March 2017



BERMUDA ONE-TWO *n E w S L E 7 7 E R*

Hello again, This is the first newsletter for 2017.

2017 SKIPPERS' FORUMS/SHORE PARTIES

The next Skippers' Forum and Shore Party is 4 March at the Newport Yacht Club, Newport, RI. Gab session starts at 1530, the Skippers' Forum starts at 1600 and runs to about 1700-1730, and Hors d'oeurvs and gab session continues after the Forum. Heavy Hors d'oeurvs will be provided so please let me know if you plan on attending (I need an estimate). There will be a Fall Skippers' Shore Party scheduled for 4 November 2017.

Anyone who might have items to add to the agenda for March please either contact me or Tristan Mouligne tmouligne@gmail.com. Hopefully we will see you in March, during the Bermuda One-Two Race, the New England Solo/Twin or in November.

AGENDA:

- Frank Bohlen's Gulf Stream Brief to get the skippers watching and planning for the stream crossing
- Schedule
- Safety Check Process
- NOR & SI changes
- Availability and cost of dockage before/after the race

2016 NOVEMBER SKIPPERS' FORUMS/SHORE PARTY 40 YEAR REUNION/GAM

We had an amazing turnout for the reunion/gam last November at the Newport Yacht Club. It was truly wonderful to see. There were both plenty of potential new skippers as well as past skippers.

2017 BERMUDA ONE-TWO DATES

The Notice of Race is out and available on the website for download. As of this writing we have 10 boats registered via the online process.

Early March: Apply for PHRF-NB certificate

- April 1: Entrance fee goes up to \$600
- May 15: Deadline for Skipper/Crew waiver and Emergency Information
- May 22: Deadline for copy of log and chart for verification of skipper's qualifying passage
- May 29: Deadline for arrival in Newport of first-time entrants & returnees with new boats
- May 31: Bermuda One-Two Skippers Send-Off Party
- June 1: Mandatory SH Leg Skippers' Meeting, Weather and Gulf Stream Briefs
- June 2: Newport to Bermuda Start (yes a Friday start!)
- June 15: Bermuda to Newport Start (Thursday)
- June 24: Awards in Newport

MERCHANDISE

I have Bermuda One-Two burgees for \$15.

UPCOMMING SEMINARS

The following safety at sea seminars, are being offered in the area that you might be interested in: - SAFETY AT SEA SYMPOSIUM: Marion Bermuda Race – March 11-12 at UMass Boston www.marionbermuda.com

- HANDS-ON SAFETY AT SEA SEMINAR: The Storm Trysail Foundation – May 20 at SUNY Maritime College, Bronx, NY <u>www.stormtrysailfoundation.org</u>

POTENTIAL 2017 BERMUDA ONE-TWO SKIPPERS

Fifteen skippers have already registered for this year's race to date. The following people have stated that they expect to race: *Dan Alonso, Murray Beach, Clay Burkhalter* on J Hawk a J/133 (his uncle Rod Johnstone return crew), *Jack Clayton* (registered) on Melantho 2 a Cal 33-2, *Marcus Cochran* on a mini 547, *Murray Danforth* (registered), *Brian Gray* (registered) on his mini Trouble No Trouble, *Bob Green, Roy Greenwald, Paul Grimes* (registered), *Peter Haydon, Philip Haydon* (registered) on his Catalina 350 Prairie Gold, *Mike Hebert* (registered) on his C&C 1221 Pointe Blank and return crew Marcos Tonndorf, *Michael Hennessey* (are the Class 40s back?) (registered), *Vernon Hultzer* (registered) on his mini Team Wichard, *Eric Johnson* (registered), *Gerry Leger, Tony Leigh* on his mini 806, *James Linsley* on Convergence, *Rick McCally, Peter McCrea, Louis Meyer, Michael Millard, Rob Mills* on Jay Sharkey's mini, *Tristan Mouligne* on a Class 40 Tooth Face and Mike Dreese return crew, *Stanley Paris* (registered) on his new Finot-Conq 53, *Ray Renaud* (registered), *Rick Rohrer* on Rocinante a J/109, *Michael Schum* on his new to him boat In Concert a Saga 409, *Roger Shepley* on his Omega 42 SV Seriana, *Dan Stadtlander, Noel Sterett* on his J/130 Solarus, *Gust Stringos* (registered), *David Tabor* (registered), *Chris Terajewicz* (registered) on his Morris Justine (another one) Corvus, *Mac Turner, John Van Slyke, Sandy Van Zandt*, *Frédéric Waniart* on SUPER ARLEQUIN 29 MOD RFA Maeva.

OPEN 6.5 MINI BOATS

We are expecting about five Open 6.5 minis to put together a class again for this year's Bermuda One-Two. Two have already registered.

SKIPPERS AND BOATS

- Stanley Paris has commissioned a smaller boat this time, Finot-Conq 53, and expects it to be ready by March. Optimistic Stanley has already signed up for this year's race!

- Looks like another J35 will be in this year's race. Paul Grimes who has been doing well in the Offshore 160 and New England Solo/Twin races has already signed up for this year's race in his J35 Breakaway.

NEW ENGLAND SOLO/TWIN

The New England Solo/Twin is held every year and this year the race starts on Friday 28 July with the awards on Saturday 29 July. This race has classes for both singlehanded and doublehanded boats with different courses most going around Block Island. The New England Solo/Twin is a good way to get your shorthanded racing fix in. Hope to see you.

BERMUDA ONE-TWO WEBSITE

If anyone has past year's results and pictures that are missing from the website, especially pre 1999, please let me know. I'll post the data and get it back to you if you like.

ST. GEORGE'S DINGHY AND SPORTS CLUB

SGD&SC offers a membership for us out of country folks called an Overseas Membership. It is only \$50 and would be a very nice gesture by the skippers. I know that a number of Bermuda One-Two participants currently have this type of membership. If you do not, would you please consider joining SGD&SC as an Oversea Member? Also the Dinghy Club went through a period of not sending out membership renewals. The easiest way to join/reup is to do it when you are in Bermuda; just ask the bar tender. There is a \$20 bank charge if checks are used so pay with either a credit card or cash. <u>http://www.stgdsc.bm</u>.

SPONSORSHIP HELP

If you know of anyone/outfit that would like to provide some money in sponsorship for the 2017 Bermuda One-Two we would appreciate it if you would forward their information to either Tristan Mouligne or Roy Guay. We could use some sponsorship to defray the costs of the trackers and dockage.

EIGHT BELLS FOR PAST YEAR

- Dr. Stuart Mac Kenzie Heywood (Stu Heywood to us) passed away on 25 December 2016 at 81. Stu raced in 9 Bermuda One-Two races: 1983 thru 1993, 1997, 2001 and 2005.
- Derek Hatfield passed away at the end of July 2016 at 63. Derek raced in the 1995 Bermuda One-Two.
- Peter Duning Sr passed away on 12 February 2016. Peter wasn't a skipper but many past skippers know Peter. He was the dockmaster of the Goat Island Marina during the early days of the Bermuda One-Two and was instrumental in organizing the first race in 1977. Peter was also a Ham Radio operator and interfaced to those skippers with single-sideband radios for position information during several races before we turned to trackers and satellite communication.

More information is on the website under the menu "Passed Skippers".

EMAIL

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Roy Guay Offshore Chairman Roy@RoyGuay.net

BERMUDA ONE-TWO 2017 SPRING SKIPPERS' FORUM AND SHORE PARTY SATURDAY, 4 MARCH – 3:30PM TO 8PM NEWPORT YACHT CLUB – 110 LONG WHARF, NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

Shore Party Program of Events: **1530 – 1600:** Gab session

1600 – 1730: Informal Skippers' Forum

1730 – ?? : Heavy Hors and gab session

Please let me <u>roy@royguay.net</u> know if you plan on attending.

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