



OCEAN REVIVAL 2020

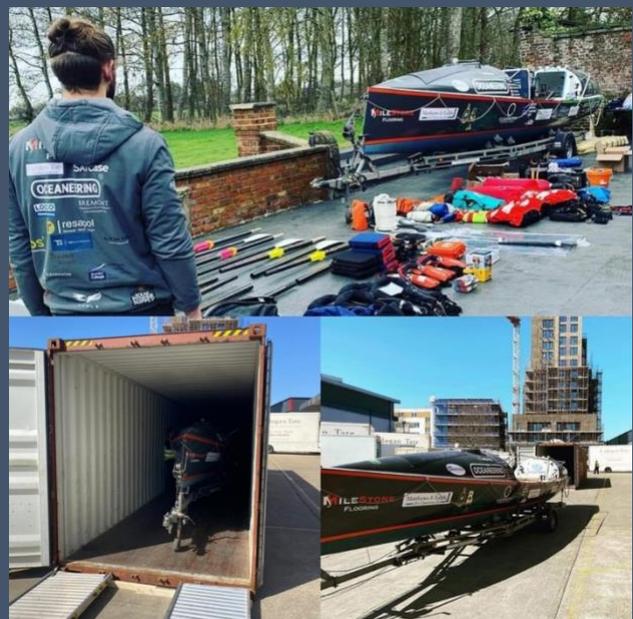
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It has been another busy period for the team as we enter the final stages before the team set off in New York in just over a months time. A real feeling of ground rush as the boat was prepared for shipping by the team over the last few weekends, checking and rechecking kit and equipment before packing it in what will be the teams home for 70 days! The team have done a fantastic job, managing to maneuver around full time work and families to ensure that everything is as it should be before such a voyage. However, we must say a massive thank you to the families of Ian, Jordan, Simon, Dom and Matt who have believed in the team and accepted with real patience, the sheer amount of time just getting to the start line would of and has taken.

THE BOAT HAS BEEN

SHIPPED!

A year late due to that small glitch in the anthropogenic timeline called COVID 19, our floating fortress has gone! Cadogan Tate took the boat in the last week of March and loaded her into a 40ft container. She is now on the high seas, arriving in NY around mid-April.





OUR TIMELINE

Due to COVID and US policies, the team are having to isolate outside of the UK and Schengen Zone for 2 weeks before then flying into the States to isolate for a further week. This means that the team will be flying to Antigua to isolate before flying onto JFK.

DATE	Route
24 th April	London – Antigua (Two week quarantine outside of the EU)
08 th May	Antigua – New York (One week quarantine in NY before picking the boat up)
15 th May	Pick up food and boat from Brooklyn
18 th – 25 TH May	On standby in Liberty Landing Marina to set off

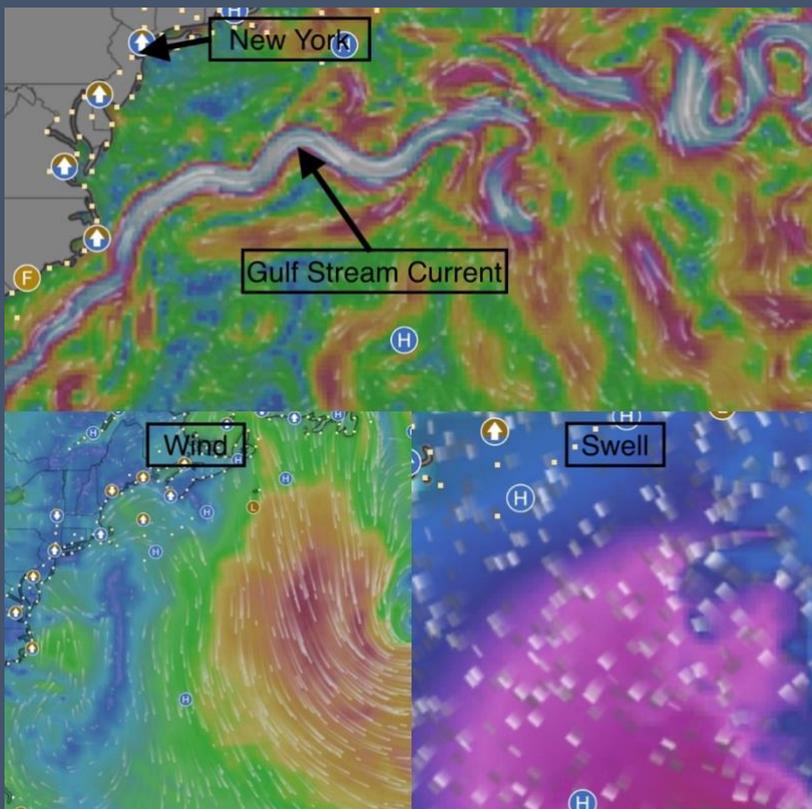
New York Weather Window

The New York phase will see the team based out of New Jersey in the vicinity of Liberty Landing Marina as that is where the boat will be moored as we await a weather window. The row will see the team punch out of NY, rowing hard for the first few days to escape the messy currents and wind created where land and ocean meet. This is also the hardest time for the crew as their bodies are adapting to being at sea and working



hard with very little sleep. Anxiety, dread, fear, exhilaration, joy are all emotions will all be going through the teams heads as they battle both physically and mentally. After a week or so, things will become a new normal, bodies will begin to adapt and things will get a little

easier as routines begin to become second nature.

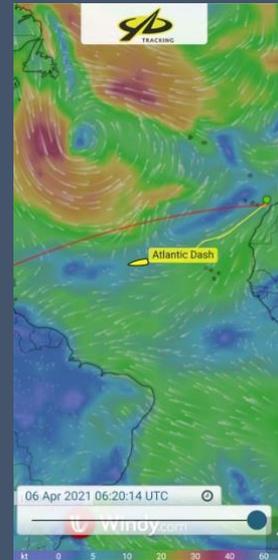


Before setting off the team will be looking for a weather system that will push them East South East for up to a week to get the out and into the Gulf stream. Ocean rowing can be made or broken on the weather and how teams utilise its effects; and often the hardest part, is getting out of the blocks and away from land. The team will be factoring in a number of weather aspects but the most important are

wind and swell. Both the wind and swell play a huge part in the speed, stability and safety of the boat meaning that when the team leave land it has to be right! A good app to track the weather on whilst the team are rowing is the WINDY APP.

Tracking the Team

The team will be using a Yellow Brick tracker that will update every two hours our exact position. You will be able to follow this on both our website (www.oceanrevivaladventures.com) and the Ocean Rowing Societies website (<https://oceanrowing.com/>). Aswell as this, we will be posting daily updates from the team across our social media.



OUR CHARITIES – FINAL PUSH!

We would like to thank everyone that has supported our fundraising campaigns for our charities, The Royal Marines Association and Royal Marines Charity, and also Plastic Oceans UK, who are soon to be renamed Ocean Generation. To date we have raised an amazing £57,187 but would ask your help to raise even more!

Campaign Name	Percentage Raised	Amount Raised	Target	Number of Supporters
Team Ocean Revival 2020 North Atlantic Ocean Row	97%	£19,457	£20,000	32
Team Ocean Revival 2020 North Atlantic Row	125%	£37,730	£30,000	62

To disseminate among friends, families and work colleagues here are the links:

Plastic Oceans UK (soon to be Ocean Generation)

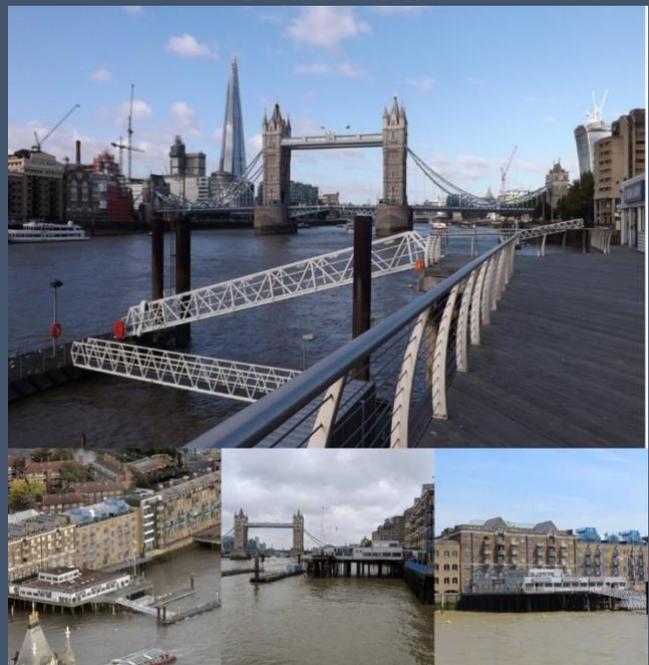
<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ocean-revival-2020>

RMA – The Royal Marines Charity

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London

From here on, all correspondence will be through Dom Rogers, the teams Shore Side manager (dom.i.rogers@hotmail.com) who will be ensuring the safety of the crew from land and managing the teams social media as well as any national media whilst acting as the main point of contact for sponsors. The team would love you to be in London at HMS President as the team rows up the Thames and under Tower Bridge but timings will not be confirmed until a few days prior to the finish due to so many variable factors. If you do wish to attend, please liaise with Dom who will be able to give you all the details!



Final Word

As the team spend the last few weeks in the UK, we once again want to say a massive THANK YOU to YOU! Without you, Ocean Revival would not be here, have raised so much for charity or built a fantastic education program. YOU have made this happen! We look forward to seeing you on or after the safe arrival of the team in London.