Ready for the new sailing challenge? Tired of putting together a full crew for every race?

Looking for more kinship with those you race against?

Then try the fastest growing aspect of offshore racing – shorthanding.

Singlehanded racing has been around for years – trans-Atlantic, around-the-world, and now — more and more — coastal. Doublehanded racing has more recently been attracting offshore sailors who want the challenge but who also want the companionship of racing with a friend, spouse, or child.

Take a look at three shorthanded races that may interest you. Each is a major event limited to singlehanded and/or doublehanded entries offering varying degrees of complexity appealing to first timers and long-time veterans alike.

Sailed under PHRF ratings and with fleets mostly comprised of cruiser/racers, each of these events is designed to attract the serious offshore sailor.

Adventure is calling — seize your opportunity today!
OFFSHORE 160
SINGLE-HANDED CHALLENGE®

Start: Friday, July 13, 2018
Sponsored by:
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Newport Yacht Club, Newport, RI

The biennial Offshore 160, held in the off-year from the Bermuda ONE-TWO, is a 160-mile qualifier for the ONE-TWO. This low-keyed, bare-bones event is designed to potentially get new skippers' singlehanded qualifying passage out of the way in the off-year, and to provide past competitors with a long-distance racing "fix."

http://newportyachtclub.org/racing/offshore/offshore_160/

20th Biennial Series — 2019
June 8, 2019 to June 29, 2019

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• March 2018: Skippers' Forum/Party
• November 2018: Skipper's Forum/Party
• March 2019: Skipper's Forum/Party
• June 8, 2019: Singlehanded Start from Newport, RI to Bermuda (635 miles)
• June 20, 2019: Doublehanded Start from Bermuda to Newport, RI (635 miles)

http://www.bermudal1-2.org/

Raced annually, singlehanded and doublehanded classes compete in both spinnaker and non-spinnaker classes. Courses consist of ocean triangles of from 65 to 125 miles long which begin and end in Narragansett Bay, and vary in length for the Monohulls, Multihulls and Cruising Canvas divisions.

• Registration: Thursday 7/26 @ 1600-2000
• Skipper's Meeting: Friday 7/27 @ 0900
• First Class Start: Friday 7/27 @ 1200
• Awards: Saturday 7/28 @ 1600

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