Summary…
1) Cold front is a bit faster arriving tonight into Newport and the back of the fleet, but still looks to arrive late tonight/daybreak Sat for you
   a) there could be a shower or 2 later this evening that will cause an early wind shift into the W/NW, but wind speeds will be lighter/light once this shower arrives and passes thru the area
   b) good NW winds late Sat morning into the evening
   c) high pressure passes very close to us Sun afternoon/evening
   d) we will have a period of E/SE winds later Sun night/early Mon
   e) still a big storm Mon – Wed, but we may only catch the beginning of the stronger S/SW winds
2) I see no changes on the Gulf Stream
   a) I am using a GS entry of 38 20n/68 45w and an exit of 37 10n/67 50w
   b) there is a big cold eddy near 34 25n/68 25w, so lots of foul current near and west of rhumb line
   c) strongest foul current, 1 to 1.5 kts, is near 35-36n/66w and 34-34.5n/67 50-68 20w – we don’t want to be in these areas at all
   d) I have us crossing 35n near 66 25w and there is about ½ of SW to NE current
3) Light NW winds and sunshine to start this morning
   a) cold front/trough is in NY State and reaches Newport around sunset
   b) by start time, winds will be backing into the SW/S and starting to freshen
4) There should be a very nice SW/S wind this afternoon and evening, ahead of the cold front
   a) winds will reach max left/most headed early afternoon and then slowly veer late afternoon/evening
   b) wind speeds will reach at least 20 kts at times
   c) it is okay to be a bit east of rhumb line, if that is a faster point of sail for you. We will have plenty of NW winds later Fri night/Sat to allow us to lay the GS entry
5) Still looks like a little area of showers will move from west to east across the race course later this evening/around midnight near and S of 40n
   a) this is before the cold front arrives, but the showers will cause the winds to veer into the W and NW
   b) wind speeds will be lighter after the showers arrive and may back again, shortly after the showers end
5) Cold front arrives from the NW late tonight/around daybreak Sat
   a) watch out for a squally shower or thunderstorm and a wind shift into the NW
6) High pressure will be located from NY State to West Virginia Sat morning and moving ESE
   a) gusty NW winds Sat, especially late morning thru early Sat evening. Stronger NW winds will arrive from W of rhumb line during the morning and will be found E of RL during the evening
   b) we may be gybing to lay the GS entry, as we will be almost dead downwind
   c) there could be a brief gusty shower Sat daytime as well
   d) winds will gradually diminish Sat night
   e) all I am trying to do on Sat is get down the race course. Favoring the east of the little meander and avoid the worst of the foul current near 35-36n/66w
7) High pressure will be near 36n/70-73w Sun morning and moving ESE
   a) low pressure in the Great Lakes will be moving SE towards NYC
   b) for the slower boats, winds will be backing Sat night/Sun, into the W and S, but I think we may see a
       period of E and SE winds developing Sun evening, as the high pressure cell passes very close and
       probably to the N of us
   d) the S/SW winds preceding the storm system will fill in from NW to SE across the race course Sun
       night and Mon
8) Daybreak Mon will see a weak front near Bermuda
   a) winds will be E and SE north of this front and S/SW south of this front
   b) the front will be moving towards the NE
   c) there will likely be a shower or thundershower with this front. Do NOT get caught in the middle of a
       shower, as winds will become very light!
   d) winds will be E and SE in Bermuda during the morning and freshening S and SSW winds during the
       afternoon. If finishing in the morning, we need an approach more from the N and if finishing during the
       afternoon or later, we need to finish from the NW
9) Low pressure near or SW of NYC Mon morning will be moving SE
   a) low will be on the Gulf Stream S of Newport Tue morning and moving ENE
   b) S/SW winds will slowly build Mon/Tue and spread to the SE for the majority of the fleet, excepting
       you
   c) wind speeds at least 15-25 kts and occasionally higher – wind speeds higher to the W and NW and
       lighter to the SE and E
   d) wind directions will start to slowly veer Tue afternoon and night – I have you finishing late Tue or Tue
       evening with a very nice SW wind in Bermuda! That does not happen very often,

Wind forecasts
Wind directions are MAGNETIC, wind speed in kts, and time is EDT

Fri, June 2
0800: 270-330/ 5-9
1100: 250-210/ 7-11
1400: 200-220/12-17
1700: 200-220/14-20
2000: 220-240/13-17
2300: 230-270/12-18, gust/squall 20-25, as a few showers arrive from the W
Partly to mostly sunny with SW seas increasing to 3-6 feet. Increasing clouds this evening with shower
or 2 possible late evening/around midnight. Scattered showers/thunderstorms, with the cold front, arrive
late at night. Seas becoming SW-W-NW 3-5 feet overnight

Sat, June 3
02: 290-250/16-8, winds lighter and start to back again after showers end
05: 250-310/ 8-16, gust/squall 20-30 as the cold front arrives
08: 290-330/10-16, estimating you near 39n/69 20w
14: 300-330/17-25, gusts 30
20: 310-340/17-25, gusts 30
Partly to mostly cloudy with a shower possible daytime, clearing overnight. NW seas up to 5-7 feet, but
starting to fall overnight

Sun, June
02: 310-340/12-18
08: 310-340/12-6, near 35 35n/67 05w
14: 340-300/10-4
20: light/variable
23: 070-130/ 3-7, increasing and veering SE winds as we head towards Bermuda
Sunshine daytime with NW-W seas 2-4 feet or less. Partly to mostly cloudy overnight with a shower/thundershower likely after midnight. Small seas overnight

Mon, June 5
02: 110-140/ 6-12
08: 150-180/ 8-14, just N/NW of Bermuda
14: 170-190/10-16, Bermuda
20: 180-200/12-17

Morning clouds and a shower or 2. Clearing skies, as winds freshen from the S/SW. S-SW seas slowly increasing

Best regards,