




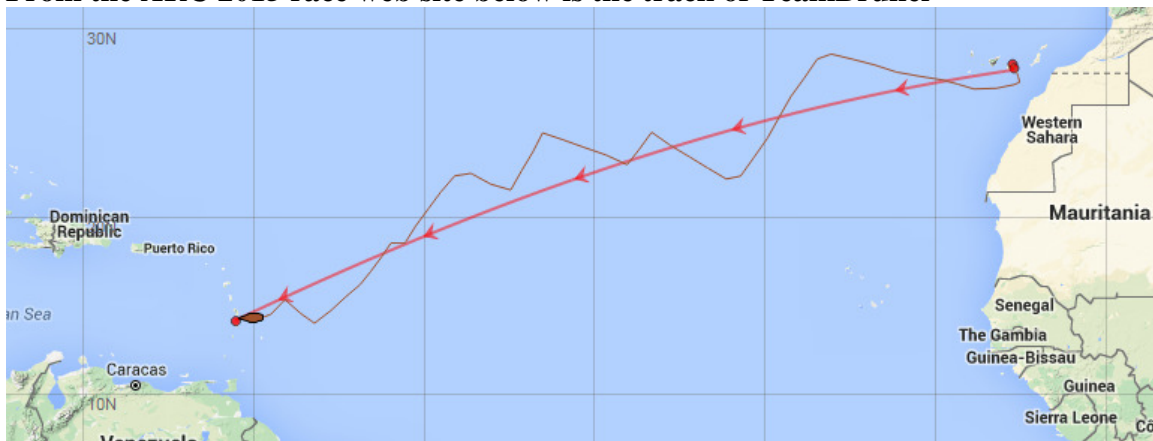
A tale of three sailboats crossing the atlantic

The class 40 Pogo SUR, the class VO65 TeamBrunel and the 44' cat Higgins

		
SUR	TeamBrunel	Higgins

Note 3 boats, 3 tracks and all three boats ripped their mainsail on their transatlantic sail
Time to sail across: SUR:19 days, TB:8 days, Higgins: 20 days

From the ARC 2015 race web site below is the track of TeamBrunel

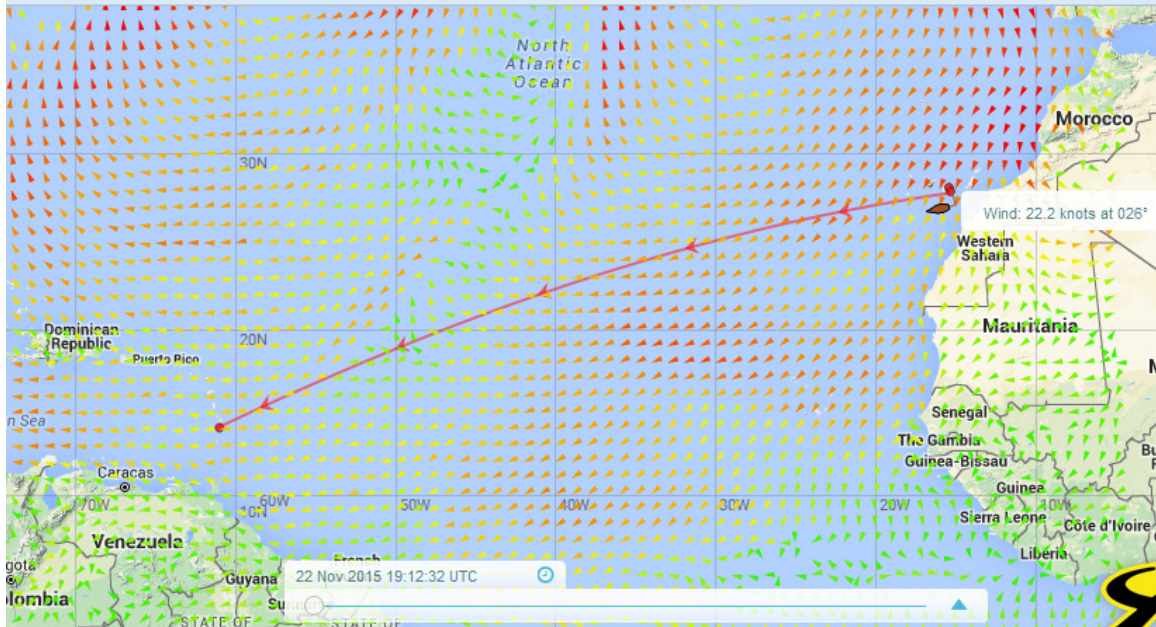


Quote VO65 Team Brunel (NED) has broken the ARC Course Record sailing from Las Palmas de Gran Canaria to Rodney Bay, Saint Lucia in an elapse time of **8d 7h 39m 30s**
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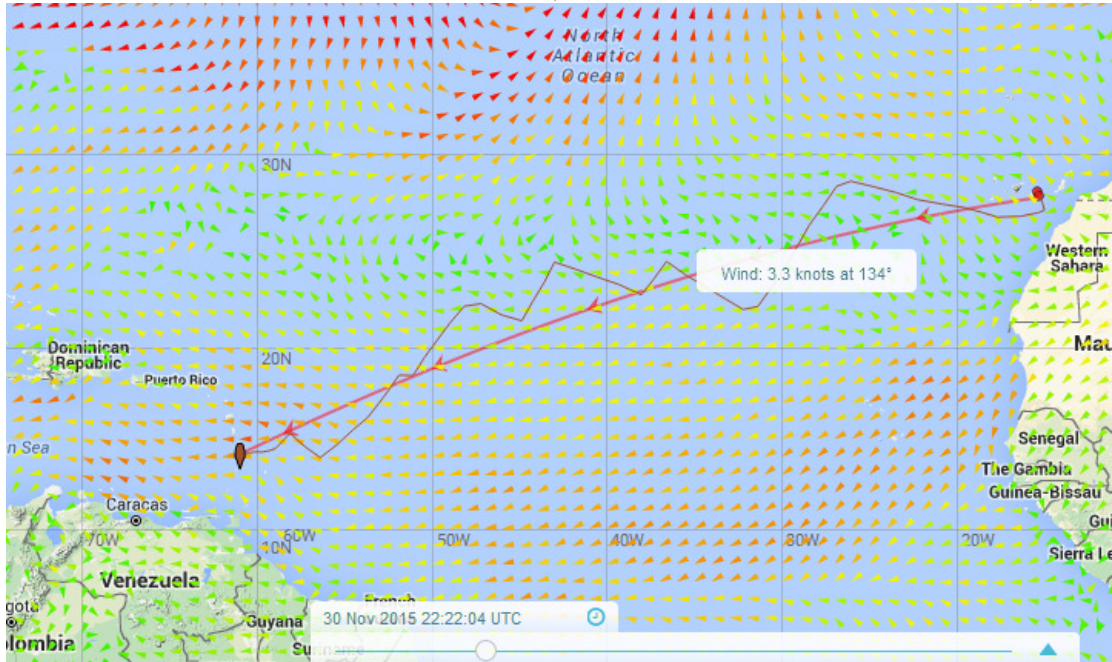
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total naut miles	3342
rhumb line nm	2700
hrs	199.62
knots VMG	13.53
knots avg	16.74
VMG/avg kts	0.81

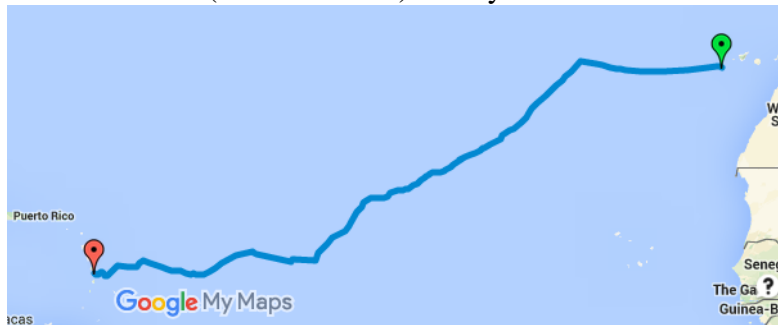
The wind conditions for the ARC race were perfect on Nov 22 2015 at the start (and through the race). Note the Bermuda and Azores highs at the top of the image.



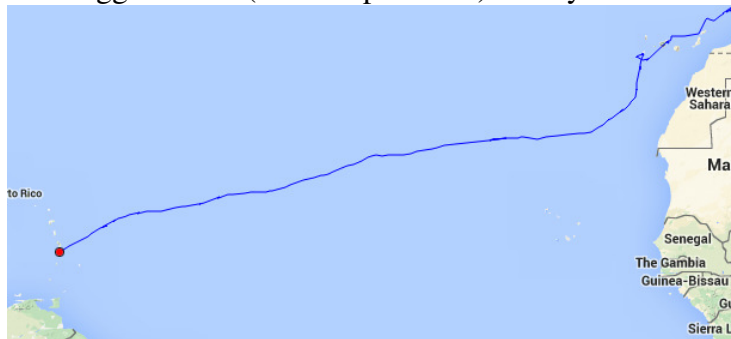
And at the end of the ARC race on nov30 (note the low wind in the mid-atlantic) :



The SUR track (feb 25- mar15) 19 days



The Higgins track (mar12-apr1 2016) 20 days



Wind conditions mid-atlantic during the SUR crossing

