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Top Notch Speakers and Presentations March 2011 Marion Bermuda Safety at Sea Symposium

Marion, MA – The 2011 Marion Bermuda Cruising Yacht Race "Safety at Sea" Symposium, as sanctioned by US Sailing, will be taking place on Saturday, March 19th, at the very comfortable Kresge Auditorium at MIT in Cambridge, MA. The symposium will again be complemented by an exciting *second day* (Sunday, March 20) of practical hands-on training sessions, including: Medical Emergencies, Weather/Gulf Stream, First Aid/CPR Certification and a special ISAF half day in-water personal survival course.

If you're planning on racing to Bermuda or Halifax this summer, or just want to make sure you're up to speed on safety procedures and techniques, you won't want to miss this educational weekend, where you'll find more enlightening content and demonstrations than ever before.

On Day 1, you'll hear from Top Notch expert speakers: John Rousmaniere, Stephen Thing, Frank Bohlen, Sheila McCurdy, Henry Marx and Mike Keyworth.

The ticket price for Day One is \$130 (\$5 discount for US Sailing members) and will include a continental breakfast, lunch and the certificate of attendance from US Sailing. Day Two courses range from \$50-\$125 per session. See Website for Safety At Sea Registration and More Information.

If you're travelling a distance and need hotel accommodations, special arrangements have been made with Le Meridien, within walking distance from MIT. Rates: \$129/night. When you book a room, make sure to let them know you're with the Marion Bermuda Safety at Sea Symposium group.

Registration for the June 17, 2011 Marion Bermuda Race opened on September 1, 2010 with 38 boats currently registered. Visit the updated Race website www.marionbermuda.com to download the Notice of Race, Inspection Check-Lists, find a Mentor, read about past and new race participants, and learn about upcoming safety and weather seminars. Join the conversation on the Race Discussion Forum: <http://racetobermuda.ning.com>.

Since its inception in 1977, the Marion Bermuda Race has been a Corinthian event (amateur yachtsman who sails his own yacht without a professional skipper) and yachts are accepted by invitation. The spirit of the race is that all yachts and crew are participating for the joy and pleasure of sailing, competition,

and the camaraderie that accompanies such an offshore event.

The Marion to Bermuda Cruising Yacht Race is organized by [The Beverly Yacht Club](#), [The Blue Water Sailing Club](#) and [The Royal Hamilton Amateur Dinghy Club](#) for the Marion Bermuda Cruising Yacht Race Association, Inc - a 501(c)(3) organization which among other activities supports Youth Sailing programs to encourage teamwork, skill enhancement and confidence.

Website: www.marionbermuda.com

Race Forum/Discussion: <http://racetobermuda.ning.com>

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