



BERMUDA ONE-TWO NEWSLETTER

Hello again,
This is the second newsletter in 2019.

2019 FALL SKIPPERS' PARTY

The Fall Skippers' Party is scheduled for 2 November 2019 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 March 2020.

We actually have an agenda for this Party. One of our own skippers, Phil Haydon, will do the following half hour presentation:

Sleep while sailing solo offshore – tips and considerations

Phil Haydon, Ph.D. is both a neuroscientist who studies the regulation of sleep and a solo offshore sailor. He has integrated his scientific knowledge with sources of information provided by others to develop his own "checklist" to follow when racing offshore. He will share this information in the hope that it will be helpful to other sailors and prevent them making errors, that can be serious, after prolonged periods of sleep deprivation.

2021 BERMUDA ONE-TWO DATES

We have scheduled the next Bermuda One-Two in 2021. The start to Bermuda is on Friday (back to a Friday) 4 June and the return to Newport is on Thursday 17 June. Make your plans!

SKIPPERS' REPRESENTATIVE

For those that may not know, Tristan Mouligne continues his reign as the Skippers' Representative. Tristan was reelected at the last Awards. Tristan has been participating in our Race Committee meetings in the preparations leading up to the past two Bermuda One-Two races as well as racing in the New England Solo/Twin races as well as five Bermuda One - Two races. Tristan has also been involved with communicating with many new and potential skippers.

2019 BERMUDA ONE-TWO RECAP

Our numbers were a little down this year with three minis and five Class 40s (both in their own classes). 36 skippers registered (14, again, were first timers which is nice to see), 28 boats actually started the singlehanded leg to Bermuda and only 20 boats finished (8 turned back, not the smallest fleet but the biggest attrition since 1979). Returning after a hiatus since 2005 Juan Perez at 85 did the singlehanded leg this time on a 28' Tartan. We missed a bunch of the regulars that didn't make it this year and hope to see them in 2021. Robert Kelly met up with us in Bermuda for the return leg having made a delivery to Bermuda from the Islands. 19 boats started the doublehanded leg to Newport (Velocity Girl, Richard Lett, headed for the Azores planning on doing some racing in Europe and the OneStar next year, Bolero, Juan Perez, did his usual and headed home just after the start for Newport) and 15 finished (however all these boats made it back home, two people broke ribs while below decks).

- Before we even left for starting on start day to Bermuda, Mary McCarthy-Mann was taken to the hospital with what turned out to be a kidney stone attack. Doug had accompanied Mary to the hospital so I did not expect Doug to race the singlehanded leg. However, during the start sequence I heard Zipporah check in and start just in time for his class! Mary was doing fine.

- I seem to remember the wind predictions were just 10-15 kts for the race however many said winds over 30 kts occurred. They ran into square waves and a lot of crashing off the waves; very uncomfortable. Mostly close hauled down to near Bermuda with the wind out of the SE causing them to tack to make the finish line. Juan Perez complained that the whole race was close hauled.

- **Velocity Girl** made for an interesting start going over the start line about 1 minute before it's start with the spinnaker up! He was seen heading back to the line with the spinnaker draped over the headstay.

- The attrition rate was amazing with 8 boats returning home for various reasons. David Southwell on **Alchemy**, a new J/121, developed a bent rudder post after catching one of the buoys at the continental shelf and returned on his emergency rudder. Highlander returned due to his motor no longer running and was unable to charge his batteries. Nimros and Flow turned back with more problems than they wanted to sail to Bermuda with.

- **Flying Turtle** developed a leak at the rudder post and initially thought he would return but after evaluating the leak and potential to fix it in Bermuda decided to continue. Murray was able to fix it in Bermuda with a new rubber boot.
- **Abilyn** had a total failure of his electronics, thus auto pilot, but later the same day discovered that his Garmin was causing the problem and was able to recover his electronics especially the auto pilot.
- **Privateer** was leading most of the way down to Bermuda after being the last Class 40 to start. However, Privateer was the East most boat heading into Bermuda and had to tack to make the finish line and finished last in his class. Dragon took advantage with a tack earlier on to the SW to allow him to finish first overall and in Class 5.
- Most of the race two minis, **806** and **Trouble No Trouble**, and **Bolero** were together at the back of the fleet. **Trouble No Trouble** took the Bermuda Onion Trophy by finishing last.
- Ted Singsen and I flew to Bermuda together. Ted did an amazing job of helping boats dock at Customs and help them dock at the St. George's Dinghy & Sports Club. Also helping with the boats was Rick Rorhoer; a potential B12 in 2021. Rick was there because he had singlehanded down there the week before and singlehanded back the Friday after the boats arrived. Sounds like a definite B12 skipper.
- Three skippers that had to turn back home actually flew to Bermuda since they had relatives flying down anyways and joined us in our activities and the Awards; David Southwell, Phil Haydon and Jonathan Bixby.
- Aggressive, who carried the trophies to be given in Bermuda, was the last of the 8 boats to return home. Aggressive returned home in time for Kristen Wenzel to pick up the trophies and deliver them to Amy & Gerry Leger in time for their flight to Bermuda (Gerry was return crew for Gryphon).
- 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?"
- Thanks to Jan Stringos we had pictures at the Awards in Bermuda.
- The return leg was similar in difficulty to the first leg. Two people returned with broken ribs from being thrown around below decks.
- **Privateer** left Bermuda leading the Class 40s and steadily increasing their lead finishing about 53nm ahead of 2nd boat **Dragon** (with leads bigger than that at times).
- This year we were low on family teams for the race back:
Flying Turtle – Murray & daughter Sophie Danforth
Wild Goose II – Daniel & spouse Claire Walsh, both first timers
Zipporah – Doug Mann and spouse Mary McCarthy-Mann, both first timers

Single Handed Corrected Results:

- Class 1:** 1. **Abilyn** – Josh Reisberg (1st timer); 2. **Velocity Girl** – Richard Lett; 3. **Flying Turtle** – Murray Danforth.
Class 2: 1. **Seriana** – Roger Shepley; 2. **Dirigo** – Eric Johnson; 3. **Lark** - Stanley White (1st timer); 4. **Zipporah** – Doug Mann (1st timer).
Class 3: 1. **Wild Goose II** – Daniel Walsh (1st timer); 2. **Yeah Baby** – Craig Smith (1st timer).
Class 4: 1. **Corvus** – Chris Terajewicz; 2. **Bluebird** – Gust Stringos; 3. **Gryphon** – Walter Rush (1st timer); 4. **Bolero** – Juan Perez.
Class 5 (Class 40s): 1. **Dragon** – Michael Hennessy; 2. **Marauder** – Marcus Cochran (1st time in a Class 40); 3. **First Light** – Sam Fitzgerald (1st timer); 4. **Privateer** – Jonathan Green (1st time in a Class 40).
Class 6 (Open 6.5 Minis): 1. **St. Pierre & Miquelon** – Rodolphe Victorri (1st timer); 2. **806** – Tony Leigh; 3. **Trouble No Trouble** – Brian Gray.

Double Handed Corrected Results:

- Class 1:** 1. **II Tender** – Robert Kelly & Richard West (1st timers); 2. **Flying Turtle** – Murray & Sophie Danforth.
Class 2: 1. **Seriana** – Roger Shepley & John Manderson (1st timer); 2. **Dirigo** – Eric Johnson & Lee Maynard (1st timer); 3. **Zipporah** – Doug Mann & Mary McCarthy-Mann.
Class 3: 1. **Wild Goose II** – Daniel & Claire Walsh (1st timers); 2. **Yeah Baby** – Craig Smith & Darcy Jensen (1st timers).
Class 4: 1. **Bluebird** – Gust Stringos & John Priestley.
Class 5: 1. **Privateer** – Jonathan Green & Jeffrey MacFarlane (1st timer); 2. **Dragon** – Michael Hennessey & Rob Windsor; **Marauder** – Marcus Cochran & Daniel Ditch; 4. **First Light** – Sam Fitzgerald & Allie Gray (1st timers).
Class 6: 1. **St. Pierre & Miquelon** – Rodolphe Victorri & Edwin Thibon (1st timers); 2. **Trouble No Trouble** – Brian Gray & Reeves Hollar; 3. **806** – Tony Leigh & Alex Khandros (1st timer).

Combined Corrected Results:

- Class 1:** 1. **Flying Turtle** – Murray Danforth.
Class 2: 1. **Seriana** – Roger Shepley; 2. **Dirigo** – Eric Johnson; 3. **Zipporah** – Doug Mann.
Class 3: 1. **Wild Goose II** – Daniel Walsh; 2. **Yeah Baby** – Craig Smith.
Class 4: 1. **Bluebird** – Gust Stringos.
Class 6: 1. **St. Pierre & Miquelon** – Rodolphe Victorri; 2. **806** – Tony Leigh; 3. **Trouble No Trouble** – Brian Gray.

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

SKIPPERS AND BOATS

- Eric Johnson, Dirigo, has announced that he is retiring from racing the Bermuda One-Two but will fly down to Bermuda to see everyone and to help with the race. I think he wants to be with us.
- Fred Cosandey has his new boat being worked on again, this time in the US. He has had a number of problems and spent 5 months in France trying to get things done by the manufacturer. He wants to do the B1 with this new boat.
- Richard Lett, Velocity Girl, and Peter Bourke, Rubicon, have registered for the 2020 OSTAR. Good luck guys.

MERCHANDISE

We have Bermuda One-Two burgees at \$20, 2019 hats for \$15 and shirts 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.

2019 NEW ENGLAND SOLO/TWIN

This year's Solo/Twin race was held 26/27 July. 28 boats entered this year (down from 33 last year). We had one solo monohull spinnaker class with 3 participants, one multihull class with 6 participants and the rest were doublehanded monohulls. The predictions for the weather were very, very light winds, again, for Friday and Saturday. The slowest spinnaker class and cruising canvas classes were given the 65 nm course and the rest did the 77 nm course. Since the first boats to finish were around midnight Saturday morning and the last one was around 10am, the courses were a little short. The boats started in a nice light wind out of the SE; Oohla didn't know where the start line was and started 21 minutes late. The first boat to finish was Artemis by Trevor Nelson and David Mateme at 2332 Friday night sailing in Class 4 Cruising Canvas on the 65 nm course. The first boat to finish sailing the 77 nm course was Swamp Fox sailed by the family team of Don and son Nat Watson at 2353 Friday night. In Class 1 Alchemy sailed by David Southwell and Scott Meier finished 1st elapsed and Next Wave sailed by Stephen Clarke and Brian Leach finished first in 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. Class 3 elapsed time winner was Dauntless sailed by Matthew Breuer and Felicia Lombard but corrected time winner was Yankee Girl sailed by Thomas Vander Salm and Thomas Clemow. The first boat to finish in Class 4 both on elapsed and corrected times was Artemis sailed by Trevor Nelson and David Mateme. James Hennigan Jr. on SeaJai finished first in Class 5, the Solo monohull spinnaker class, both on elapsed and corrected times. In Class 6 Swamp Fox sailed by Don and Nat Watson finished first in elapsed time and corrected time winner was Flying Fish sailed by the family team of Steve and son Josh Parks.

Four boats withdrew this year.

Five 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/> .

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 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 we will contact them with answers.

SPONSORSHIP

If you know of anyone/outfit that would like to provide some money in sponsorship for the 2017 Bermuda One-Two we would appreciate it if you would forward their information to either Roy Greenwald 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 2019 FALL SKIPPERS' 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 – 1630: Phil Haydon talk on Sleep

1630 – ? : Heavy Hors and Gam session

Please let me roy@royguay.net know if you plan on attending.