

I was lacking some inspiration at start and did not get very good concentration at first miles of the race falling way behind. Did then see interesting point coming, three different routes. Some leaders took shortest inside route, others middle and I did see clearly good option to sail outside with less tacks and better wind angle. Time to fight back with Sisu. That point made Jepsom, Henrys, number1 and Smo clearly ahead .. that gave inspiration. Tacking narrow with two hours of DC:s at time in sleep. Jepsom then sadly slept on BBQ, Henrys and number1 ahead. At Cape Scott waypoint did see overtake possibility, leaders sailed far out to get good angle, I tacked earlier before WX and overtook them. Then it was hard work keeping them behind, Henrys had to retire later but number1 was roasting me and StIngFi was coming fast too. number1 had short bbq and sailed slower route but StIngFi was keeping me alert to the finish line.

Last night before finish line was also summer solstice, brightest night of the year and easy to stay awake before last weather update listening Kavinsky - Nightcall
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MV_3Dpw-BRY

Farr38 was pointing quite low in low winds and race was probably longer and harder due to light and difficult winds. But due to light winds almost no performance loss and possibility to set long rows of DC:s. Two times did wake up by luck though ... felt very cosy sailing those waters, like navigating homewaters. No routers bothered.

Nordic podium, hurray!

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