

Cowes to St Malo 2014

Race report by StIngFl

“Independence day race”.

This one was a quite straight forward race with small margins, so “stay awake at the WP’s”. Straight CC to the first WP and then some optimizing for leg 2. I left the boat on DCs along my optimized course for leg 2. Got home from celebrating Independence (and my daughters 33rd birthday), in good time for the rounding of Guernsey. At that time I was #2 but sadlersailing had better angle and managed to pass before the mark. The last reach for the Finish line was again optimized. Then bunked (at 5 o’clock in the morning, local). Woke up at around 9 (local) and realized a I had been very lucky not to hit those Les Minquiers shoals, as I had not noticed them setting my DCs.

The last 2 hours was CC to the endpoint of the finish line (fingers crossed). Went to bed and was sound asleep at finish time.

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