This was an odd race, our trimaran was fast enough to easily keep the pace of the weather but not quite to pass it. This would keep the fleet together and put more emphasis on setting up a fast run to the waypoints, as opposed to going the furthest from your current position.

The first leg to Prince Edward was perfect, close to 550nm in the last 24h. The fleet really bunched up at Grande Terre, and then it was all about finding the right lane. With no ability to truly break away, this meant a number of wild, and normally costly moves, that settled down with 1500nm to go. The mistakes of the fast boats got erased, and we were back in drag race mode.

I seem to have gone too far north on my penultimate gybe (with 650nm to go), I had good TWS, but karriv and ita 10267 sailed around me with better TWD. Well done guys, and thanks everyone for racing!

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