

James Myatt Trust
Mrs Janet Gauntlett,
The Hon Secretary James Myatt Trust
Charles House, Gosport Marine
PO12 IAM

Ossian Hojme

Dear Mrs Gauntlett,

My name is Ossian Hojme I was very grateful to receive a donation from the Trustees of £200, towards the cost of participating in the Trans- Atlantic Rendezvous- 2017 Tall-ships race. We the crew have now completed our leg of the race from Bermuda to Boston. I can truly say it was the most fantastic experience of my life and something that I will never forget.

We flew out to Bermuda and were there to coincide with the Americas Cup race and cheer on the fantastic efforts of team UK, sadly victory eluded them again, but we were lucky enough to tour the Americas Cup Village on Bermuda which was truly stunning, as was the Island itself with its pink sandy beaches and turquoise waters.

Soon after the Tall-ships parade when sailed around the island and were cheered to the start line it was our turn to depart for the race of a life-time we passed through the tail of a cyclone blowing through, with winds at one point of up 56 knots!

It was exhilarating and exciting the race was on with 'Rona 2' in hot pursuit of the 'Pride of Baltimore' which I must say we absolutely smashed in the end passing her with less than 50 nautical miles to the finish, but it was very tight several times we came within meters of each other which was hair raising!, but so much fun.

In Boston MA we were greeted like hero's and received honours in the victory parade all the months of preparation were forgotten and we all felt we had truly given our best.

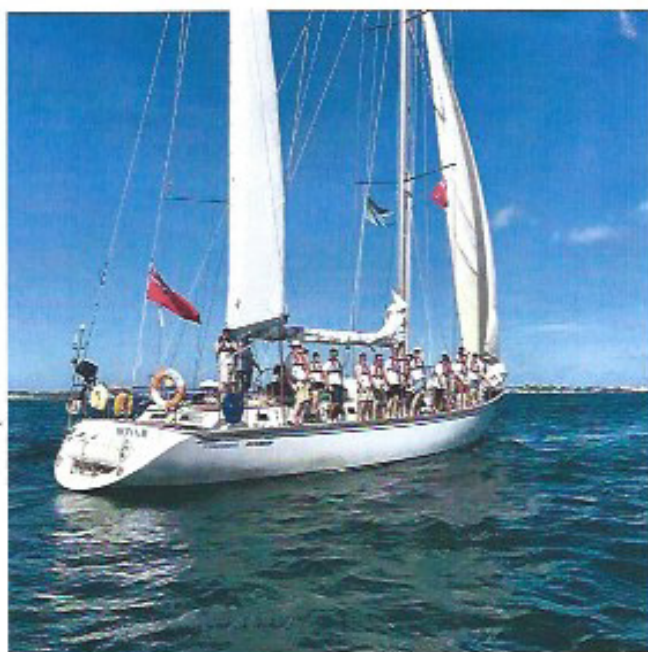
I came back to UK at the end of June and rather back to the reality of study and A Levels but the whole experience has made me absolutely determined to pursue a career within the Yachting Industry, after I finish my A levels next year I hope to study a degree in 'Yacht operations' and Maritime science at Noss- Marine South Devon through the University of Plymouth and participation in the Tall-ships Race will go some way to furthering my ambitions.

This incredible invaluable experience would not have been possible without your support so I would like to say a huge Thank-you to you and the Trustees.
(I also enclose some Photographs from the trip)

Yours sincerely,
Ossian Hojme



On deck Rona 2 Bermuda- heading to the start line



Sailing out from Bermuda and view from the Americas Cup Village



Tall-Ships Parade Boston MA -2017 (our race position 1st in class/6th overall)



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On Map

Rona II

Type: 8m Sloop (15 GBR 435)
Skipper/Owner: Andrew Hunter / Rona Sailing Project
Position at: 12/08/17 08:00 UTC
Position: 42° 16.74 N, 067° 26.90 W
Speed/Dir: 7.0 km @ 300 degrees

Distance to go: 89.9 NM

1st In Class 0
6th In Position Overall

The best bit! Taking the Helm

