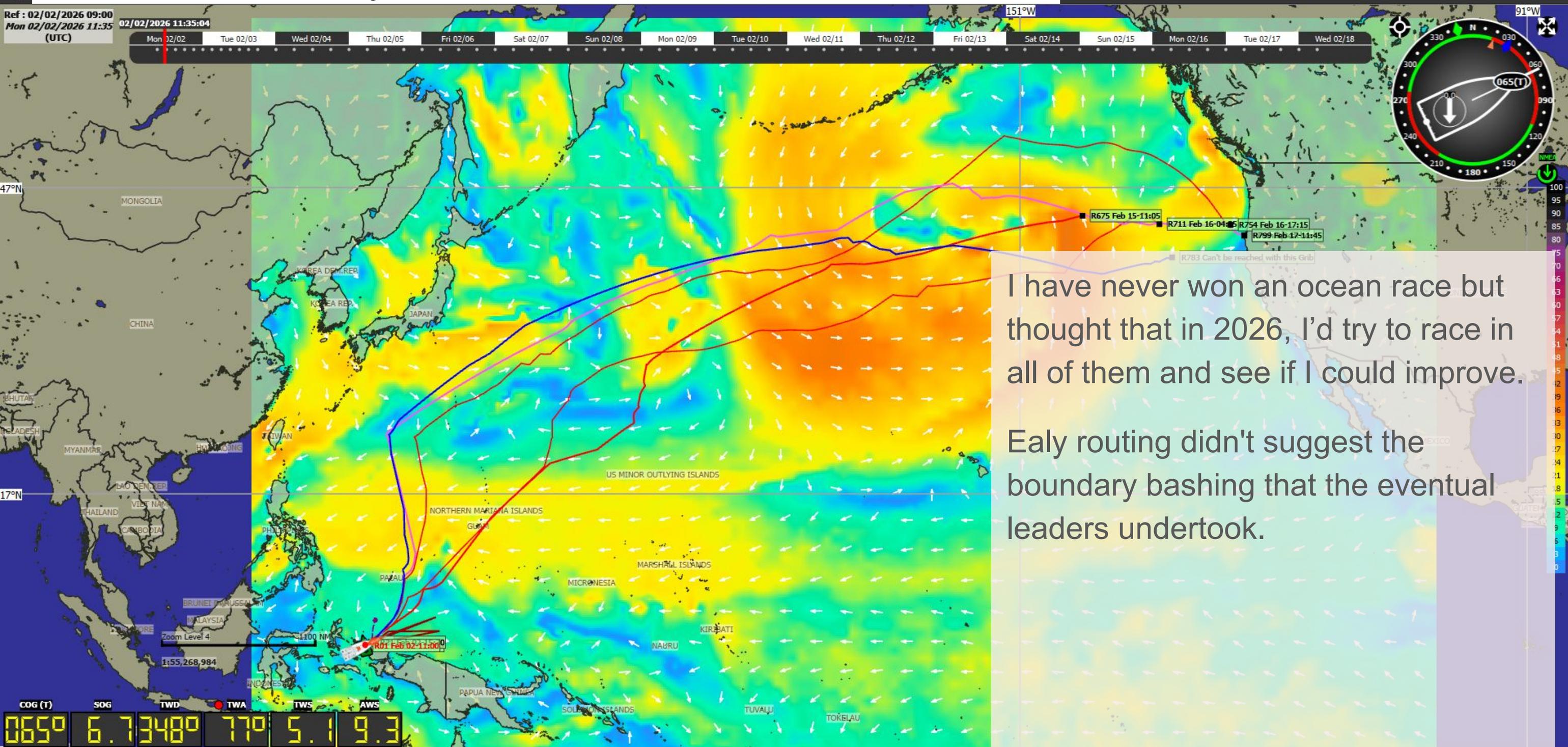


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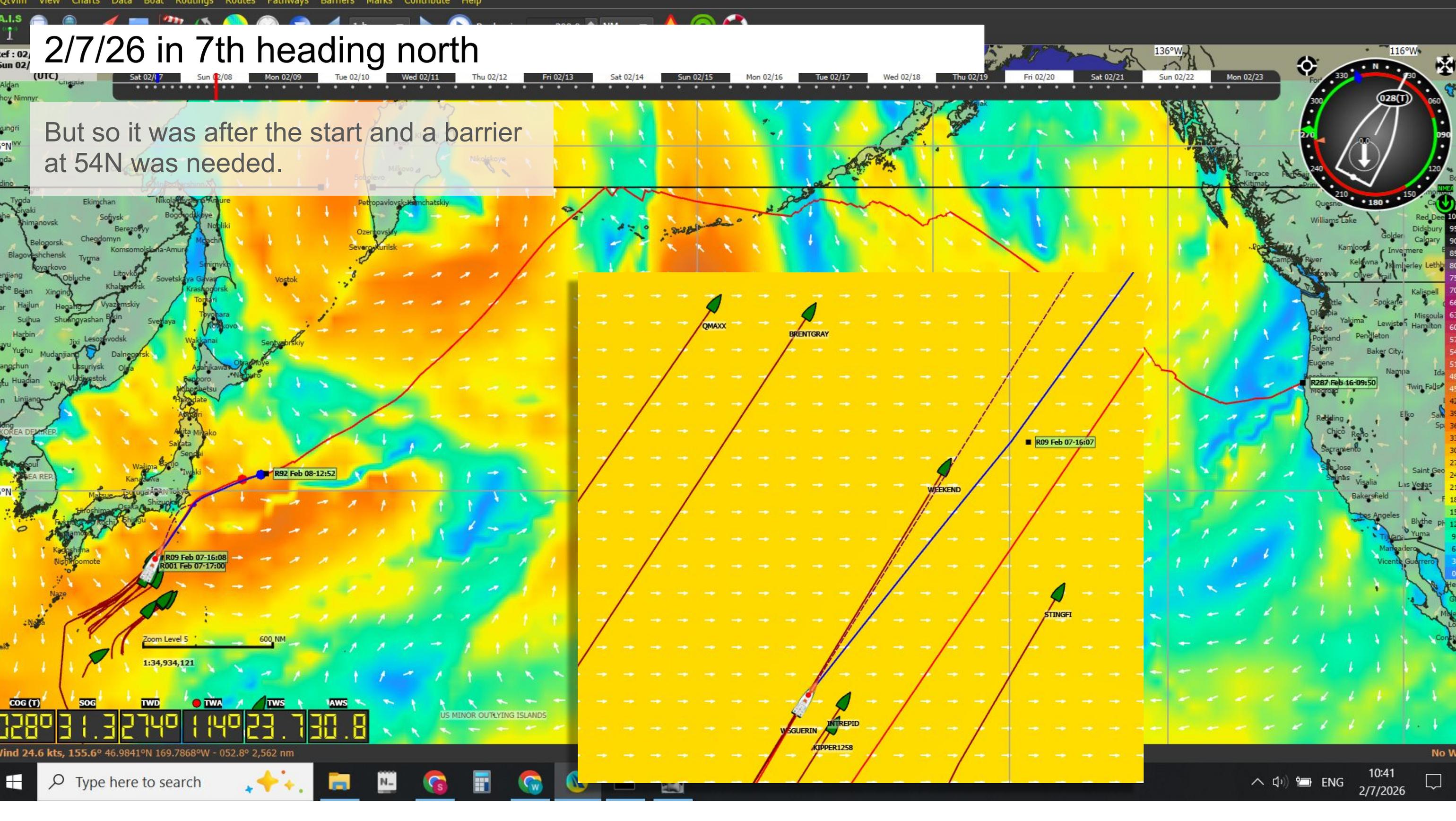


I have never won an ocean race but thought that in 2026, I'd try to race in all of them and see if I could improve.

Ealy routing didn't suggest the boundary bashing that the eventual leaders undertook.

# 2/7/26 in 7th heading north

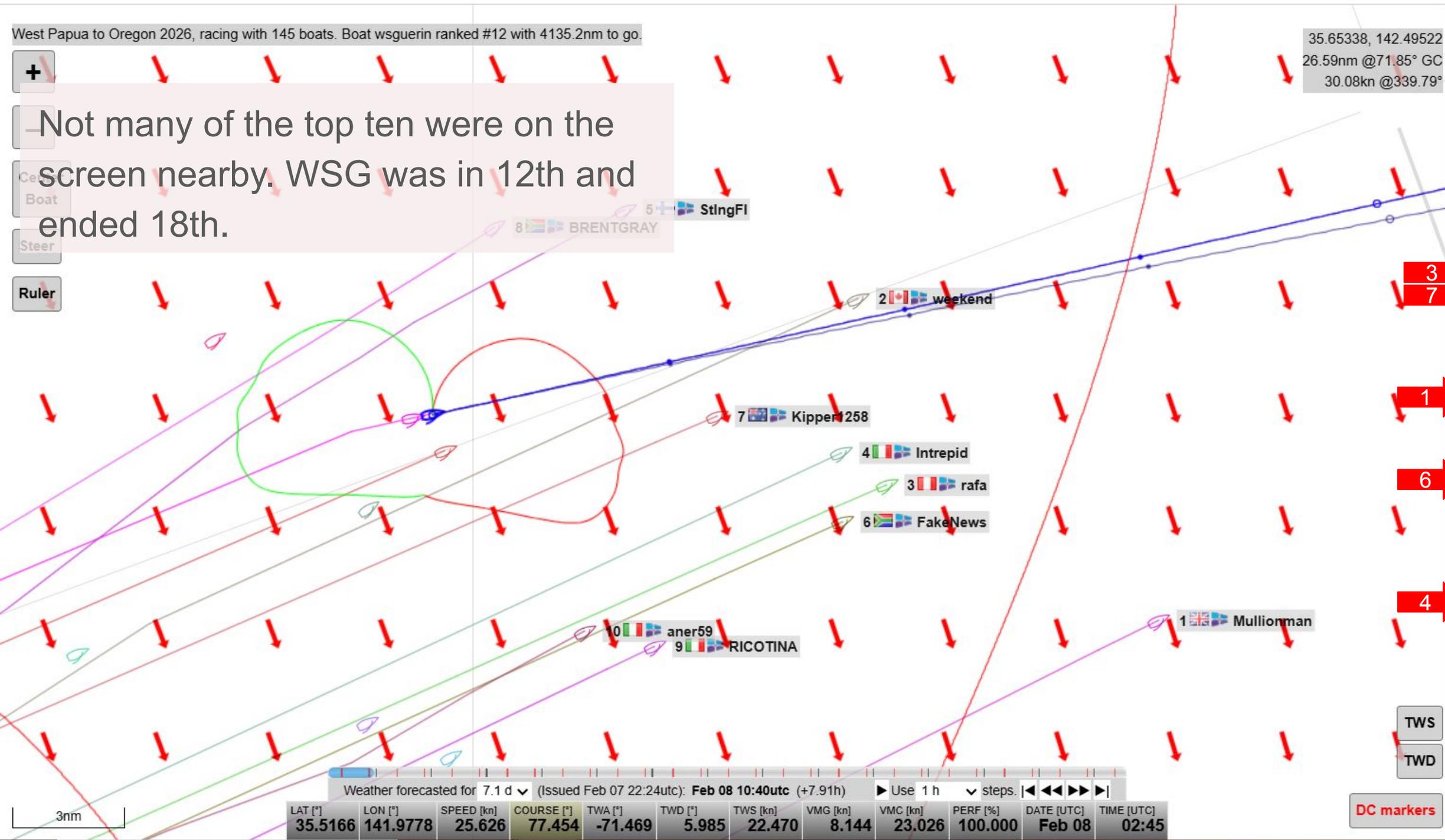
But so it was after the start and a barrier at 54N was needed.



# 2/8/26 0246 UTC

West Papua to Oregon 2026, racing with 145 boats. Boat wsguerin ranked #12 with 4135.2nm to go.

Not many of the top ten were on the screen nearby. WSG was in 12th and ended 18th.



Main Fleet

Search

#	Name	DTF	DBL	LOG
1	Mullionman	4123.53	0.00	2526
2	weekend	4124.48	0.95	2529
3	rafa	4126.92	3.41	2568
4	Intrepid	4127.35	3.88	2532
5	StIngFI	4127.83	4.24	2507
6	FakeNews	4128.46	4.94	2529
7	Kipper1258	4129.32	5.80	2497
8	BRENTGRAY	4130.82	7.27	2538
9	RICOTINA	4134.40	10.88	2507
10	aner59	4135.61	11.95	2492
11	QMaxx	4135.51	12.00	2570
12	wsguerin	4135.65	12.16	2572
13	FreyjaUSA	4137.54	14.08	2477
14	SCARABOCCHIO	4138.05	14.50	2478
15	pepsPV5	4138.45	14.90	2464
16	Appo38_PV	4140.45	16.92	2457
17	ITA210	4141.62	18.15	2492
18	sassy63	4146.48	22.95	2513
19	brandystrega	4148.38	24.86	2506
20	YANN	4154.30	30.74	2463
21	Smo	4155.23	31.72	2427
22	blackcat	4156.60	33.12	2560
23	NOR_Further	4161.50	37.93	2512
24	Ibis	4168.30	44.72	2468
25	CollegeFund	4168.70	45.03	2553
26	Arno1966	4169.38	45.77	2457
27	mb007	4173.46	49.95	2424
28	Flamingo	4175.75	52.15	2434
29	Siaki	4179.28	56.01	2420
30	bonkboot	4180.06	56.92	2291

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TWD

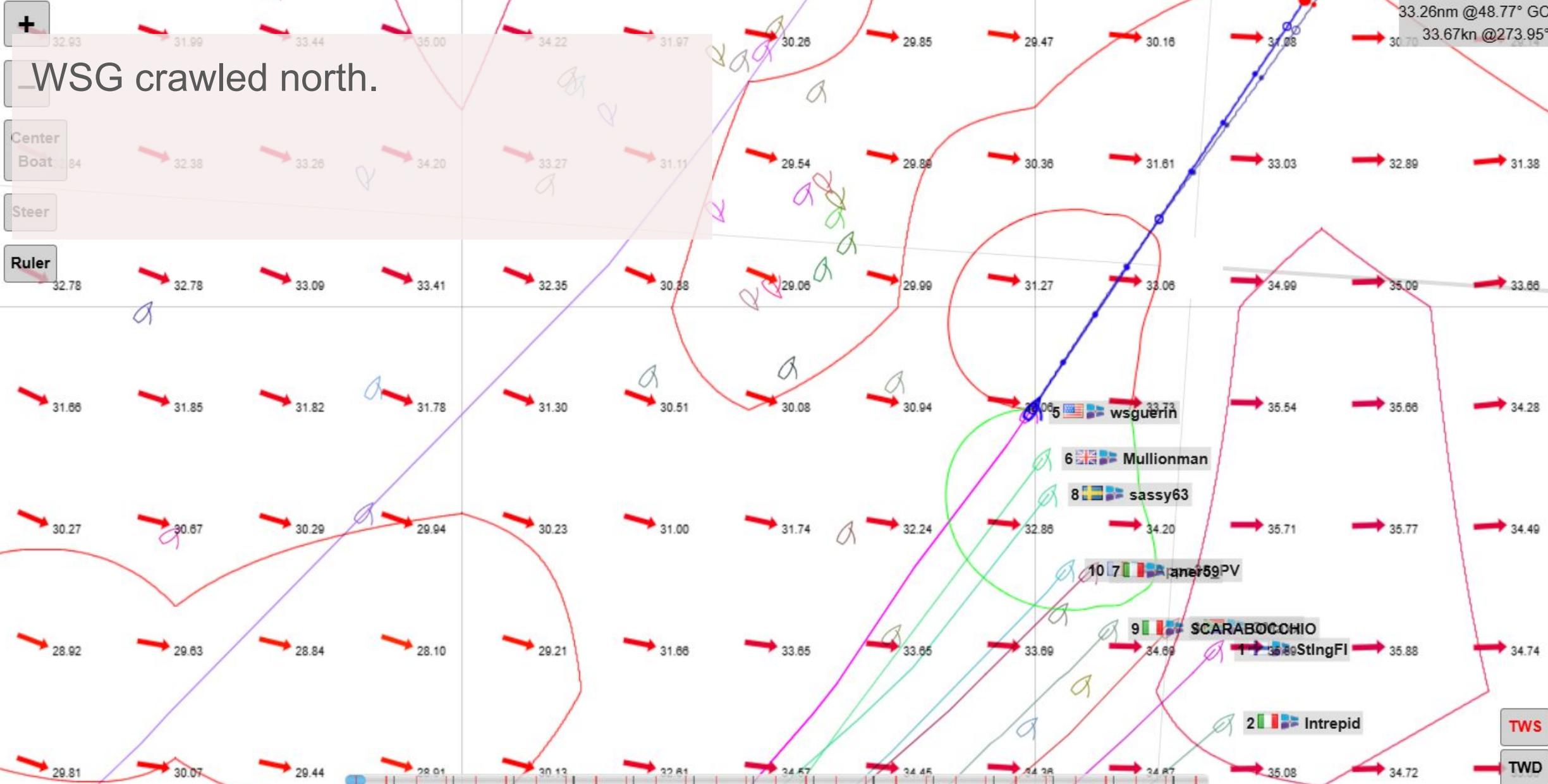
DC markers

Watch  
Italians

Create new list by: [Boat](#) [Distance](#) [Country](#)

# 2/9/26 1530 UTC in 5th

West Papua to Oregon 2026, racing with 145 boats. Boat wsguerin ranked #5 with 3068.2nm to go.



WSG crawled north.

- Center Boat 84
- Steer
- Ruler

Misc

### Main Fleet

#	Name	DTF	DBL	LO
1	StIngFI	3059.94	0.00	3644
2	Intrepid	3063.91	4.06	3670
3	QMaxx	3064.58	4.64	3713
4	ITA210	3065.54	5.59	3637
5	wsguerin	3068.83	8.89	3718
6	Mullionman	3070.31	10.36	3652
7	aner59	3071.85	12.00	3622
8	sassy63	3072.07	12.22	3658
9	SCARABOCCHIO	3073.28	13.35	3619
10	Appo38_PV	3074.99	15.05	3592
11	weekend	3075.61	15.63	3640
12	ita10267	3076.79	16.92	3434
13	rumskib	3079.10	19.16	3436
14	Sax747	3080.27	20.32	3430
15	FakeNews	3080.52	20.46	3662
16	Kipper1258	3081.14	21.11	3607
17	bonknhoot	3081.13	21.19	3436
18	rafa	3081.90	21.93	3698
19	Arno1966	3082.11	22.16	3608
20	YANN	3084.10	24.15	3594
21	RICOTINA	3084.66	24.70	3638
22	NOR_Further	3085.31	25.36	3648
23	brandystrega	3087.00	26.92	3628
24	blackcat	3087.46	27.56	3711
25	CollegeFund	3088.51	28.62	3688
26	Smo	3091.84	32.00	3548
27	HappyHour	3092.48	32.53	3432
28	pepsPV5	3095.59	35.53	3588
29	BRENTGRAY	3098.04	37.97	3668

Weather forecasted for 7.1 d (Issued Feb 09 10:23utc): **Feb 09 17:36utc (+2.13h)** Use 1 h steps.

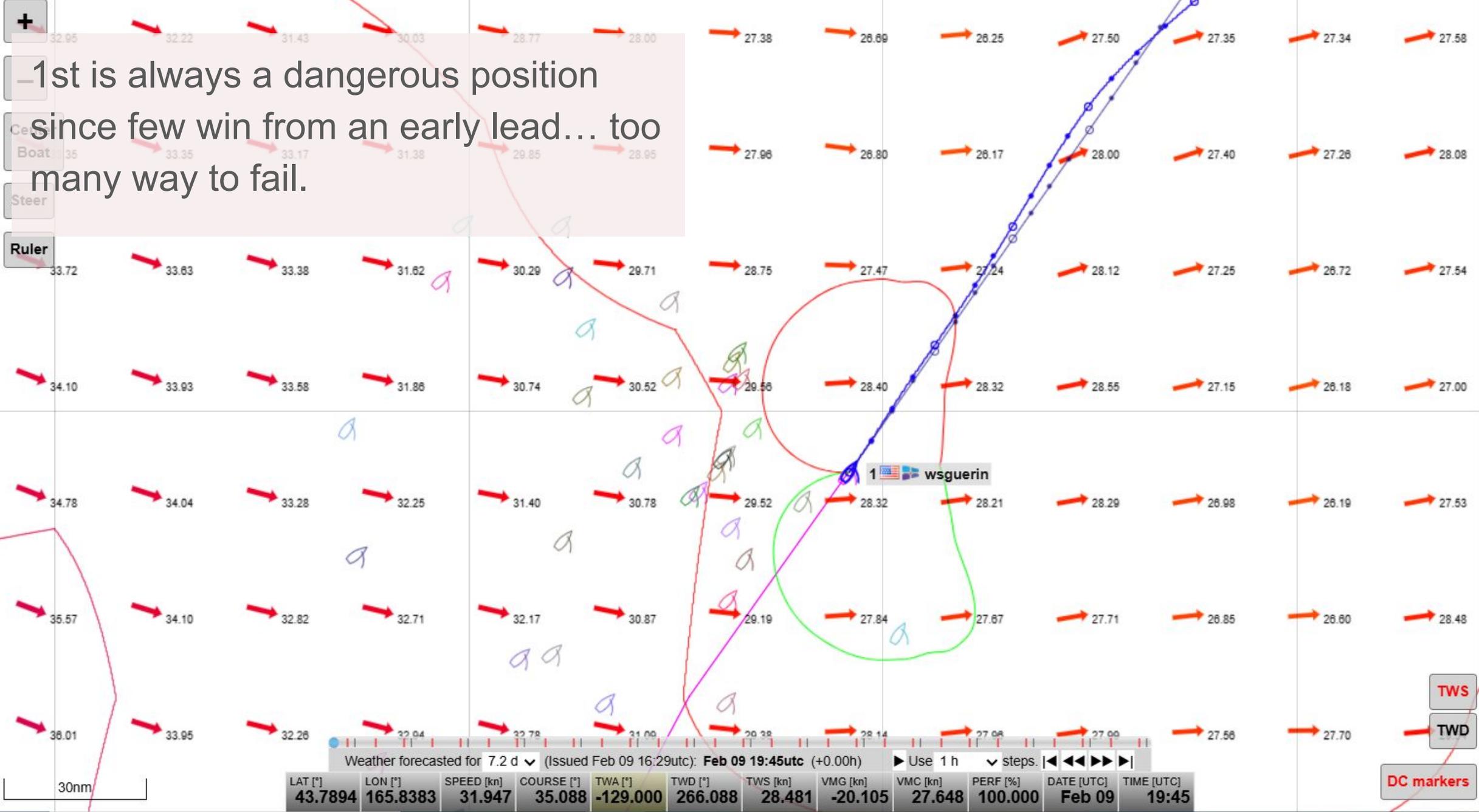
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- TWS
- TWD
- DC markers

Watch  
Italians  
Create new list by: [Boat](#) [Distance](#) [Country](#)

# 2/9/26 1945 UTC WSG in 1st

West Papua to Oregon 2026, racing with 145 boats. Boat wsguerin ranked #1 with 2940.7nm to go.



-1st is always a dangerous position since few win from an early lead... too many way to fail.

Chatroom: English

wsguerin 19:45:04  
ru oh #1 we know what that means: premature podumization!!

mb007 14:29:15  
Kipper !!!!!!!!!

Smo 12:34:31  
Wierd that I'm suddenly in the company of rum, bonkie & StIngFi

ITA210 11:46:52  
hey Kipper

Kipper1258 11:08:14  
Just restart AGL with the New instead of Apply option, you don't need to delete anything. AGL will then get fresh data from the server.

Kipper1258 11:06:14  
@bonk, The Samoa to Hawaii has the same issue with Apia, except it is a trailing blank.

Kipper1258 11:04:46  
@bonk, and use the New option so AGL reloads everything.

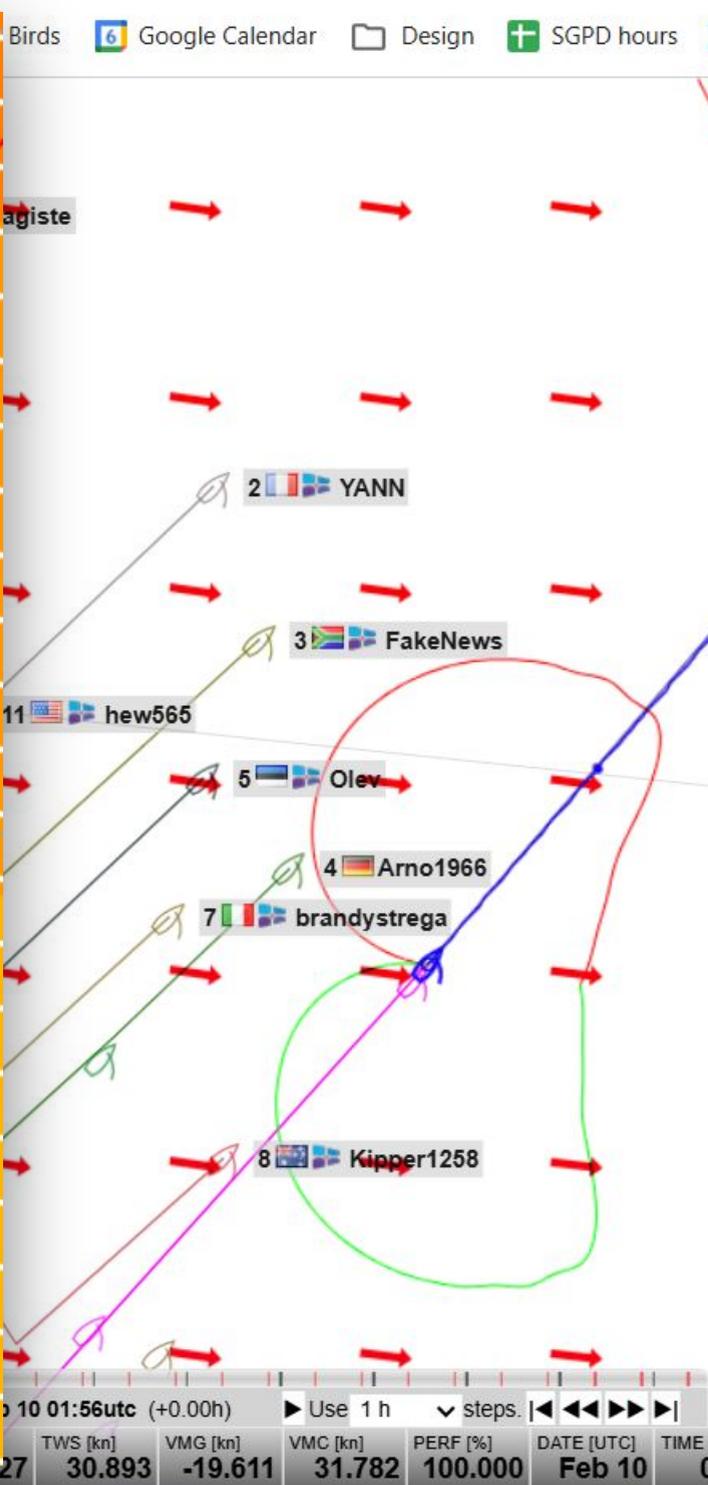
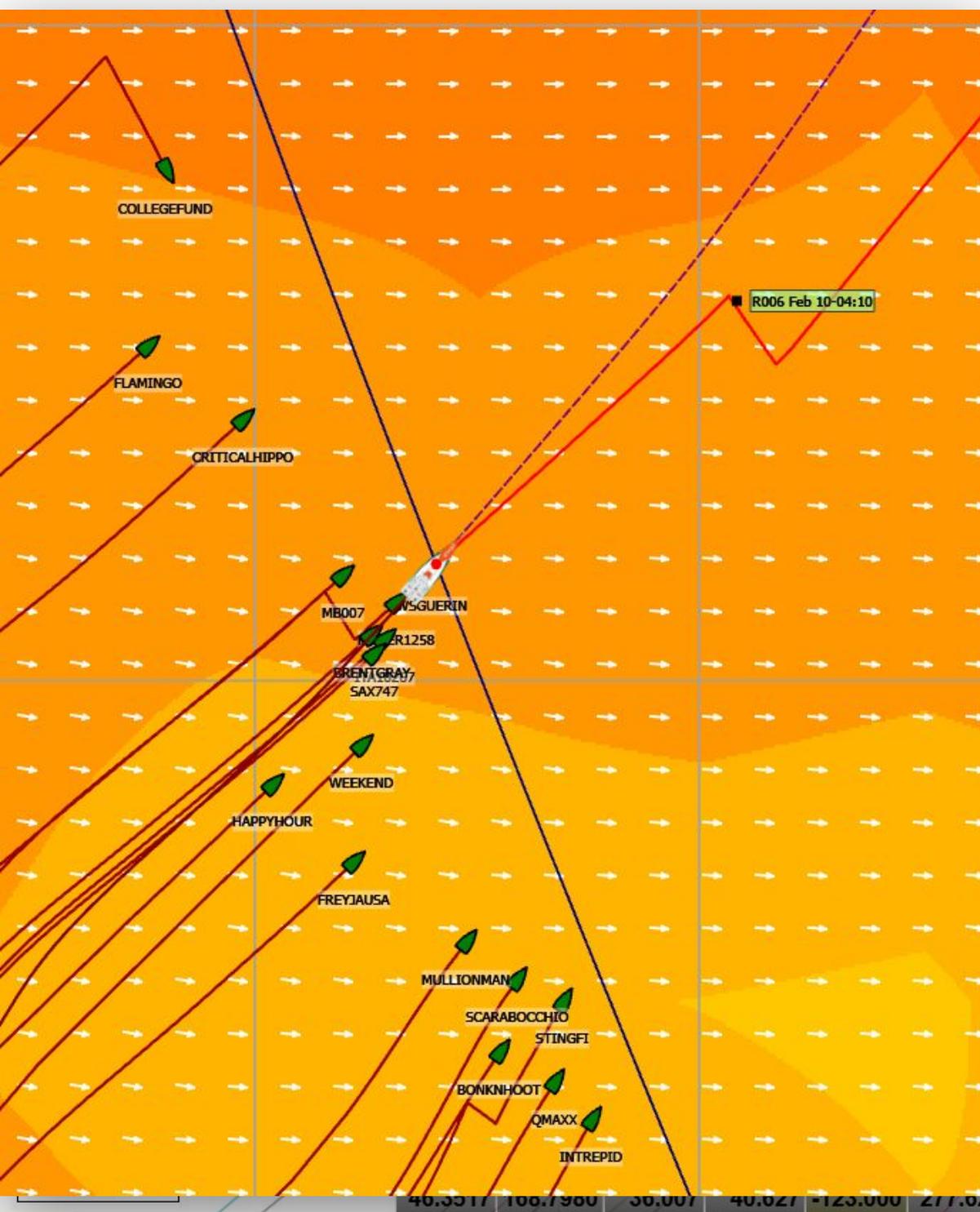
bonknhoot 08:37:17  
I've got rid of the [space] before 'Dampier Strait' in the set-up. So your other solution now is to close AGL, delete the auth\_raceinfo\_2006 file and reboot AGL

Kipper1258 02:56:12  
be <name>Dampier Strait</name>. To fix, edit auth\_raceinfo\_2006.xml in the AGL SOLGribXml folder and remove that space. Save the race\_info file, delete all the Dampier POIs in qtVlm, and restart AGL.

Kipper1258 02:52:52

Buttons: TWS, TWD, DC markers, Send

# 2/9/26 Not buying QT's gybe



As one can see, I had a pretty good lead judging by the great circle line, running well ahead of Scara etc.

But after following QT submissively so far, I went rogue and ignored the better wind predicted a day ahead for the southern group in favor of straight ahead with no perf loss.

Many who took the gybe with little VMC to show for it ended up better off at the line.

#	Name	DTF	DBL	LOG
1	YANN	2765.65	0.25	3938
2	Arno1966	2765.09	0.59	4006
3	brandystrega	2768.01	2.62	3941
4	Olev	2769.67	4.28	3891
5	brandystrega	2772.56	7.17	3966
6	Intrepid	2776.26	10.84	4023
7	hew565	2776.53	11.14	3882
8	blackcat	2776.57	11.18	4071
9	ita10267	2778.48	13.08	3779
10	vida	2778.50	13.11	3873
11	SCARABOCCHIO	2778.50	13.68	3973
12	QMaxx	2779.89	14.39	4067
13	ENTREPID	2780.02	15.00	4011
14	aner59	2780.82	15.40	3974
15	Appo38_PV	2781.19	15.78	3934
16	Sax747	2781.31	15.92	3776
17	mb007	2781.32	15.93	3891
18	Chipspitter	2783.51	18.10	3835
19	ms0689	2783.81	18.34	3947
20	CollegeFund	2784.17	18.53	4030
21	rumskid	2784.98	19.56	3791
22	Mullionman	2785.30	19.80	4006
23	bonknhoot	2787.38	21.95	3789
24	sassy63	2787.65	22.22	4004
25	CriticalHippo	2788.07	22.58	3741
26	weekend	2789.84	24.35	3971

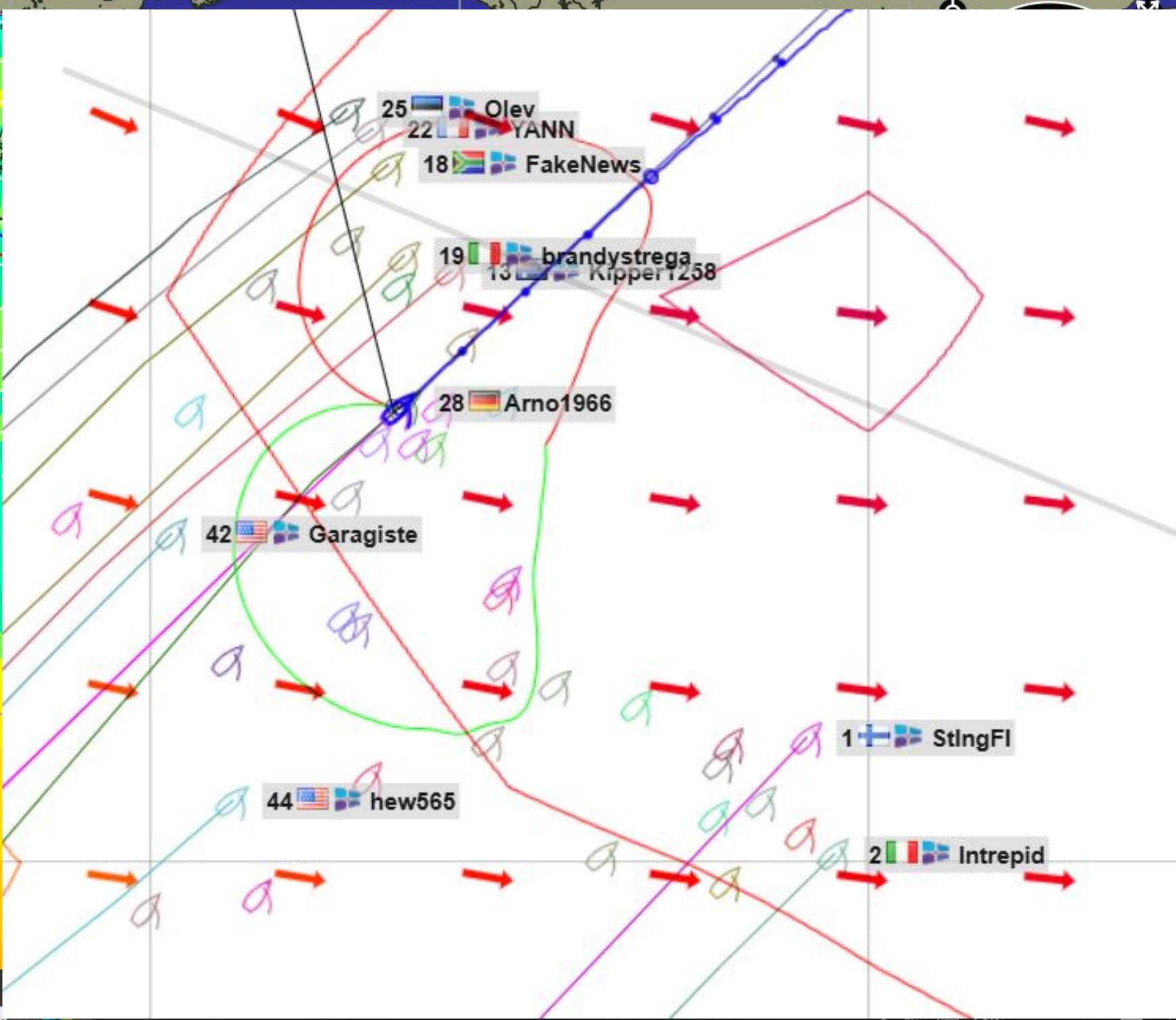
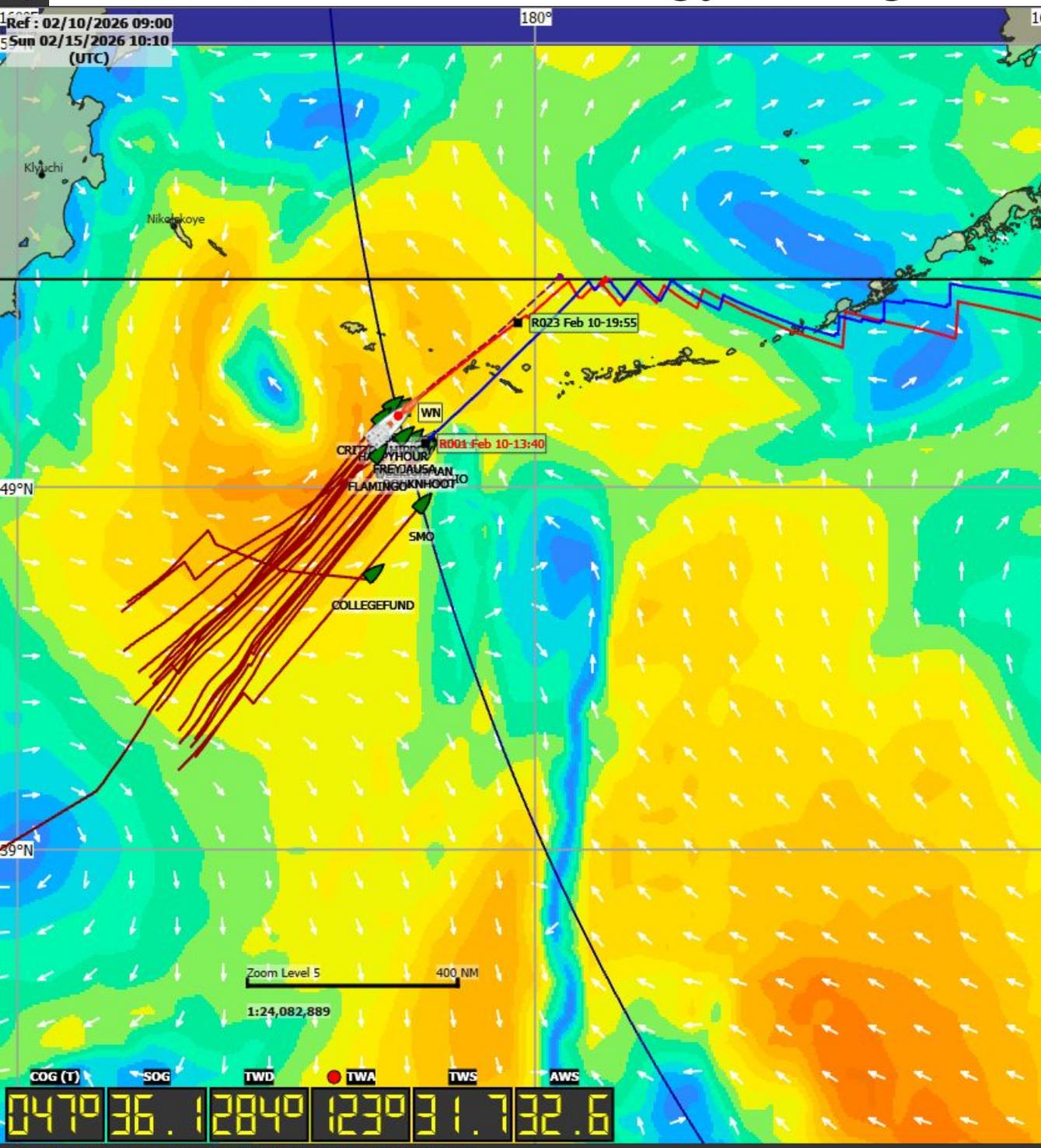
Buttons: TWS, TWD, DC markers

Watch: Italians

Create new list by: Boat Distance Country

Footer: 10 01:56utc (+0.00h) Use 1 h steps. TWS [kn] 30.893 VMG [kn] -19.611 VMC [kn] 31.782 PERF [%] 100.000 DATE [UTC] Feb 10 TIME [UTC] 01:56

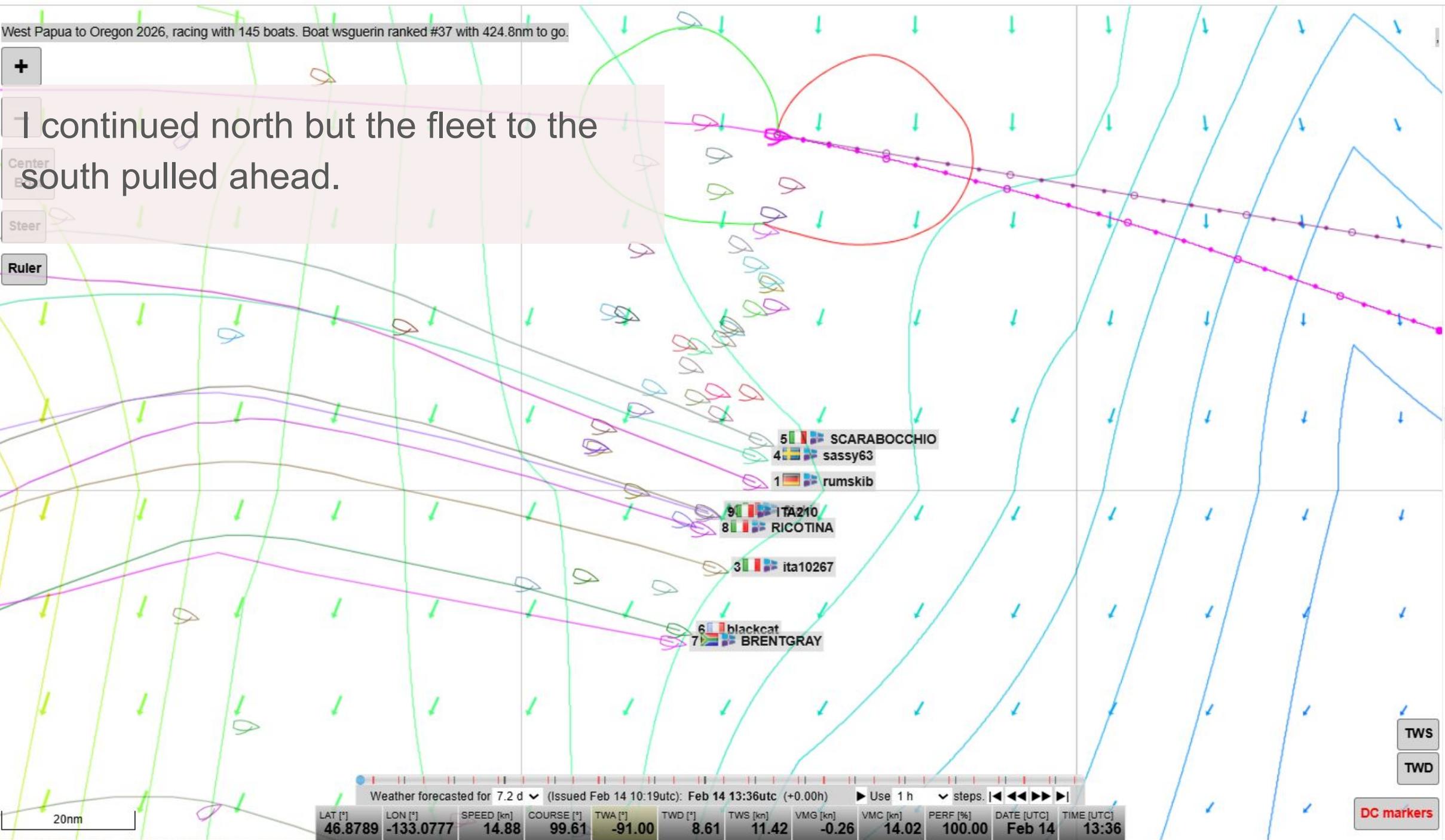
# 2/10/26 1350 UTC no gybe, big mistake



# 2/14/26 1336 UTC

West Papua to Oregon 2026, racing with 145 boats. Boat wsguerin ranked #37 with 424.8nm to go.

I continued north but the fleet to the south pulled ahead.



Chatroom: English

SCARABOCCHIO 02/13 17:54:08  
TurboProf is coming!

SCARABOCCHIO 02/13 15:53:02  
WOW!  
A great day with your legs under the table!

bonknhoot 02/13 15:43:48  
was skiing with granddaughters all. had croute fromage, jambon et oef for lunch. atrong cheese obviously

SCARABOCCHIO 02/13 14:13:31  
sniff, sniff, SNIFF ...  
Who has Dutch cheese on board?

wsguerin 02/13 13:50:58  
well well well. IF QT is to be believed, I have one arcing hop to the beach, not much leverage in that...

ITA210 02/13 10:47:34  
Hey Brentgray, all fine on board?

Siaki 02/12 21:41:11  
ITA210 has been the first to cross the 1000 mile to the finish, he won the "hole shot" :)

Mullionman 02/12 17:47:18  
I hope it's something like that. I was getting error 400.

Siaki 02/12 17:43:58  
Sometimes brainaid fails, probably the server is not very powerful and too many connections stop it for a while than comes back...

Mullionman 02/12 17:42:15  
Ok, got it back . No idea why it happened.

mb007 02/12 17:01:35  
Here it is, ok

Mullionman 02/12 16:52:40  
Is anyone else having trouble connecting to the Brainaid site?

mb007 02/12 15:23:14  
You have no idea how much I suffered maneuvering

TWS  
TWD

DC markers

Send

# 2/15/26 0130 UTC I finish 1 minute ahead of Scara?!

Ref: 02/14/2026 21:00  
Sun 02/15/2026 11:43 (UTC)

I had a last glimmer of hope given a better angle in the final 50nm.

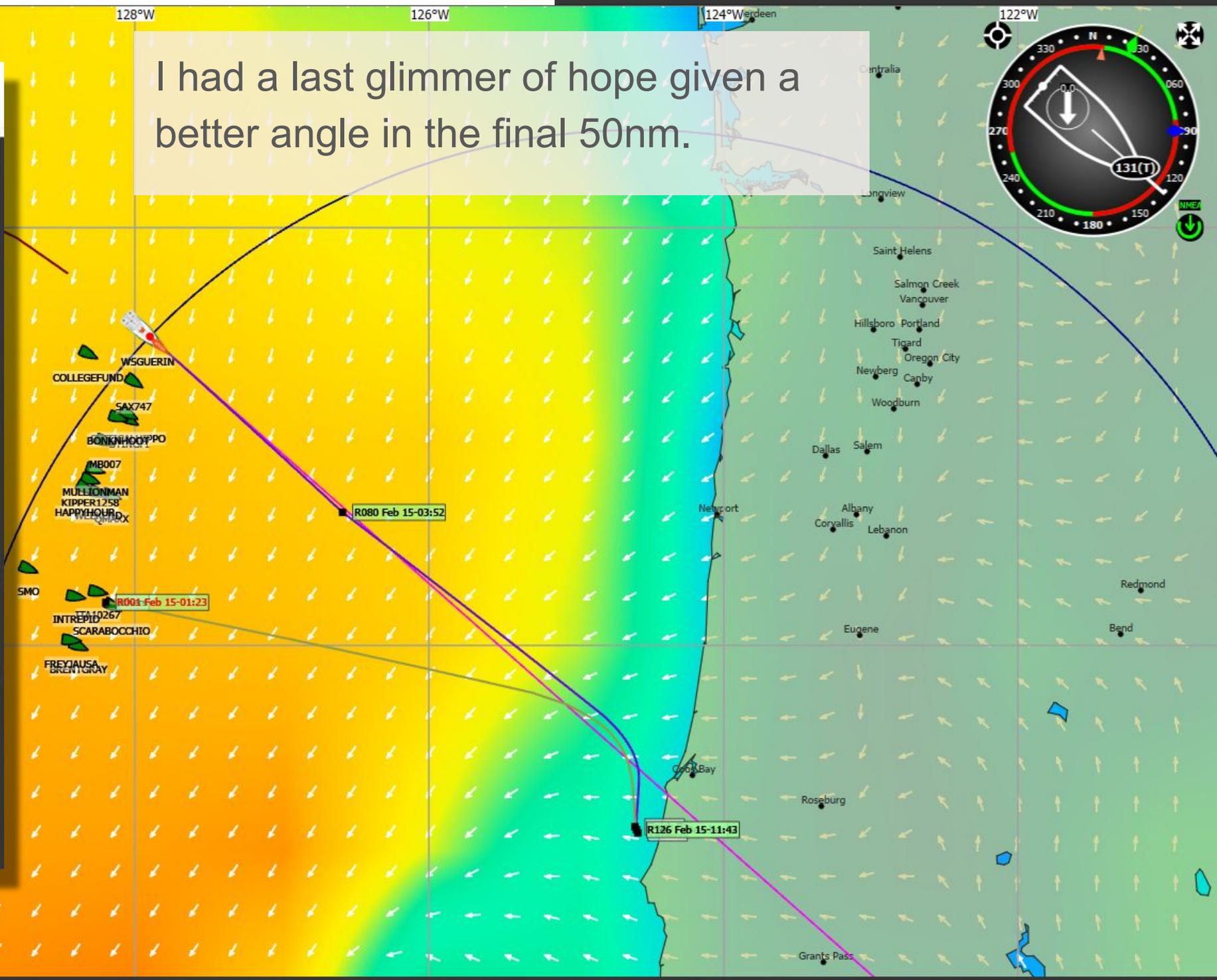
Routes Comparator

Add a route to comparator

Export (CSV)  With raw data

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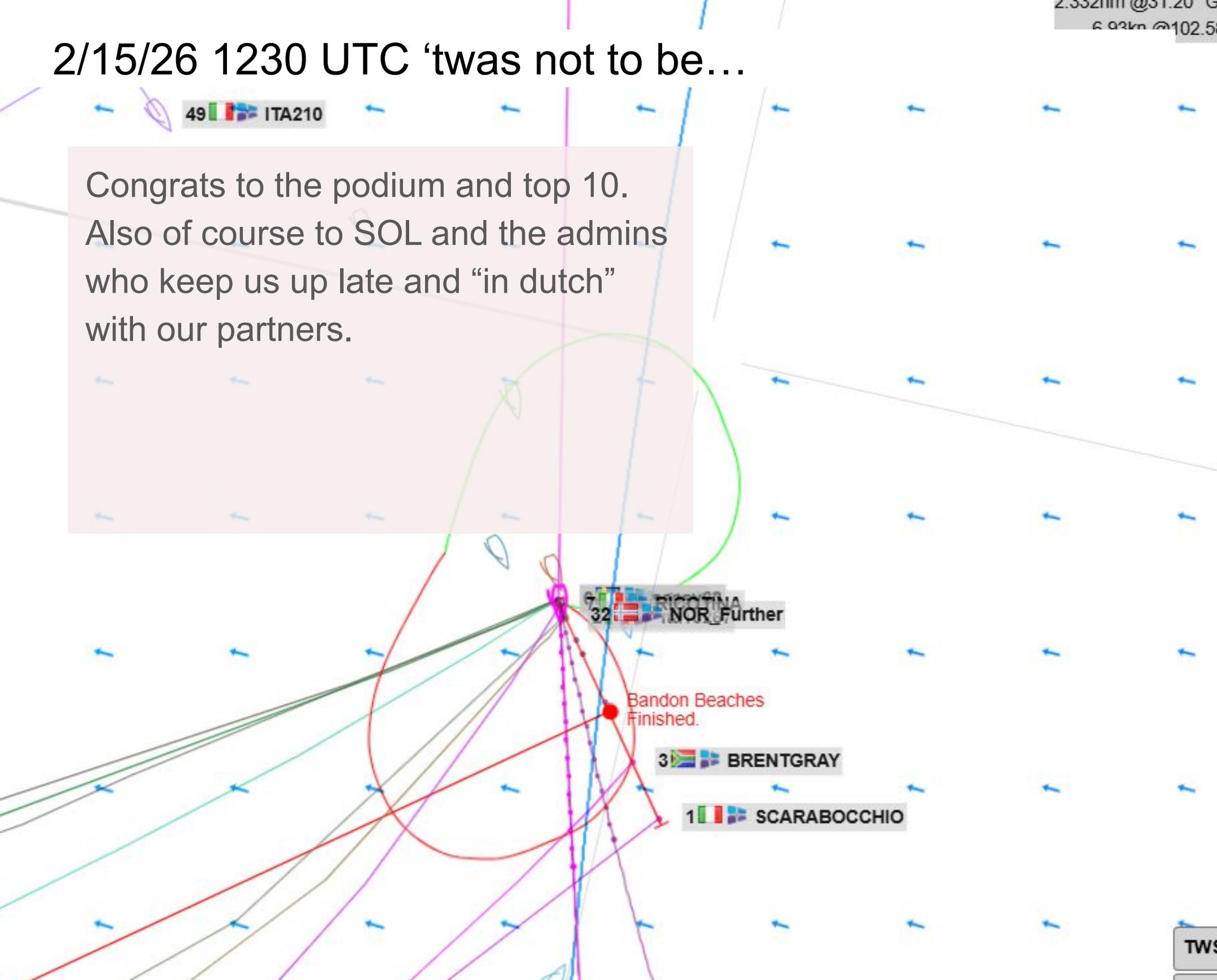


COG (T) 131°29.8  
SOG 29.8  
TWD 025°  
TWA 106°21.5  
TWS 31.4  
AWS 115.4

Wind 20.8 kts, 033.4° 44.9467°N 125.2974°W - 105.5° 115 nm

2/15/26 1230 UTC 'twas not to be...

Congrats to the podium and top 10.  
Also of course to SOL and the admins  
who keep us up late and "in dutch"  
with our partners.



2.352nm @ 51.20 GC  
6.92km @ 102.58°

# ▲	Name	DTF	DBL	LOG
1	SCARABOCCHIO	0.00	0.00	7369.04
2	ita10267	0.00	0.00	7164.81
3	BRENTGRAY	0.00	0.00	7400.92
4	Ibis	0.00	0.00	7452.95
5	rumskib	0.00	0.00	7175.19
6	sassy63	0.00	0.00	7402.99
7	RICOTINA	0.00	0.00	7418.74
8	weekend	0.00	0.00	7400.00
9	CriticalHippo	0.00	0.00	7155.79
10	Sax747	0.00	0.00	7219.23
11	StingFI	0.00	0.00	7409.71
12	aner59	0.00	0.00	7385.80
13	vida	0.00	0.00	7231.96
14	QMaxx	0.00	0.00	7424.90
15	bonknhoot	0.00	0.00	7185.42
16	rafa	0.00	0.00	7448.09
17	mb007	0.00	0.00	7272.42
18	wsguerin	0.00	0.00	7528.46
19	SimeMali	0.00	0.00	6902.61
20	hew565	0.00	0.00	7193.96
21	Kaganisso	0.00	0.00	7427.37
22	Garagiste	0.00	0.00	7272.53
23	Mullionman	0.00	0.00	7496.83
24	pepsPV5	0.00	0.00	7344.27
25	YANN	0.00	0.00	7382.92
26	Kipper1258	0.00	0.00	7376.59
27	Panpyc	0.00	0.00	7177.56
28	AL53_SStta	0.00	0.00	7399.39
29	blackcat	0.00	0.00	7432.49
30	Olev	0.00	0.00	7372.59
31	SilentWarrior	0.00	0.00	7598.26
32	NOR_Further	0.00	0.00	7481.11
33	FakeNews	0.00	0.00	7472.61
34	Siaki	0.00	0.00	7317.22