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

Hello again, This is the first newsletter for 2016.

2018 SKIPPERS' FORUMS

There will be **NO** Skippers' Forum and Shore Party this spring. There will be a Fall Skippers' Forum and Shore Party scheduled for 3 November 2018. Last November we had a slide show brief by Joe Harris on his solo trip around the world on his Class 40. Afterwards we were treated to great food at the Shore Party by Caryn Cummings and Jim Oblinger. A number of potential new skippers showed up and interacted with the skippers. Tristan Mouligne introduced his very young son to the crowd; 3rd generation B12 skipper?

2019 BERMUDA ONE-TWO DATES

The Notice of Race will go out and be available on the website for download later in the year and I plan on discussing changes at the November Skippers' Forum. No America's Cup this time! June 08: Newport to Bermuda Start (it's a Saturday start!) June 20: Bermuda to Newport Start June 29: Awards in Newport

MERCHANDISE

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

UPCOMMING SEMINARS

- SAFETY AT SEA SEMINAR: Since this is the year the Newport Bermuda Race is being held, the Cruising Club of America is holding the Safety at Sea Seminar again 10-11 March in Newport, RI. Please see: https://sas.cruisingclub.org/course/sas2018 .

- For other locations check out US SAILING: <u>http://www.ussailing.org/education/safety-at-sea/find-a-seminar-near-you/</u>

- OFFSHORE SAFETY AND SURVIVAL COURSE: Saturday, April 21st 2018 9am to 3pm at Life Raft and Safety Equipment, 590 Fish Road, Tiverton, RI. For additional information visit <u>www.bluewatersc.org</u>. Contact <u>treasurer@bluewatersc.org</u> to register. Space is still available.

SKIPPERS AND BOATS

- Jonathan Green has got himself a Class 40; Privateer #102. Liked the highspeed racing of Class 1 of the 2017 Bermuda One-Two I guess. He's keeping Jeroboam though.

- Stanley Paris was unable to try his around the world third attempt due to problems with the boat. He plans on participating in the 2018 Newport-Bermuda Race crewed including his son Alan Paris and Steve Pettengill both are past Bermuda One-Two skippers.

OFFSHORE 160 & NEW ENGLAND SOLO/TWIN

Since this is the off year for the Bermuda One-Two the Offshore 160 is being held. This is a good opportunity for skippers to get their qualifier in (at the discretion of the Bermuda One-Two Race Committee) for the next Bermuda One-Two as well as being amongst other shorthanded skippers. The race starts on Friday 13 July and the awards are the following Sunday 15 July afternoon. Online registration is now open. We are looking at shortening the race to about 130nm in hopes of building up the race a little bit more but still allow it as a potential qualifier for the Bermuda One-Two race.

The New England Solo/Twin is held every year and this year the race starts on Friday 27 July with the awards on Saturday 28 July. This race has classes for both singlehanded and doublehanded boats with different courses most going around Block Island. Online registration is now open. These races are a good way to get you shorthanded racing fix in. Hope to see you at these races.

NEW ENGLAND SHORTHANDED OCEAN RACING TROPHY

Back again in its third run. The New England ShortHanded Ocean Racing Trophy, a dose of the real thing!!! This event is geared to be a great tune up and test event for the 2019 Bermuda 1-2. The concept of this trophy is designed to mimic the real event. Starting with a challenging 160-mile singlehanded ocean race, the Offshore 160, to be followed approximately 2 weeks later by the doublehanded division of the annual event known as the New England Solo/Twin. This event will give a sailor a real feel for what the Bermuda One-Two is all about. The Offshore 160 can be used as a Qualifier for the Bermuda One-Two. The New England ShortHanded Ocean Racing Trophy will be a fun event on its own. If you are thinking about entering the 2017 Bermuda One-Two, the New England ShortHanded Ocean Racing Trophy will be a feel for the real event and will help you understand the requirements of entering the Bermuda One-Two in 2019.

BERMUDA ONE-TWO WEBSITE

If anyone has previous 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 a very nice gesture. 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? The easiest way to join is to do it when you are in Bermuda. If you hadn't noticed their website address has changed to: <u>https://www.stgdsc.com</u>.

EIGHT BELLS

- Judith Lawson passed 18 April 2017. Judith raced in the 1979 and 1981 Bermuda One-Two races. See the website for additional information.

EMAIL

If you know of someone who would like to receive the newsletters, Notice of Race, our Offshore events, etc. via email, let me know so I can add that person's email address to my database. If your email changes, please let me know if you can think of it otherwise you may get deleted off my distribution. Some of you have just started receiving my emails. The Race Committee suggested that I add the crew members of the Bermuda One-Two to the distribution list. Hopefully this is not a problem for you however if it is just click on the "Unsubscribe" at the bottom of the emails.

Roy Greenwald, Cordelia a Valiant 42, has done the Bermuda One-Two three times with the real navigator, his wife Gail, doing the return leg with him. Roy (known as Roy2) has been volunteering to get sponsorship for the Bermuda One-Two. He is working now getting sponsorship which will cover the two years; pre-race year and the year of the race. The goal obviously is to try to keep the cost down to the skippers of the Bermuda One-Two race and to expand the advertiser's visibility by including the Offshore 160 and New

England Solo/Twin participants. Some sponsors may like two to three emails per year that we will send out (my distribution is not shared with anyone else) where they mention their products. I hope you make note of our sponsors and partake of their products.

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