

Souvenir



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Introduction

Sasha's words

I stayed in Göcek for a few more days after our regatta and really enjoyed the opportunity to reflect on it all slowly, picking the moments out with Inci and Dave. It was a great event again and, in many ways, very special. I always say this, but it always is!

We were back in Göcek, a favourite place for most of us, where we could spend most of the times all together in beautiful bays. I particularly loved the vibe of the group. It was one of friends reunited, full of joy, enthusiasm, and care for each other. Very beautiful. Thank you all and your teams for a significant contribution to this, each one in your own way.

All the newbies blended in so well, too, and I hope will come back again!

Congratulations to Lutz and his crew of WHITE CLOUD for winning two equally important prizes: 1st OVERALL and 2023 ENTERTAINER! You sailed beautifully and consistently ahead of everyone, you taught us how to dance salsa, you performed dances for us and you prepared the most delicious risotto for the Gourmet night! A very impressive crew!

Congratulations to Dave Brewster and his crew of DORABELLA for taking 2nd place and to Denis and his crew of 4 FRIENDS on winning the 3rd place at this year's HPYF! And, it should be acknowledged that Denis has officially become the best Rabbit Starter of the fleet! Albeit scary....

This year the Gourmet Roux Night Prize went to Dave Brewster's team for a delicious Chilli Con Carne! Thank you judges for taking time to taste all the dishes and voting on them. Thank you also to all the other boats! Once again, it was a cornucopia of the most delicious tastes!

From me, a big Thank You to John for being such a great partner in organising the HPYF and for always finding the right solution for racing, no matter what! And also for contributing with the photos that were shown at the Prize Giving.

John and Martine continue to produce beautiful prizes and bracelets for the winners. A great memento from the event! Thank you both very much.

We had Inci on board with us this year which proved not only great fun but also super useful for the communication with the locals. Inci was the one responsible for our mooring and dinners everywhere. Thank you, my friend!

A big thanks to Dave for all his help in the run up to the event and during the week. And special thanks to Eva and Freya who have been looking after you all throughout the year!

Hugs and love to all

Sasha x

And some from me (John)....

All the teams this year were particularly harmonious and worked well together. Especially ours! A huge thanks to the whole of my crew, love you all! In particular, thanks Inci, you were a huge help as you know everyone, everywhere and arranged everything so beautifully. Dave, thanks for keeping the galley stocked and for the delicious meals, especially the gourmet curry. A massive thank you to Sasha for being such great company on board and for your tireless hard work throughout the year to make sure everything is just right for everyone. I love working with you and seeing your passion for the event! You are the queen of High Point, for sure!!

The top three on the water were also great performers ashore, especially Lutz's crew who entertained us all with their energetic dance shows and lessons. I loved Ersilia's chef hat as she served the risotto to the violin of Vivaldi! White Cloud (Team Lutz) were deserved winners of the Entertainer award as well as being the overall winners on the water. Dorabella (Team Dave) and 4 Friends (Team Denis) came second and third overall which was a fair reflection on their respective performances.

The winds were light all week and some days, none was forecast at all, so we were very lucky to manage a race every day with only one course shortened after the start.

It was lovely to get all the way to Gemiler on Sunday and to all moor up together with lines ashore. The goats provided some extra entertainment to add to refreshing swims.

Monday took the fleet to Zeytin Restaurant which is in a beautiful bay providing the perfect backdrop for sundowners, swimming and inter-team bonding.

Tuesday brought us to Fethiye. Happiness had an urgent need for a pool bar so had to forgo the race. It was a short one with three DNF's due to the premature death of the wind. A big plus, though, was that we caught up with Happiness at the Classic Yacht pool bar. Some of us also managed to visit the spectacular town shopping area with an assortment of eclectic shops.

Wednesday's Gourmet Night was incredible (not inedible!) and the dishes were all different and amazing. Thanks to the three judges (Jak, Guy and Michael) for agreeing on a winner. Dave Brewster and team took the prize for their Chilli con Carne and Napoleonic Tuna Pasta dishes. Boynuz Bükü proved to be a fabulous venue and it was great to have all the fleet on the pontoons there and to be able to swim and cool off.

On Thursday we went to Amigo Bay which typifies the best of sailing in Turkey with a restaurant in a secluded, remote yet cosy bay. The cuisine was traditional and all done using an open fire - our perfect last night before returning to the relative bustle of Göcek.

We are still mulling over where to go next year out of Dubrovnik, Lafkas or the Egadi Islands.

We hope you will enjoy this booklet as a lasting souvenir of the great week we had and we look forward to seeing you all next year.

Stay safe and thanks to all of you for making it such a great week.

All the best, this is Bamboo, Out (for now.....)

Love and hugs, John



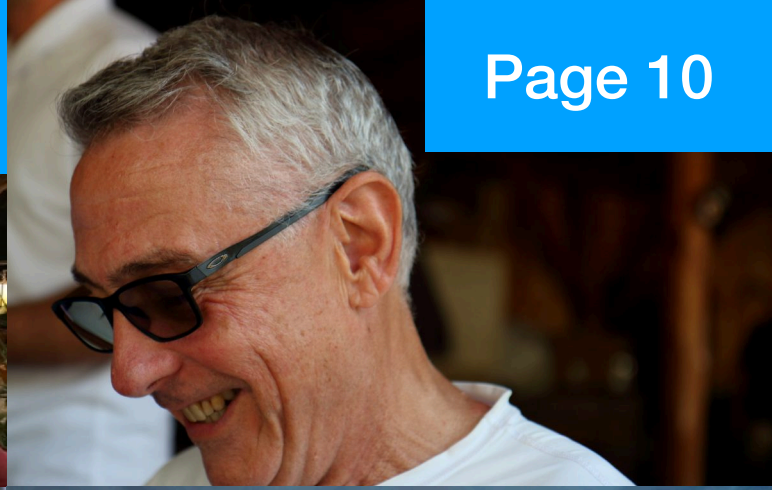




























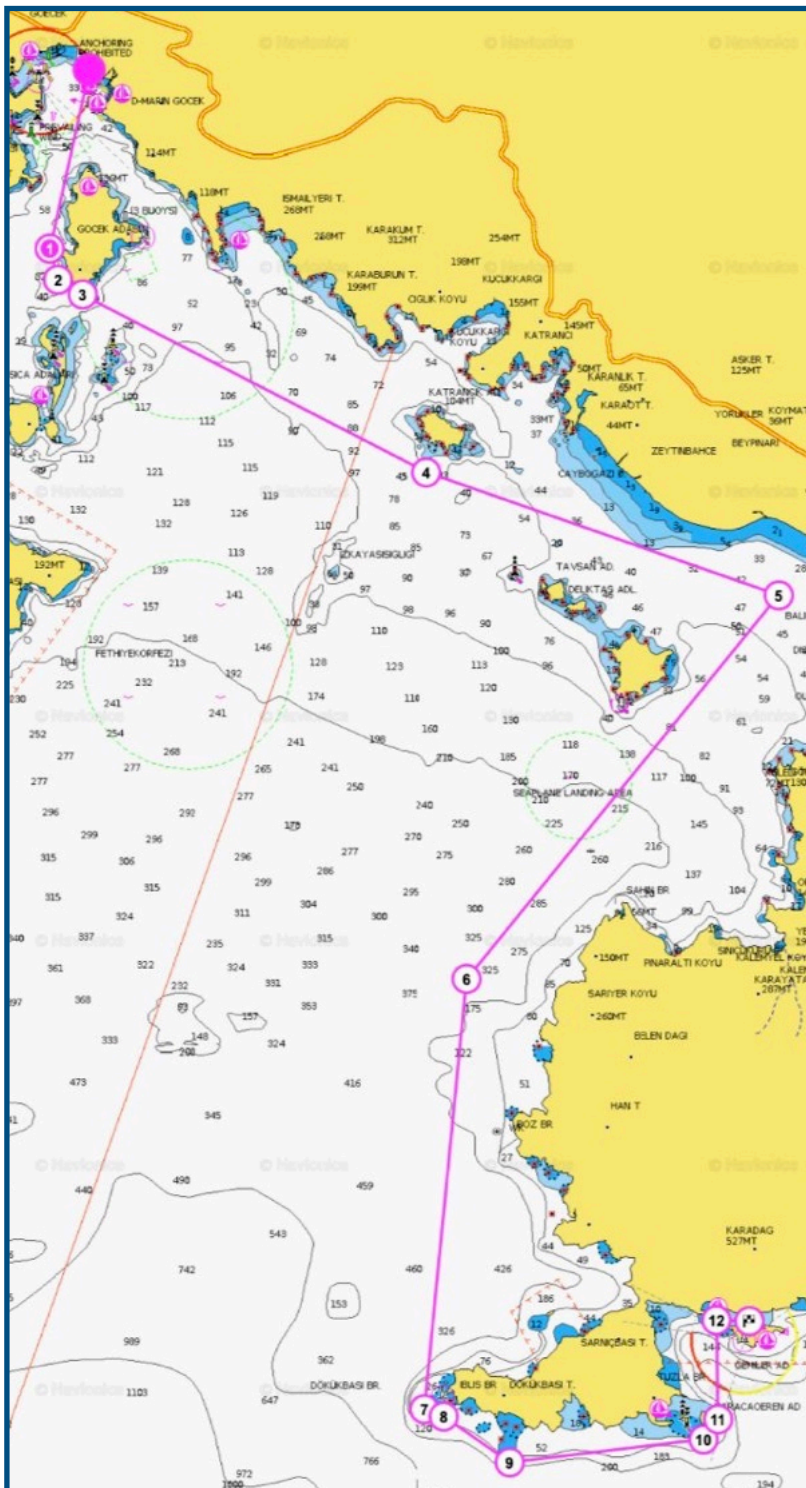
On the water

During the week we sailed a total of 112.2 NM of which 39.5 NM were spent racing. Distances shown in each day's heading are race distance and total distance covered that day.

Sunday, 24th September - Göcek to Gemiler (9.0, 22.6 NM*)

Skippers' briefing at 09:00 in the MOC coffee bar.

The fleet headed out at around 10:30 after the radio check and assembled just north of Göcek Island.



The fleet passed west of Göcek Island and headed south east to the shore north east of the island Kizilada. Once the anticipated southerly wind arrived we started the race at 11:45 near WP5 in about 8 knots of wind. Dorabella was the first to cross our wake after a couple of minutes. It was upwind all the way to the finish near WP8 when the beacon was at 0°. The wind at the finish was frustratingly light whilst to the north the wind remained enough to close the gap to the leaders.

The east of the course was favoured with more wind and those that went out west lost out quite badly, despite a favourable wind shift.

The first three places went to White Cloud, Dorabella and Bamboo, all of which had stayed close to the the eastern side of the course.

The fleet moored up on the north side of Gemiler with stern lines ashore.

Conditions were perfect for swimming and playing with goats.

24/9		11:46:43		Race 1			Overall Positions									
Team	Model	Name	Finish	Elapsed	TCF	Corr'd Points	1	2	3	4	5	6	Tot	Dis	Nett	Rank
1 John Hall Hall	Bavaria 51c	Bamboo	14:31:15	2:44:32	1.072	2:56:19	3	3					3	0	3	3
2 Steven Visser	Dufour 470	Happiness	15:57:31	4:10:48	1.052	4:23:52	7	7					7	0	7	7
3 JJ Auffret	Jeanneau SO 49	Señorita	15:49:35	4:02:52	1.053	4:15:38	6	6					6	0	6	6
4 Denis O'Brien	Bavaria 46c	4 Friends	15:26:24	3:39:41	1.000	3:39:41	4	4					4	0	4	4
5 Lutz Weise	Bavaria 46c	White Cloud	14:35:51	2:49:08	1.000	2:49:08	1	1					1	0	1	1
6 Matthew Slatter	Bavaria 46c	Palolem	15:34:06	3:47:23	1.000	3:47:23	5	5					5	0	5	5
7 Dave Brewster	Bavaria 46c	Dorabella	14:37:36	2:50:53	1.000	2:50:53	2	2					2	0	2	2
8 Claude Berteaud	Bavaria 46c	Adina	DNF		1.000		9	9					9	0	9	8

Monday, 25th September - Gemiler to Zeytin (6.7, 25.1 NM)

Skippers' briefing at 09:00 on Bamboo.

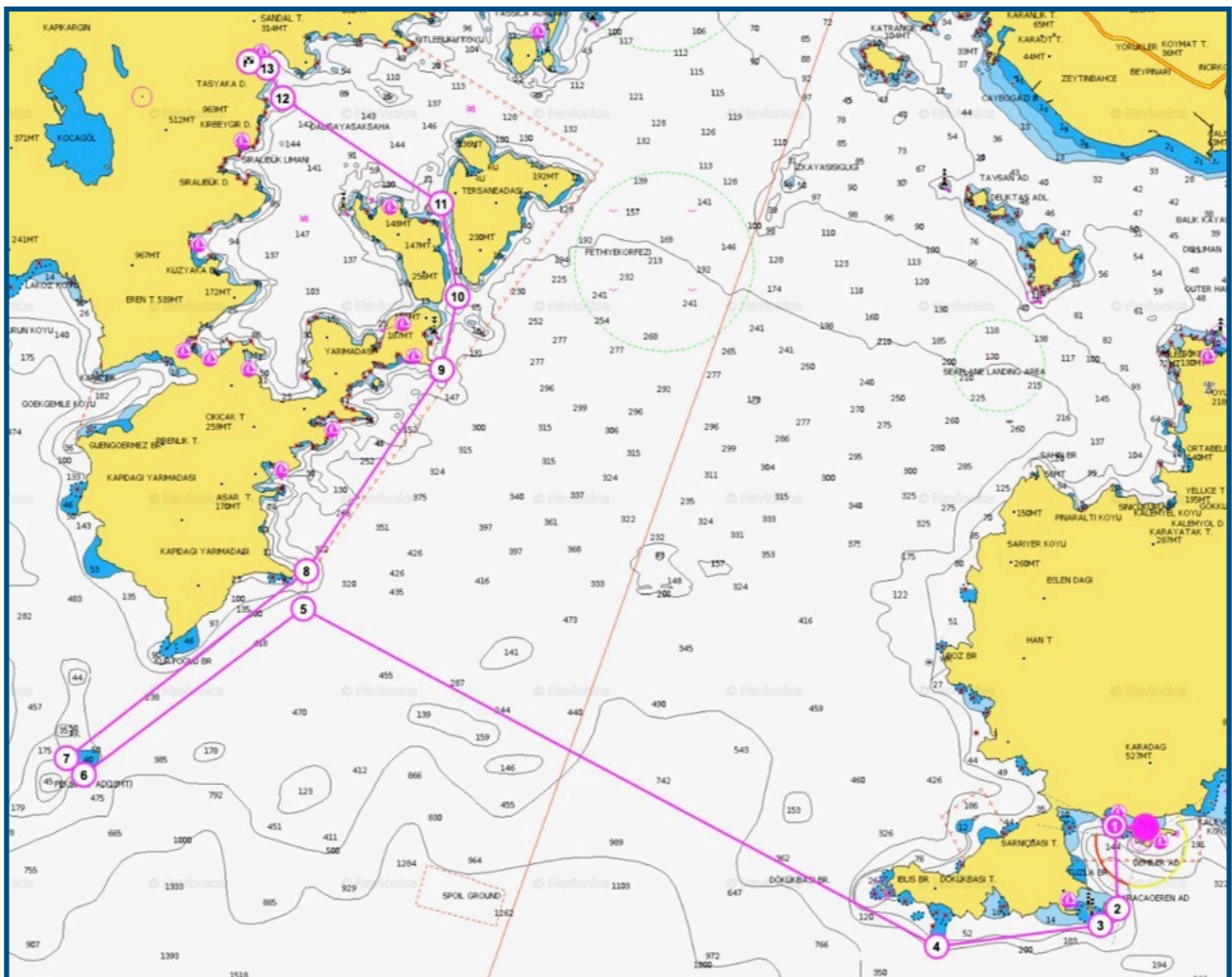
The fleet headed out at around 10:30 after the radio check.

For the second day in a row, the weather app "Windy" suggested we would have no more than a couple of knots of wind, mainly from the south west but not enough for a race.

We headed west in the hope of some wind around the little island Peksimet and did manage a short race starting at WP5 and finishing at WP8 in about 10 knots of wind from the south.

Bamboo was first on the water and was able to take everyone's times. On corrected time, White Cloud was first again, Bamboo second and third placed was (pure) Happiness.

The evening was spent on the pontoons at Zeytin Restaurant and most crews dined ashore.



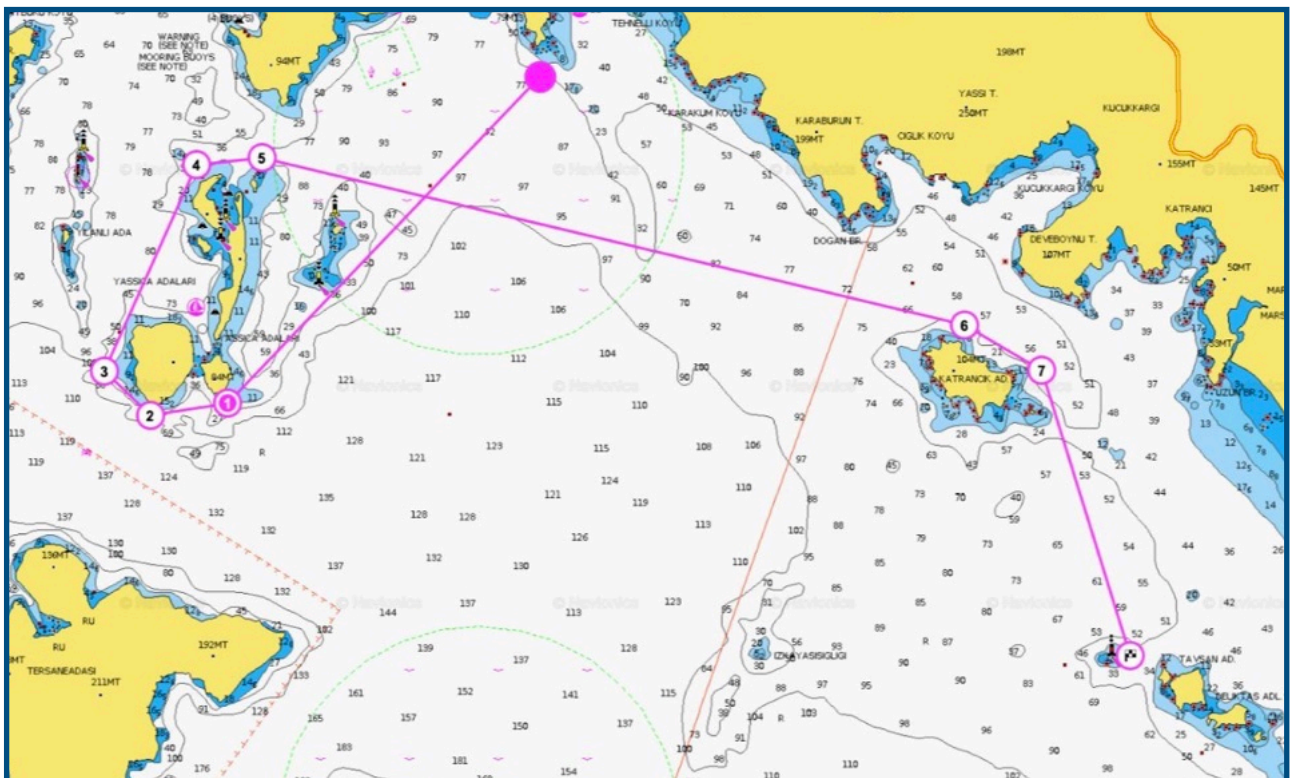
25/9 12:36:05 Race 2							Overall Positions									
Team	Model	Name	Finish	Elapsed	TCF	Corr'd Points	1	2	3	4	5	6	Tot	Dis	Nett	Rank
1 John Hall Hall	Bavaria 51c	Bamboo	14:20:35	1:44:30	1.072	1:51:59	2	3	2				5	0	5	2
2 Steven Visser	Dufour 470	Happiness	14:24:27	1:48:22	1.052	1:54:01	3	7	3				10	0	10	4
3 JJ Auffret	Jeanneau SO 49	Señorita	14:24:27	1:48:22	1.053	1:54:04	4	6	4				10	0	10	4
4 Denis O'Brien	Bavaria 46c	4 Friends	14:34:28	1:58:23	1.000	1:58:23	6	4	6				10	0	10	4
5 Lutz Weise	Bavaria 46c	White Cloud	14:26:00	1:49:55	1.000	1:49:55	1	1	1				2	0	2	1
6 Matthew Slatter	Bavaria 46c	Palolem	14:50:00	2:13:55	1.000	2:13:55	7	5	7				12	0	12	7
7 Dave Brewster	Bavaria 46c	Dorabella	14:33:02	1:56:57	1.000	1:56:57	5	2	5				7	0	7	3
8 Claude Berteaud	Bavaria 46c	Adina	14:58:05	2:22:00	1.000	2:22:00	8	9	8				17	0	17	8

Tuesday, 26th September - Zeytin to Fethiye (3.3, 20.7 NM)

Yet again, light winds were forecast from the south west so the course involved a start near the peninsular to the east of Göcek Island, clockwise round the islands and cardinal marks as shown in the chartlet below. Happiness did not participate as they needed a pool bar urgently.

The wind picked up a little and we managed a start just after midday, but it disappeared completely when we reached WP3 an hour later. At that point Bamboo's resistance to pool bars snapped, followed by Señorita 10 minutes later and 4 Friends soon after that.

The course was shortened to finish at the IDM north of the island just above WP3 and SE of WP4. Only 4 of the Bavaria 46s remained and finished with Palolem first, Dorabella second and White Cloud third.



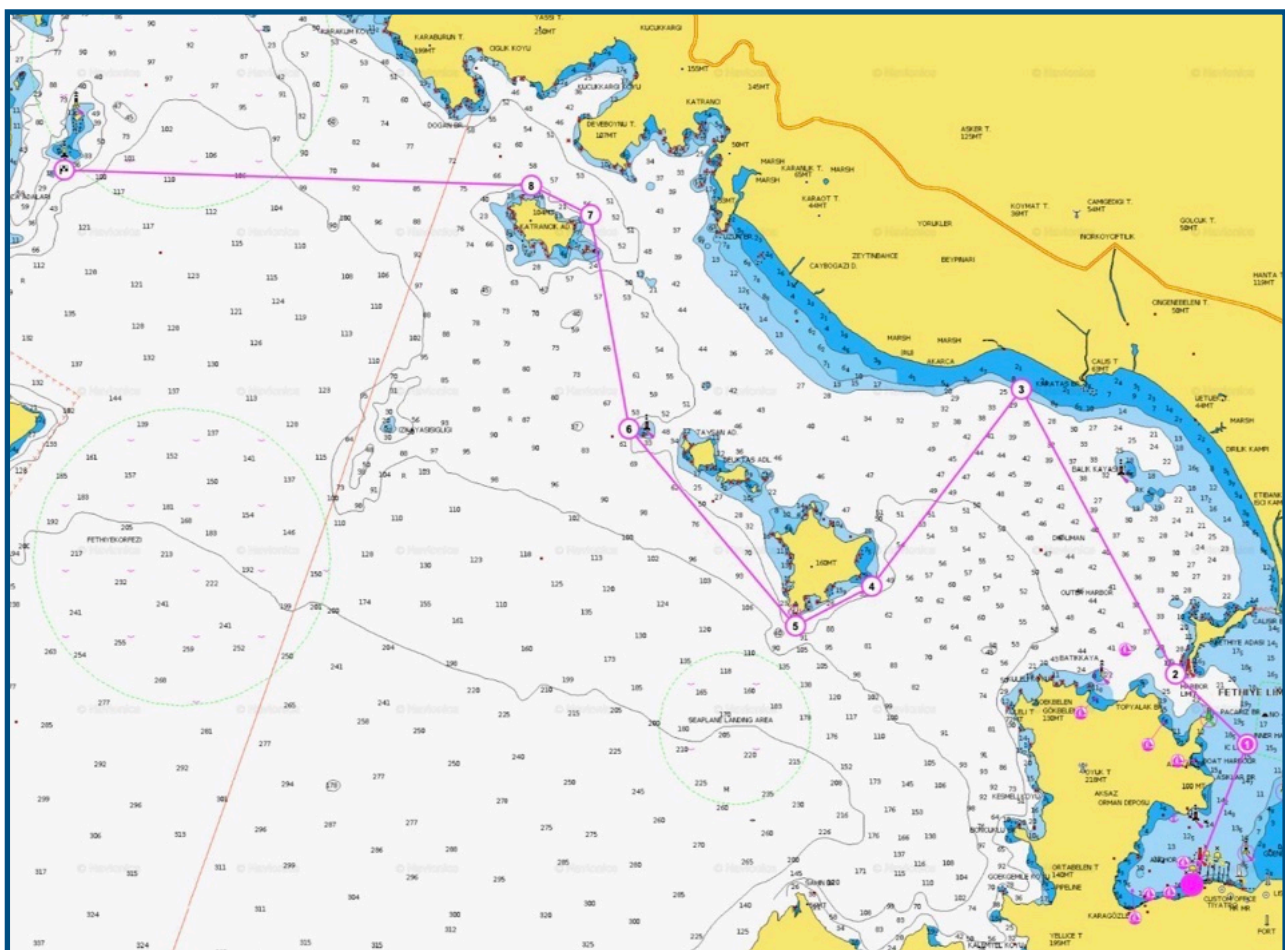
26/9		12:08:25		Race 3				Overall Positions								
Team	Model	Name	Finish	Elapsed	TCF	Corr'd Points	1	2	3	4	5	6	Tot	Dis	Nett	Rank
1	John Hall Hall	Bavaria 51c	Bamboo	DNF		1.072		9	3	2	9		14	0	14	4
2	Steven Visser	Dufour 470	Happiness	DNF		1.052		9	7	3	9		19	0	19	5
3	JJ Auffret	Jeanneau SO 49	Señorita	DNF		1.053		9	6	4	9		19	0	19	5
4	Denis O'Brien	Bavaria 46c	4 Friends	DNF		1.000		9	4	6	9		19	0	19	5
5	Lutz Weise	Bavaria 46c	White Cloud	14:37:56	2:29:31	1.000	2:29:31	3	1	1	3		5	0	5	1
6	Matthew Slatter	Bavaria 46c	Palolem	14:19:24	2:10:59	1.000	2:10:59	1	5	7	1		13	0	13	3
7	Dave Brewster	Bavaria 46c	Dorabella	14:22:37	2:14:12	1.000	2:14:12	2	2	5	2		9	0	9	2
8	Claude Berteaud	Bavaria 46c	Adina	14:38:05	2:29:40	1.000	2:29:40	4	9	8	4		21	0	21	8

Wednesday, 27th Sept - Fethiye to Boynuz Bükü (8.9, 15.6 NM)

Light SW winds were predicted again and the race started near WP3. We had a provisional early finish near WP7 and everyone took their times but the wind recovered enough to complete the course at WP9. Again White Cloud was first, 4 Friends second and Dorabella were third.

From the finish the fleet made its way to Boynuz Bükü and moored on the restaurant pontoons for Gourmet Night. It was hot, so there was plenty of swimming to be done before starting on the food preparation.

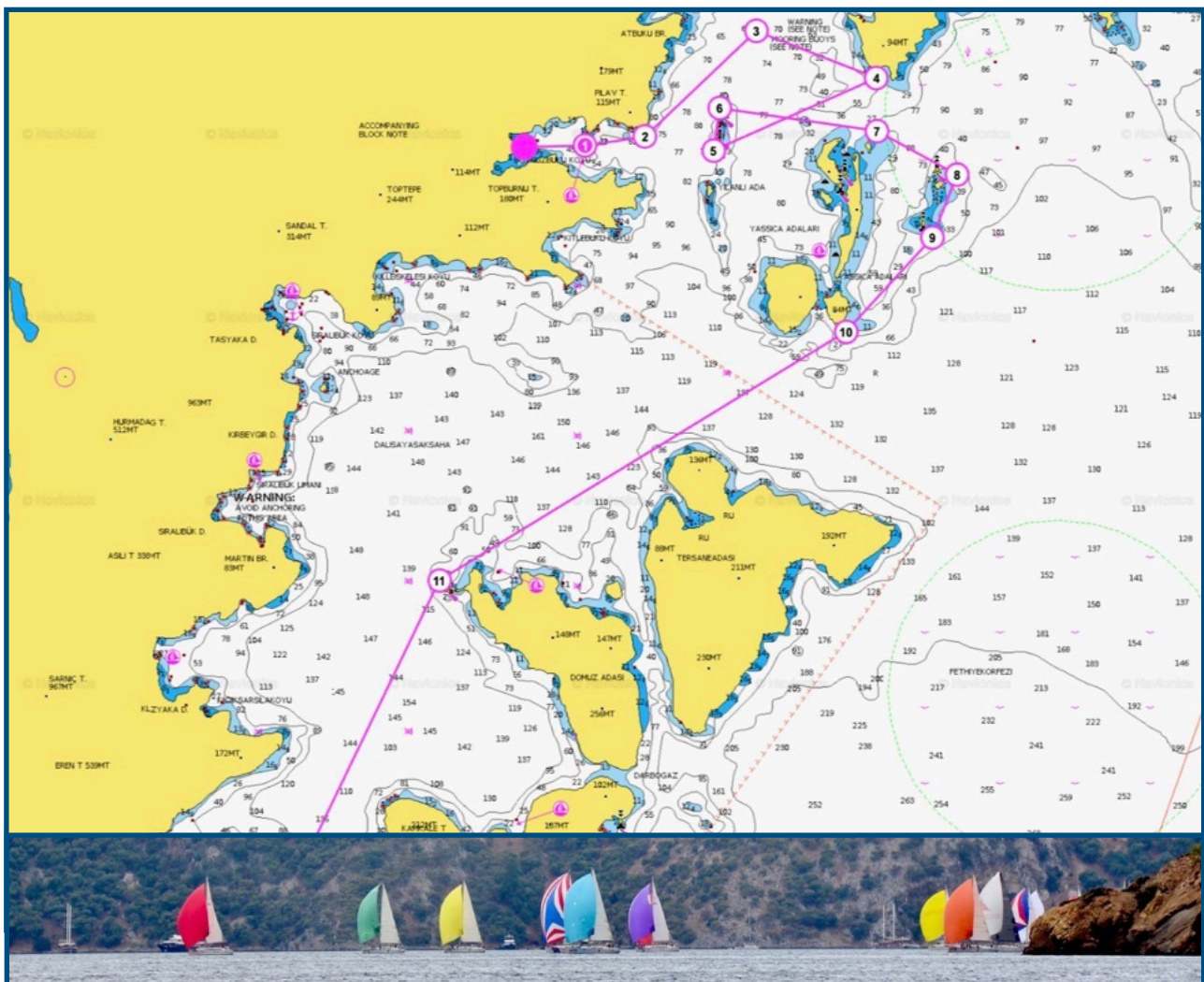
The evening was, again, a great success with fantastic dishes laid out by all and some excellent salsa dancing on the jetty, thanks to the entire crew of White Cloud.



27/9 11:25:18 Race 4							Overall Positions									
Team	Model	Name	Finish	Elapsed	TCF	Corr'd Points	1	2	3	4	5	6	Tot	Dis	Nett	Rank
1 John Hall Hall	Bavaria 51c	Bamboo	13:52:23	2:27:05	1.072	2:37:37	5	3	2	9	5		19	9	10	3
2 Steven Visser	Dufour 470	Happiness	13:51:13	2:25:55	1.052	2:33:31	4	7	3	9	4		23	9	14	6
3 JJ Auffret	Jeanneau SO 49	Señorita	14:02:46	2:37:28	1.053	2:45:45	6	6	4	9	6		25	9	16	7
4 Denis O'Brien	Bavaria 46c	4 Friends	13:57:11	2:31:53	1.000	2:31:53	2	4	6	9	2		21	9	12	4
5 Lutz Weise	Bavaria 46c	White Cloud	13:54:22	2:29:04	1.000	2:29:04	1	1	1	3	1		6	3	3	1
6 Matthew Slatter	Bavaria 46c	Palolem	14:16:24	2:51:06	1.000	2:51:06	7	5	7	1	7		20	7	13	5
7 Dave Brewster	Bavaria 46c	Dorabella	13:58:13	2:32:55	1.000	2:32:55	3	2	5	2	3		12	5	7	2
8 Claude Berteaud	Bavaria 46c	Adina	14:39:00	3:13:42	1.000	3:13:42	8	9	8	4	8		29	9	20	8

Thursday, 28th Sept - Boynuz Bükü to Amigo Bay (6.6, 11.1 NM)

The race started near WP4, went clockwise around the SCM and IDM near WPs 5 and 6, left all the islands, marks and rocks by WPs 7, 8, 9 and 10 to starboard and finished at WP11. The timing was not ideal as the Russian fleet was just starting a race near our finish, luckily using buoys about 100m south of our finish so it was fine and we were able to keep out of each other's way.



We kept to the western shore on our way to Amigo Bay to avoid the Russians and to see all those spectacular cruising chutes in bright sunlit colours.

The finish order was 4 Friends first, White Cloud second and Dorabella third.

Amigo Bay was ready to receive us with our own stretch of pontoon reserved for us thanks to Inci reminding them every month, then every week and finally every day. Each time they appeared to have forgotten but fortunately remembered on the day itself and we had a superb dinner.

28/9 11:15:43 Race 5							Overall Positions										
Team	Model	Name	Finish	Elapsed	TCF	Corr'd Points	1	2	3	4	5	6	Tot	Dis	Nett	Rank	
1	John Hall Hall	Bavaria 51c	Bamboo	13:06:12	1:50:29	1.072	1:58:24	4	3	2	9	5	4	23	9	14	4
2	Steven Visser	Dufour 470	Happiness	13:22:09	2:06:26	1.052	2:13:01	7	7	3	9	4	7	30	9	21	6
3	JJ Auffret	Jeanneau SO 49	Señorita	13:21:26	2:05:43	1.053	2:12:20	6	6	4	9	6	6	31	9	22	7
4	Denis O'Brien	Bavaria 46c	4 Friends	13:03:51	1:48:08	1.000	1:48:08	1	4	6	9	2	1	22	9	13	3
5	Lutz Weise	Bavaria 46c	White Cloud	13:04:39	1:48:56	1.000	1:48:56	2	1	1	3	1	2	8	3	5	1
6	Matthew Slatter	Bavaria 46c	Palolem	13:14:30	1:58:47	1.000	1:58:47	5	5	7	1	7	5	25	7	18	5
7	Dave Brewster	Bavaria 46c	Dorabella	13:08:06	1:52:23	1.000	1:52:23	3	2	5	2	3	3	15	5	10	2
8	Claude Berteaud	Bavaria 46c	Adina	13:30:00	2:14:17	1.000	2:14:17	8	9	8	4	8	8	37	9	28	8

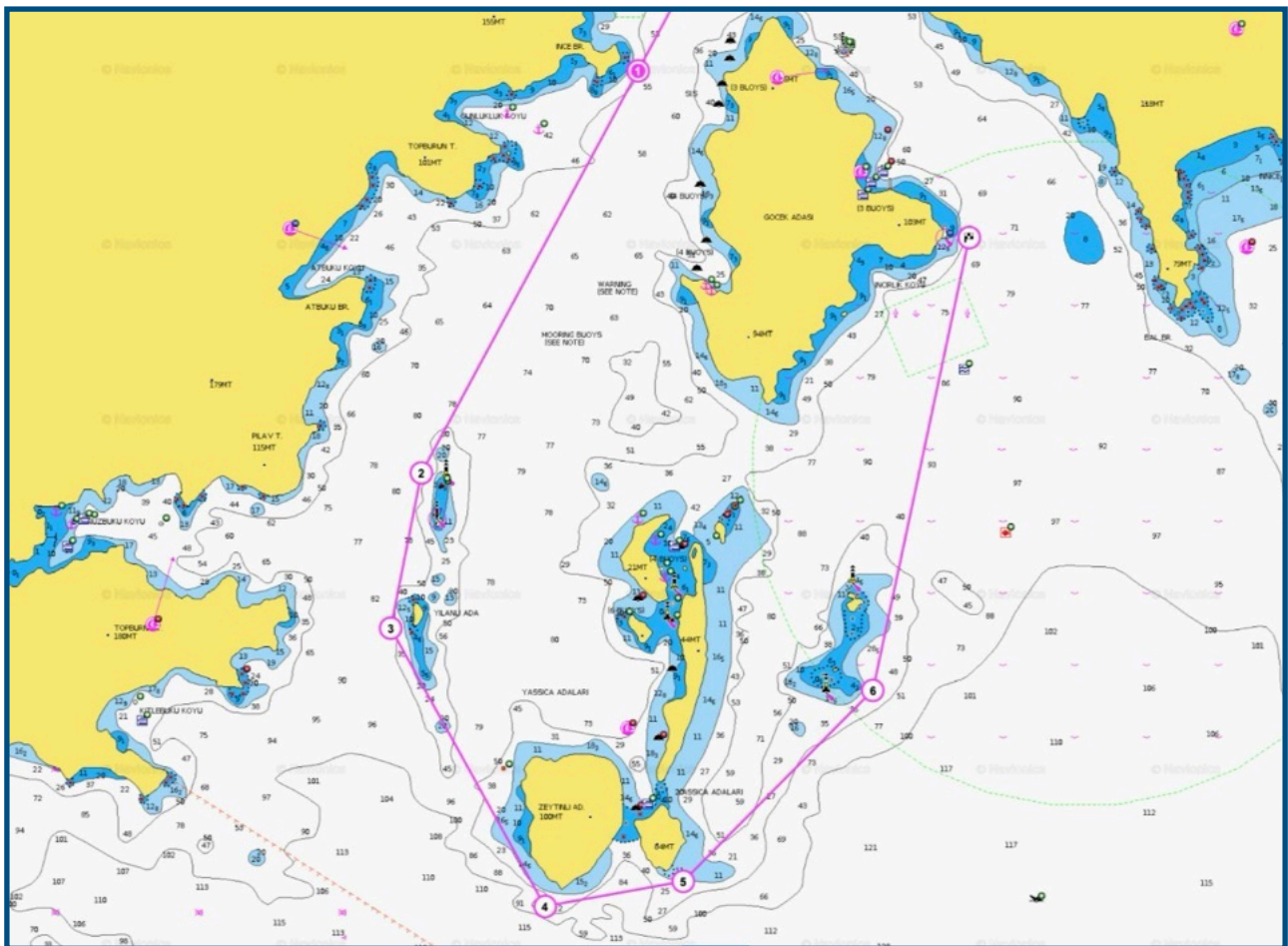


Friday, 29th September - Amigo Bay to Göcek (5.0, 17.1 NM)

To avoid long queues for refuelling and black water pump out we decided to head to Göcek before the race, while also waiting for the wind to come in. It still took a long time but at 13:30 the race started west of Göcek Island. WP3 was the upwind mark and all the islands, rocks and navigations marks were left to port with the finish at the most easterly extremity of Göcek Island.

Nearly all the fleet finished within 10 minutes of each other and the first three within 40 seconds on corrected time. White Cloud was just ahead of 4 Friends who were 8 seconds ahead of Dorabella. The conditions were perfect for the last race which was a great way to end the week. From there all of us were soon back in our marinas for check out and in plenty of time to get ready for the final event, the Prize-giving.

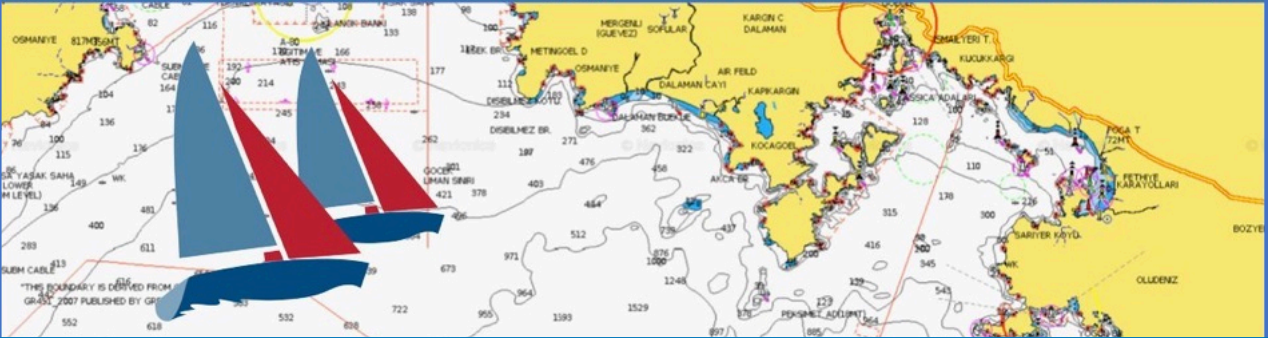
Nen Restaurant was the perfect venue for that and prizes were given for first overall, White Cloud, second Dorabella and third 4 Friends. The three winners sailed brilliantly all week and the final ranking was a fair reflection of their relative performance.



29/9 13:29:48 Race 6							Overall Positions										
Team	Model	Name	Finish	Elapsed	TCF	Corr'd Points	1	2	3	4	5	6	Tot	Dis	Nett	Rank	
1 John Hall Hall	Bavaria 51c	Bamboo	14:42:42	1:12:54	1.072	1:18:07	5	3	2	9	5	4	5	28	9	19	4
2 Steven Visser	Dufour 470	Happiness	14:47:13	1:17:25	1.052	1:21:27	7	7	3	9	4	7	7	37	9	28	6
3 JJ Auffret	Jeanneau SO 49	Señorita	14:47:40	1:17:52	1.053	1:21:58	8	6	4	9	6	6	8	39	9	30	7
4 Denis O'Brien	Bavaria 46c	4 Friends	14:43:36	1:13:48	1.000	1:13:48	2	4	6	9	2	1	2	24	9	15	3
5 Lutz Weise	Bavaria 46c	White Cloud	14:43:04	1:13:16	1.000	1:13:16	1	1	1	3	1	2	1	9	3	6	1
6 Matthew Slatter	Bavaria 46c	Palolem	14:45:25	1:15:37	1.000	1:15:37	4	5	7	1	7	5	4	29	7	22	5
7 Dave Brewster	Bavaria 46c	Dorabella	14:43:44	1:13:56	1.000	1:13:56	3	2	5	2	3	3	3	18	5	13	2
8 Claude Berteaud	Bavaria 46c	Adina	14:48:47	1:18:59	1.000	1:18:59	6	9	8	4	8	8	6	43	9	34	8

Overall Results

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Overall Results													
No	Skipper	Yacht	Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	Tot	Dis	Nett	Rank
1	John Hall Hall	Bavaria 51c	Bamboo	3	2	9	5	4	5	28	9	19	4
2	Steven Visser	Dufour 470	Happiness	7	3	9	4	7	7	37	9	28	6
3	JJ Auffret	Jeanneau SO 49	Señorita	6	4	9	6	6	8	39	9	30	7
4	Denis O'Brien	Bavaria 46c	4 Friends	4	6	9	2	1	2	24	9	15	3
5	Lutz Weise	Bavaria 46c	White Cloud	1	1	3	1	2	1	9	3	6	1
6	Matthew Slatter	Bavaria 46c	Palolem	5	7	1	7	5	4	29	7	22	5
7	Dave Brewster	Bavaria 46c	Dorabella	2	5	2	3	3	3	18	5	13	2
8	Claude Berteaud	Bavaria 46c	Adina	9	8	4	8	8	6	43	9	34	8



Location	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2021	2022	2023	2024
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	Göcek	Trogir	Portisco	Portisco	Sicily	Trogir	Göcek	Athens	Portisco	Trogir	Göcek	Cagliari	Biograd	Portisco	Göcek	
Participants	4	3	4	9	13	11	10	10	12	9	9	9	7	7	8	
John Hall Hall	15	3	1	3	5	12	2	5	3	1	8	3	1	3	6	4
Martin Suter	7	1			8	7	9	4		5				14		
Duncan MacPhee	3	2			6	2										
Berthold Schultz	1	4														
Spyro Sorotos	2		2		5											
Evert Rouw	2		3			3										
Carolyn Krijnse Locker	11			1	1	3	5	8	1	3	5	1	2	1		
Colin Ford	9			2	4	1	8	3		11	2	6	6			
Ernesto/John/Zoran	4			4	9	11	10									
David Brewster	12				3	4	11	2	5	6	1	2	8	2	1	2
Philip Young	7				2	9		1	2	8	7	4				
Vilmos Thomazy	3				7	9				12						
Steven Visser	11					6	6	10	9	10	3	9	5	6	8	6
David Barlow	5					8	1	9	10	2						
Jacque Milne	1					13										
Denis O'Brien	10						4	7	7	9	8	5	4	5	2	3
Gunnar Stein	1						7									
Keith Hale	4							6	6	7			9			
John (nhoj) Yates	6								4		6	8	7	4	11	
Nigel Bradley	1								7							
Jak James	6									4	4	7	3	7	15	
Jaap van Dijk	1														9	
Emma Righton	1														13	
Steven de Geest	1														10	
Johan Wolthuis	1														7	
Alan & Bernie	1														12	
Lutz Weise	2													3	1	
Wout Touw	1													4		
Jean-Jacques Auffret	2													4	7	
Claude Berteaud	1														8	
Matthew Slatter	1														5	

