

MARION TO BERMUDA



**2019 MARION-BERMUDA YACHT RACE**

**TROPHY PRESENTATION CEREMONY SCRIPT**

**MBCYR RACE DIRECTOR ALLAN MCLEAN AND  
COMMODORE WILLIE FORBE UNDER THE  
DISTINGUISHED patronage of**

**HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR of BERMUDA  
Mr. John Rankin**

## 1. WILLIE FORBES remarks and welcome

Good Evening.

Welcome to the 2019 Marion Bermuda prizegiving. I'd like to begin by introducing our honoured guests:

- His Excellency The Governor of Bermuda, Mr. John Rankin and his ADC
- The United States Consul General, Constance Dierman and her husband Roger.
- Bermuda Government Minister Jamahl and Mrs Simmons
- Mayor Charles & Mrs. Gosling:
- Glenn Jones, Bda Tourism Authority
  
- I'm also delighted to welcome Commodore Steven Ricci of the Blue Water Sailing Club and Jamie Shachoy Vice Commodore of The Beverly Yacht Club
  
- And finally, my fellow Flag officers, here at RHADC VC Elspeth Weisberg, and RC's Mark Hennenberger and John Nicholls, without whom we could not do any of this...

And of course, you, the sailors. It's great to see so many familiar faces, and many new friends out there too. I hope I've been able to talk to most of you over the last few days.

From all accounts, this was a fast fun race.

I'm going to repeat some remarks I made in Marion 10 days ago. Families around Marion have hosted Bermuda crews, including our own, for many years, friendships have been formed, and we have been the recipients of wonderful hospitality. Thank you. I hope, therefore, that we have gone some way to return that hospitality and friendship this week. Welcome and thank you.

I'd like to introduce H.E. The Governor of Bermuda, John Rankin for a few remarks.'

Remarks Jamahl Simmons

Remarks Connie Dierman

Remarks: Charles Gosling

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Now I'd like to introduce Allan McLean , The Executive Director of the race and representing the Trustees

## 2. ALLAN MCLEAN WELCOME REMARKS

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE RACE AND THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, WELCOME TO THE PRIZE GIVING AND GALA DINNER, THE FINAL OFFICIAL EVENTS OF THE 2019 MARION BERMUDA RACE.

DAVID PATTON, THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES EXTENDS HIS SINCERE REGRETS FOR NOT BEING ABLE TO ATTEND THIS YEAR, DUE TO THE UNTIMELY DEATH OF A MEMBER OF HIS FAMILY

I TRUST THAT WHETHER YOU WERE THE CAPTAIN, CREW, FAMILY, OR GUESTS, THAT YOU HAVE ENJOYED THE RACE AND THE EVENTS LEADING UP TO IT, SUCH AS THE SAS SEMINAR; THE EVENTS IN MARION AND OF COURSE THE WONDERFUL DINGHY CLUB EVENTS THIS WEEK - AS MUCH AS THE THREE CONTRIBUTING CLUBS, AND THEIR VOLUNTEERS HAVE HAD IN PLANNING, ORGANIZING AND BRINGING THE RACE TO YOU.

WE ALL KNOW THAT THERE ARE MANY INVOLVED THAT MAKE THIS ALL HAPPEN, BUT IT IS THE CAPTAINS AND CREWS WITHOUT A DOUBT, THAT MAKE THIS RACE SO SPECIAL, AS I SAID AT THE SKIPPERS MEETING, WHILE WE AWARD PRIZES FOR WHERE YOU FINISH, AND AS SUCH, RECOGNIZE WINNERS IN A VARIETY OF

CATEGORIES, ONE OF THE WONDERFUL THINGS ABOUT THIS RACE IS THAT THERE ARE NO LOSERS. YOU ARE INDEED ALL WINNERS FOR HAVING PARTICIPATED AND AS SUCH, ARE ALL TO BE CONGRATULATED.

WE ALL KNOW THAT A UNIQUE AND EXCITING FEATURE OF THIS YEAR'S RACE WAS THAT WE HAD TWO YACHTS COMPETING IN THE CLASSIC YACHT CATEGORY, THE SPIRIT OF BERMUDA WHO HAS JOINED US IN THE PAST, AND FOR THE FIRST TIME THIS YEAR, TABOR BOY, THE SAIL TRAINING VESSEL OF TABOR ACADEMY, I AM PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT IN RECOGNITION OF THE PARTICIPATION OF THESE MAGNIFICENT VESSELS, THAT THE TRUSTEES OF THE RACE VOTED TODAY TO MAKE A FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO EACH OF THE PROGRAMS TO HELP THEM CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THEIR MISSIONS AND ALSO WE STRONGLY HOPE THAT WE CONTINUE TO EXPAND THIS CLASS IN THE FUTURE,

FOR YOUR FUTURE PLANNING PURPOSES, I WANT TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE START OF THE 2021 RACE WILL BE FRIDAY JUNE 18, 2021. HISTORICALLY THE BEST PROPONENTS OF THE RACE ARE YOU AND THE PRIOR PARTICIPANTS SO WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING NOT ONLY EACH AND EVERYONE OF YOU THEN, BUT SOME OF YOUR FRIENDS ALSO AT THE STARTING LINE.

3. Allan McLean: Turn over ceremony to Willie Forbes.
4. Willie - Describe "award-giving procedure" to the attendees:
  - Announce trophy
  - Announce prize winner
  - Ask winner to come forward for the trophy and have picture taken with the Governor

## **ALL DIVISIONS OVERALL TROPHIES**

The **BWSC BOARD OF GOVERNORS TROPHY** is awarded to the yacht with the shortest-elapsed time. The winner is:

KIWI SPIRIT, a Lyman Morse Farr 63, skippered by Jonathan Riley from Marion, MA.

## **CLASSIC YACHT DIVISION TROPHIES**

The **CAPTAIN EDWARD WILLIAMS TROPHY** is awarded to the vessel with the best corrected time. The winner is:

TABOR BOY, a Dutch Pilot Schooner 1914 Iron-hulled, skippered by James Geil from Marion, MA.

**FOUNDERS DIVISION  
CLASS TROPHIES**

**CLASS D**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner is:

SILHOUETTE, a Cherubini 44, skippered by David Caso from Duxbury, MA.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner is:

FROLIC, a McMullen and Wing Dixon 44, skippered by Ray Cullum from Marion, MA.

The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner is:

CORDELIA, a Valiant V42CE, skippered by Roy Greenwald from Cambridge, MA.

The Cook's Trophy is awarded to the Cook of:

HOTSPUR II, a Columbia Columbia 50, skippered by Ron Wisner from Marion, MA.

**FOUNDERS DIVISION  
CLASS TROPHIES**

**CLASS C**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner is:

SCAPPARE, a Catalina 42 MKII, skippered by David LeBlanc from Seekonk, MA.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner is:

ESCAPADE II, a Morris Morris 46 Ocean Series, skippered by Tom Bowler from Palm Beach, FL.

The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner is:

PINNACLE, a Tartan 4100, skippered by Peter Torosian from Atkinson, NH.

The Cook's Trophy is awarded to the Cook of:

YUMI III, a Beneteau 423, skippered by Yuji Sugimoto and Toru inoue from Oita, Japan.

**FOUNDERS DIVISION  
CLASS TROPHIES**

**CLASS B**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner is:

DEFIANCE, a Navy 44 MKII, skippered by George Hamilton and Kevin Navarro from Long Beach, CA.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner is:

MOMENTUM, a Hinckley Sou'wester 51, skippered by Paul Kanev from Hartford, CT.

The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner is:

GALLANT, a Pearson Composites Navy 44, skippered by Christian Hoffman from Annapolis, MD.

The Cook's Trophy is awarded to the Cook of:

ATHENA, a Hinckley SW 59, skippered by Todd Patterson and Jill Jinks from Atlanta, GA.



**FOUNDERS DIVISION  
CLASS TROPHIES**

**CLASS A**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner is:

SUNFLOWER, a Beneteau Oceanis 523, skippered by Mark Lenci from Natick, MA.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner is:

KINSHIP, a Baltic 52, skippered by Francis Selldorff from Boston, MA.

The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner is:

ABIGAIL, a Aquidneck Custom BB-52, skippered by Robert Buck from Swampscott, MA.

The Cook's Trophy is awarded to the Cook of:

MAX, a Structures Pogo 10.5, skippered by Moritz Hilf from New York, NY.

## **FOUNDERS DIVISION SPECIAL TROPHIES**

The **L. BRYON KINGERY JR. MEMORIAL TROPHY** is awarded for the best performance by a short-handed yacht with a three or four person crew. The winner is:

CORDELIA, a Valiant V42CE, skippered by Roy Greenwald from Cambridge, MA.

*Will the entire crew please come forward for the award.*

The **DOUBLE-HANDED TROPHY** is awarded to the first yacht to finish with a two person crew. The winner is:

DAUNTLESS, a Sabre 425, skippered by Matthew Breuer from Boston, MA.

*Will the two sailors please come forward for the award.*

The **BEVERLY FAMILY TROPHY** is award to the "family" yacht finishing first. A "family" yacht is defined as one with a crew of five or more members with all or all-but-one member from a single household or a single family. Persons related to a common grandparent and spouses of these persons will be considered "family." The winner is:

MOJO, a J Boats J-46, skippered by Eric Grubman and Robert Grubman from Syosset, NY.

The **COMMODORE FAITH PAULSEN TROPHY** is awarded to the yacht crewed entirely by females finishing first. The winner is:

ETOILE, a Stellar Sloop, skippered by Anne Kolker from New York, NY.

The **OFFSHORE YOUTH CHALLENGE TROPHY** is awarded to the first "youth" yacht. The winner is:

GALLANT, a Pearson Composites Navy 44, skippered by Christian Hoffman from Annapolis, MD.

**FOUNDERS DIVISION  
SPECIAL TROPHIES (continued)**

The **KINGMAN YACHT CENTER MARION BERMUDA TEAM TROPHY** is awarded to a team of three yachts from one club or association with the lowest combined corrected time. This year we had six teams in competition. The winner is team *Blue Water team A* with the combined time of 35840 days 12 hours 0 minutes and 0 seconds. Will the skippers of the following yachts please come forward for the trophy:

ABIGAIL, a Aquidneck Custom BB-52, skippered by Robert Buck

CORDELIA, a Valiant V42CE, skippered by Roy Greenwald

MERIDIAN, a Tartan 4600, skippered by Murray Beach

The **BARTRAM TROPHY** is awarded to a Service Academy or an ROTC yacht. The winner is:

GALLANT, a Pearson Composites Navy 44, skippered by Christian Hoffman from Annapolis, MD.

The **ANCIENT MARINERS GOLDEN TEAPOT TROPHY** is awarded to the crew having the highest average age that finishes the race. The winner is:

FROLIC, a McMullen and Wing Dixon 44, skippered by Ray Cullum from Marion, MA.

Their average age is 69 years and 10 months.

The **BERMUDA OCEAN CRUISING YACHT TROPHY** is presented by SAIL Magazine to the skipper of the yacht with the best combined performance in consecutive Marion-Bermuda and Newport-Bermuda Race Cruiser Division races. The winner is:

PINNACLE, a Tartan 4100, skippered by Peter Torosian from Atkinson, NH.

## **FOUNDERS DIVISION "MINI-CLASS" TROPHIES**

The **BENETEAU CLASS TROPHY** is awarded for the best performance by a yacht manufactured by Beneteau Yachts. The winner is:

YAQUINA, a Beneteau First 42, skippered by Charles Samuelson from Cohasset, MA.

The **HINCKLEY CLASS TROPHY** is awarded for the best performance by a yacht manufactured by Hinckley Yachts. The winner is:

MOMENTUM, a Hinckley Sou'wester 51, skippered by Paul Kanev from Hartford, CT.

The **MORRIS CLASS TROPHY** is awarded for the best performance by a yacht manufactured by Morris Yachts. The winner is:

SELKIE, a Morris Yachts Ocean, skippered by G.J. Bradish from Jamaica Plain, MA.

## **FOUNDERS DIVISION REGIONAL AND CLUB TROPHIES**

The Race rules specify that a yacht may be awarded only one Regional or one Club Trophy and cannot be awarded one if she is receiving one of the Fleet or Special Trophies.

The **ADAMS BOWL** is awarded for the best performance by a New England yacht. The winner is:

SILHOUETTE, a Cherubini 44, skippered by David Caso from Duxbury, MA.

The **DEBORAH ANNE DOMENIE MEMORIAL TROPHY** is awarded for the best performance by a yacht from New York, New Jersey or Connecticut. The winner is:

ELENA, a Alden Alden 50, skippered by Steven Gordon and Ronald Weiss from Stamford, CT.

The **NAVAL ACADEMY TROPHY** is awarded for the best performance by a yacht from Chesapeake Bay. The winner is:

DEFIANCE, a Navy 44 MKII, skippered by George Hamilton and Kevin Navarro from Long Beach, CA.

The **CORPORATION OF HAMILTON TROPHY** is awarded for the best performance by a yacht from Bermuda. The winner is:

CYCLONE, a Carroll Marine Farr395, skippered by Michael Tucker from Smiths, Bermuda.

The **TOWN OF MARION TROPHY** is awarded for the best performance by a yacht from Buzzards Bay. The winner is:

ESCAPADE II, a Morris Morris 46 Ocean Series, skippered by Tom Bowler from Palm Beach, FL.

The **COMMODORE'S CUP** is awarded for the best performance by a yacht from the Blue Water Sailing Yacht Club. The winner is:

SELKIE, a Morris Yachts Ocean, skippered by G.J. Bradish from Jamaica Plain, MA.

The **BERMUDA LONGTAIL TROPHY** is awarded for the best performance by a yacht from the Beverly Yacht Club. The winner is:

FROLIC, a McMullen and Wing Dixon 44, skippered by Ray Cullum from Marion, MA.

## **FOUNDERS DIVISION OVERALL TROPHIES**

The **FOUNDERS TROPHY** is awarded to the yacht with the best overall corrected time. The winner is:

CORDELIA, a Valiant V42CE, skippered by Roy Greenwald from Cambridge, MA.

The **BYC POLARIS TROPHY** is awarded to the yacht with the best celestially-navigated performance. The winner is:

CORDELIA, a Valiant V42CE, skippered by Roy Greenwald from Cambridge, MA.

This trophy also includes a *Coming Home Pennant* to be proudly displayed. This pennant has already been awarded.

The **NAVIGATOR'S TROPHY** is awarded to the Navigator of the yacht with the best celestially-navigated performance. The winner is:

C. Gail Greenwald on CORDELIA from Cambridge, MA.

**Celestial navigators** having successfully completed the race are awarded a lapel pin in recognition. Would Ron Wisner step forward to say a few words about the celestial navigators.

Would the following **celestial navigators** please step forward.

Mark Gabrielson (Navigator) on ABIGAIL  
Harrison Barrow (Navigator) on ATHENA  
C. Gail Greenwald (Navigator) on CORDELIA  
Ashley Koenig (Navigator) and Meade Tolen (Navigator) on DEFIANCE  
Andrew Howe (Navigator) on FROLIC  
Adam Lance (Navigator) on GALLANT  
Mark Adams (Navigator) and Laurie Knight (Navigator) on HOTSPUR II  
Eric Grubman (Co-Skipper) and Robert Grubman (Co-Skipper) on MOJO  
Dave Faulders (Navigator) on MOMENTUM  
Jay O'Brien (Navigator) and Neil Rabideau (Navigator) on PINNACLE  
Stephen Ricci (Skipper) on POUCHY  
Dean Kavalkovich (Navigator) on SELKIE  
Nick Lenci (Navigator) on SUNFLOWER  
Chip Connard (Navigator) and Connor Cook (Navigator) and Sofia Vakhutinsky (Navigator) on TABOR BOY  
Bob Dugan (Navigator) on TIARA

## **EXEMPLARY PERFORMANCE TROPHY**

The **ROBERT N. BAVIER, JR. SEAMANSHIP-SPORTSMANSHIP TROPHY** may be or is awarded to any registered yacht at the discretion of the MBCYRA Trustees in recognition of truly outstanding seamanship or sportsmanship, independent of a yacht's finishing position. The winner is:

Not awarded

**Willie:** Closing Remarks

For those of you leaving Bermuda in the next day or so, I would like to wish you a safe and uneventful voyage home. For those staying a few extra days have fun!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Finally - A date for you diary, then, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Sunset is at 8:29 this evening for colours.

Thank you.

The **22<sup>th</sup> MARION-BERMUDA CRUISING YACHT RACE** awards ceremony has now concluded.