

This race was unusually tricky and challenging.

As usual I use the Meteogram in <http://agage.sol.hmm.iki.fi/WxInspector.html> to get the bigger picture.

I have no idea of how useful “professional routers” are for this kind of races, but BWR certainly was not.

There was a general feeling on the 12th that there would be multiple chances to make good times, with the best chance seeming like afternoon on the 16th.

My first calculations (in Excel) using tws and twd indicated that 3 hours would be very good indeed. As it turned out 3 hours was only good for 84th place . I made a total of six runs with the best one started on the 15th at 16:46utc.

I was so thrilled with my (temporary) first place that I basically left the race and had dinner. Thus I was unaware of Rumskib’s start less than an hour later - hat off.

In retrospect it was very much about twd once tws>18-19 kts. It seems that twd=118 was superior to tws=108 despite less boatspeed on the long second leg.

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