

NEWPORT TO BERMUDA OCEAN RACE



On June 17th, the Newport to Bermuda Ocean Race will begin. There are over 200 boats entered this year, making the race the second largest in the race's history.

Eric Glaser, HBYC's Race Director will be competing this year on the yacht ***Kalevala II***, a Grand Soleil 37. All boats will have a tracker on them, allowing the public to view the progress in nearly real time through the app "YB Races", or by going to www.bermudarace.com – the official site of the race.

The following is a brief description of the race, taken from the Notice of Race...

"The Newport Bermuda Race is not for novices. The 635-mile ocean course across the Gulf Stream is often swept by gale-force winds, large breaking waves, and strong currents that can lead to damage, seasickness, hypothermia, and other issues. The Bermuda Race Organizing Committee very strongly encourages the designing, building, and preparation of seaworthy yachts sailed by self-sufficient crews proficient in navigation, seamanship, and environmental stewardship. This race will test and reward them."