**Race Strategy**

Points to consider

1. Wind strength and direction now and in the near future
2. Tide strength and direction now and in the near future
3. Variation of both over the race track
4. Sea state variation
5. Topography causing wind bends, shadow and funnelling
6. Tidal flows round coastal features

Divide race track into different areas and identify favoured positions and directions in those areas, then plot course to maximise opportunity of being in the right place in each area.