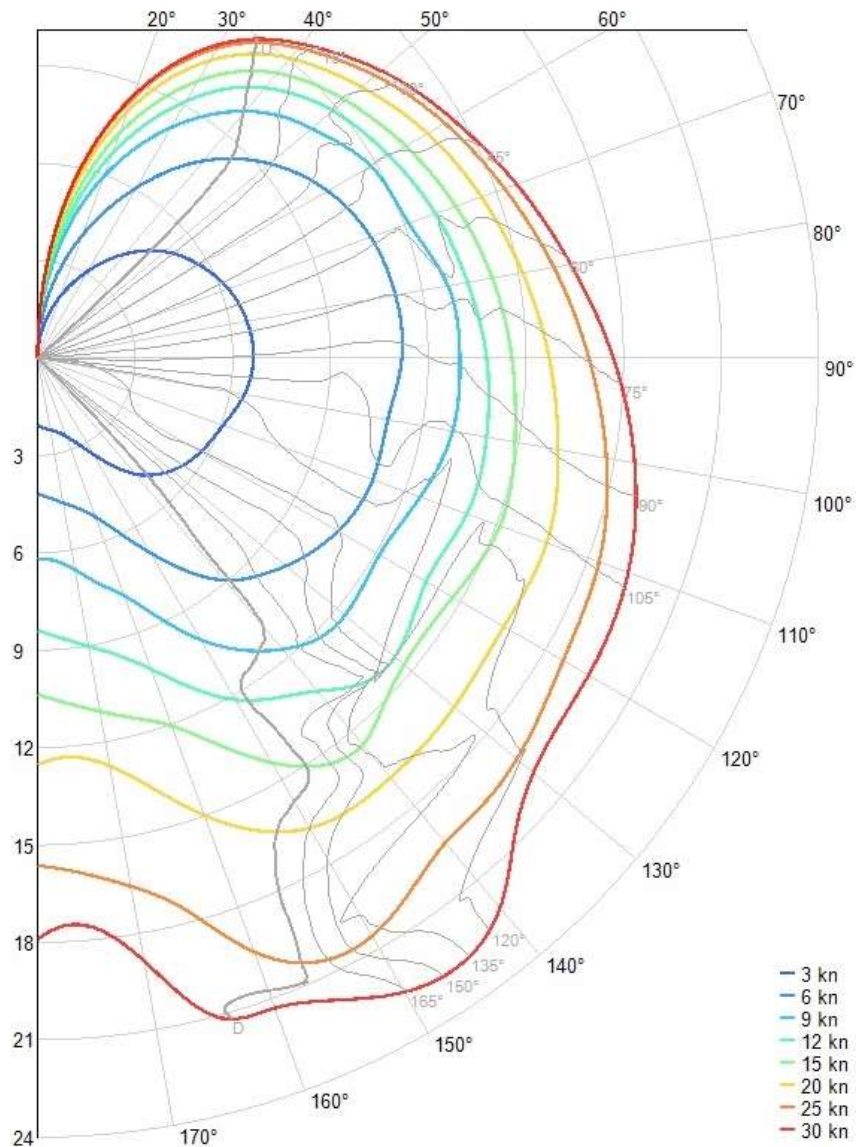


Mistli's Birthday BBQ 2021

Occasionally a squirrel finds an acorn. Nothing magical about it, my podium spot purely luck; unfortunately Zorba crashed. How calmxy managed his "shortcut" I have no idea, as I crashed 3 times in that final zig-zag. Hold them off...hah, I wondered if I killed the third playing bad bobsled driver bouncing off the walls rather than sophisticated smooth sailor. Most races I have Z, aner, bonk, Rico, sassy, mirek, dingo, ws, freya, elbetico, dikke, brandy, kipper, etc....router users (and Smo, non-router but would be great company on any boat) on a boat list and I watch the weather to see what you are aiming for and point that way. Often late to start a race...usually last minute decision. But practice what I am learning in catching up. Beauty is the course is entirely different then...so I am not bored. I add many that "chat", as I like hunting down where they are on the course. Be terrific if one could click on the chat name and that boat is highlighted....but in any case, Dan Costin has done a terrific job on the IOS app, and Ilpo Jarvinen on the new HTML client. I went through the Bosphorus Straits using the IOS app, boat responds faster to commands in that venue than my computer.

There is a tool I dearly miss. Joanne can explain further, but AGage had a conversion program/app that would take the excel chart of the polar and graph it with all the vmc? lines on the 15° ...like thus



which I use regularly to polar hop or ride the polar increase/decrease pressure with the boats in the barn... But we have had several new boat additions e.g. Maxi Trimaran so that what is being done in the routing software automatically, I have to figure it out where above gives me the approximate points of sail I may need quickly. I know, I know....go learn the software...but my satisfaction is reading the wx and working out the angles myself, adds reality to a virtual setting for me, not BlueWater or whichever app. Ergo, my seldom appearance on the podium. Don't misunderstand...I am as competitive as the next guy, but I would rather stay "old school" techniques for this venue.

Actually been on this "old school" jag with my foray into baking...Retro Pumpkin Pie that has a cup of apple butter in it....Tomato Soup Cake, Vinegar Pie, better flavor is Lemon Chess Pie, and not too vintage but just heard about Mayonnaise Cake (to be made very soon). I've digressed, all the food mentioned in chat....

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