

Around American Samoa

The start for sassy63 was not perfect, although I had set a start DC. I was a bit late to the start and set the first course change to the nearest headland.. Well, that was quite good as the wind to Vaiava Strait was shifting a little bit. Reaching Vaiava sassy was #28.

After Vaiava Strait I set a little higher TWA than optimally, one degree higher to reach the slight wind shift a little bit faster.

When passing Alaoa sassy had #22 and I set COG 242 to get a slightly bent curved course to Fagatele Bay. On the way I changed the course bit by bit, I change the course by half a degree. At the beginning of this leg sassy had karriv, MustangMark, sadlersailing and atlet just a layer of boat paint ahead.

On the leg to Amanave sassy sailed downwind at TWA 135 and was #9. Fortunately I had luck with the update at Amanave, sassy could gain some places and I could steer sassy to the finish line at Poloa in just one course change.

At the finish it was a close call, behind the flying Finnish sailor karriv we were 5 boats within just 6 seconds!

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