



Arctic Wrap-up: Karl and Dimitri cross the Bering Strait

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(ThePoles.com) Karl Busby and Dimitri Kieffer have crossed the Bering Strait. After 15 days on the oceanic ice, the two explorers stepped foot on what they called terra firma. Meanwhile the rest of the teams are making their way through fairly tough conditions. Conrad and Richard have spent most of the last few days skiing over rough ice followed by this and often 'rubbery' shifting sea ice. For the Finns, its been more of the same but steady progress. The Brits of Polar Quest are cooling their heels waiting for conditions...

Theyve made it! reported Karl and Dimitris home team after crossing the Bering Strait. I got a call from Karl this morning (09:00 UK) (23:00 Thurs AK), stating that from yesterday's location they had made it to within half a mile of the shoreline but had to stop due to lack of light. File image of the pair prior to departure courtesy of Karl's Goliath Expedition (click to enlarge).

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Despite northerly drift, Karl and Dimitri crossed the Bering Strait in 15 days. Tracking of the pair's route on a Google Earth image, courtesy of Karl's Goliath expedition (click to enlarge).

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The whole team is feeling the fatigue. We are heavy-legged from 12-hour working days. After all, it has been over a week since our last rest day. We are really looking forward to Wednesday, our next scheduled day of recreation and servicing. Image courtesy of Airborne Rangers Club of Finland (click to enlarge).

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