



March 2021

# BERMUDA ONE-TWO NEWSLETTER

Hello again,  
This is the first newsletter for 2021.

## 2021 SKIPPERS' FORUMS

We will try a **Zoom** Skippers' Forum this spring on Saturday 6 March at 1600. We are hoping to have a in person Fall Skippers' Shore Party scheduled for 6 November 2021. Frank Bohlen has graciously agreed again to give us a Gulf Stream brief and Tristan Mouligne has agreed to give us a brief on boat preparation since he has raced in the Bermuda One-Two in three different boats and I admit he has done well in all three. We are hoping to be able to do a question-and-answer period. Please send me a note if you plan to participate so I can send you the Zoom link.

Agenda:

- Introductions
- Frank Bohlen's Gulf Stream Brief
- Tristan Mouligne
- Q&A

## 2021 BERMUDA ONE-TWO DATES

The Notice of Race will go out and be available on the website for download later in the year and I plan on discussing changes at the November Skippers' Forum. No America's Cup this time!

June 04: Newport to Bermuda Start

June 17: Bermuda to Newport Start

June 26: Awards in Newport

## POTENTIAL 2021 BERMUDA ONE-TWO SKIPPERS

Potential Skippers for 2021: **James Barber** on his Camper Nicholson 35 WISP, **Jonathan Bixby**, **Luke Brockman**, **Colin Brown** on his Pogo 10.5, **Jon Burt** on his J/130 Lola, **Jack Clayton**, **Fred Cosandey** on his new boat Choucas3, **Chris Dowling** on a J/121 called ACE, **Richard Geis** in his S2 9.1 Renegade, **Brian Gray**, **Roy Greenwald**, **James Hammitt** on Reveille a Sigma 41, **Philip Haydon**, **Tony Leigh**, **Mike Millard**, **Thomas O'Connell** on his J/99, **Stanley Paris**, **Alessandro Pagani**, **Rick Rohrer**, **Walter Rush**, **Lance Ryley**, **Henry Schultz**, **David Southwell**, **Chris Terajewicz** (I'll never get his pronunciation), **Steve Tofield** on his Tartan 41 Tyger Tyger, **Kristen Wenzel**, **John Yanusas**. This list may change due to Covid-19.

## CHANGES FOR 2021

The following changes are planned for 2021.

- AIS transponder required (transmit and receive)

- The Geoffrey Spranger Team trophy requirements will be modified. Teams, two boats in different classes, will be randomly assigned. The result will be based on combined corrected time for both legs.
- We have dropped off the Elapsed Time winners of each class. There have been complaints about how long the awards ceremony in Newport is and we felt that the Elapsed Time winners for each class is quite often a duplicate of the corrected time trophies. We also moved to trophies to the St. George's Prize Giving; Peter Hegeman Ancient Mariner's Trophy and Bermuda One-Two Longest Participation. These are applicable only to the Singlehanded leg and make more sense giving them out in Bermuda.
- We are expecting to cut back a little on flares.

## **COVID-19**

Unless you have been on another world or just woke up from a coma of over a year Covid-19 restrictions are something we will have to deal with. Socializing will probably be restricted. I periodically monitor Bermuda and Rhode Island Covid-19 websites for impact to us. You might want to check out these websites. Bermuda: <http://www.marops.bm/sailbda.aspx> Rhode Island: <https://covid.ri.gov/covid-19-prevention/travel-tofrom-ri>. Obviously, these restrictions could have an impact on whether we can run the race. Right now, we are planning on making a go/no-go decision on 25 March. If we decide to go with the race, then the date when the fee goes up will slide from 1 April to 15 April. If we cancel the race, we will refund the fee. However, those refunds should also be with the understanding that a full refund may not be likely due to financial expenditures that have been made in anticipation that the usual mounting of the event would have been a GO (some expenses maybe absorbed by the committee if they can be used in the next race (like trophies).

## **MERCHANDISE**

I have Bermuda One-Two burgees for \$20 and hats.

## **UPCOMING SEMINARS**

- SAFETY AT SEA SEMINAR: There are no hands on Safety At Sea Seminar this year.
- ONLINE OFFSHORE SAFETY AT SEA COURSE: Check it out at <https://www.boaterexam.com/sailing/safetyatsea/>

## **SKIPPER AND BOATS**

- **Brian Gray** has decided that his mini needs to grow. He has commissioned Pogo 44 be built but it won't be ready until 2023.
- **Fred Cosandey** is planning on doing this year's race in his new 44' sailboat.
- **Paul Grimes** has bought another boat, a 1 Design 35, and raced it last year around the bouys.

## **NEW ENGLAND SOLO/TWIN**

The New England Solo/Twin is held every year and this year the race starts on Friday 30 July with the awards on Saturday 31 July. This race has classes for both singlehanded and doublehanded boats with different courses most going around Block Island. Online registration will be open real soon now. These races are a good way to get your shorthanded racing fix in. Hope to see you.

## **BERMUDA ONE-TWO WEBSITE**

If anyone has previous 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.

## **ST. GEORGE'S DINGHY AND SPORTS CLUB**

SGD&SC offers a membership for us out of country folks called an Overseas Membership. It is only \$50 and a very nice gesture. I know that a number of Bermuda One-Two participants currently have this type of membership. If you do not, would you please consider joining SGD&SC as an Overseas Member? The easiest way to join is to do it when you are in Bermuda. If you hadn't noticed their website address has changed to: <https://www.stgdsc.com>. They also have a Facebook [page](#). The Dinghy Club has closed a couple of times due to the Covid-19 restrictions however are currently open.

## **EMAIL**

If you know of someone who would like to receive the newsletters, Notice of Race, our Offshore events, etc. via email, let me know so I can add that person's email address to my distribution database. If your email changes, please let me know if you can think of it otherwise you may get deleted off my distribution.

Some of you have just started receiving my emails. The Race Committee suggested that I add the crew members of the Bermuda One-Two to the distribution list. Hopefully this is not a problem for you however if it is just click on the "Unsubscribe" at the bottom of the emails.

Roy Greenwald, Cordelia a Valiant 42, has done the Bermuda One-Two four times with the real navigator, his wife Gail, doing the return leg with him. Roy (known as Roy2) working on finding sponsorship for the Bermuda One-Two. He is working now getting sponsorship which will cover the two years; pre-race year and the year of the race. The goal obviously is to try to keep the cost down to the skippers of the Bermuda One-Two race and to expand the advertiser's visibility by including the Offshore 160 and New England Solo/Twin participants. Some sponsors may like two to three emails per year that we will send out (my distribution is not shared with anyone else) where they mention their products. I hope you make note of our sponsors and partake of their products.

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## **BERMUDA ONE-TWO 2021 SPRING SKIPPERS' ZOOM FORUM SATURDAY, 6 MARCH – 4:00PM TO ??**

Program of Events:

**1600 – ??** : Introductions, Frank Bohlen,  
Tristan Mouligne, Q&A

Please let me [roy@royguay.net](mailto:roy@royguay.net) know if you plan on participating so I can send you the Zoom link.