

As I was still enjoying my summer vacation (and a break from SOL stipulated by Mrs. karriv;), I just took one look at the WX when the race was opened and decided to give it just one go on Friday, which seemed at that time to have the best window. As it happened, Mrs. karriv had the opening of an exhibition where she was participating on Friday evening, just at the time of the optimal window, so I had time to concentrate on the race.

Initially it seemed like the result would not be very sensitive for start time, BWR was predicting that the window would be quite flat for starts between 19-21 Z. I was slightly suspecting that the counter clockwise shift would have an impact on the time for later starts, so I decided to start quite early, with the additional benefit of the possibility to go to bed earlier. As BWR was showing a flat window, I decided to really pay attention to running the course as fast as possible, not just counting on timing to decide the race.

I set my start DC when I left to visit the opening mentioned above and when I came back at around 19:30 I was surprised to see that no-one except robert1 had started. It took another half an hour to get the fleet really going.

The course was mostly about getting the corners right, just one tack to time correctly, which I managed to hit spot on. I managed to run the course quite nicely, I think I could not have squeezed many seconds from the time even with a perfect run. After a very exciting wait to cross the finish line, I got the lead ahead of robert1. And that's when the nail biting started. First to see how Rundo and ShamrockPirate did, and thereafter rumskib, javakeda et al. After I saw I beat rumskib by almost two minutes I thought the window was closed and went to bed.

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