

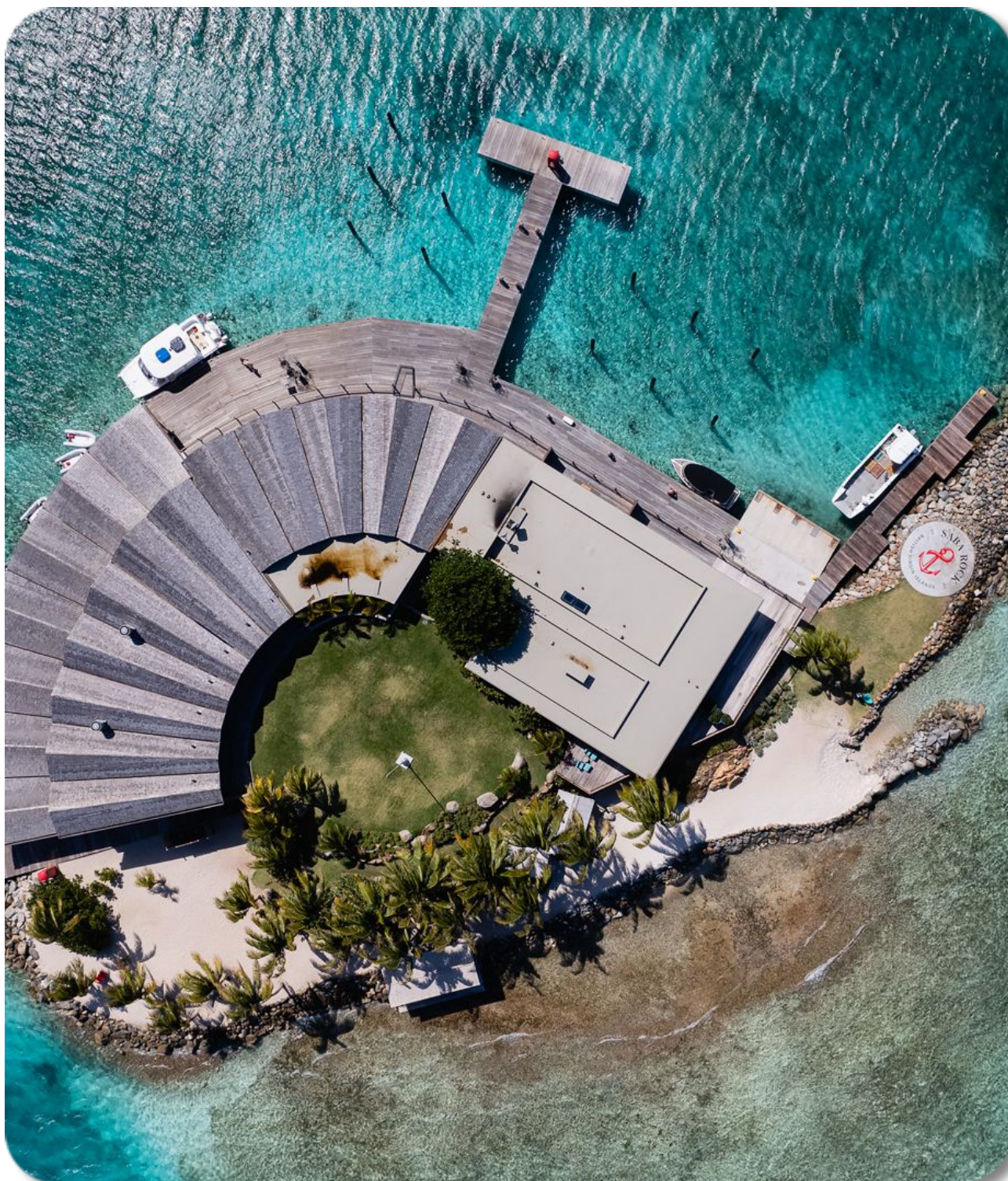
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# High Point, BVI 2022

## Souvenir

High Point YachtFest, BVI - 12th to 19th March 2022

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## Introduction

I hope this souvenir will bring back fond memories of our week together in the BVI. The photos are to remind you of the atmosphere and the courses and results are there as a record of how it went on the water.

The Welcome Party was staged at the beautiful Pegs Legs beach and bar. The buffet was delicious and there was plenty of it so no one was left hungry. The venue was perfect for meeting everyone throughout the evening. All the newcomers seemed to settle in immediately and no one got lost on the short walk between the marina and beach.

Thank you all for joining in enthusiastically throughout the week. Everyone was sportsman-like on and off the water and there were no protests or penalties. Thanks for your cooperation at the starts which meant all were done pretty quickly and with only one re-start.

Congratulations to Emma for completing her first time as skipper of a catamaran and with a very small and fun crew. Welcome to Anton and Jean-Jacques and their teams which were new to the fleet and were both able to be “on the podium” every day.

On behalf of everyone, many thanks to Caribbean Cellars who sponsored drinks at the Welcome Party, during the week and at the Prize-giving.

Thanks too to Kamau Georges who played beautiful sax at the Prize-giving while standing, as steady as a rock, on the handrail.

Thanks to my crew of Martine, Sasha, Dave, Veronica and Natalia for being such perfect crewmates. A HUGE thank you to Sasha for her meticulous attention to detail and hard work throughout the year to make sure the event was such a pleasure for us all.

Sasha will be in touch with the plans for next year as soon as the key points have been decided.

With best wishes to you all,

From me, Sasha, Martine and Dave.





## Overall Results



Yacht name	Skipper	Yacht Model	1	2	3	4	5	Total	Discard	Nett	Rank
1 Summer	John Hall	Lagoon 450 F	1	1	1	2	1	6	2	4	1
2 Judge's Chambers	Steven Visser	Lagoon 450 F	7	5	4	4	7	27	7	20	5
3 Kallisti	Emma Righton	Lagoon 46	7	7	7	7	7	35	7	28	6
4 Forever Young	JJ Auffret	FP Tanna 47	4	4	5	5	4	22	5	17	4
5 Moët	Lutz Weise	Lagoon 450 F	3	3	3	3	2	14	3	11	3
6 Amanda	Anton Ragin	Lagoon 52 F	2	2	2	1	3	10	3	7	2

On the water, the top three spots were held by the same three teams in all races and in the same order in most of them and overall. John's team, Summer, were the overall winners with Anton's Amanda in second and Lutz's Moët in third. There was consistency at the back of the fleet as well with Emma's Kallisti getting maximum points. Forever Young newcomers, JJ and team, bagged a solid fourth pushing Steven's Judge's Chambers into a well deserved 5th place.

Amanda managed a 2nd place with the skipper not even touching the controls at all. Everyone thought that was brilliant and clapped and cheered as they returned to harbour.

From the galleys, the Gourmet winners were Jean-Jacques and his crew with their saussicon, magret du canard and Thai curry.



At the start of the week the crew of Amanda were looking for nightclubs and looked certain to win the entertainment boat category. They appeared to snatch defeat from the jaws of victory by being the first to leave Cocomaya but recovered top spot with a tremendous party at the end of Gourmet night. The salsa routines during the week cemented the win.

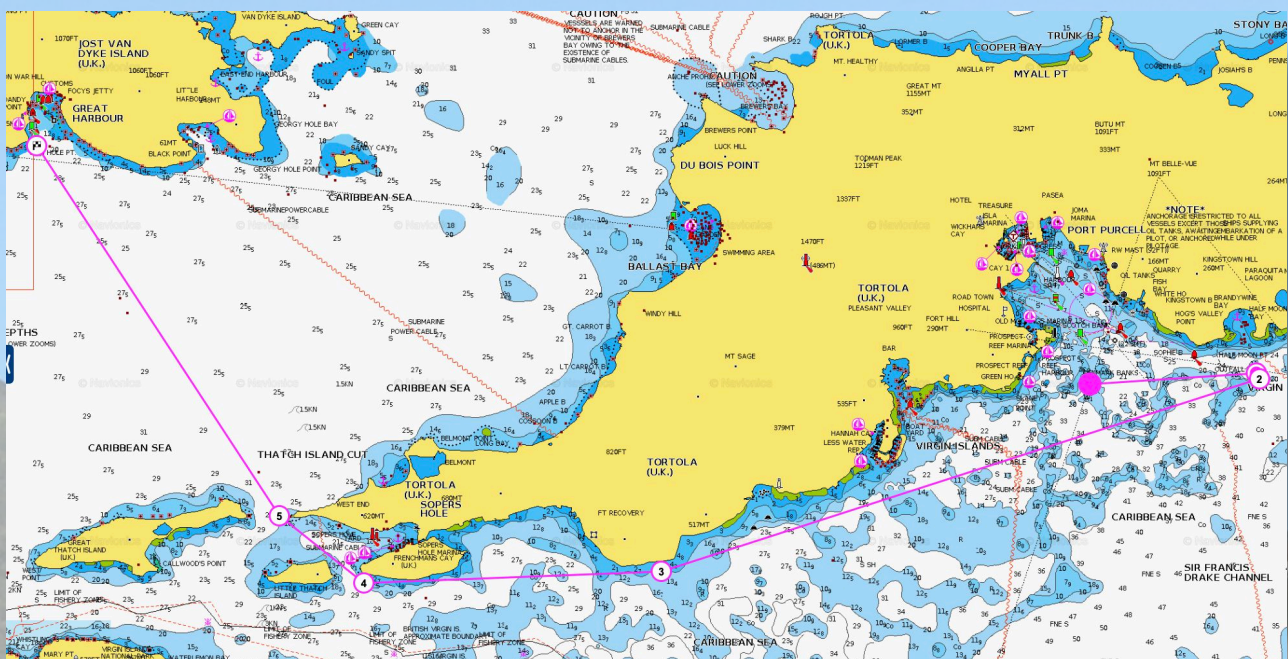


## Sunday, 13th March

After the skippers' briefing on board Summer, a fleet radio check and waiting for repairs to several yachts, we finally set out just before midday. The first race was tricky to get started as several of us had not mastered the technique of threading the mainsail through the lazy jack system in the strong winds we had. Kallisti decided to retire before the start due to sail problems. It was after midday before we got the race started and, once we had negotiated the upwind mark, it was an easy downwind run then a fast reach to the finish. The fleet arrived in good time for mooring on the balls in Great Harbour before a short taxi ride for Painkillers at the Soggy Dollar bar in White Bay. Judge's Chambers had to return to Nanny Cay to "powder her nose" after a confrontation with Summer soon after the start of the race.



Start	Finish	Yacht Name	Skipper	Yacht Model	Elapsed	TCF	Corrected	Rank
<b>Race 1</b>	14:15:58	1 Summer	John Hall Hall	Lagoon 450 F	1:54:10	1.000	1:54:10	1
Mar 13	DNF	2 Judge's Chambers	Steven Visser	Lagoon 450 F		1.000		7
12:21:48	DNS	3 Kallisti	Emma Righton	Lagoon 46		0.970		7
	14:25:30	4 Forever Young	JJ Auffret	FP Tanna 47	2:03:42	1.000	2:03:42	4
	14:23:50	5 Moet	Lutz Weise	Lagoon 450 F	2:02:02	1.000	2:02:02	3
	14:20:30	6 Amanda	Anton Ragin	Lagoon 52 F	1:58:42	1.000	1:58:42	2



Most crews dined at Ali Baba or Foxy's, the two best restaurants in Great Harbour.



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## Monday, 14th March

The winds were strong so, after a short wait we decided to cancel racing for the day and head for White Bay on the west coast of Guana Island for swimming, lunch and relaxation. Judge's Chambers completed her "nose job" and enjoyed a pleasant sail in the relatively sheltered south side to Tortola and was with us when we arrived at Trellis Bay late afternoon. The winds were still over 20 knots but we were easily able to find enough secure mooring balls, albeit some quite a distance from the Loose Mongoose. It was a wet dinghy ride against the wind back to the furthest boats after dinner.

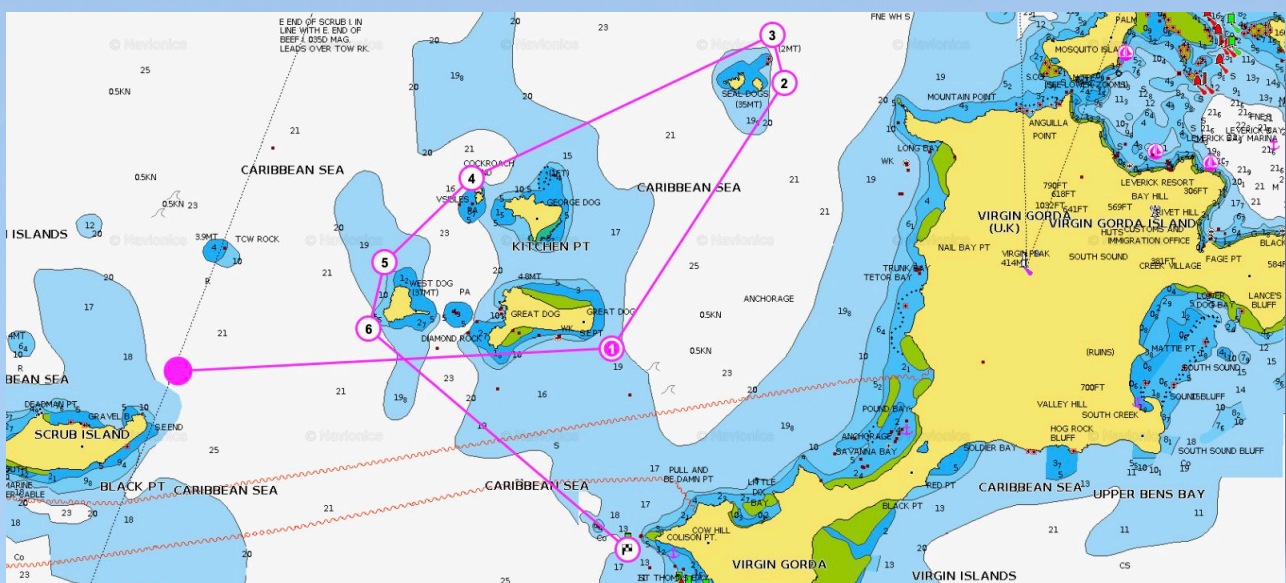




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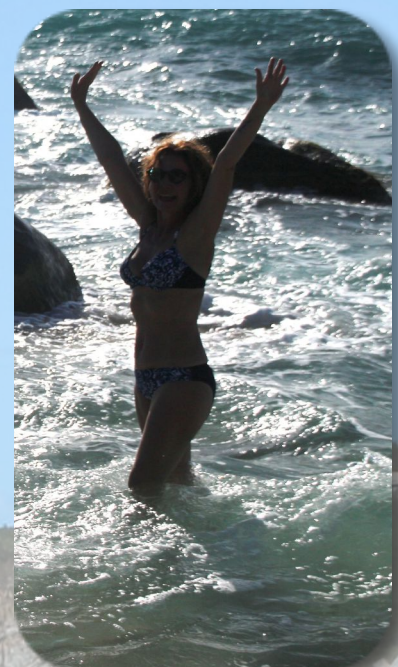
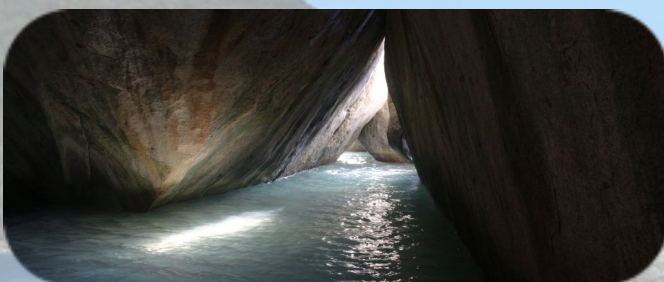
Some of the fleet filled up with water at Loose Mongoose before heading off for the race start. Winds were not too strong this time and we made a timely start before midday and the course was completed by 2pm.

Start	Finish	Yacht Name	Skipper	Yacht Model	Elapsed	TCF	Corrected	Rank
Race 2 Mar 15 11:27:03	13:42:48	1 Summer	John Hall Hall	Lagoon 450 F	2:15:45	1.000	2:15:45	1
	14:00:00	2 Judge's Chambers	Steven Visser	Lagoon 450 F	2:32:57	1.000	2:32:57	5
	DNS	3 Kallisti	Emma Righton	Lagoon 46		0.970		7
	13:56:15	4 Forever Young	JJ Auffret	FP Tanna 47	2:29:12	1.000	2:29:12	4
	13:53:41	5 Moet	Lutz Weise	Lagoon 450 F	2:26:38	1.000	2:26:38	3
	13:46:27	6 Amanda	Anton Ragin	Lagoon 52 F	2:19:24	1.000	2:19:24	2



The swell was too strong for exploring The Baths from the sea so we moored up in Spanish Town and, from there, some of us took taxis to The Baths. It was well worth the trip and was very spectacular with the light playing on the crashing waves.

We all enjoyed a fantastic evening of great food and music at Cocomaya and most of us stayed late although, as mentioned earlier, there was one crew that headed off early.







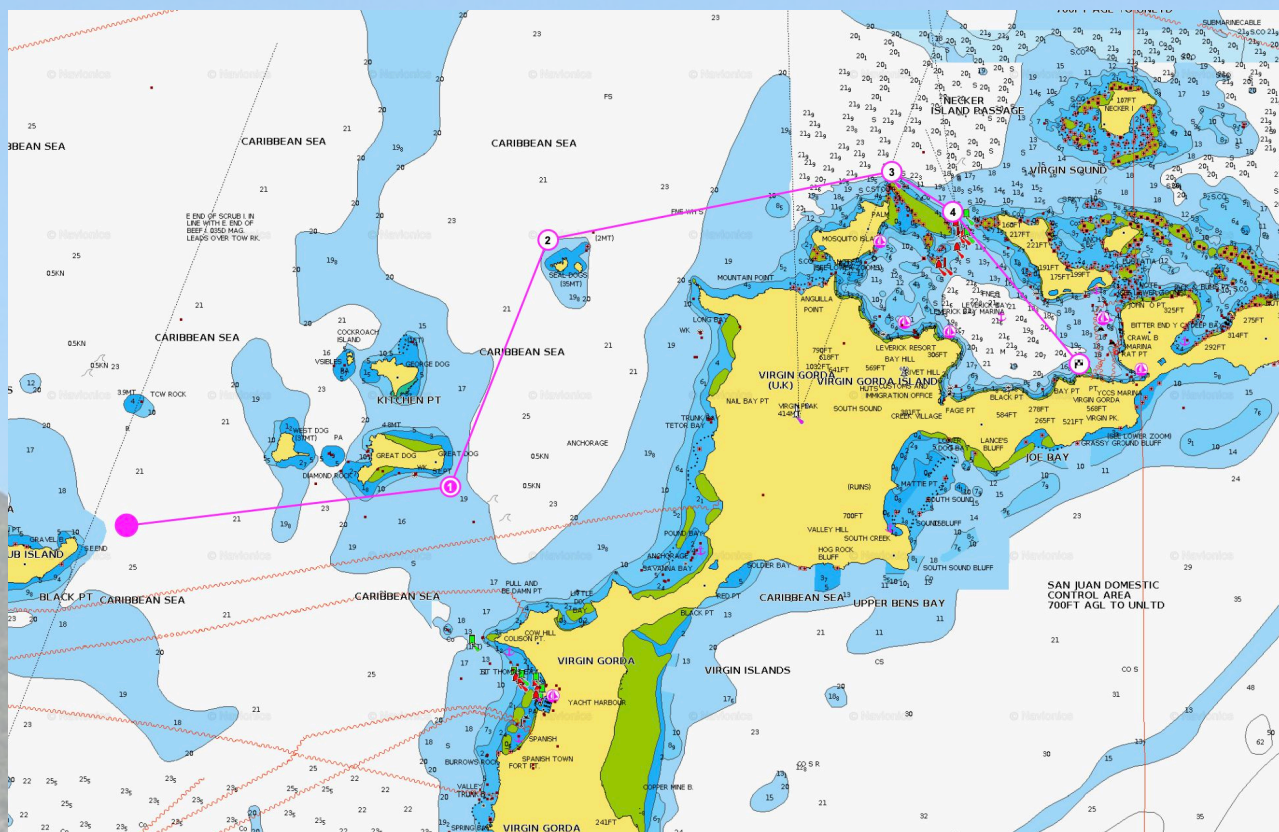
## Wednesday, 16th March

Amanda had main sail problems but they were quickly fixed and the race started without delay.

Start	Finish	Yacht Name	Skipper	Yacht Model	Elapsed	TCF	Corrected	Rank
Race 3 Mar 16 11:26:30	13:42:43	1 Summer	John Hall Hall	Lagoon 450 F	2:16:13	1.000	2:16:13	1
	14:04:00	2 Judge's Chambers	Steven Visser	Lagoon 450 F	2:37:30	1.000	2:37:30	4
	DNF	3 Kallisti	Emma Righton	Lagoon 46		0.970		7
	14:23:30	4 Forever Young	JJ Auffret	FP Tanna 47	2:57:00	1.000	2:57:00	5
	13:49:43	5 Moet	Lutz Weise	Lagoon 450 F	2:23:13	1.000	2:23:13	3
	13:47:31	6 Amanda	Anton Ragin	Lagoon 52 F	2:21:01	1.000	2:21:01	2

We moored up on balls just by Saba Rock and had a great afternoon exploring there and the nearby Bitter End Yacht club. This part of the BVI had been the most badly damaged in hurricane Irma and it was obvious that it has now been rebuilt even stronger so as to survive the next big one.

Saba Rock was a great dinner venue.

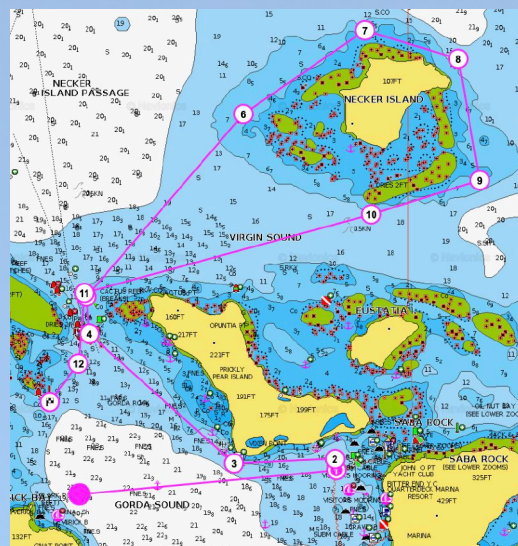






## Thursday, 17th March

We started the race near the Club Med boat by Leverick Bay. The first start was a mess and had to be abandoned, but the second one was perfect, except that Summer had her boom caught up in the reefing lines. Amanda got away and was well ahead by the time Summer sorted her mainsail out. After that she was reeling in Amanda who managed to finish just 13 seconds ahead! Necker was spectacular to circumnavigate and looked beautiful in the sun. No sign of Richard Branson.



Start	Finish	Yacht Name	Skipper	Yacht Model	Elapsed	TCF	Corrected	Rank
<b>Race 4</b>	13:56:02	1 Summer	John Hall Hall	Lagoon 450 F	1:33:58	1.000	1:33:58	2
Mar 17	14:16:09	2 Judge's Chambers	Steven Visser	Lagoon 450 F	1:54:05	1.000	1:54:05	4
12:22:04	DNS	3 Kallisti	Emma Righton	Lagoon 46		0.970		7
	14:30:35	4 Forever Young	JJ Auffret	FP Tanna 47	2:08:31	1.000	2:08:31	5
	14:11:49	5 Moët	Lutz Weise	Lagoon 450 F	1:49:45	1.000	1:49:45	3
	13:55:49	6 Amanda	Anton Ragin	Lagoon 52 F	1:33:45	1.000	1:33:45	1

This was Gourmet night, hosted aboard Judge's Chambers, Moët and Amanda using the Blunder Bay pontoons. The very helpful manager (who used to run Foxy's for several years) was very welcoming and helped everyone to moor up in the strong winds. It was a prefect setting for gourmet night.

Every dish was delicious and was someone's favourite, but chapeau to the French cuisine, JJ's crew got the most votes with their traditional french dishes, Thai curry, saussicon and magret du canard. It was hard to believe all those dishes had been made on board boats.

It was rather a late night with Amanda hosting a late party which justified their entertainment award. It was so good, I don't remember the details. I have a feeling vodka may have been at play.





## Friday, 18th March

A few had to get Covid tests in Road Town and set off early on Judge's Chambers. The rest of us set off in good time hoping to refuel at Nanny Cay. Navigare insisted that we would have to refuel again on Saturday morning so that plan was abandoned. We held a short race around Peter Island to Great Harbour for the prize-giving.

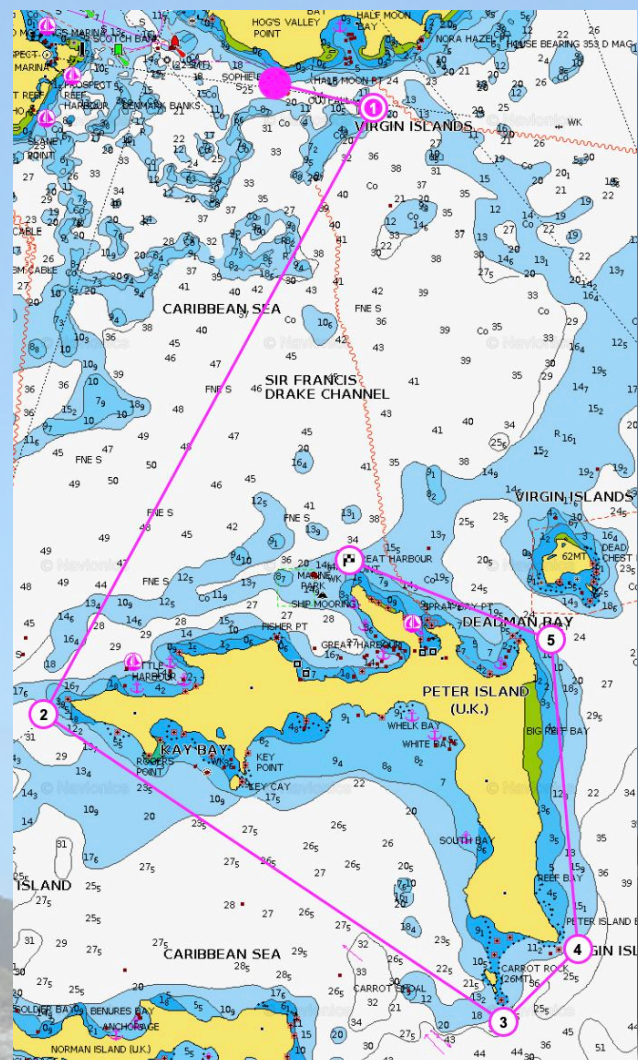
Start	Finish	Yacht Name	Skipper	Yacht Model	Elapsed	TCF	Corrected	Rank
Race 5 Mar 18 13:43:55	15:42:40	1 Summer	John Hall Hall	Lagoon 450 F	1:58:45	1.000	1:58:45	1
	DNS	2 Judge's Chambers	Steven Visser	Lagoon 450 F		1.000		7
	DNF	3 Kallisti	Emma Righton	Lagoon 46		0.970		7
	16:27:40	4 Forever Young	JJ Auffret	FP Tanna 47	2:43:45	1.000	2:43:45	4
	15:50:16	5 Moet	Lutz Weise	Lagoon 450 F	2:06:21	1.000	2:06:21	2
	16:23:09	6 Amanda	Anton Ragin	Lagoon 52 F	2:39:14	1.000	2:39:14	3

The venue for that was the spectacular Ocean's 7 with live sax from Kamau Georges and a lovely buffet of delicious local food. After dinner and the prize-giving itself, the music and dancing continued until late even though many were still not fully recovered from the previous evening.



## Saturday, 19th March

An early start was made to get back to Nanny Cay in time to refuel before the 9am checkout. Navigare were pretty efficient at checkout and we were soon all heading for airports or villas after saying our farewells.









## Destinations:

Sunday

Great Harbor, Jost van Dyke

Monday

Trellis Bay, Tortola

Tuesday

Spanish Town, Virgin Gorda

Wednesday

Saba Rock, Virgin Gorda

Thursday

Blunder Bay, Virgin Gorda

Friday

Great Harbour, Peter Island

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