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

Hello,

I thought I would update everyone as to what has been happening recently with the Goat Island YC and Newport YC Offshore events. First I would like to mention some changes in the Offshore Committee. Cliff Mitchell has stepped down as chairman and I have replaced him. Goat Island YC has a new Commodore, Charlie Wright, who is willing and anxious to participate in the Offshore Committee. Also, Robert Dresser Jr. has replaced Bjorn Johnson as the Skipper's Representative (actually Robert has been the Rep. since last year but I thought I would mention it any way).

We have scheduled a Skippers' Forum and Shore Party for 2 November 2002; more about it later in the newsletter.

We have come up with tentative dates for next year, which are as follows:

- Skippers' Forum and Shore Party: 22 March, Saturday
- Bermuda 1-2 Single Handed Start: 7 June, Saturday
- Bermuda 1-2 Awards Presentation for Single Handed, Bermuda
- Bermuda 1-2 Double Handed Start: 20 June, Friday
- Bermuda 1-2 Reception and Awards Presentation, Newport

The Single Handed start was moved, from recent Sunday starts, because June 7th, 2003, is Newport Yacht Club's Opening Day and all the conflicts that can occur. So this year the Single Handed start will be on Saturday 7 June, which will minimize the conflicts.

These dates are tentative because we have not received concurrence from Bermuda at this time. Hope to have that finalized by the Skippers' Forum.

The following changes are being planned for the 2003 Bermuda One-Two Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions:

- 1. "Manpower" will be deleted from SI rule 12.3.
- 2. Recommendations from March 02 Skipper's Meeting will be reviewed for implementation.

EMAIL

We have built a mail out database for things like this and the mail out of the Notice of Race. It was suggested that we include in that database, email addresses for those that have them. Other organizations use email for exactly those things. We have added a field to the Solo-Twin and

Offshore 160 Entry Forms and if I remember, one will be added to the Bermuda One-Two Entry Form. I would anticipate that the Offshore Committee will use this as mentioned above and it would also be useful for the Skippers' Representative. If there are any other useful suggestions for email, please let me know.

INSURANCE

I have noticed that there has been discussion about acquiring insurance for the One-Two. I understand from Jeff Spranger, that in the past, it has been the most serious concern prospective participants have had to deal with. We urge entrants who have found solutions to getting insurance bring names and addresses to the meeting to help discussion.

OFFSHORE 160

This year, being the off year, we held the Offshore 160 on 12-13 July. We had 14 single handed competitors. We were blessed with very good weather. The faster boats took advantage of good winds and finished the 160 in great time however the slower boats got stuck in some very light air and finished considerably after the faster boats. The first boat to finish was Victor Pinheiro's Alegria in 11 hours and 52 minutes while the slowest boat, Jean Rehalt's Le Chat from Canada, finished at 0130 Sunday morning, more than 35 hours after the start. Rodger Martin saved the day by showing up unexpectedly and helped us on the Race Committee boat. The results are posted on the NYC website www.newportyachtclub.org.

SOLO-TWIN

This year's Solo-Twin, held 26-27 July, was a record breaker (at least since I have been involved). Sixty-eight boats started and only one boat did not finish. There were twelve solo sailors, nine of which were spinnaker boats. There were also eight double-handed multi-hulls. Again, the results are posted on the NYC website.

PROPOSED AGENDA FOR 2 NOVEMBER SKIPPERS' FORUM (from Bob Dresser)

Announcements:

- 1. Race dates
- 2. Power requirement
- 3. Only wind power from sails

Discussion:

- 1. Information gathering and outside assistance
- 2. Asymmetric vs Symmetric spinnaker problems
- 3. Post race party in Newport, volunteers?
- 4. Boat lodging in Newport
- 5. Group insurance
- 6. Anything from the floor

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BERMUDA ONE-TWO 2003 FALL SKIPPERS' FORUM AND SHORE PARTY SATURDAY, 2 NOVEMBER 2002 – 4PM TO 9PM NEWPORT YACHT CLUB – 110 LONG WHARF, NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

Shore Party Program of Events: 1600 – 1730: Informal Skippers' Forum 1730 – 1830: Hors D'oeuvres and Cash Bar 1800 – 1930: "Grill-Your-Own_Grub" steak/chicken fry – grill will be fired up for all 1930 – 2100: Gab Session

Dinner includes your choice of chicken or steak and the fixings (backed potato, salad, rolls and butter, coffee and dessert) Make your dinner reservations by contacting MUFFIN DUBUC by Thursday, October 31st. When making your reservations, please include the number of guests and their choice of entree.

NOTE – Should your plans change, PLEASE contact Muffin to cancel or adjust your reservations. Thank you!

\$15.00 Per Person (Payable at the door)

Make your dinner reservations today by contacting ONE-TWO Social Chairman MUFFIN DUBUC Phone: 401-683-1847; FAX: 401-683-4858; E-mail: <u>muffin@aquis.com</u> Dinner Reservations Deadline: THURSDAY OCTOBER 31, 2002