



# TEAM TARI ANNE

Tari Anne is a Bahamian B Class sloop racing sailboat built by Walter Archer in 1974 in Nassau, Bahamas. The Bahamian Sloop racing boats are built to imitate the old fishing smacks that used to race each other during the fishing off season. While they have been altered slightly to make them better at racing, most of them still adhere to the traditional Bahamian boat design.

The “John B Award” is given to the boat that the National Family Island Regatta Committee feels most adheres to the traditional rigging and look of the original fishing/racing boats. Tari Anne is the most recent winner of this award.

Tari Anne is now under the ownership of Mr. Percy Knowles of Nassau, Bahamas. A past Olympic sailor and brother of Olympic gold medalist Sir Durward Knowles, Percy is a standup Bahamian looking to help keep the tradition of Bahamian Sloop Sailing alive. The boat is kept in George Town, Exuma under the care and captaincy of Dallas Knowles and his family. The team behind Tari Anne consists of more than 10 people who help keep her maintained and used as often as possible.



Sailing is an expensive and time consuming sport and these wooden boats require constant care and maintenance. That is why we are reaching out into the community of Exuma to help keep the great tradition and heritage of this beautiful boat alive and to also help us stay competitive in the National Family Island Regatta and Long Island Regatta.

Every two months we are offering anyone a chance to sail on Tari Anne in Elizabeth Harbor. We will rig her up for a weekend of sailing and practice and we are offering limited spots onboard for you to have a chance to experience the thrill of Bahamian Sloop Sailing. There is no other type of sailing quite like it anywhere. In exchange we are asking for donations to the team to help us keep her in tip top shape.



Our goals this year are to spend as much time as possible with permanent crew onboard Tari Anne to practice everything from starts to tacking, proper sail adjustment, racing tactics etc. Tari Anne may be over 41 years old, but she is still a very fast boat, having won the National Family Island Regatta B Class 6 times in the last 15 years! The Knowles family is new to the boat so we need as much time as we can onboard to get used to how she sails and how to make her go as fast as possible.





## Breakdown of estimated yearly costs of operation:

Bottom Paint: \$500

Topside Paint: \$200

Fuel for support boat: \$1500  
(also towing to Long Island)

Lodging for crew in  
Long Island: \$2500

Gear Replacement: \$300

**Yearly operating costs: \$5000**

New Main Sail: \$3500

Trailer: \$5000

New Team Shirts: \$600



## Long term goals:



We work hard for this boat. That's why we are not asking for a free handout. We are offering you a chance to experience the boat for yourself so you will understand why she is so special. The beautiful wooden planking, the pry boards to hike out on to counteract the beautifully overpowered cloth mainsail. Every piece of equipment and rigging on board reflects the love and care this boat has been given over the years.

The team behind Tari Anne is serious about sailing. There is a lot of pride in the boat and we also have a lot of pride for Exuma. There are only 2 B class boats from Exuma, and we feel it is our job to make our community proud of us when we compete against the rest of The Bahamas. If you are reading this, you are a part of that community. If you have never experienced The National Family Regatta in George Town we deeply encourage you to come down on the last weekend of April every year to see firsthand the beauty of The Bahamian Sloop under sail. Elizabeth Harbour offers the best sailing conditions in the country and we are proud to call it home.

Come and cheer on your boat, our boat, Exumas' boat. With hard work, determination and the support of the community Tari Anne can once again take her place as the top of the class in the Bahamian sailing circuit.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

**TEAM TARI ANNE**

**Percival Knowles**

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