



● SKIPPER:

EMMANUEL HAMEZ

60 YEARS OLD - ENGINEER - RWANDA



TRACK RECORD IN BRIEF

- 2nd Drheam Cup 2024
- 13th CIC Normandy Channel Race 2021
- 12th CIC Normandy Channel Race 2020
- 24th Route du Rhum 2018
- 14th Rolex Fastnet Race 2017
- 20th Route du Rhum 2014

5th participation in the CIC Normandy Channel Race

● CO-SKIPPER:

ARNAUD BIET

45 YEARS OLD - COMPANY MANAGER - SAINT-MALO



TRACK RECORD IN BRIEF

- 2nd Drheam Cup 2024

1st participation in the CIC Normandy Channel Race

● SKIPPER'S MOTIVATION

Emmanuel Hamez and Arnaud Biet, two sailing enthusiasts, are getting ready to take on the challenge of the Normandy Channel Race. This duo of amateur sailors, united by their love of the sea and their desire to progress, have spent the last 5 months refitting Class40 n°173, Viranga. After a number of outings in the Bay of Saint-Malo, a tour of Brittany and participation in the Drheam Cup 2024, they have settled in and found that they have a good feeling about each other, and are now ready to take on the new challenge that is the NCR.

For Emmanuel and Arnaud, this race is much more than just a competition. It's an opportunity to validate the progress they've made since relaunching their boat and to test themselves against more experienced sailors. Although they are aware of the high standard of the race, they approach it with humility and determination. Their main objective? To have fun, learn and progress together aboard these incredible machines that are the Class40 scows.

Taking part in the Route du Rhum 2026 remains Emmanuel's goal, and the Normandy Channel Race is a crucial stage in the qualification process. By crossing the finish line, the skipper of Viranga hopes to take another step towards taking part in this legendary race.

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TYPE: POGO S4

NAVAL ARCHITECT: GUILLAUME VERDIER

SHIPYARD: STRUCTURES

YEAR: 2021

