



During a celebratory dinner at the Royal Western Yacht Club in Plymouth, the Ocean Racing Club was established, with Lieutenant Commander E.G. Martin OBE RNVR appointed as its first Commodore. The Club's objective was to organise an annual ocean race of no less than 600 miles in length. The Club was officially formed on 9th October, with members contributing an annual subscription of £1.

PABST RACE - 1925 600 miles
Started from Hyde: 18th August at 12 noon.

Yacht & Owner	Rating	Finish	Time Allowance	Corrected Time	Place
JULIE WARD R.D. Martin		Start: 14.45.27	scratch	Start: 14.45.27	1
PUMAR R.H.T.C.		Start: 10.48.05	12.50.00	" 21.38.05	2
GULL H.P.P. Denigan		" 11.02.15	9.00.00	Start: 0.02.15	3
SLALDER Eug. Simon		" 12.04.20	0.00.00	" 0.04.20	4
BARNA IV E.J. Barrett		Start: 0.06.20	Not measured.		
JENNIE L C.J. Hussey		Gave up.	10.40.00		
WYNNIE W. Tennant		Gave up.	0.20.00		

LOG OF YACHT "GALLIOT"
During the Coast Race from Hyde, round the Fastnet, to
Plymouth.

SHIP'S COMPANY.

Eng. Simon, Dep. Seacraft, Capt. Comm.
Major G. J. Seddon, Seacraft.
E. F. Lawrence, Dep. Seacraft, J.L.A.
Lieut. Comdr. J. B. Boyd, R.N., J.L.A. "Thames"
Lt. C. Gort, Dep. Comdr. Seacraft, J.L.A.
John Gort, } Crew. Both of Southampton.
Harry Gort, }

N.B. These are British names used throughout, and are
correct for all known start at midnight.

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The Start of the Ocean Race, Aug 1925.



1925 Ocean Race: Log of Saladin extract

Inaugural Ocean Race: Start of the 1925 Ocean Race, marking a new era in offshore racing © Beken & Sons

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FASTNET RACE.

1925.

"JOLIE BRISE"
"FULMIN"
"GULF"
"SALADIN"
"BANDA IV"
"JESSIE I"
"NORTH STAR"

Owner - Lt. Com. T. G. Martin.
Royal Engineer Yacht Club.
Mr. H. P. Donaghen.
Mr. Ingo Simon.
Mr. H. R. Barrett.
Mr. C. J. Hussey.
Capt. W. Tennant.

1926.

"ILEX"
"FERROUSE IV"
"BALLOWEEN"
"SALADIN"
"JOLIE BRISE"
"BANDA IV"
"FERROUSE"
"ALTAIR"
"GULF"
"FLAME" (did not start)
"HEATHLEY" (did not start)

Owner - Royal Engineer Yacht Club.
Mr. F. L. Ames.
Col. J. P. Donaghen.
Mr. Ingo Simon.
Lt. Com. E. G. Martin.
Mr. H. R. Barrett.
Mr. Robert Somerset.
Mr. Aitken Dick.
Mr. E. P. Donaghen.
Mr. C. E. Nicholson.
Mr. C. H. Hin.

1927.

"JOLIE BRISE"
"NICANOR"
"LA GOLFEA"
"TALLY HO"
"MORRHENIA"
"SPICA"
"ILEX"
"SADHREE"
"CONQUEST"
"THALASSA"
"ALTAIR"
"WATERBURY"
"KELLY"
"FERROUSE"
"SALADIN" (did not start)
"SUNBEAM" (did not start)
"MOMA LISA" (did not start)
"THEYIS" (did not start)

Owner - Dr. Brownlow Smith & Mr. W. Ferrier.
Mr. Daniel Simonds.
Mr. Ralph Peverley.
Lord Stalbridge.
Mr. W. Curtis Green.
Mr. A. M. & Mr. J. T. Hunt.
Col. J. R. M. Sargl & Com. E. P. Wilson.
Royal Engineer Yacht Club.
Mr. Connor O'Brien.
Mr. E. O'Day-Gordon.
Mr. Edward Ponsenby.
Mr. Aitken Dick.
Lieut. W. F. Luard.
Mr. M. Selby & Mr. H. G. Tetley.
Mr. Robert Somerset.
Mr. Ingo Simon.
Mr. R. Donday.
Mr. J. L. Moltzer.
Mr. W. C. Tiebner.

A black and white photograph of a three-masted schooner sailing on the water. The sails are fully deployed, and the ship is viewed from a side profile. The ship is dark-colored, and the water is choppy. The sky is light and overcast. The ship is moving towards the right of the frame.

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Baroness André de Neuville, née Jacqueline Gounelle (1895-1975),
first woman member of the RORC in 1929

La course-croisière du Fastnet

Comme nous le laissons prévoir dans notre numéro de la semaine dernière, c'est le yacht *Jolie-Brise*, ancien pilote du Havre, qui sortit vainqueur de la course du Fastnet, confirmant son succès de 1925, et terminant, cette fois, devant *Saladin*, *Maitens-II*, *Gueuvrec*, etc.

[...]

À l'arrivée, le Royal Western Yacht Club offrit, sous la présidence de M. Martin, le très sympathique vice-président du club, un dîner d'une centaine de couverts, repas annuel de l'Océan Racing Club, auquel fut admise pour la première fois une femme.

La baronne André de Neuville est en effet la première femme nommée membre de ce Club, dont peuvent seuls faire partie des concurrents ayant accompli et terminé les courses très dures des Bermudes ou du Fastnet. Trois tentatives féminines, les années précédentes, ayant été suivies d'abandon, soit en Amérique, soit en Angleterre, Mme de Neuville fut l'objet d'ovations frénétiques de la part des membres de l'Océan Racing Club, ses nouveaux collègues.

Nous tenons également à signaler la belle performance nautique du Gueuvrec qui, à l'issue de la course-croisière de Méditerranée, se rendit en vingt-deux jours de Barcelone à Cowes pour courir le Fastnet, auquel il dû prendre part sans avoir pu caréner. Gueuvrec étant également inscrit dans la course Plymouth-Santander du 26 août, se trouva le seul yacht ayant défendu les couleurs du Y.C.F. dans l'ensemble des trois épreuves les plus importantes de l'année, soit en Méditerranée, soit en Océan.

The Fastnet cruise race

As we predicted in our issue last week, it was the yacht *Jolie-Brise*, a former pilot of Le Havre, which was the winner of the Fastnet race, confirming its 1925 success and finishing, this time, ahead of *Saladin*, *Maitens-II*, *Gueuvrec*, etc.

[...]

On arrival, the Royal Western Yacht Club offered, under the presidency of M. Martin, the very friendly vice-president of the club, a dinner for a hundred people, annual meal of the Ocean Racing Club, to which was admitted for the first time a woman.

Baroness André de Neuville is in fact the first woman to be appointed as a member of this Club, of which only competitors who have completed and completed the very tough Bermuda or Fastnet races can join. Three feminine attempts, the previous years, having been followed by abandonment, either in America or in England, Mme de Neuville was the object of frenzied ovations on the part of the members of the Ocean Racing Club, her new colleagues.

We would also like to point out the fine nautical performance of Gueuvrec who, at the end of the Corsica-Mediterranean cruise-race, went in twenty-two days from Barcelona to Cowes to race the Fastnet, in which she had to take part without having been able to careen. Gueuvrec also being entered in the Plymouth-Santander race on August 26, will be the only yacht to have defended the colors of the Y. C. F. in all the three most important events of the year, either in the Mediterranean or in the Ocean.

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First female member, Baroness André de Neufville,
joins the Club