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BERMUDA ONE-TWO NEWSLETTER

Hello again,
This is the second newsletter in 2011.

2011 FALL SKIPPERS' SHORE PARTY

The Fall Skippers' Shore Party is scheduled for 5 November 2011 at the Newport Yacht Club, 110 Long Wharf, Newport, RI 02840. There will be NO Skippers' Forum but just a Shore Party to renew friendships started during this year's race. The Shore Party starts at 1600 and runs to about 1800-1830. Hors d'oeuvres will be served. The next Forum/Shore Party will be March 2012.

2013 BERMUDA ONE-TWO DATES

We have scheduled the next Bermuda One-Two in 2013. The start to Bermuda is on Saturday (all you Friday haters take note) 8 June and the return to Newport is on Thursday 20 June. Make your plans!

NEW SKIPPERS' REPRESENTATIVE

In Bermuda we conducted the vote for a Skippers' Representative and the vote was to return Kristen Wenzel to that role. David Sherman, the current Skippers' Representative until the November Skippers' Shore Party, has been a wonderful representative for the skippers and has been heavily involved with the Offshore Committee. I thank him immensely for his help. However, Dave has asked to continue to help out so Dave will continue to participate in the preparations leading up to the 2013 Bermuda One-Two.

2013 BERMUDA ONE-TWO RECAP

Our numbers were down this year as compared to the previous two races. We had 29 boats participate in each leg. 10 of the skippers were first timers as skippers in the singlehanded leg. One boat did the return leg only which also had a first time skipper to the Bermuda One-Two; Noel Sterrett on Solarus. Noel did the Charlestown Bermuda Race to Bermuda, left the boat in Hamilton then did the return leg to Newport with Bjorn Johnson as his crew. Noel keeps telling me he is back in 2013 for the whole thing. It is wonderful to see the enthusiasm of the new skippers and the desire of the past skippers to keep on participating.

- For the first time we had the same number of boats finish that started; everyone finished the single handed leg and only one boat did not finish the double handed leg that started (due to a back problem and he was on a mini). We were supposed to have had 30 boats start but Dave Sherman was unable to start; more about that later (of course).

- Only one Class 40, Mike Dreese on Tootface, participated this time so Class 1 was tailored to just high performance boats and the Class 40 was included. Therefore there was no Class 5 this year. We had the Open 6.5 Minis again this year with 4 boats; one was new to the Bermuda One-Two, OneGirl's Ocean Challenge skippered by Diane Reid.

- Jay Sharkey returned with his mini after much time and money put into his mini due to the dismasting in the 2009 Bermuda One-Two single handed leg. Jay successfully finished both legs but the double handed leg was handicapped due to the breakage of one dagger board and one rudder.

- After sailing out of Narragansett Bay on the singlehanded leg many boats tried to put up their spinnakers with many disastrous results due to the strong winds and shifty conditions. Plus most of this leg was downwind and spinnakers were used a lot. There were many stories! Eric Johnson on Dirigo wiped out when he tried to put up the spinnaker the first time going through the dreaded death roll; it took him 3 hours to recover. Michael Schum on Kontradiction got his spinnaker so wrapped around his fore stay that he was unable to get it down and thus unable to fly his genoa. He sailed the rest of the way to Bermuda under main only. It was quite the site to see Kontradiction motoring into St. George's Harbour with a balloon like thing around the middle of his forestay. He motored to Customs and into his slip this way. Check out the picture on the website. He was able to get it down dockside without cutting the spinnaker with the help of fellow Class 2 skipper Fred Cosandey. Diane Reid on OneGirl's Ocean Challenge had a bad spinnaker wrap. It went under the rudder and she had to cut it away and thus sailed the rest of the way with no spinnaker. John Drozdal on Ariana got a spinnaker wrap

and worked on it all day. After he finally got it down he swore off spinnakers for the rest of the leg. Mike Dreese on Toothface had a knockdown but recovered ok.

- Murray Danforth on Flying Turtle sailed a tremendous race and was the first boat to finish in Bermuda.
- First timer Tim Allen on Greyhawk broke the bracket that connects the autopilot to the tiller on the second day. He spent the rest of the trip nursing a workaround and manually helmed quite a bit.
- Several skippers used AIS; both transmitting (some) and receiving. All seemed to like the receive function about AIS. There may be more about AIS in the future.
- Roy Greenwald on Cordelia had an alternator problem and was unable to start his engine and had to hire a tow into St. George's after finishing.
- Doug Shearer on Nimros broke several slides on his brand new main and had to sail with genoa only for more than half of the leg to Bermuda. Needless to say he was last to finish. He doesn't normally put up the spinnaker; "after all one just has to take it down eventually!" Doug read five books on the way down to Bermuda.
- Activities in St. George's started off with a social at the Swizzle Inn. 33 people showed up and we took over the whole deck upstairs. It was a great way to start building relationships.
- Several members at the St. George's Dinghy & Sports Club put on many continental breakfasts for the skippers which were appreciated.
- Patrick Paley, a member of the St. George's Dinghy & Sports Club, provided a tour of the Blue Hole Park for 20 of us and we topped it off with lunch at the Swizzle Inn.
- This year it turned out to be safer on the water than in Bermuda. There were several scooter accidents topped off by Dave Sherman doing a face plant on the road back into St. George's with his daughter Sydney. Sydney was unhurt however Dave ended up in the emergency room at the hospital. Dave was banged up and bruised but ok. He missed the awards party and was unable to race back. There was another emergency room visit. I ended up there after being stung several times by Portuguese Man of War tentacles. In both Emergency Room cases, Raymond Renaud came to the aid and helped us.
- At the awards the following Bermuda One-Two people who have recently passed away were honored: George Pike, Mark Chramiec, Bob Adams, Robert Wenzel and Rusty Dhyum.
- 29 boats started back to Newport on 16 June. "The Admiral" was again provided for the race committee boat. Samba got their spinnaker up after the start and led the fleet out of the Town Cut. After all the boats started (minus Dave Sherman's Palangi, Dave and Sydney were on the race committee boat and flew back the next day) we followed the minis out of the Harbour for a little while to cheer them on.
- Many pictures were provided by Patrick Paley of the boats going through the Town Cut. Also Raymond Renaud's sister Dr. Carol Gaffney provided many pictures of the start in Newport. These pictures can be seen and downloaded from the Photo Gallery on the Bermuda One-Two website.
- Gail Greenwald on Cordelia decided going East for the return leg was the right way to go for Cordelia which worked out real good. They finished first in their class.
- On the other hand Panacea, Peter & John McCrea, thought going left right away was favored and ended up in the back of the pack. At one point I thought they were south west of Bermuda.
- Jay Sharkey on USA-415 lost the port rudder and dagger board. The other rudder was wobbling so he had tied down what he could and nursed it to the finish. His tracker also died so for a while we didn't know where he was until he finally called in. They did finish though.
- Pogo Loco hit something which took out his starboard rudder but was also able to finish under reduced sail.
- There were lots of complaints of no wind on the return leg!
- Kontradiction broke the autopilot but was able to fix it later on.
- Toothface ran a great race and was the first boat to finish the second leg.

- The following family teams sailed the return leg:

Panacea – Peter McCrea and his (slow) son John

Cordelia – Roy and Gail Greenwald

Flying Turtle – Murray & Merebea Danforth

Pogo Loco – Philippe Laville & Johanne Longpre (first timer)

Greyhawk – Tim & Wendy Allen (both 1st timers)

Samba – Tristan & John Jay Mouligne (reunited from 1999)

Strummer – Louis & Emily Meyer

The following two boats due to extenuating circumstances were entered but couldn't do the return leg:

Kontradiction – Michael & Jason Schum (Michael did the return leg alone)

Palangi – Dave & Sydney Sherman

Single Handed Corrected Results:

Class 1: 1. Flying Turtle – Murray Danforth; 2. Samba – Tristan Mouligne (with a new boat this year, a Quest 30); 3. Flying Tiger – Lindsay Lowe (with new boat this year, a Quest 32); 4. Sola Fide – John Lubimir; 5. Resolute – D. Scott Miller (1st timer); 6. Pastime – Pieter de Zwart (1st timer); 7. Toothface – Michael Dreese.

Class 2: 1. Dirigo – Eric Johnson; 2. Choucas – Fred Cosandey; 3. Ariana – John Drozdal; 4. Adhara – Patrick Jones (1st timer); 5. Tyger Tyger – Steve Tofield (1st timer); 6. Kontradiction – Michael Schum

Class 3: 1. Palangi – Dave Sherman; 2. Aggressive – Raymond Renaud; 3. Cordelia – Roy Greenwald; 4. Greyhawk – Tim Allen (1st timer); 5. Beau Blue – Andrew Tyska (1st timer); 6. Island Girl – Brian Flynn (1st timer)

Class 4: 1. Bluebird – Gust Stringos; 2. Jeroboam – Jonathan Green; 3. Strummer – Louis Meyer; 4. Windswept – Rick McCally; 5. Panacea – Peter McCrea; 6. Nimros – Douglas Shearer

Class 6: 1. Frogger – Christian Reimer; 2. OneGirl'sOcean Challenge – Diane Reid (1st timer); 3. USA-415 – Jay Sharkey; 4. Pogo Loco – Philippe Laville

Double Handed Corrected Results:

Class 1: 1. Samba – Tristan & John Jay Mouligne; 2. Toothface – Michael Dreese & Ken Luczynski; 3. Sola Fide – John Lubimir & Gary Harris; 4. Resolute – D. Scott Miller & Rachel Amory; 5. Flying Tiger – Lindsay Lowe & Robert Hands; 6. Pastime – Pieter de Zwart & Bob Rodgers; 7. Solarus – Noel Sterrett (1st timer) & Bjorn Johnson; 8. Flying Turtle – Murray & Merebea Danforth

Class 2: 1. Adhara – Patrick & Macy Jones; 2. Choucas – Choucas – Fred Cosandey & Ernie Berger; 3. Ariana – John Drozdal & Bruce Cathcart; 4. Tyger Tyger – Steve Tofield & George Haselton; 5. Dirigo – Eric Johnson & Richard Porter; 6. Kontradiction – Michael Schum

Class 3: 1. Cordelia – Roy & Gail Greenwald; 2. Aggressive – Raymond Renaud & Roger DeFelice; 3. Greyhawk – Tim & Wendy Allen; 4. Beau Blue – Andrew Tyska & William Kemp; 5. Island Girl – Brian Flynn & Craig Olsen

Class 4: 1. Jeroboam – Jonathan Green & John Keane; 2. Windswept – Rick McCally & Jim Coughlin; 3. Bluebird – Gust Stringos & Harry Richter; 4. Panacea – Peter & John McCrea; 5. Strummer – Louis & Emily Meyer; 6. Nimros – Douglas Shearer

Class 6: 1. OneGirl'sOcean Challenge – Diane Reid & Nick Sellars; 2. Pogo Loco – Philippe Laville & Johanne Longpre; 3. USA-415 – Jay Sharkey & James Price

Combined Corrected Results:

Class 1: 1. Samba – Tristan; 2. Sola Fide – John Lubimir; 3. Flying Tiger - Lindsay Lowe; 4. Flying Turtle – Murray Danforth; 5. Resolute – D. Scott Miller; 6. Toothface – Michael Dreese; 7. Pastime – Pieter de Zwart

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For more results and pictures check out the website; www.bermuda1-2.org.

SKIPPERS AND BOATS

- QII is the holder of 35 foot mono class OSTAR record. She also holds the 35 foot mono record in AZAB - Falmouth to Ponta Delgada as well as having achieved 1st and 2nd in class in Twohanded Round Britain & Ireland races, SORC races etc.

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- Larry Pierce is selling his Avon 4 man valise life raft. If anyone wants to use it they are welcome to it if they want to pay for the inspection. L_pierce@verizon.net

- Rumors have it that there might be a third Quest and that we may pick up some Open 6.5 Minis from Canada in 2013.

MERCHANDISE

We have Bermuda One-Two burgees, shirts and hats for \$15.

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.

2011 NEW ENGLAND SOLO/TWIN

This year's Solo/Twin race was held 29/30 July. 40 boats entered this year (about the same as in 2010). Again we had only 1 solo monohull spinnaker class with 5 participants (up from 3 in 2010), 6 multihulls and the rest were double handed monohulls. This year the solo class only one skipper was a veteran with 4 new single handed skippers to the Solo/Twin. Do to the predicted good winds we used the normal direction for the courses this year with all but the cruising class going on the 95 mile course. The first boat to finish was Keith & Alice Burrage's multi-hull Skateaway. Cutlass: 11th Hour Racing, the Class 40 sailed by Nick Halmos & Hugh Piggim, was the first mono-hull to finish on elapsed time and corrected time and thus took 1st place in Class 1, Adrian Ravenscroft & Matthew Breuer on Oronoco a Sabre 426 (first timer in the Solo/Twin) finished first in Class 2, Jeff Roy & Peter d'Anjou on Epiphany an S2 9.1 finished first in Class 3, Phil & Carroll Garland on their new boat Presto! a Presto 30 finished first in Class 4. Paul Grimes (first time solo) on Breakaway a J/35 finished first in Class 5, the solo class, and again Don & Nat Watson on Swamp Fox a custom tri finished first in Class 6, the multihulls. Four boats withdrew this year and one boat didn't show up for the start. The Cliff Mitchell Trophy, best corrected family finish, was awarded to Robert and Todd Johnston.

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