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CLASS40 NORMANDY Channel RACE
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SKIPPER:

STÉPHANE BODIN

57 YEARS OLD - THERMAL ENGINEER - POITIERS

TRACK RECORD IN BRIEF

- 17th Spi Ouest France 2025
- 18th CIC Normandy Channel Race 2024
- 6th RORC Caribbean 600 2024
- 16th Transat Jacques Vabre 2023
- 15th 40 Malouine Lamotte 2023
- Retired from Québec–Saint-Malo

3rd participation in the CIC Normandy Channel Race

CO-SKIPPER:

ROMEN RICHARD

27 YEARS OLD - SAILOR - LA ROCHELLE

TRACK RECORD IN BRIEF

- French Match Race runner-up
- 9th at the Youth Olympic Games
- 3rd in the Tour de France à la Voile
- 12th in the Solitaire du Figaro
- 3rd in the Solo Guy Cotten Figaro 3
- 1st in the MOCRA Fastnet under-15

1st participation in the CIC Normandy Channel Race

SKIPPER'S MOTIVATION

Stéphane: This year I'm competing in the CIC NCR with Romen Richard. Romen has proven himself on the Figaro circuit and coaches the IRC group in La Rochelle.
This will allow us to work on the boat's speed, particularly when sailing close-hauled.
I'll certainly be a bit apprehensive at the start this year because last year a collision with another competitor caused major damage to the boat and resulted in it losing its mast, which ruined a large part of the season.
We're not going to dwell on the past either; we need to look ahead. The boat is operational again and we need to train to be fully prepared for the Route du Rhum.
As for sporting objectives, I hope to finish ahead of the other Pogos and also ahead of the few amateurs on the circuit.
This is my third time in Caen, and it's always a pleasure; we're made to feel very welcome.
Romen: This is my first Class40 race, which I'm delighted to be sharing with Stéphane, who's invited me on board. My ambitions are to explore and enjoy myself on board, with some great surfing ahead, I hope.

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TYPE: POGO S4
NAVAL ARCHITECT: GUILLAUME VERDIER
SHIPYARD: STRUCTURES
YEAR: 2023