

Souvenir

High Point YachtFest 2019

British Virgin Islands - 2nd to 9th March 2019





Dear High Pointers,

This souvenir is to remind you of the people, places and High Points of your BVI holiday. It includes the courses sailed and the results.

The week kicked off with a great party at the BVI Gin Distillery, one serious taxi roller-coaster ride to the top of the hill overlooking the Carribean in one direction and the Atlantic in the other.

The trade winds all week allowed us to follow the planned route. We visited Scrub Island Marina, Leverick Bay, Anegada, Scrub Island Marina, Great Harbour on Jost van Dyke, Kelly's Cove on Norman Island, Virgin Gorda Yacht Harbour and then back to Scrub Island Marina. On the way, the cats visited the Dogs (pun intended), the Caves and the Baths.

For some, it was our first experience on cats but we quickly got the hang of them.

I adjusted the TCFs during the week to reduce the gap between fastest and slowest, but in the end it did not affect the results as the overall results for the top three were the same as on the first day.

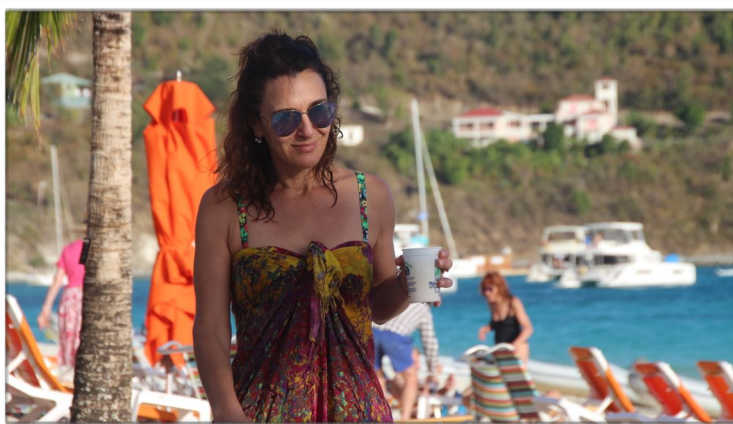
Congratulations to Martin and his crew for three first places, two seconds and a discarded fourth. Unbeatable! Vilmos and Steven were 2nd and 3rd overall and the rest of us were some way behind, competing hard for the last positions.

For the gourmet night, Bela of Vilmos's crew made a fantastic Hungarian Goulash which was voted best dish of the night. Everyone enjoyed that one and the saucepan was licked clean. Thanks to all the other crews for their delicious dishes as well.

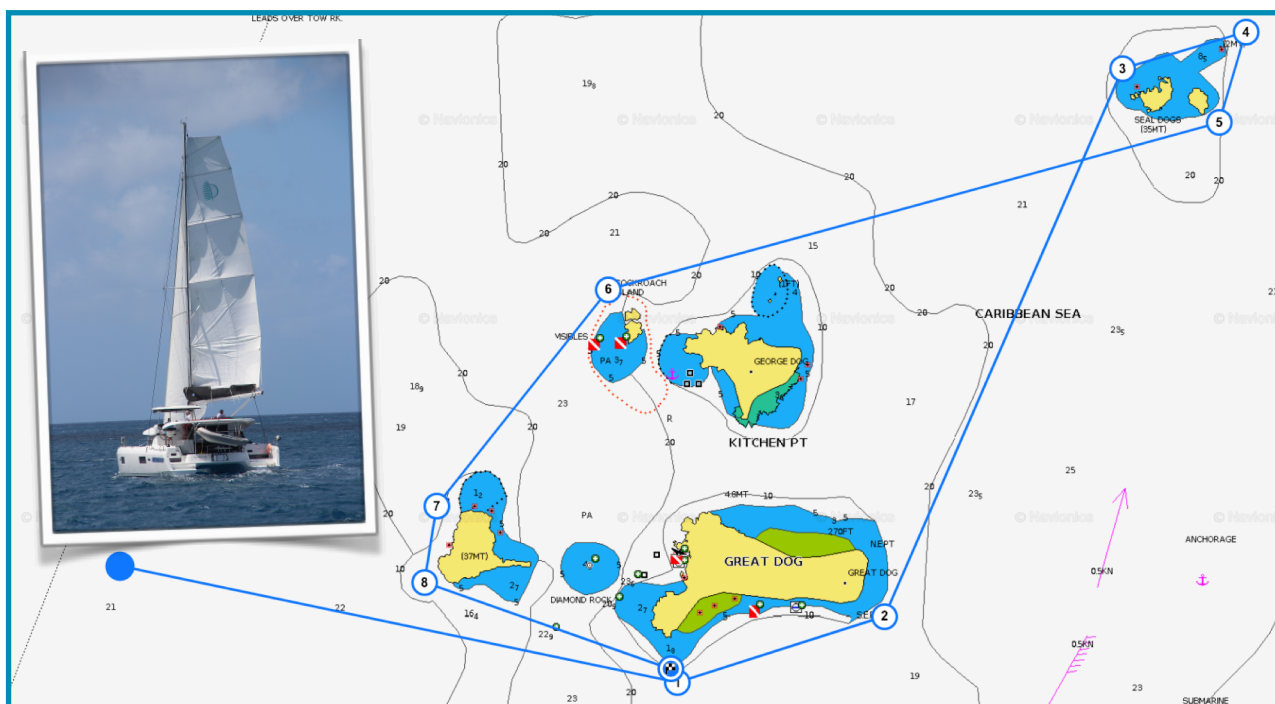
If there was a team prize for partying, there would be no doubt it would have gone to Lutz and his impressive crew. They have rocket fuel piped directly into their veins (sponsored by the Ariane Space programme).

Stay safe, hope to see you all again next year and in the meantime, best wishes,
John & Sasha

The winners - Ocean Sun - Martin Suter & team



Race 1, 3rd March



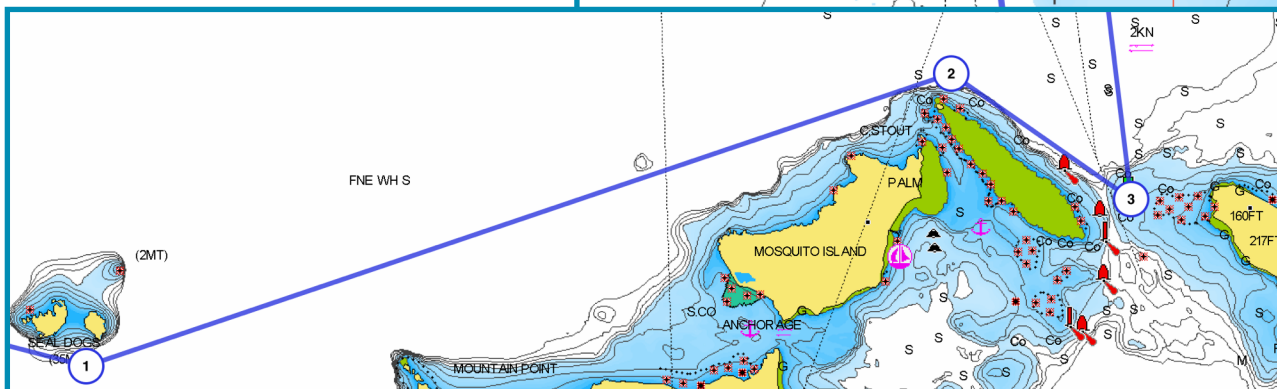
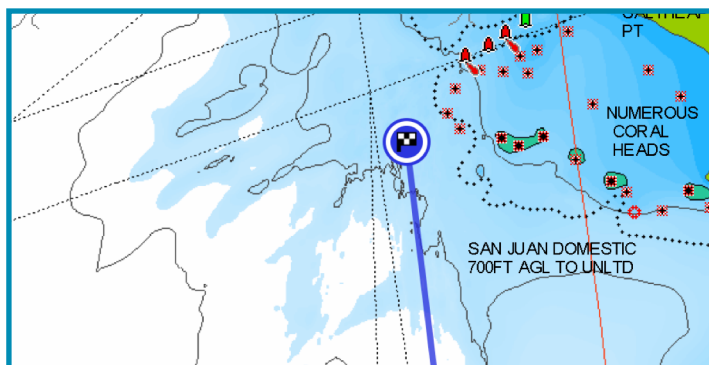
Daily Results		TCF	Finish	Elapsed	Corrected	Rank
Race 1 Sun, 3 Mar 2019 13:18:15 PI Multiplier N/A	1 John Hall Hall	0.913	DNF			6
	2 Martin Suter	1.000	15:50:29	2:32:14	2:32:14	1
	3 Vilmos Tomazy	0.989	15:53:15	2:35:00	2:33:13	2
	4 Steven Visser	0.934	16:10:35	2:52:20	2:40:58	3
	5 Lutz Weise	0.985	DNF			6
	6 Bertil Agell	0.915	16:48:26	3:30:11	3:12:14	4

The first race started late as we had to do the check-ins for the 42 ft cats and wait for late arrivals of crew and luggage. The cats circled the Dogs and the Seal Dogs before arriving at Leverick Bay for dinner ashore.

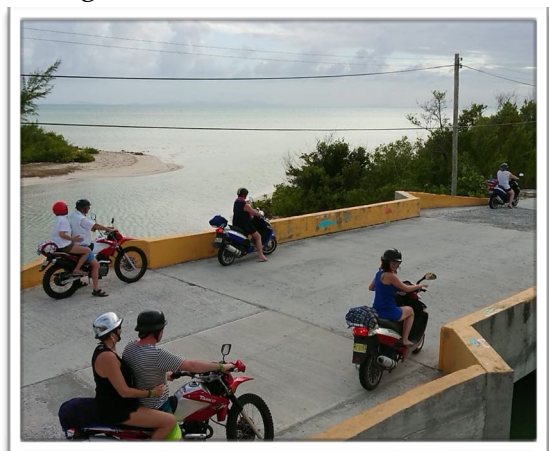


Race 2, 4th March

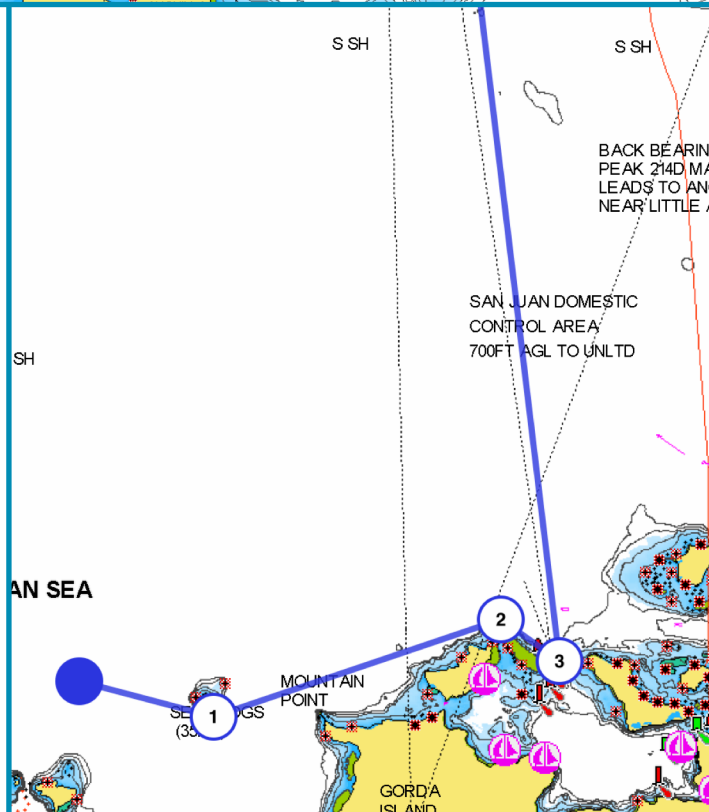
The course was as planned except that the final waypoint did not exist and finishes were done by taking the time to the GPS coordinates of where it should have been, just west of the “U” shaped reef.



After arrival and anchoring off Pomato Point, some headed for the beach at Loblolly Bay, Victoria's crew taking scooters and dirt bikes.



Then it was back for dinner at Potter's by the Sea, our first taste of lobster with limbo and “normal” dancing in the sand.



Daily Results		TCF	Finish Time	Elapsed Time	Corrected Time	Rank
Race 2						
Mon, 4 Mar 2019 10:32:45 PI Multiplier 50%	1 John Hall Hall	0.913	13:31:01	2:58:16	2:42:44	3
	2 Martin Suter	1.054	13:03:06	2:30:21	2:38:32	2
	3 Vilmos Tomazy	1.039	13:04:01	2:31:16	2:37:08	1
	4 Steven Visser	0.957	DNF			6
	5 Lutz Weise	0.985	13:23:44	2:50:59	2:48:27	4
	6 Bertil Agell	0.859	14:00:00	3:27:15	2:58:00	5

Race 3, 5th March

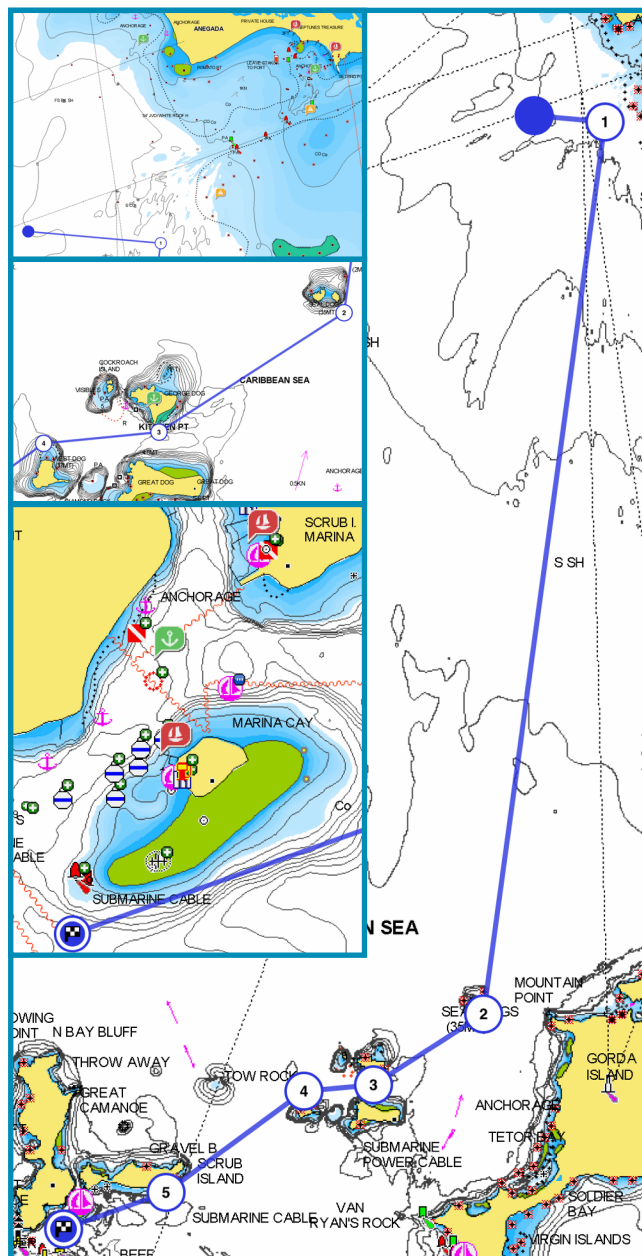
Due to the continued non-existence of our windward mark (WP1) we improvised using fenders from Victoria.

The time between Victoria rounding WP1 and picking up the fenders after the rest of the fleet had rounded was recorded and subtracted from Victoria's elapsed time.

The fleet returned to Scrub Island Marina for some essential remedial works to address blocked heads, missing power leads and the like.

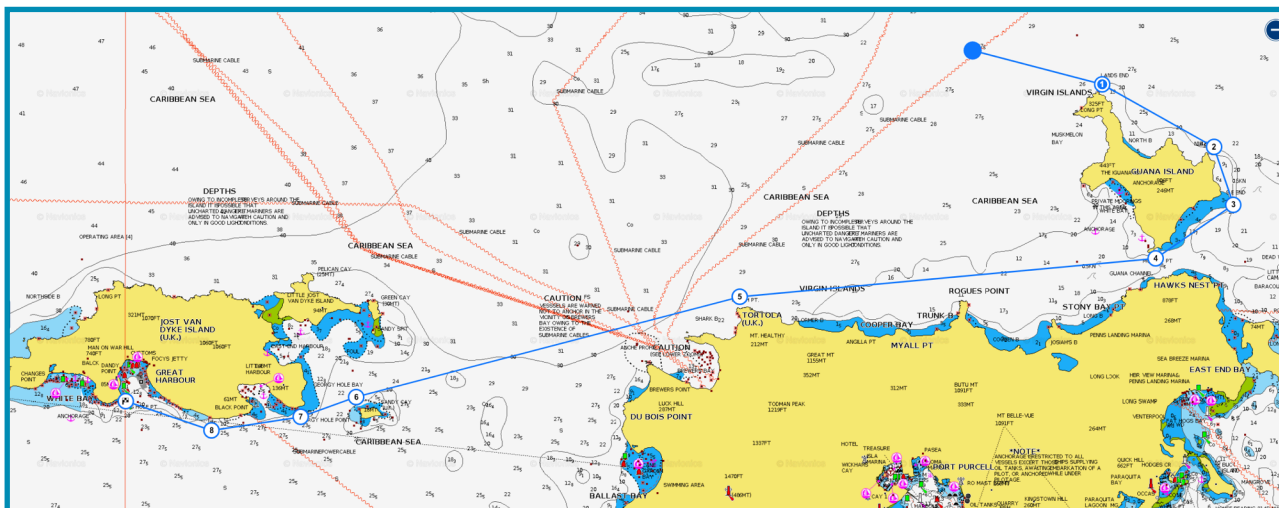
The evening started with aperitifs on Victoria. That was one helluva party, thanks to everyone for coming. After dinner Lutz's team on Fin & Tonic hosted their fantastic pirates party!

What a night that was!! If you can remember it, you weren't there!



Daily Results		TCF	Finish Time	Elapsed Time	Corrected Time	Rank
Race 3						
Tue, 5 Mar 2019 10:26:35 PI Multiplier 33%	1 John Hall Hall	0.914	13:03:32	2:36:57	2:23:25	2
	2 Martin Suter	1.065	12:45:10	2:18:35	2:27:33	4
	3 Vilmos Tomazy	1.052	12:51:00	2:24:25	2:31:57	6
	4 Steven Visser	0.957	13:02:00	2:35:25	2:28:42	5
	5 Lutz Weise	0.975	12:54:00	2:27:25	2:23:45	3
	6 Bertil Agell	0.835	13:10:53	2:44:18	2:17:15	1

Race 4, 6th March



The race followed the planned course finishing at WP9.

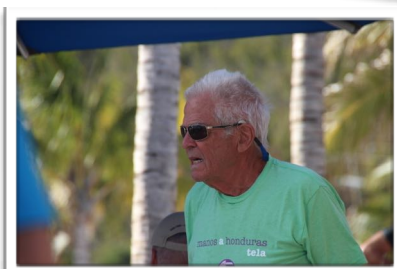
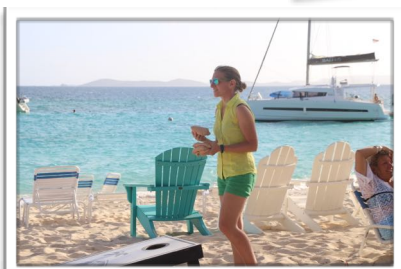
The fleet picked up balls in Great Harbour on Jost van Dyke and took taxis to White Bay for “painkiller” cocktails at the Soggy Dollar Bar.

A pleasant couple of hours drifted past watching crews chuck bags of sand, the best performers being Ersilia, Claudia, Veronica and Siobhan.



Dinner was at Foxy’s and the menu was superb, in my case, for sure one of the best steaks I have ever tasted.

After dinner, there was some dancing in the sand and then it was back to the boats for some further partying or sleep depending on which boat you were on.

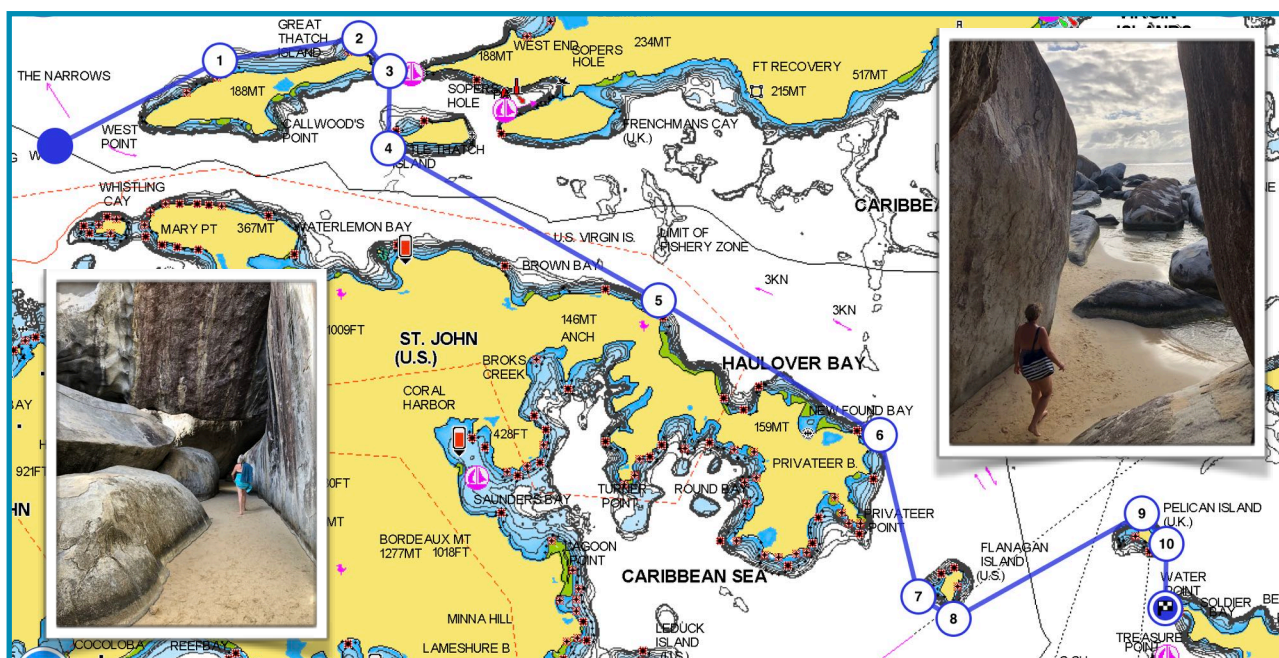


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Race 4						
Wed, 6 Mar 2019 11:12:51 PI Multiplier 25%	1 John Hall Hall	0.916	14:21:55	3:09:04	2:53:13	5
	2 Martin Suter	1.060	13:44:28	2:31:37	2:40:43	1
	3 Vilmos Tomazy	1.040	13:55:33	2:42:42	2:49:12	4
	4 Steven Visser	0.951	14:08:42	2:55:51	2:47:11	2
	5 Lutz Weise	0.977	14:04:22	2:51:31	2:47:35	3
	6 Bertil Agell	0.847	14:38:19	3:25:28	2:54:02	6

Race 5, 7th March

With a NE wind, race 5 took the fleet to a finish just off Water Point. After a quick visit to The Caves, the fleet rafted in Kelly's Cove for Gourmet night. Not only did we get 6 boats moored up for the price of four, we were also facing the perfect sunset before dinner.

Dinner was served from 8pm and included a wide range of delicious dishes for all to try. It was hard to believe such sumptuous gastronomic delights could have been prepared on board. Despite such strong competition, the Hungarian Goulash proved spectacularly popular and won the top dish prize.



Daily Results		TCF	Finish Time	Elapsed Time	Corrected Time	Rank
Race 5						
Thu, 7 Mar 2019 PI Multiplier 20%	1 John Hall Hall	0.911	16:11:13	5:11:39	4:43:48	5
	2 Martin Suter	1.070	14:50:38	3:51:04	4:07:09	2
	3 Vilmos Tomazy	1.038	14:30:27	3:30:53	3:39:00	1
	4 Steven Visser	0.952	15:40:33	4:40:59	4:27:23	3
	5 Lutz Weise	0.978	15:41:59	4:42:25	4:36:05	4
	6 Bertil Agell	0.841	DNF			6

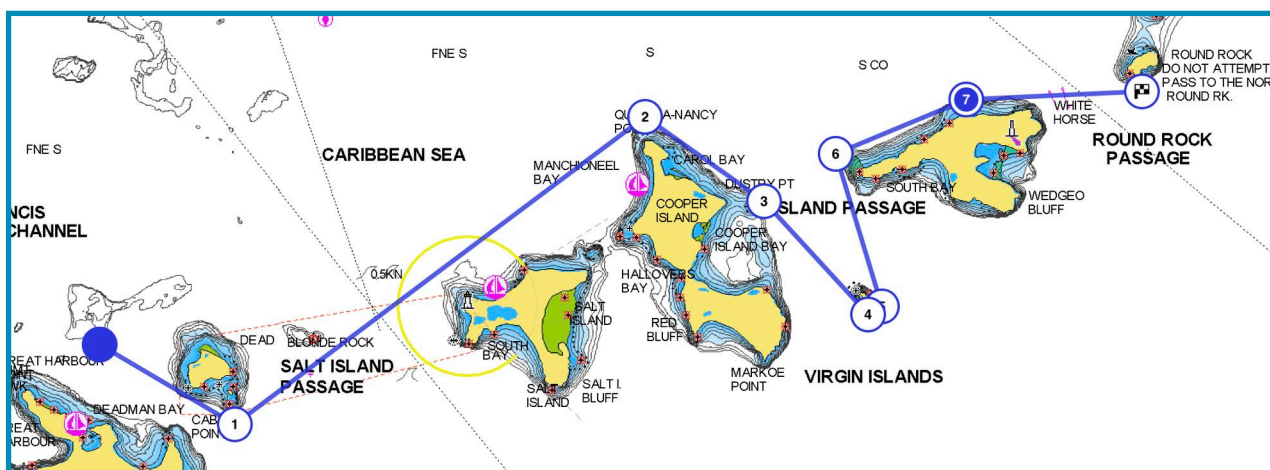
Race 6, 8th March

Race 6 was quite a bit shorter than planned but still took the intended time due to the flukey winds and tacking into the tide.

After the finish, there was just time for a short visit to the Baths before heading for the rather desolate Virgin Gorda Yacht Harbour for the prize-giving evening in the lovely beachside restaurant, CocoMaya.



The restaurant provided a beautiful setting for pre-dinner drinks on the sandy beach while the sun set. After the prize-giving presentation, the tapas-style dinner was served and roman candles were ignited in front of Veronica for her birthday and Franz and Henriette for their 10th wedding anniversary which was on Long Beach, Tortola in 2009.



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Race 6						
Fri, 8 Mar 2019 PI Multiplier 20%	1 John Hall Hall	0.898	14:53:35	3:28:45	3:07:23	4
	2 Martin Suter	1.084	13:49:05	2:24:15	2:36:20	1
	3 Vilmos Tomazy	1.081	14:07:14	2:42:24	2:55:30	3
	4 Steven Visser	0.949	14:26:23	3:01:33	2:52:16	2
	5 Lutz Weise	0.969	14:43:38	3:18:48	3:12:34	5
	6 Bertil Agell	0.841	DNS			6

Overall Results			R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	Total	Discard	Nett	Rank
Lagoon 42	Apres Sail	1 John Hall Hall	6	3	2	5	5	4	25	6	19	4
Lagoon 450 Luxe	Ocean Sun	2 Martin Suter	1	2	4	1	2	1	11	4	7	1
Lagoon 450 S	Panui	3 Vilmos Tomazy	2	1	6	4	1	3	17	6	11	2
Lagoon 42	Rendezvous	4 Steven Visser	3	6	5	2	3	2	21	6	15	3
Lagoon 450 F	Fin & Tonic	5 Lutz Weise	6	4	3	3	4	5	25	6	19	5
Lagoon 42	Jelliblu	6 Bertil Agell	4	5	1	6	6	6	28	6	22	6

