

BERMUDA ONE-TWO **REWSLE77ER**

Hello again,

This is the second newsletter in 2014.

2014 FALL SKIPPERS' SHORE PARTY

The Fall Skippers' Forum and Shore Party is scheduled for 1 November 2014 at the Newport Yacht Club, 110 Long Wharf Newport, RI 02840. Gab session starts at 1530, the Skippers' Forum starts at 1600 and runs to about 1700-1730, and Hors d'oeurvs and gab session continue after the Forum. Heavy Hors d'oeurvs will be provided so please let me know if you plan on attending (I need an estimate). The next Forum/Shore Party will be March 2015.

Agenda:

- Jonathan Green on his OSTAR experience
- 2015 Bermuda One-Two changes

2015 BERMUDA ONE-TWO DATES

The following is a rough scheduled for the next Bermuda One-Two in 2015.

March 7: Spring Skippers' Forum/Party – Gulf Brief by Frank Bohlen

April 25: Deadline for entrant applications, entry fees and skipper/crew resumes

June 1: Deadline for arrival in Newport of first-time entrants & returnees with new boats

June 3: Bermuda One-Two Skippers Send-Off Party

June 4: Mandatory SH Leg Skippers' Meeting, Weather and Gulf Stream Briefs

June 5: Newport to Bermuda Start (yes, it's a Friday!)

June 18: Bermuda to Newport Start

June 27: Awards in Newport

Make your plans!

SKIPPERS' REPRESENTATIVE

As mentioned last year in Bermuda we conducted the vote for a Skippers' Representative and the vote was to bring in Tristan Mouligne to that role (by the way he wasn't even there, that's what happens when you go to a wedding vice do the race). Tristan has been participating in our Race Committee meetings in the preparations leading up to the 2015 Bermuda One-Two. Frank Bohlen has again agreed to do the Gulf Stream brief at the Skippers' Meeting before the start, the March Skippers' Forum, as well as providing several brief handouts leading up to the race as he did in 2013, 2011 and 2009. Frank gives a tremendous analysis of the Gulf Stream.

POTENTIAL SKIPPERS FOR 2015

The following people have stated that they expect to race in 2015: Dave Bonzon on his Peterson/Wiggers 37 Bootlegger, Roy2 & Gail Greenwald (back from their trip around the world), Vernon Hultzer on his mini Wichard Ocean Racing, Eric Johnson, Zachary Lee, Mike Millard, Tristan Mouligne, David Paine on his C&C 33, Josh Reisberg on his mini, Douglas Shearer, Noel Sterrett, Gust Stringos, David Tabor, Mac Turner, John Van Slyke on Perseverance, Sandy Van Zandt on Shandygaff, Kristen Wenzel, Mark Winslow..

SKIPPERS AND BOATS

- John Lubimir sold his Bennett II-46 and bought another big boat but he still has the Quest 30 Flight Risk!
- Stanley Paris is leaving St. Augustine, FL some time in November to make his second attempt at a single handed trip around the world to beat Dodge Morgan's record. This time he is 77 years young.
- Lindsay Lowe is maybe selling her Quest 32 Flying Tiger or will we be seeing her next year?
- Speaking of Quests Tristan tells me there are 2 local Quests for sale. One, Quantum Leap, has raced several times in the New England Solo/Twin.

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MERCHANDISE

We have Bermuda One-Two burgees at \$15. What color hats and shirts for next year? Suggestions? Yes, I know, not white.

BERMUDA 1-2 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.

NOTICE OF RACE FOR 2015

We are working on the Notice of Race for next year and hope to get it out Real Soon Now. I thought I would mention some of the changes that are being implemented for 2015.

- In honor of Brian Oatley the Goat Island Yacht Club Commodore's Cup has been replace by the Brian Oatley Trophy but will still be awarded for the best singlehanded leg corrected time finish by a first-time entrant.
- Skippers are now required to be on the boat during the safety check.
- Life rafts now must meet the manufacturers inspection recommended date. We no longer have a separate inspection date like the yearly inspection for the valise life rafts.
- We deleted the "Ship's bell" as a requirement. I'm sure that disappoints a lot of you.
- The following is a new requirement: "A method of long distance two way offshore communication (for example a single sideband radio or satellite telephone or other long distance offshore two way communication device) is required."

2014 OFFSHORE 160

The Offshore 160 was held 11-13 July with 8 boats entered. Mike Millard hurt his back just before the race and had to back out so 7 boats started in two classes with only 3 finishing. For the first day they had very light wind (of course there were those moments where there was no wind). Light winds were predicted so the short course was assigned. The boats that stuck it out were treated to a wonderful spinnaker run from the weather buoy SW of Montauk Point to the finish off of R2. The boats that finished all received trophies. Tristan Mouligne on Samba a Quest 30 was the first boat to finish and thus first in Class 1 and Robert Johnston on Morning Dance, a Benateau 36.7, finished second in Class 1. Jack Clayton on a Cal 33.2 finished first in Class 2. New skipper Jack Clayton is hopeful for participating in the 2015 Bermuda One-Two and repeat skippers David Paine, Mark Winslow and Sandy Van Zandt are very hopeful for next year. Tristan Mouligne on Samba a Quest 30 was awarded the William J. Dubuc Trophy for being the first boat to finish. This year, again, the Coast Guard had taken out one of the buoys we were using (SE of Block Island) and the skippers had to use a lat/long for rounding purposes. Looks like we will have to use imaginary buoys or round land masses in the future. More information can be seen at http://www.newportyachtclub.org/Racing/Offshore/Offshore160/offshore-160.

2014 NEW ENGLAND SOLO/TWIN

This year's Solo/Twin race was held 25/26 July. 31 boats entered this year (which is about the same as in 2013). Again we had only 1 solo monohull spinnaker class but this time with 3 participants, 4 multihulls and the rest were double handed monohulls. The boats started in a NW dying wind. This year the solo class veteran Bermuda One-Two skipper Rick McCally and 2 single handed skippers hoping to do the Bermuda One-Two next year; Mike Piper on Eagles Dare (new to the Solo/Twin) and David Paine on Trifion. The prediction was for a decent wind so we gave them the normal course. We ended up with good winds again throughout the night and the boats had a wonderful sail. The new course, generated last year now 100nm, was assigned to all but the non-spinnaker boats. The first boat to finish was a monohull (finishing at 0512 Saturday), URSA a nonspinnaker boat sailed by Brooke Mastrorio and Mark Franklin, which isn't typical. The multihulls usually finish starting around midnight however the first multihull to finish again was David Lussier's multi-hull Bazinga! with co-skipper Gary Brophy (finishing at 0546). Goat Rodeo a Sequest 36 sailed by Todd and Robert Johnston was the first spinnaker monohull to finish and Samba, a Quest 30, sailed by Tristan Mouligne and Ted Winston finished first on corrected time in Class 1. Epiphany sailed by Jeff Roy and Pete D'Anjou finishing 1st in Class 2 doing an amazing job finishing 42 minutes ahead of the 2nd place boat long time competitor Mark Gervais & Carol Tobian on Dark Star. Epiphany sailed clockwise around Block Island, unlike all the other boats, and had favorable tides to the SW buoy. Ursa a J/109 sailed by Brooke Mastrorio and Mark Franklin finished first in Class 3 one of the Cruising Canvas classes. This year we had a second nonspinnaker class, Class 4, which was won by second year Larvik a Pearson 10M sailed by Kim Andersen and William Beebe. Mike Piper, first timer and hopeful for the Bermuda One-Two, on Eagles Dare a J/111 finished first in Class 5 the Solo monohull class, and Flying Fish a Corsair F-27 Mod sailed by Steve and Josh Parks finished first corrected time in Class 6, the multihulls. Only two boats withdrew this year but four boats didn't show up for

New this year, sponsored by Mike Millard, is the New England ShorHanded Ocean Racing Trophy (or SHORT) which combines the Offshore 160 (singlehanded) with the New England Solo/Twin (doublehanded) giving a trophy to the best boat that does both races. The idea is to try to promote these races and hopefully into the Bermuda One-Two. The inaugural trophy went to Tristan Mouligne on his Quest 30 Samba. Tristan was the only entrant eligible for the trophy

however he earned this trophy by winning his class in each race. Congrats, well done. The rest of the results as well as notes during the race can be seen at: www.newportyachtclub.org/racing/offshore/new england solotwin/.

HELP NEEDED IN BERMUDA ONE-TWO BUILD UP

Help! For years we have found that the best source for new participants in the Bermuda One-Two has been its veteran skippers and crews. Anyone who has done the Bermuda One-Two knows how to sail long distances shorthanded, what type and how strong a boat is needed, and how fit and experienced a sailor has to be to satisfy the Bermuda One-Two's demands.

For the Bermuda One-Two to remain a top-notch sailing event, it needs new participants. Look around your yacht club or marina and among your racing rivals to see who might be interested and qualified. Talk with them; tell them about your experiences in the Bermuda One-Two and about the friends you've made through involvement in the event. Bring them to the next skippers' forum and party. If you cannot answer all their questions, give them the e-mail address of Tristan Mouligne skippersrep@bermuda1-2.org. Or forward their names and phone numbers and/or email addresses to Roy Guay at roy@royguay.net, and he'll contact them with answers.

SPONSORSHIP HELP

If you know of anyone/outfit that would like to provide some money in sponsorship for the 2015 Bermuda One-Two we would appreciate it if you would forward their information to either Tristan Mouligne or Roy Guay. We need some sponsorship to defray the costs of the trackers and dockage.

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 have email addresses.

Roy Guay Offshore Chairman Roy@RoyGuay.net

BERMUDA ONE-TWO 2015 SPRING SKIPPERS' FORUM AND SHORE PARTY SATURDAY NOVEMBER – 3:30PM TO 8PM NEWPORT YACHT CLUB – 110 LONG WHARF, NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

Shore Party Program of Events:

1530 – 1600: Gab session

1600 – 1730: Skippers' Forum

1800 – ? : Heavy Hors and gab session (a

donation of \$5 would be appreciated to defray the cost)

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

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