

October 2004



BERMUDA ONE-TWO NEWSLETTER

Hello again,

This is the second newsletter in 2004.

2004 SKIPPERS' FORUMS

The next Skippers' Forum and Shore Party is scheduled for 6 November at the Newport Yacht Club. The Skippers' Forum starts at 1600 and food starts after the meeting about 1800. Anyone who might have items to add to the agenda please either contact me or John Drozdal jdrozdal@cga.uscg.mil.

2005 BERMUDA 1-2 DATES

We actually have dates for next year. We are ahead of the game on that front.

May 03: Deadline for entrant applications, entry fees and skipper/crw resumes

May 30: Deadline for arrival in Newport of first-time entrants & returnees with new boats

June 03: Newport to Bermuda Start

June 17: Bermuda to Newport Start

June 24: Awards in Newport

MERCHANDISE

I am still looking into having some smaller versions of the Bermuda 1-2 flag that the St. George's Dinghy and Sports Club had flying while we were in Bermuda. I'll let you know via the website when they become available.

SKIPPERS AND BOATS

Ned Caswell had enough of his slow Columbia 34. He recently acquired a Helmsman 47, a narrow long boat. He plans on modifying the rig to make it more shorthanded friendly and expects to do the Bermuda 1-2 in 2005. Anyone want a Columbia 34?

Michael Millard sold his Quest 33, Wildeyes, and rumor has it that he is interested in an Open 40. Drew Wood is building several 6.5M boats. The first one was at the Newport Boat Show in September.

Jan Brandt has bought a 6.5M kit and is finishing it.

Joe Harris and his Open 50 Gryphon, Wells Fargo (alias Tommy Hilfiger Freedom America) recently did the Transat and finished 2nd. It is rumored that Joe and Kip Stone, Artforms, are planning on doing the Bermuda 1-2 in 2005 in their Open 50s.

BERMUDA 1-2 WEBSITE

Some of you may have noticed that your bookmark to bermuda1-2.org resulted in showing the Newport Yacht Club website home page being displayed. We recently changed it so that the link now points to the actual Bermuda 1-2 page.

SOLO/TWIN

This year's Solo/Twin race was held 30/31 July. We had 51 boats this year, 10 were multihulls. This year we had only 1 solo monohull class, spinnaker with 7 boats, the rest were double-handed monohulls. Solo seems to be diminishing in the Solo/Twin.

OFFSHORE 160

We had 14 participants in this new version of what use to be 164 nm. Since the Coast Guard decided to take away our rounding mark, the only course I could come up with and still finish in a respectable time ended up being 177 nm. As Larry Pierce said, it was dizzying. The course ended up having quite a bit of windward work. Several people said they enjoyed it but it was obvious that it was very tough.

The quickest around the course was newcomer John Ryan on a Farr 40 (modified for shorthanded sailing). John is hoping to do the Bermuda 1-2 in 2005. Kristen Wenzel, who did the return trip in the 2003 Bermuda 1-2 on Aggressive, did this race on Aggressive and finished 2nd in her class. Rick McCally on Windswept slept the last leg "because it was all fog" and still won his class. Robert Johnston on Morning Dance couldn't get his spinnaker down at Nomans Land and decided to let it stream aft while going upwind until it got light outside and still won his class.

The following are the results:

Class 1:

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| 1. Alegria | Victor Pinheiro (also won it in 2001) |
| 2. Riptide | Gordon Fletcher |
| 3. Swordflounder | John Ryan |

Class 2:

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| 1. Morning Dance | Bob Johnston |
| 2. Wildeyes | Mike Millard |
| 3. Morning Light | Gerhard Meilen |
| 4. Por Favor | Mark Morwood |

Class 3:

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| 1. Windswept | Rick McCally |
| 2. Aggressive | Kristen Wenzel |
| 3. Indigo | Mike Hennessy |

2005 BERMUDA 1-2 SKIPPERS?

I have heard from the following people that plan on participating in the 2005 Bermuda 1-2: Peter McCrea, Ned Caswell, Joe Harris, Kip Stone, Jay Cushman (who has already done his qualifier) from Maine, Maureen Roddy expects to have a female crew on the return in her J/35, and Doug Pope also from Maine. Maine may be the most represented state next year.

COMMUNICATIONS

I am planning on using satellite phones again for reporting back to the Race Committee Duty Desk during the Bermuda 1-2. Last year I paid skippers for the air time for the use of their phones while acting as the fleet reporter. I expect to do that again and rent some if needed.

EMAIL

If you would like to receive the newsletters, Notice of Race, etc. via email; let me know so I can add your email address to my database. I am emailing these newsletters to those that I know.

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BERMUDA ONE-TWO 2003 FALL SKIPPERS' FORUM AND SHORE PARTY
SATURDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 2003 – 4PM TO 9PM
NEWPORT YACHT CLUB – 110 LONG WHARF, NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

Shore Party Program of Events:

1600 – 1730: Informal Skippers' Forum

1800 – 1930: Buffet Menu:

Lemon herb chicken, roast beef au jus, baked
scrod with lemon sauce, roasted potatoes,
tossed salad, pasta primavera, roasted
vegetables, rolls & butter, assorted desserts.

1930-2100: Gab session

Make your reservations by contacting MUFFIN
DUBUC by Saturday, November 2nd. When
making your reservations, please include the
number of guests.

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

\$20.00 Per Person (Payable at the door)

Make your reservations today by contacting
ONE-TWO Social Chairman MUFFIN DUBUC
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Dinner Reservations Deadline: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2004