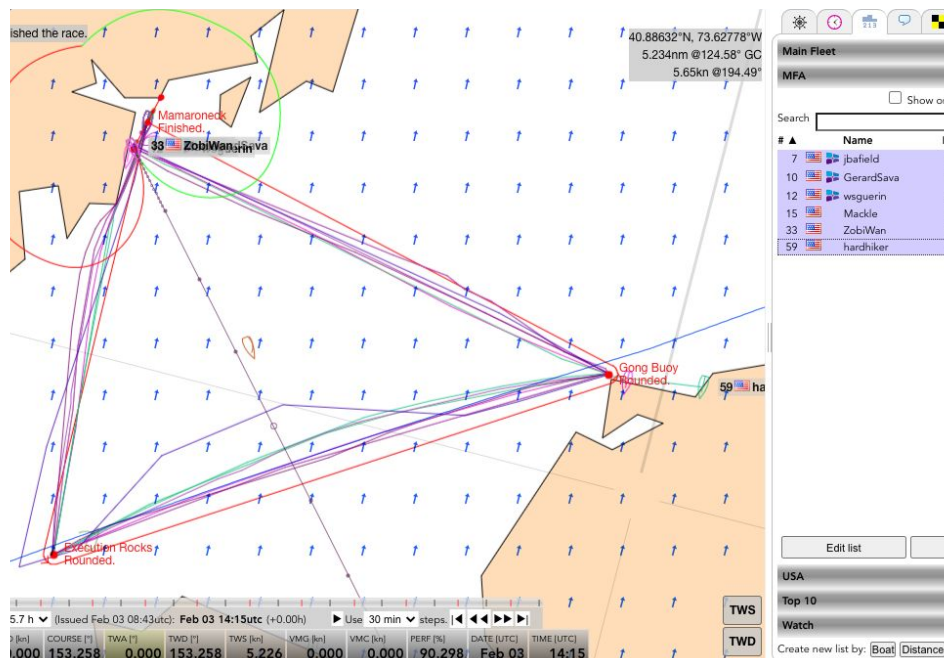


## Dyer Dhow Derby 2022

This 14nm triangle course took 7 hours and 46 minutes for the winner and was a reaching and mark rounding affair as the wind seemed to follow the fleet around from the starboard beam.

Some 70 sailors gave it a go, but many ended up ashore attending various BBQ festivities including MFA-er, Piotr/Hardhiker. Shown here are the Mamaroneck finishers and courses taken with Captain John Field taking local honors.

Congratulations to the podium and as usual, to the SOL admin team who make this platform possible. And a shout out to any other LIS racers who joined the fun, spread the word, there will be other Dyer races.

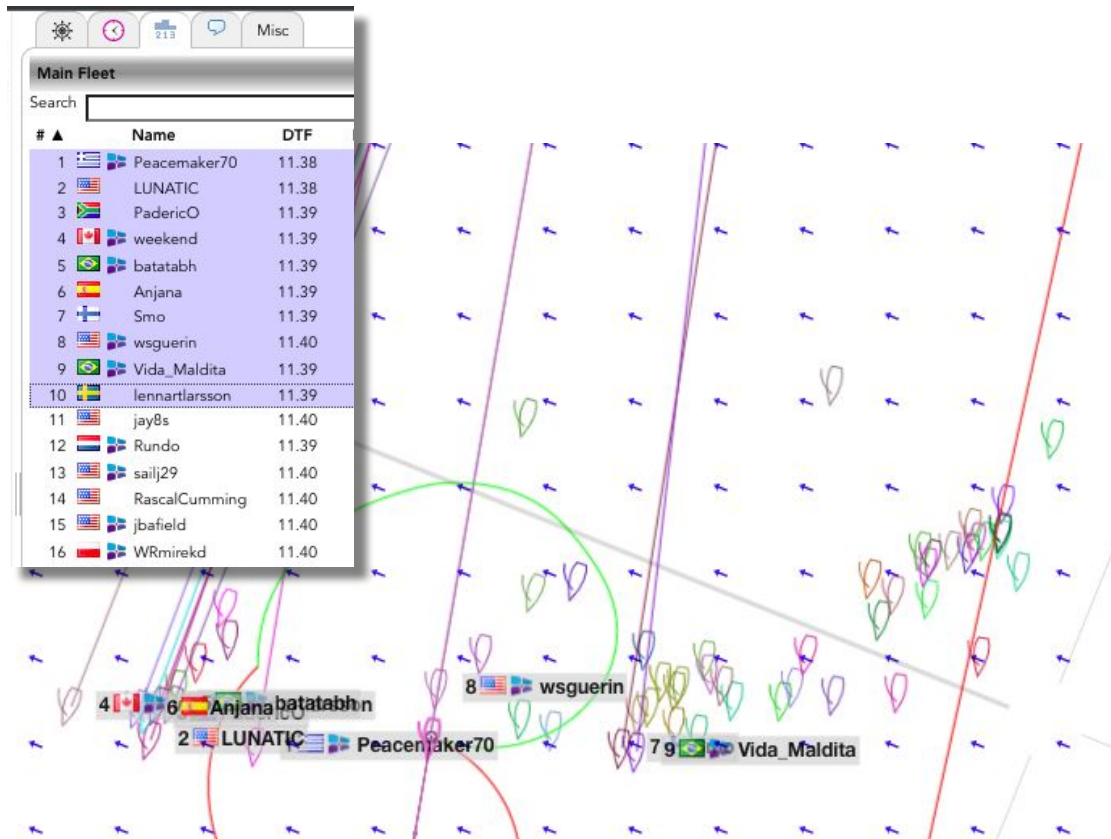


## First Leg

Crawling south out of the harbor in 2kts of wind,, the racers stayed west of the rhumbline in anticipation of a left shift and lift to the mark.

The thing about SOL is it's based on weather forecasts that allow you to see 6 hours into the future, so it should be easy, right? Right.

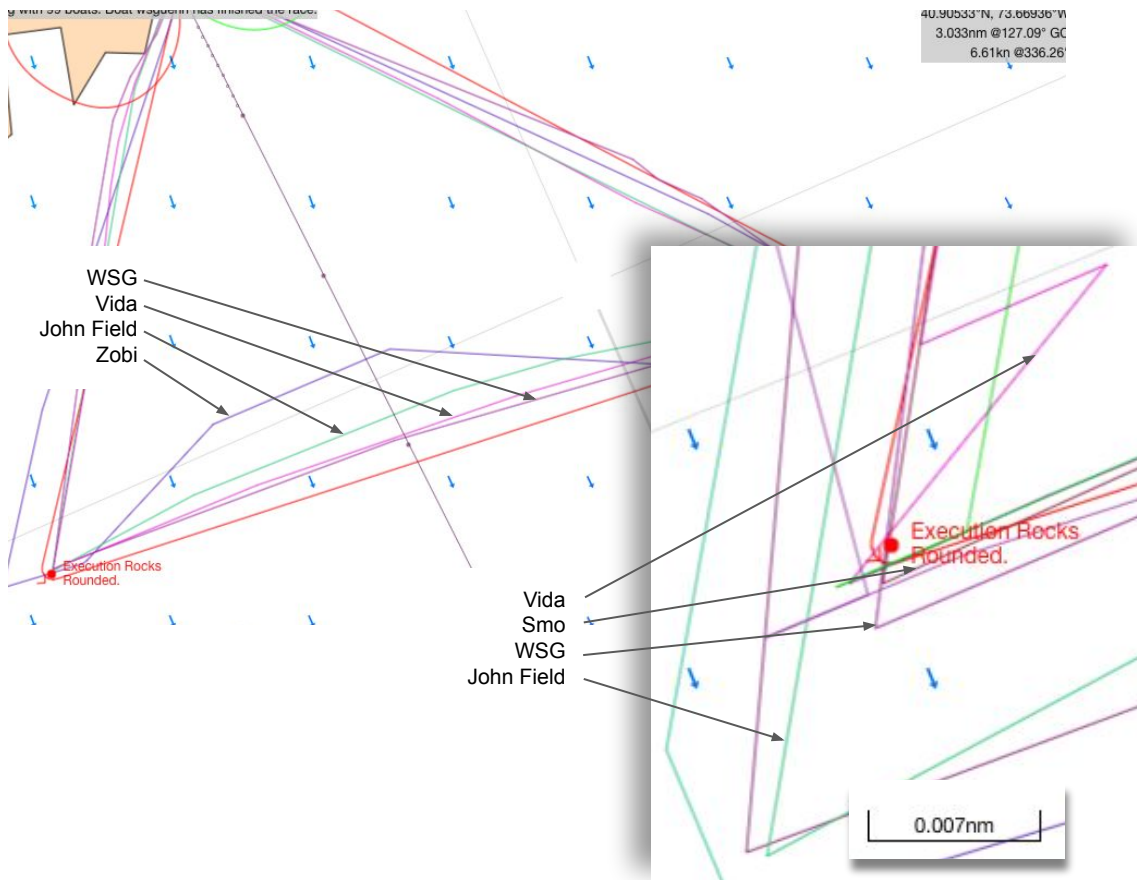
But personal choices, sailing style, sleep deprivation, mistakes, and too much food and beverage lead to Butterfly Effect phenomenon and the routes become varied around a chaotic attractor of some sort.



## Second Leg

At Execution Rocks, WSG was in 6th but he had made a mistake: using qtVML as a router to try to figure out the shifting wind, WSG had **not loaded** the Dyer Dhow Polar he and Bonk had crafted. I was in a Cape 31 that points better. I discovered this after the race. It's a classic mistake in SOL. The leaders steered a fatter, more northerly course with better angle and speed to the gong buoy, whilst WS reached lean and slow the whole leg.

The inset shows mark roundings with Vida, the winner, making a premature turn. Recovering from this error is extremely rare in close SOL-ing. Note the scale. SOL racing has a precision of .001 in nm and degrees. .007 NM = 42 feet.



## Third Leg

WSG dropped had back to 15th at the gong and as you can see by my wobbly course I was all over the place! I concluded, too late and with too little distance to make up, to go low and come to the finish with better speed and angle. I caught a few boats but for WSG, that was that. Some chat:

**GerardSava 02/03 00:18:17**

Well, here's another epic time-suck I didn't need but thoroughly enjoy.

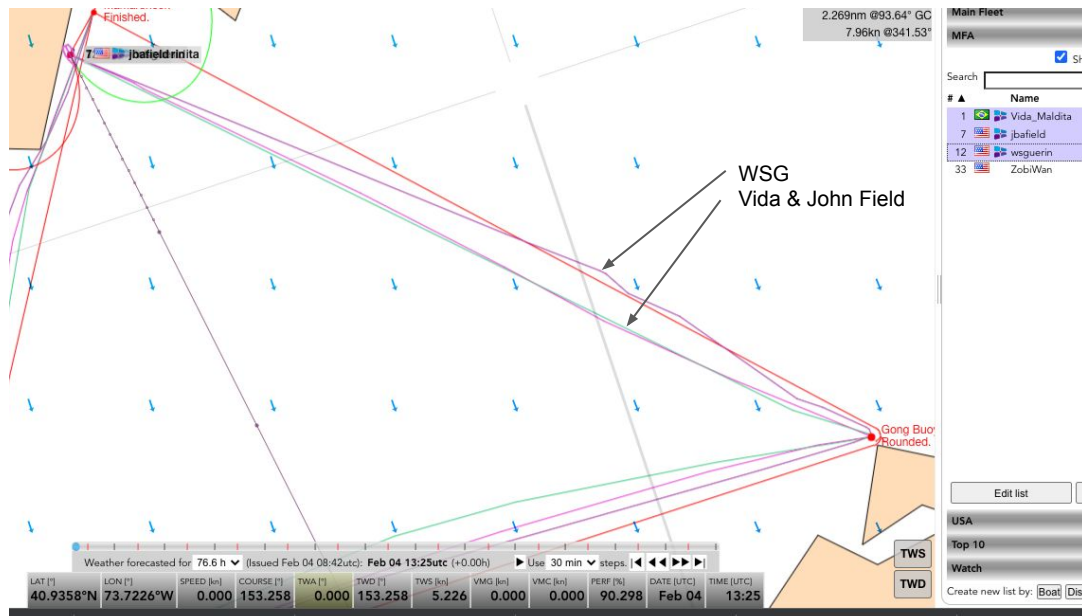
**Mackle 02/03 01:53:58**

As local Huguenot YC sailor Walter Cronkite used to say "And that's the way it is"

**jbafield 02/03 02:47:25**

@ws I like your angle lets see if we run out of track

....which of course, run out I did.



## Wrapup

To provide some context, race winner Vida is currently ranked #5 in SOL and is always a fun but a tough competitor. AndyS172 I don't know well but he had his best SOL-ing day ever AFAICT.

Veteran SOL-er Smo is what we call an SOMP (Seat Of My Pants) racer who never uses routing tools. While the ring slipped through his grasp by 7 seconds, I wrote the following in his honor while he was in the lead:








*Smo's on the go, in his sailing pants*

*QT is no siren, or so he rants*

*If he wins,*

*you should all bow down,*

*Smo's on the go, all fall down*

Rank	Boat Name	Boat Type	DTG	DBL	Finish Time (UTC)
1	 Vida_Maldita	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:46:40
2	Smo	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:46:47
3	 AndyS172	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:46:50
4	 Taffarazzi	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:46:55
5	 rafa	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:46:55
6	 sailj29	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:47:10
7	 jbafield	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:47:28
8	 LittleSurprise	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:47:41
9	RascalCumming	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:47:53
10	 GerardSava	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:47:55
11	 CollegeFund	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:47:58
12	 wsguerin	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:48:02
13	 batatabh	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:48:25
14	ARMOROCH	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:48:27
15	Mackle	Aka John Schneider			2022-02-03 03:48:57
16	 Rundo	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:49:15
17	 brellis	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:49:31
18	ScratchyWhiskers	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:50:29
19	 GREATSKUA	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:52:14
20	 mmartin	Dyer Dhow	0	0	2022-02-03 03:53:06