



# BERMUDA ONE-TWO NEWSLETTER

Hello again,  
This is the second newsletter in 2022.

## 2022 FALL SKIPPERS' PARTY

The Fall Skippers' Party is scheduled for 5 November 2022 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 2023.

We actually have an agenda for this Party.

- NOR changes

## 2023 BERMUDA ONE-TWO DATES

The following is a rough schedule for the next Bermuda One-Two.

November 2022: Notice of Race is published

January 1: Online application open

March 4: Spring Skippers' Forum/Party – Gulf Brief by Frank Bohlen

April 1: Application fee increases

May 31: Mandatory check in and Bermuda One-Two Skippers Send-Off Party

June 1: Mandatory SH Leg Skippers' Meeting, Weather and Gulf Stream Briefs

June 2: Newport to Bermuda Start

June 13: Awards in Bermuda

June 15: Bermuda to Newport Start

June 24: Awards in Newport

Make your plans!

## SKIPPERS' REPRESENTATIVE

For those that may not know, Jonathan Bixby was voted in as the Skippers' Representative at the Newport Awards last year. Jon 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, the past Skippers' Rep, has continued involvement in the Offshore Committee.

## POTENTIAL SKIPPERS FOR 2023

The following people have stated that they are planning on participating in the 2023: **Peter Becker** (with 2 J/105s), **Jack Clayton**, **Brian Gray** on his new POGO 44, **James Hammitt**, **Greg Leonard** on his Class 40 Kite USAa144), **John Manderson** on his Archambault 31 Kismet, **Michael Millard**, **Thomas O'Connell** on his J/99 Finale, **Stanley Paris**, **Josh Reisberg**, **Rick Rohrer**, **Walter Rush**, **David Southwell**, **Gust Stringos**, **Leah Sweet** on a Figaro 3 Celeritas, **Chris Terajewicz**, **John Youngblood** on his Little Harbor 52.

If your name is not heard it is either because I forgot, or you didn't tell me. Let me know if your intention is to do the race in 2023.

Again, there are a lot of new skippers and return skippers with new boats doing their qualifiers the year before the race, 2022. This is great to see; getting the qualifier out of the way minimizing what must be done to get ready for the race in the spring of 2023.

## 2022 OFFSHORE 160

The Offshore 160, which is held in the off year from the Bermuda One-Two, was held 15-17 July with an average turnout of 12 boats entered. 4 backed out before the start so 8 boats started in two classes with 5 finishing. 3 skippers were new to this race, several expressed the desire to do the Bermuda One-Two, and 3 were past Bermuda One-Two skippers. They started in very light winds but a strong outgoing tide. Take Two, Gordon Fletcher back with a new boat, was over early

right next to the Race Committee and so was Red Sky, Mark Winslow, but at the pin end. The boats were moving with a very light NW breeze but Windswept was the only boat that flew a spinnaker off the line.

The first boat to finish and Class 1 corrected time winner was Gordon Fletcher on Take Two at 1719 Saturday afternoon so the William J. Dubuc Trophy (First to Finish) was awarded to Gordon (again). Muffin Dubuc and her daughter Michele were on hand for this trophy. The last boat to finish was Rick McCally on Windswept Sunday at 1026 Sunday morning. John Manderson on Kismet corrected for first place in Class 2. Awards were held Sunday afternoon with about 20 people participating. More information can be seen at: <http://www.newportyachtclub.org/Racing/Offshore/Offshore160/offshore-160>.

## 2022 NEW ENGLAND SOLO/TWIN RECAP

This year's Solo/Twin race was held 29/30 July. A low of 28 boats entered this year (down from 35 last year) with 24 starting. We had the usual solo monohull spinnaker class with 2 participants, one multihull class with 1 participant and the rest were doublehanded monohulls. The predictions for the weather were for decent winds except for an extended period in the morning of very light winds. 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 and Multihull classes did the 77 nm course. Since the first non-spinnaker boat to finish was at 0545 and the first spinnaker boat to finish was at 0803 Saturday morning the courses worked out just fine. The wind piped up to 15-20 knots at the start and the first two starts were lively with a lot of action at the race committee boat. 6 classes started however we started class 4 non-spin and class 6 together: only 3 in class 4 and just the one catamaran in class 6. We gave both classes the same course but with a lot of up wind work predicted the catamaran had a lot of work to do to keep up. 24 boats started however only 16 finished mostly due to the extended period of light wind!

The first boat to finish was Class 4 First timers Tom D'Alabora and Bill Pearson on Coconut sailing on the 77 nm course.

The first Spinnaker Twin boat was first timers Digger by James Phye and Wes Bright sailing on the 103 nm course.

Corrected Time Finishes: In Class 1 Alchemist sailed by Ken Read and Suzy Leech finished 1<sup>st</sup> as they did last year. In Class 2 Memory sailed by Kevin Dakan and Bob Kinsman was first. In Class 3 Cetacean sailed by Peter Maloney and past Bermuda One-Two skipper Ray Renaud were first. In Class 4, Cruising Canvas, Coconut sailed by Tom D'Alabora and Bill Pearson. In Class 5 Windswept, sailed by past Bermuda One-Two skipper Rick McCally, was the only boat to finish in his class and the very last boat to finish; just in time to get 2 hours of sleep before the Awards.

Winner of the Cliff Mitchell Family Trophy was first timers Peter and daughter Rudy Utzschneider on Lily Pad. Seven boats had family crews.

Being an even year and having run the Offshore 160 a couple of weeks before, the New England Short Handed Ocean Racing Trophy was awarded (best boat in the 160 and doublehanded in the S/T) to Michael Millard on Wildeyes.

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

- Brian Gray is planning on acquiring his new POGO 44 in November in France and hoping to do the ARC or other Flotilla to get back to the states.
- Frederic Cosandey is planning on doing a trip to New Zealand with his new boat that he acquired to do just that. A pandemic got in the way of his original plans, so he did the Bermuda One-Two last year instead. Nice of him.
- Dragon was dismayed during the RORC 600. I would think that Michael Hennessey has a replacement by the time you read this.
- Phil Haydon has been sailing the seas promoting [Sail4Epilepsy](#). The latest while writing this is that Phil is in Portugal.
- Loren Brindze has been sailing his Hobie 33 Topaz in Southern California and says that he can say Topaz has competed in 2 different oceans. You may remember that Topaz was sailed in the Bermuda One-Two twice by previous owner Ted Robinson.
- Stanley Paris attempted another sail around the world and fortunately ended up in his usual stop, Cape of Good Hope. I say fortunately because after he flew home he underwent some plumbing that if he had continued sailing he might have a serious medical condition at sea. Very happy Stanley. By the way Stanley showed up at the Newport Yacht Club this spring in a new 52' Grand Banks on his way to Maine. He still has the sailboat and plans to do the Bermuda One-Two next year.
- I ran into Jonathan Green at the Newport Yacht Club this past spring. He had sailed his Beneteau 351 Jeroboam to the islands for the winter and had just arrived back in the states.
- Eric Johnson is planning on going to St. George for next year's race to help welcome the skippers.
- Past skippers that participated in this year's Newport – Bermuda Race in doublehanded classes: Reveille – James Hammitt (1<sup>st</sup> Class 5), Dauntless – Matt Breuer (2<sup>nd</sup> Class 5), Relentless – Patrick McFadden (4<sup>th</sup> Class 5), Young American – Peter Becker (2<sup>nd</sup> Class 6), Kent Racing – Timothy Kent (6<sup>th</sup> Class 6), Resolute – Scott Miller (7<sup>th</sup> Class 6).
- Past skippers doing the first run of the Bermuda Short-Handed Return: Alchemy – David Southwell (2<sup>nd</sup> Class 1 singlehanded), Resolute – Scott Miller (1<sup>st</sup> Class 1 singlehanded), Young American – Peter Becker (4<sup>th</sup> Class 2), Relentless

– Patrick McFadden (5<sup>th</sup> Class 2), Reveille – Jim Hammitt (1<sup>st</sup> Class 1), Dauntless – Matt Breuer (RET Class 2), Kent Racing – Tim Kent ( 8<sup>th</sup> Class 3).

### **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.

### **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, Quantum Sailmakers, Edson, Life Raft & Survival Equipment, Cay Electronics, 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 2022 FALL SKIPPERS' SHORE PARTY**  
**SATURDAY 5 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:** Skippers' Forum

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

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