



ROUTE HALIFAX SAINT-PIERRE 2018 9th edition



Notice of Race Amendment 3 NEW Race Director

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Due to personal obligations, Richard Hinterhoeller will not follow 2018 ROUTE Halifax Saint-Pierre. We really want to thank him for all these years of involvement in ROUTE Halifax Saint-Pierre, he is a major actor of the success of the race and we are looking forward to sharing with him the numerous developments of the ROUTE.

We are happy and proud to welcome **Sylvie Viant** as our new **Race Director**.

Sylvie is one of the great figures of the International Offshore Race and we are honored that she is joining the ROUTE for the first time.

Sylvie has directed the most prestigious competitions including the Vendée Globe, the Transat Jacques Vabre, the Route du Rhum, Quebec Saint-Malo, The Transat or the Barcelona World Race and of course the Tour de France à la Voile, origin of her meeting with Philippe Patuere during the first participation of Saint-Pierre and Miquelon in 1990.

Race Director of Quebec Saint-Malo for 4 editions, including the last 3 ones, Sylvie has worked for many years with **Manu Chaigne**, who operates in Saint-Pierre et Miquelon when the boats sail the Archipelago. Their skills in Ocean Racing and a perfect knowledge of the local water together with a strong friendship built over the miles make it an exceptional tandem to lead the ROUTE.

This great sailor, the first woman to accomplish an around the World Tour on the Withbread in 1973, has to her credit many Transatlantic Races, including the Transat Lorient / Saint-Pierre / Lorient in 1987 during which she skippered "Depeche Mode", a 63 feet monohull.

"I'm looking forward to cooperating again with Manu and seeing Saint-Pierre et Miquelon where I have not been back since 1987. I have a wonderful memory of my stay in the Archipelago and during each Transat Quebec Saint-Malo, I always regretted not being able to stop there".