

This was an amazing race, especially the last three days were very exciting. The race was very close between myself, ita10267 and outlaw.

There were three key points in my race: The first one was quite early on, before Grande Terre there was a big change in one of the 2230 WXs and I slept through that. That night cost me quite a bit and I thought a top-10 position would be the best I could get out of the race.

The second key point came on Tuesday morning, I had an early morning flight and did not have an opportunity to check the 0430 wx. When I had the chance to check the race, I saw that the whole pack I was in had gone north and I was headed straight to the centre of the low pressure system we were riding. Fortunately to me, the low pressure picked some speed and I was able to sail excellent angles and a shorter route and overtook the whole leading pack! I got very very lucky, to put it short;) Had I not been on that plane, I would have been trailing the leaders. After this I had quite a comfortable lead and managed to move to a nice covering position.

The third key point came when it was time to start to work the angles to get back north towards the finish. I gybed about 30 minutes early and that cost me my lead on the way to the next gybe. At first I was certain that a podium place would be the best result for me. The competition opted again for a more northerly route and I again had substantially better angle which allowed me to get back into the race.

Congrats to ita10267, outlaw and many others, another exiting and tight race!