

Bosphorus Strait Sprint 2025 - Race Report by KaSToR

A little sprint on this May 4th, why not... but I already did yesterday's and I went to bed very late.

I'm registering the boat, though; I thought about it overnight and I have some things to test...

I do use my routing software, but it's of no use to me in such a strait. I can see that this is not going to be a short sprint, but a race that will take us into the evening.

It doesn't matter, I'll just call on the polars and schedule the end of the morning, time to go shopping.

1 p.m. I must have made a slight mistake in my route choice since 9 competitors are ahead. I'm surprised, however, that I'm not too far behind, I think less than 2 or 3 minutes.

Moreover, the weather is bad at home! So I give up on the idea of using the race to do tests and start trying to optimize my race, In particular the passage of the buoy.

Between the BBQs and the bad choice, I only have Patrick left in front of me, and right next to him is Flamingo.

Then begins a descent at daggers drawn between the 3 boats.

It's a shame that Patrick was busy in the last 3 miles and couldn't defend his chances. It's also a shame that Flamingo made a careless mistake when rounding the final cape.

However, what a chaser's race that I didn't watch much!

9 skippers in 46 seconds (for a race that lasted 9 hours) !

I must congratulate them all, Siaki and Ryba, who shares the podium, rafa et Panpyc, arrived in the same second, Patrick, for the infernal pursuit, nakedgod, Vlieg and ForbanduCollet...

And Bravo to Flamingo who completes the top 10.

Very interesting and competitive race, and the planned tests will have to wait...

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