

Dear JHYC Members:

We are pleased to announce a JHYC rally to St Kitts on March 27th to coincide with the Channel Swim on the 29th (<https://www.nevistostkittscrosschannelswim.com>). We have 3 club members (Nikki, Bill and Terry) who plan to compete, so all support is encouraged. We are in contact with Ian Morley, the Commodore of St Kitts Yacht Club and look forward to his advice and assistance.

The run to St Kitts is approximately 46 miles, and is usually an uneventful downwind run. The return trip can be more challenging (check with the participants on the Nevis Rally) and we will issue weather advisories as the date approaches. Anchoring in Major's and/or Cockleshell Bay/White Bay is planned, which should provide protection from the prevalent wind and a convenient location for the swim race.



Christophe Marina (<https://www.christopheharbour.com/marina>) does provide slips that can be booked online, but I am advised that the setup is mainly for superyachts and the slip height may be excessive for most of our boats. We are working to arrange customs clearance here and it appears that the process can be expedited by provision of documentation prior to arrival. It is planned to publish a 'rally registration' for on the website to coordinate our actions, and allow crew exchange and brokerage. At present, we have not scheduled activities ashore until we account for the swim events, but plan on sundowners on Heart of the Dolphin on one night.

Paul and Jimbo
Rear Commodores