991
17:16:50	Pachena	PHRF Heavy	1991
17:30:19	Pachena	PHRF Heavy	1993

2. Fastest Winner on Corrected Time - under 16 hours

11:27:23	Pendragon III	IOR	1991
12:51:15	Mo Bettah Two	IOR	1985
12:56:50	Sally	PHRF	1985
13:00:29	Mad Max	IOR	1993
13:17:19	Wind Bird	PHRF Light	1996
13:53:59	Kasatka	PHRF Heavy	1996
14:03:22	Pachena	PHRF Heavy	1995
14:11:18	Wind Bird	PHRF Light	1995
14:38:39	Sly'd Away	PHRF Light	1997
14:52:26	Time Bandit	PHRF Heavy	1997
15:01:50	Pachena	PHRF Heavy	1991
15:08:54	Mo Bettah Two	IOR	1988
15:15:19	Pachena	PHRF Heavy	1993
15:38:48	Oaxaca	PHRF Light	1991



C) JUAN DE FUCA

1. Fastest Elapsed Times for First Boat Home - under 15 hours

9:18:53	Yummy	PHRF	2005
11:20:50	Bullitt	PHRF	2007
11:45:26	Aldebaran	PHRF Light	1996
12:06:41	Poudre d'Or	PHRF Heavy	1996
12:22:24	Knockout	PHRF	1984
12:48:58	Hagar	IOR	1984
13:05:50	Goyama	IOR	1978
13:25:18	Hagar	IOR	1980
13:56:30	Red Dwarf	PHRF	1997
14:07:20	Warhawk	PHRF	1985
14:18:37	Tarka	PHRF	1980
14:32:57	Horizon	PHRF	1991
14:42:26	Serada	IOR	1982
14:50:28	Pachena	PHRF	1975
14:53:09	Sea Spell II	PHRF	1982

2. Fastest Corrected Times for Winners - under 12 hours

08:03:11	Aldebaran	PHRF Light	1996
08:04:07	Poudre d'Or	PHRF Heavy	1996
09:15:27	Fred Again	IOR	1984
09:38:06	Goyama	IOR	1978
09:43:39	Knockout	PHRF	1984
09:52:38	Outlaw	IOR	1980
10:20:36	Red Dwarf	PHRF	1997
10:24:50	Sea Jay	PHRF	1985
10:55:55	Romada	PHRF	1980
11:13:20	Serada	IOR	1982
11:26:47	Teaser	PHRF	2000
11:46:06	Outlaw	IOR	1979
11:59:17	Sea Spell II	PHRF	1982



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Note: these are all the results, not listed by highest or lowest.

A) SWIFTSURE LIGHTSHIP CLASSIC

Fastest Times for Winner

	<u>Elapsed</u>	<u>Boat</u>	<u>Corrected</u>
1986	40:38:11	Invictus	38:56:02
1987	29:52:20	Chaak	29:18:17
1988	29:41:37	Chaak	29:07:34
1989	not avail	Chaak	not avail
1990	30:05:45	Chaak	28:57:39
1991	25:59:36	Cha Cha	23:02:32
1997	14:35:29	Stars & Stripes	23:19:53
1998*	30:13:42	Humdinger	31:03:52

*Last year that this category was in place.

B) NEAH BAY/ CAPE FLATTERY

Fastest times for winner

1992	24:47:00	Tardis	24:22:00
1993	26:20:25	Flipper	25:08:45
1994	20:24:29	Tardis	21:14:47
1995	14:35:04	Flipper	14:34:40
1996	12:44:20	Hanoman	11:57:23
1997	14:00:26	Hanoman	13:18:31
1998	28:11:30	Hanoman	27:31:16
2000	10:32:06	Dragonfly	14:07:31
2001	09:03:00	Dragonfly	12:38:25
2002	not available	Bad Kitty	35:12:17
2003	not available	Dragonfly	15:10:45
2004	13:23:53	Redshift	25:37:39
2005	6:58:55	Cheekee Monkee	12:09:49
2006	2:10:25	Redshift	21:14:51
2007	7:50:51	Blue Lightening	12:56:25
2008	19:30:39	Makika	19:72:53
2009	14:41:39	Dragonfly	17:42:33
2010	10:22:49	Dragonfly	13:23:43

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON OVERALL SWIFTSURE LIGHTSHIP CLASSIC WINNERS**

The last page of the Golby - Hewitt book provides some additional information on the winners of the Swiftsure Classic from 1930 to 1980. The following facts and stats updates list and provide similar information on the winners racing under other handicap systems (i.e. PHRF as well as IOR).

<u>Year</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Entries</u>	<u>Yacht Name</u>	<u>Skipper(s)</u>	<u>Yacht Club</u>	<u>LOA</u>	<u>Designer</u>
1981	IOR	79	Heather	F. Roswold	Sloop Tavern	Custom 41'	Perry
1982	IOR	79	Pachena	J. Newton	W. Van YC		
1983	IOR	63	Slick Silver	D. Haddleton	Vancouver Rowing		
1984	IOR	67	Charley		R. Van YC	Custom	Ron Holland
1985	IOR	41	Country Style	S. Merriman	R. Vic YC	Crown 34	
1986	IOR	44	Sorcery		California		
1987	IOR	29	Sachem	W. Buchan	CYC Seattle		
1988	IOR	20	Sachem	W. Buchan	CYC Seattle		
1989	IOR	19	Resuscitation	F. Thompson	R. Van YC	C&C 40?	
1990	IOR	24	Allure			Custom 50'	Bill Lee
1991	IOR	11	Sachem	W. Buchan	CYC Seattle	Custom 41'	Peterson
1992	IOR	10	Sachem*	W. Buchan	CYC Seattle	Custom 41'	Peterson
1993 **	PHRF	18	Meridian	T. Clark	CYC Seattle	Custom 70'	C. Schiff; Perry
1994 **	PHRF	48	Rage	S. Rander	Portland	Custom 70'	Wylie
1995 **	PHRF	24	Cassiopeia	R. Burnett	CYC Seattle	Custom 72'	Laurie Davidson
1996 **	PHRF	36	Cassiopeia	R. Burnett	CYC Seattle	Custom 72'	Laurie Davidson
1997 **	PHRF	28	Atalanta	R. Hedreen	CYC Seattle	Custom 73'	Tripp
1998	PHRF	28	Night Runner	D. & K. Fryer	Seattle YC	Custom 42'	

Notes:

- *For 1992, winner of Swiftsure IOR fleet awarded R. Van YC Trophy, not Swiftsure Trophy.
- **For 1993-97, overall Swiftsure winner awarded Canadian Coast Guard Trophy.



While the Swiftsure Lightship Classic is the premier race, for many years (until 1993) participation was limited to those racing under the IOR system. Only those boats got a crack at the Swiftsure Trophy. To recognize properly those winners under the PHRF system on the long course, a parallel listing has been prepared.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Entries</u>	<u>Yacht Name</u>	<u>Skipper(s)</u>	<u>Yacht Club</u>	<u>LOA</u>	<u>Designer</u>
1969	PHRF	12	Intrepid				
1970	PHRF	11	Kaiulani				
1971	PHRF	31	Emeraude				
1972	PHRF	28	Jeunesse II	P. Cote	R. Van YC	48' yawl	
1973	PHRF	46	White Squall	G. Teats	CYC Tacoma	Cal 40	
1974	PHRF	45	White Squall	G. Teats	CYC Tacoma	Cal 40	
1975	PHRF	92	Predicament	J. Smith		Columbia 30	
1976	PHRF	128	African Star	D. Fryer	SYC	35' cutter	Atkin
1977	PHRF	110	African Star	D. Fryer	SYC	35' cutter	Atkin
1978	PHRF	133	Apparition	M. Fiander W. White	CYC Seattle		
1979	PHRF	160	Deliverance	G. Palo	CYC Tacoma	Viking 33	
1980	PHRF	97	Delicate Balance	R. Gunsolus	CYC Seattle	Tartan 10 - 30'	
	PHRF	73	Encounter	H. Bacon	R. Vic YC	PT 10 - 30'	
1981	PHRF	105	Pietarsaari	R. Barnes	CYC Seattle	Baltic 39	
	PHRF	76	Maria XI		R. Van YC	CS 36	
1982	PHRF	110	Ksan	B. Davis	R. Van YC	Custom 41'	Peterson
	PHRF	58	Surprise	G. Maurer	SYC	C&C 35 Mark II	
1983	PHRF	112	Surprise	G. Maurer	SYC	C&C 35 Mark II	
	PHRF	50	Icarian	C. Teasdale		Cape North 43	Ted Brewer
1984	PHRF	94	Bonnie	C. Badgley K. Callaghan	CYC Seattle		
	PHRF	71	Courtship	D. Collins	Eagle Harbour	C&C 35	
1985	PHRF	104	Cheetah	P. Clark G. Millar	Quartermaster	Islander 36	



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1986	PHRF	115	Wind Bird	G. Utgaard	CYC Seattle	Olson 40	
1987	PHRF	101	Thursday's Child	C. Wilson	Eagle Harbour	Hotfoot 31	Doug Hempill
1988	PHRF	65	Deliverance	S. Tuck	Quartermaster		
1989	PHRF	52	Dancing Bear II	J. Gerhardt	CYC Tacoma		
1990	PHRF	45	Atalanta	R. Hedreen J. Heron	CYC Seattle	Custom 73'	Tripp
1991	PHRF	26	Meridian	T. Clark	SYC	Custom 70'	C. Schiff; Perry
1992	PHRF	19	Merlin	D. Sinclair	R. Van YC	Custom 73'	Bill Lee
1993	PHRF	18	Meridian	T. Clark	CYC Seattle		
1994	PHRF	48	Rage	S. Rander	CYC Portland		
1995	PHRF	26	Cassiopeia	C. Burnett	Other		
1996	PHRF	37	Cassiopeia	C. Burnett	CYC Seattle		
1997	PHRF	28	Atalanta	R. Hedreen	CYC Seattle		
1998	PHRF	33	Nightrunner	D. Fryer	Seattle	Custom 42'	
1999	PHRF	22	Freedom 10	J.W. Knudson	Sloop Tvrn	Tartan 10	
2000	PHRF	22	Jam	J. McPhail	Gig Harbour	J 160	
2001	PHRF	24	Jam	J. McPhail	Gig Harbour	J 160	
2002	PHRF	28	Icon	D. Robbins	Seattle	Custom	
2003	PHRF	23	Coruba	R. Fleming	Seattle	Nelson /mar 70	
2004	PHRF	29	Icon	J. Roser	Seattle		
2005	PHRF	30	Coruba	R. Fleming	Seattle	Nelson/ Mar 70	
2006	PHRF	21	Glory	J. Buchan	Seattle	Transpac 52	
2007	PHRF	22	Coruba	R. Fleming	Seattle	NM 70	
2008	PHRF	20	Glory	J. Buchan	Seattle	And 77	
2009	PHRF	20	Glory	J. Buchan	Seattle	And 77	
2010	PHRF	21	Strum	R. MacDonald	RVanYC	50ft	
2011	PHRF	17	Icon	K. Welch	Seattle	Custom	