



Bob Kostyla
Marion, MA

CREW ABOARD CORSAIR

C & C 40



4-Time crew member aboard

CORSAIR

Owned by David Risch

Marion MA

Member Beverly Yacht Club

1997, 1999, 2007, 2009

DOING IT AGAIN?

I will be participating in the 2011 race aboard CORSAIR.

We will be a crew of four, David, myself, and our two sons (David Risch 19, Chris Kostyla 24)

SUGGESTIONS FOR FIRST TIMERS:

Sail on a sound boat with an experienced captain. Choose your crew carefully as the boat becomes small very quickly, and plan very well.

WHY DO YOU KEEP DOING THE MARION BERMUDA RACE?

My first Marion to Bermuda race was in 1999. I saw it as an adventure... an opportunity to test my sailing skills and to obtain some offshore racing experience, and also the opportunity to share this adventure with friends. I think what I have enjoyed most about the race itself is being offshore and for that time, having life evolve around the rhythm of the sea, the schedule of watches, and the camaraderie of friends.

In 2009 it was also the opportunity to do the race with my son and to watch and feel proud as he rose to the challenges of days of heavy weather sailing.

My second favorite part of the race is being met by my family once we arrive in Hamilton. Its a great feeling to see them waiting on the dock at the Dinghy Club, all smiles and maybe even a cold drink in hand. And then the following days at the beach and the evenings of dinners and dancing. The race is really a wonderful opportunity to share time with family and friends,

