

IOD Fleet Update...

As summer approaches, we look forward to another season of great Nantucket Sound sailing conditions and close competition. This past Winter/Spring much time was spent organizing the transportation and boat preparation details of four International One Designs which head to Marblehead for the New England Challenge celebrating the 75th Jubilee of the class and the 2011 World Championships. These events are to be held June 3 – 5, 2011 and June 11 – 17, 2011 respectively.

We have four teams (syndicates) competing in the 3-day Jubilee regatta which will bring more than 20 IOD crews together from around the world. Representing Nantucket at the Jubilee are Bravo, Delta, Papa and Sierra Syndicates. Our four boats will stay on to be used in the World Championships where our fleet will be represented by the Bravo and Papa Syndicates skipped by David Poor and Bobby Constable respectively.

Bermuda Race Week was held in the first week of May this year. The MIKE Syndicate led

by Ian McNeice, IOD Fleet Captain

by Dan MacKeigan, competed in some trying conditions with boat breakdowns due to high winds. Yet, by all accounts, they had a great time.

The Nantucket IOD Fleet boats have undergone further improvements to the layout of the sail controls for this upcoming season. We are working to improve the ease of handling of the boats. With a couple of extra items on the “wish list” which are to be addressed this season, the boats will be much more user friendly in all conditions.

Finally, preparation for the IOD North American Invitational being hosted by our fleet is well under way. We anticipate participation of eight fleets from the North America region including Bermuda and Nova Scotia for the 3 day regatta. Stay tuned!

