

24th Biennial Bermuda One-Two
AGENDA FOR 2023 BERMUDA 1-2
NEWPORT AWARDS PARTY
24 June 2023

*Remember to tell the skippers ahead of time that they can't park at NYC but either the parking lot, side streets or municipal parking lot in back of the Marriott Hotel.

DIGNITARIES:

Mayor Newport RI: Mayor

Commodore Newport YC: Bob Antignano or representative

Chairman of the Rhode Island Sailing Events Commission: Andrew Tyska (not present)

In summary, we had 29 boats registered (30 in 2021), 24 started for Bermuda (23 in 2021), 3 turned around, 20 made it to Bermuda of which 2 did not finish. 18 boats started in Bermuda (21 in 2021) for Newport (II Tender stayed in Bermuda due to a broken ankle and Melanthe went home to Norfolk, VA), and 18 finished (20 in 2021). Boats came from Sweden, Canada, California, Florida, Minnesota and the usuals from the Virginia area and Maine.

The trip to Bermuda was highlighted (?) by strong Northeast winds leading to and in the Gulf Stream with decent winds the rest of the way to Bermuda resulting in a fast trip (all boats were finished by day 5 however I don't recall anyone saying they had favorable current. Windswept broke his boom and in two pieces and whipped out his comms and Alchemy ripped his mainsail below the 3rd reef; both still finished the race. Melanthe lost his electronics including the Autopilot.

The second leg was forecast to have a Southwest breeze for a couple of days. Many serious squalls and a front hit the fleet starting several hours through several days after leaving Bermuda flowed by Northwest breeze followed by Southeast breeze for the slower boats. A lot of the boats were becalmed at different areas some coming into the finish. This was also a fast race with all finishing by the 5th day. II Tender and Melanthe did not race.

This year's race was a big improvement on the Covid-19 2021 race. The comradery amongst the skippers was really nice to see. For instance, we had 24 people eating at the Whitehorse restaurant the night before the return start (some skippers do not like to go out the night before the start). We had 22 people at the Swizzle Inn Skipper's Welcome Party, a very successful Fish Fry (wonderful food provided by Brenda and crew) at the Dinghy Club in air conditioning, two tours at Bermuda Radio, a night out at Wahoo's Restaurant, well attended Goslings' Taste and it looked like a lot of purchasing going on and then a very successful Awards and Dinner also in air conditioning. And this time I remembered to have pictures of the singlehanded skippers taken.

We were blessed with 6 new skippers (8 in 2021) starting this year (*Blur* – Peter Gustafsson, *Breakaway* – Gregg Carville (previously sailed by Paul Grimes), *Envolee* – Nathalie Criou, *Finale* – Thomas O'Connell, *First Light* – Cole Brauer (boat previously skippered by Michael Hennessey which Cole crewed on), and *Saraband* – Elke Backman (some of these "newbies" receive trophies). Four woman started the singlehanded leg; two finished with trophies.

BERMUDA ONE-TWO TROPHIES GIVEN IN NEWPORT (suggested order of presentation) :

NEWPORT YACHT CLUB COMMODORE'S TRAY – presented by Commodore Bob Antignano or representative.

For best DH leg elapsed time finish in fleet

First Light – Cole Brauer & Catherine Chimney (73:30)

BRASS BULKHEAD PLAQUES

One for each boat that started on either one of the legs of the race. All skippers stand up.

BEST DH LEG CORRECTED TIME FINISHES IN EACH CLASS

1st, 2nd and 3rd places to skipper and crew in each class (total of 30)

Class 6 No Class 6 this year

Class 5 No Class 5 this year

Class 4 No Class 4 this year

Class 3

3rd – Dianthus – David Tabor & wife Carol Vaughn

2nd – Gryphon – Walter Rush & Dallas Johnson (Dallas thinks his offshore sailing has come to an end, he was very sea sick this time)

1st – Cordelia – Roy & Gail (the Navigator) Greenwald

Class 2

3rd – Luna – Alessandro Pagani & Ryan Murphy (the DISCO boat, Ryan's 1st B12)

2nd – Reveille – Jim Hammitt & John Pauling

1st – Young American – Peter Becker & Adrien Blanc (Adrien's 1st timer)(Peter claims he can't beat Reveille, he beat Reveille by almost 8 hrs corrected don't want to hear that anymore)

Class 1

3rd – Blur – Peter Gustafsson & Mattias Bodlund (1st timers and from Sweden)

2nd – Alchemy – David Southwell & Scott

1st – First Light – Cole Brauer & Catherin Chimney (1st timer skipper for Cole but both have crewed on Class 40s in the past including 2021)

CHESTER & LILLIAN MUNROE CUP

Best DH leg corrected time finish in fleet

Young American – Peter Becker & Adrien Blanc (87:14, was 99:42 in 2021)

JUDSON CRANE WALTON III TROPHY

Best DH leg corrected time finish, by a first-time entrant

First Light – Cole Brauer & Catherine Chimney (88:18)

JUDITH LAWSON TROPHY – WAS GIVEN IN BERMUDA

Best SH leg corrected time finish by a woman skipper (1st time given since 2011,)

First Light – Cole Brauer

FAMILY TEAMS (three families signed up this year, 2 of which repeatedly compete against each other)

Cordelia – Roy and Gail Greenwald

Dianthus – David Tabor and Carol Vaughn

Corvus – Chris Terajewicz and his son Andrew (however they didn't make the DH leg)

LINDA E. MITCHELL MEMORIAL TROPHY (sail bag embroidered)

Best DH leg corrected time finish, by a crew consisting of family members

Cordelia – Roy and Gail Greenwald

LONGEST PARTICIPANT AWARD – donated by the Pikes WAS GIVEN IN BERMUDA

The sailor who has participated in the most Bermuda 1-2 races that participated this year.

Rick McCally on Windswept – 10 races

PETER HEGEMAN ANCIENT MARINER TROPHY (bottle of booze, s) GIVEN IN BERMUDA

Awarded to oldest skipper to arrive in Bermuda

Louis Meyer 80 – the oldest person use to be in the 70s!

CHARLES CARPENTER 'BIERMIESTER' TROPHY

Last place corrected combined time finish or “the skipper that saw the most ocean”. (case of Budweiser beer)

Windswept – Rick McCally (207:43)

JEFF SPRANGER TEAM TROPHY (Betsy presents)

Awarded to the best sum of finish places of a two-boat team in the Bermuda to Newport leg.

Had 9 teams.

Gryphon – Walter Rush & Dallas Johnson (2nd) &

Alchemy - David Southwell & Scott Meier (2nd)

Total of 4 points. Gryphon was part of the winning team in 2021 also!

BEST COMBINED CORRECTED TIME IN EACH CLASS

1st, 2nd and 3rd place to skippers only; and bottle of Goslings Dark for 1st place

Class 5 (The Class 40s) NONE FOR 2023

3rd Place –

2nd Place –

• FOUNDER'S CUP – best CCT finish, Class V

1st Place –

Class 4 (My favorite class) NONE FOR 2023

3rd Place –

2nd Place –

• JOHN & JUDITH REBELLO CUP – best CCT finish, Class IV

1st Place –

Class 3

3rd Place – Dianthus – David Tabor

2nd Place – Gryphon – Walter Rush

• SIRIT OF BERMUDA CUP – best CCT finish, Class III (Kathy Singen presenting)

1st Place – Cordelia – Roy Greenwald

Class 2

3rd Place – Luna – Alessandro Pagani

2nd Place – Reville – Jim Hammitt

• RP ASSOCIATES, INC CUP – best CCT finish, Class II

1st Place – Young American – Peter Becker

Class 1

3rd Place – Blur – Peter Gustafsson (1st timer)

2nd Place – Alchemy – David Southwell

- GEOFFREY SPRANGER CUP – best CCT finish, Class I

1st Place – First Light – Cole Brauer (1st time skipper)

RI GOVERNORS TROPHY – presented by Mayor or Commodore

Awarded for best combined corrected finish in fleet, by a RI resident (Pays to be determined)

Windswept – Rick McCally (207:43 hrs:min)

CITY OF NEWPORT CUP – presented by Mayor or Commodore

Awarded for the best combined corrected finish in fleet

First Light – Cole Brauer (180:43)

GEORGE PIKE AWARD (Betsy presented)

Awarded for exemplary service to the Bermuda One-Two.

Not given for 2023

THE SEAMANSHIP AWARD

Not given for 2023

JUAN A. PEREZ BERMUDA 1-2 SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

Awarded to the person who best exemplifies the true spirit of the Bermuda One-Two, as nominated by the fleet skippers and selected by the Event Committee.

Gregg Carville (a couple comments: Gregg volunteered to dive and disengage Finale's genoa sheet from Finale's prop as well as volunteering to help take boats from the Customs Dock to the Dinghy Club)

VOTE FOR SKIPPER'S REPRESENTATIVE BY SINGLEHANDED SKIPPERS

Special Acknowledgements:

- Blur wins the award for the volume of words he wrote and sent me a couple of pictures. I understand there is even more on his blog. Where did he get the time to write so much, take pictures and still finish 3rd in his class and 5th in the fleet. It's debatable as to who is more wordy; Peter or Michael Hennessey.
- Cordelia, a Valiant 42, was in it's glory with the strong Southwest for a long time. Full sails and trucking. However, when the winds died down the boats started catching up and one even passed them. But they did so well in the strong winds that they ended up 1st in their class and 4th overall corrected time. It was nice to see Roy2 back.
- It was nice to see the following skippers back after a pause in racing: Roy2 Greenwald, Louis Meyer who sold his boat and later bought it back, David Tabor, Scott Miller who bought a bigger boat and Gust Stringos.

RECOGNIZE THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE THAT HELPED MAKE THIS EVENT

BERMUDA

- Thanks to Robert Welch: Committee Member at St George's Dinghy & Sports Club, provided a projector and huge screen for the weather brief.

- Thanks to Sheila Gringley: Commodore, who facilitated numerous things.
- Thanks to Christian Oatley for driving his father's boat (Alan Oatley) for Race Committee in Bermuda. We were comfortable. The boat wasn't set up for doing race committee and we were shorthanded (Ted, Christian and I), but we managed.
- Thanks to the Dock Master Gilbert "Gilly" Pitcher for his effort in helping the boats dock, making sure the slips were empty, in getting the diver for Resolute to free the boat of the mooring painter and helping get the boats off the dock for the return start.
- Thanks to Brenda Smith: She and her support staff cooked a wonderful Fish Fry and served the Friday night Happy Hour and the Awards Dinner, calling taxis, and putting up with us at the bar. Brenda is their only paid staff and basically runs the Dinghy Club.
- Thanks to many Skippers who chipped in and helped fellow skippers dock and undock at the Dinghy Club and the Town Docks. And Carol Vaughn who helped take 5 boats from Customs to the Dinghy Club including one that was the proverbial 3 hour tour!
- Thanks to Eric Johnson, who basically flew out to be with the race, took a bunch of pictures I am still working through and ferried many people from the Dinghy Club to Customs.
- Thanks to Ted Singesen. Ted and I flew out. Ted took the load off of me allowing me to be at the Duty Desk. He directed traffic at the Customs dock which got quite busy at times.

NEWPORT

- RC Boat: Peter Jencks, Caryn Cummings, Ted Singesen, Roger & Jane Fontaine
- Bill Shea: Pictures at Awards.
- Billy Black for pictures at the start (I haven't worked on them yet)
- Ted Singesen: Committee member, Safety Checks Lead, Duty Station.
- Caryn Cummings: Food Prep for the breakfast on start day and trophies
- Kristen Wenzel: Safety Checks, Committee member, and Social Calendar in Bermuda.
- Tristan Mouligne: Safety Checks and on the Offshore Committee.
- Jon Bixby: Skipper's Representative, Safety Checks and on the Offshore Committee.
- Rudy Borgetta & staff: For putting up with us before and after the race

Lots of stories out of this year and I'm sure stories I haven't heard yet (some I may not want to hear). We promote a chat hour twice a day. I think the comradery in Bermuda was outstanding and contributed to successful events in Bermuda. A big difference between the Bermuda One-Two and other races is the comradery amongst the participants which I continue to hear from new participants.

- Hats, shirts, aprons and Burgees still on sale.
Enjoy the food and gab!
- Last but not least, all the sailors that participated to make the event what it was! You are all winners in my mind for such an undertaking.

And with that I declare the 2023 Bermuda One-Two in the books.