



# BERMUDA ONE-TWO NEWSLETTER

Hello again,  
This is the second newsletter in 2021.

## 2021 FALL SKIPPERS' PARTY

The Fall Skippers' Party is scheduled for 6 November 2021 at the Newport Yacht Club, 110 Long Wharf Newport, RI 02840. Heavy Hors d'oeuvres will be provided so please let me know if you plan on attending (I need an estimate). The next Forum/Shore Party will be November 2022.

We actually have an agenda for this Party. One of our own skippers, Phil Haydon, will talk about the results of the sleep survey we sent out in August.

### Shorthanded Sleep Survey results

Rick Rohrer and Phil Haydon, Ph.D. put out a survey on shorthanded sleep to this year's skippers. Rick Rohrer will give a brief on the results of the survey.

## 2022 BERMUDA ONE-TWO DATES

We have scheduled the next Bermuda One-Two in 2023. The start to Bermuda is on Friday 2 June and the return to Newport is on Thursday 15 June. Make your plans!

## SKIPPERS' REPRESENTATIVE

For those that may not know, Jonathan Bixby was voted in as the Skippers' Representative at the Newport Awards this year. Tristan Mouligne had well served as the Skippers' Representative for many races and I have very much appreciated his participation and he was extremely helpful to the new skippers and promoting the race. Jon like Tristan is a local sailor and has participated in the last two Bermuda One-Two races as well as racing in the New England Solo/Twin and Offshore 160 races. Tristan has expressed the desire to continue involvement in the Offshore Committee.

## 2021 BERMUDA ONE-TWO RECAP

Being a COVID-19 environment, we were lucky to be able to get the race in. Bermuda switched from Phase 2 to Phase 3 on the day after our start which opened things a bit and made it somewhat normal in Bermuda. The PCR test had to be done on the skippers after clearing Customs however lab people only showed up at Customs once a day so if you arrived after they had left then you had to wait until the next day and of course staying quarantined. This happened to the last group of skippers that arrived at the end. Normally the results came back via email within 5 hours however this last group had to wait an additional 24 hours for the results. So basically, these skippers were quarantined for 48 hours. Some stayed at the town docks and some anchored. Then every 4 days one had to go into Hamilton for another PCR test. All the skippers and crew had been fully vaccinated and no one, thankfully, tested positive for COVID-19.

Another fly in the ointment was that a very strong Southwesterly came in about halfway through the fleet finishing. Bermuda Yacht Services would not allow docking at the Dinghy Club during those conditions. Only 7 boats ended up staying at the Dinghy Club.

Our numbers were a little down and with no Open 6.5 Minis thus no Class 6. 35 skippers registered (10 were first timers!), 23 boats actually started the singlehanded leg to Bermuda (down from 28 for the last race) in somewhat foggy (slightly understated) conditions and 19 boats finished (2 turned back due to auto pilot failure). Alessandro Pagani met up with us in Bermuda for the return leg having made a delivery to Bermuda from the Islands. 21 boats started the doublehanded leg to Newport (**Rubicon**, Peter Bourke, stayed behind waiting for his boat to have a temporary fix for the sail back 5 days after our return start).

- Dianthus, David Tabor and Carol Vaughn, suffered engine failure on the way to Newport so bowed out of the race.
- The fleet had a very nice sail to Bermuda however as they approached Bermuda, a High came in resulting in very light winds and tacking to get to the finish line.
- Tim Kent was back having not raced since 2003. He acquired a Class 40 **Kent Racing** and is campaigning it.
- **Wildeyes and Odyssey** had autopilot failures in the first day and retired.
- **Rubicon** developed some softness in the cockpit floor giving Peter concern about steering so withdrew and motored carefully into Bermuda.
- **Rocinante** decided to turn on the motor after his primary headsail was shredded and motored / sailed to Bermuda.

- **Dragon** was the first boat to finish as he had also done in 2019. This year he came in from the East whereas in 2019 he came in from the West.
- **Cepheus** piloted by Phil Haydon is/was promoting Sailing for Epilepsy. During the race he did videos for kids about sailing and epilepsy. While in Bermuda he gave a talk about Epilepsy and his foundation. Curious? <http://www.bermuda1-2.org/Sail4Epilepsy/Sail4Epilepsy.htm>
- **Topaz**, a Hobie 33, isn't new to this race. Ted Robinson raced on this boat twice. The boat was dismasted on the return leg on the second Bermuda 1-2 with crew Drew Wood. Ted sold his boat over the winter to a young guy Loren Brindze. We were initially worried about him; young guy, the boat wasn't in offshore trim when he got it. He really impressed us and the skippers so much that the skippers voted him the **Juan Perez Sportsmanship Award**. On both legs he was always on the VHF radio in support of all the boats in VHF range checking in on everyone after a squall. Rocinante lost his AIS and Loren volunteered to provide information about traffic to him. The combination of both Loren and his crew Alex were an amazing team on the return leg.
- I was not able to greet the boats arriving at Customs so several boats had to dock themselves. After a few skippers arrived, they helped the following skippers dock. The skippers also helped each other dock at the Dinghy Club.
- Brenda Tweed (bartender/cook) does an amazing job of taking care of us while there but kept complaining about the small group that was there. "Where are all the regulars?"
- We didn't have any pictures at the Awards in Bermuda, and I forgot to have a picture taken of all the singlehanded skippers due to the change in format of the Awards. I really missed having the picture taken of the skippers.
- The return leg start was in nice weather. Tom Clarke took some nice pictures of the boats from the Race Committee boat. The rest of the trip was more difficult than the first leg. After leaving Bermuda the fleet was hit with thunderstorms with most surviving however Jonathan Bixby was hit in the eye with a flopping around genoa sheet. He had vision problems initially but improved as they got closer to Newport however, he withdrew but still sailed most of the way back (Jon saw his eye doctor when he got back). A Tropical Storm threatened the end of the race however most of the boats finished before it passed.
- **Dragon** had line honors, again.
- **Windswept**, being the slowest boat in the fleet (and pretty much every Bermuda One-Two race) he was quite a bit behind the fleet. A Tropical Storm was predicted to pass south of New England about after the boats were projected to finish. Rick McCally decided to play it safe and bided his time by sailing back towards Bermuda then heading back towards the finish. His tracker showed he traveled 903 nm which is about 200 nm longer than normal. After all that he finished last in the fleet however 3<sup>rd</sup> in his class, perseverance. By the way Rick was also the skipper with the greatest number of races in this year's race. This was race number nine for Rick; all in his Pearson 33 **Windswept**.
- This year we had no family teams which was a disappointment!
- The oldest skipper this year was Stanley Paris at 83. It used to be that the oldest was in their 70s!
- Many more boats finished both legs than in 2019 so we were able to give out 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in each class for Combined Corrected trophies.

#### Single Handed Corrected Results:

- Class 1:** 1. **Alchemy** – David Southwell; 2. **Choucas 3** – Fred Cosanadey; 3. **Cepheus** – Phil Haydon.
- Class 2:** 1. **Young American** – Peter Becker (1<sup>st</sup> timer); 2. **Melantho** – Jack Clayton; 3. **Topaz** – Loren Brindze (1<sup>st</sup> timer); 4. **Adventure-us** – Ken Bordieri.
- Class 3:** 1. **Reveille** – Jim Hammitt (1<sup>st</sup> timer); 2. **Dauntless** – Matthew Breuer (1<sup>st</sup> timer); 3. **Glory** – Lance Ryley; 4. **Relentless** - Patrick McFadden.
- Class 4:** 1. **Corvus** – Chris Terajewicz; 2. **Windswept** – Rick McCally; 3. **Highlander** – Jonathan Bixby; 4. **Gryphon** – Walter Rush.
- Class 5:** 1. **Dragon** – Michael Hennessey; 2. **Gryphon Solo** – Joe Harris; 3. **Kiwi Spirit** – Stanley Paris; 4. **Kent Racing** – Tim Kent (1<sup>st</sup> time in a Class 40).

#### Double Handed Corrected Results:

- Class 1:** 1. **Alchemy** – David Southwell & Scott Meier; 2. **Choucas 3** – Fred Cosandey & Ernest Berger; 3 **Cepheus** – Phil Haydon & Joe Cooper.
- Class 2:** 1. **Young American** – Peter Becker & Leah Sweet (1<sup>st</sup> timers); 2. **Melantho** – Jack Clayton & Chris Cunningham (1<sup>st</sup> timer); 3. **Topaz** – Loren Bindze & Alexander Linz (1<sup>st</sup> timers); 4. **Adventure-us** – Ken Bordieri & Thomas Reid; 5. **Rocinante** – Richard Rohrer (1<sup>st</sup> timer).
- Class 3:** 1. **Reveille** – Jim Hammitt & John Paulling (1<sup>st</sup> timers); 2. **Glory** – Lance Ryley & Peter Norton (1<sup>st</sup> timers); 3. **Luna** – Alessandro Pagani (first timer) & Zachary Lee; 4. **Relentless** – Patrick McFadden & Richard Neely; 5. **Dauntless** – Matthew Breuer & Paul Kuechler (first timers).
- Class 4:** 1. **Gryphon** – Walter Rush & Dallas Johnson (first timer); 2. **Corvus** – Chris Terajewicz & Gerry Leger; 3. **Windswept** – Rick McCally.
- Class 5:** 1. **Dragon** – Michael Hennessey & Cole Brauer; 2. **Gryphon Solo** – Joe Harris & Daniel Dytych; **Kiwi Paris** – Stanley Paris & Steve Pettengill; 4. **Kent Racing** – Tim Kent & Cat Chimney (1<sup>st</sup> timer).

**Combined Corrected Results:**

**Class 1:** 1. **Alchemy** – David Southwell; 2. **Choucas 3** - Fred Cosandey; 3. **Cepheus** – Phil Haydon.

**Class 2:** 1. **Young American** – Peter Becker; 2. **Melantho** – Jack Clayton; 3. **Topaz** – Loren Brindze.

**Class 3:** 1. **Reveille** – Jim Hammitt; 2. **Glory** – Lance Ryley; 3. **Relentless** – Pat McFadden.

**Class 4:** 1. **Gryphon** – Walter Rush; 2. **Corvus** – Chris Terajewicz; 3. **Windswept** – Rick McCally.

**Class 5:** 1. **Dragon** – Michael Hennessy; 2. **Gryphon Solo** – Joe Harris; 3. **Kiwi Spirit** – Stanley Paris.

For more results, notes and pictures check out the website; [www.bermuda1-2.org](http://www.bermuda1-2.org).

**2021 NEW ENGLAND SOLO/TWIN RECAP**

This year's Solo/Twin race was held 30/31 July. 35 boats entered this year (down from 50 last year). We had one solo monohull spinnaker class with 4 participants, one multihull class with 2 participants (but none raced) and the rest were doublehanded monohulls. The predictions for the weather were for decent winds the whole night (unlike the normal dead air during the early morning hours). The two fastest spinnaker classes were given the 103 nm course, the slowest spinnaker class and Solo class were given the 93 nm course and the Cruising Canvas class did the 77 nm course. Since the first boats to finish were just after midnight Saturday morning and the last one was 4:39 am, the courses were a little short given that most of the race was reaching. The boats started in a decent westerly wind. 22 boats started and all finished! All enjoyed the racing, but I suspect they liked finishing early mostly.

The first boat to finish was Class 1 Spinnaker Twin Privateer by Carl Kah and Chilvers Hamish at 0019 Saturday morning sailing on the 103 nm course. The first boat to finish sailing the 93 nm course was Class 5 Meridian sailed by Solo skipper Murray Beach at 0115 Saturday morning and also was first on corrected time in Class 5. In Class 1 Alchemist sailed by Ken Read and Suzy Leech finished 1<sup>st</sup> corrected time. In Class 2 the first boat to finish in both elapsed and corrected times was Samba sailed by Tristan Mouligne and Ted Winston (again!). Class 3 elapsed time winner was Memory a J/110 sailed by Kevin Dakan and Bob Kinsman but corrected time winner was Kismet an Archambault 3 sailed by John Manderson and Stuart Colie. The first boat to finish in Class 4 Cruising Canvas on elapsed time was Larvik a Pearson 10M sailed by Kim Andersen and William Beebe however they lost to Kitty Hawk a Nunshuch 33 sailed by John Corbishley and Winthrop Sanford who won on corrected time. Winner of the Cliff Mitchell Family Trophy was the team of Bob and son Geoff Manchester on Vamoose.

Four boats withdrew this year.

Four boats had family crew.

The rest of the results as well as pictures and notes during the race can be seen at:

<https://www.newportyachtclub.org/sailing/offshore/new-england-solo-twin/> .

**SKIPPERS AND BOATS**

- Sandy Van Zandt who participated in the 2015 Bermuda One-Two is selling his Tartan 30-C. You can see the boats info on the website.
- Richard Lett, Velocity Girl, gave up his attempt to do the OSTAR after sailing to the UK. Left the boat there and sold it fortunately quickly. Peter Bourke, Rubicon, who was also planning on participating in the OSTAR has told me that he will not participate in the 2022 OSTAR.
- Vernon Hultzer has sold his mini! Maybe a bigger boat in his future for the Bermuda One-Two?

**SAFETY AT SEA SEMINARS**

If you are looking for safety at sea seminars take a look here: <https://www.ussailing.org/education/adult/safety-at-sea-courses/find-a-course-near-you/>

**MERCHANDISE**

We have Bermuda One-Two burgees at \$20, 2019 hats for \$10 and shirts for \$10.

**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.

**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 must 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 Jon Bixby [skippersrep@bermuda1-2.org](mailto:skippersrep@bermuda1-2.org). Or forward their names and phone numbers and/or email addresses to Roy Guay at [roy@royguay.net](mailto:roy@royguay.net), and we will contact them with answers.

### **SPONSORSHIP**

If you know of anyone/outfit that would like to provide some money in sponsorship for the 2023 Bermuda One-Two we would appreciate it if you would forward their information to either Roy Greenwald [FansOf@bermuda1-2.org](mailto:FansOf@bermuda1-2.org) or Roy Guay. We need some sponsorship to defray the costs of the trackers and dockage. We have a good group of sponsors for the past two racing seasons, and I would like to thank them: Rhode Island Sailing Events Commission, Hood Sailmakers, Wichard, Edson, Life Raft & Survival Equipment, Artistic Embroidery & Promotion, Gosling's, and Newport Craft. Roy Greenwald has volunteered to help us out with sponsorship and has done a great job getting our current sponsorship. We have moved to a two-year cycle starting on the even year so that the sponsors get visibility during all our races; Offshore 160, New England Solo/Twin and the Bermuda One-Two. We expect to be reaching out for sponsorship this fall.

### **EMAIL**

If you know someone who would like to receive the newsletters, Notice of Race, etc. for the Bermuda One-Two, New England Solo/Twin and Offshore 160 races via email, let me know so I can add your email address to my database.

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**BERMUDA ONE-TWO 2021 FALL SKIPPERS' SHORE PARTY**  
**SATURDAY 6 NOVEMBER – 3:30PM TO 7PM**  
**NEWPORT YACHT CLUB – 110 LONG WHARF, NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND**

Shore Party Program of Events:

**1530 – 1600:** Gab session

**1600 – 1630:** Rick Rohrer brief on Sleep  
Survey Results

**1630 – ?** : Heavy Hors and Gam session

Please let me [roy@royguay.net](mailto:roy@royguay.net) know if you plan on attending.

