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Old Pulteney Winner is a Shore Bet to Join Race

British psychologist to take on global maritime adventure

Old Pulteney Single Malt Scotch Whisky and Clipper Round the World Yacht Race will provide a Scarva resident with the unique opportunity to set sail this summer after crowning him the winner of a new nationwide competition – the Old Pulteney Ultimate Sailing Experience.

The competition offered one lucky thrill seeker the once in a lifetime chance to take to the high seas and compete in the famous Clipper Round the World Yacht Race.

Tom Teggart, a 49 year old clinical psychologist from Scarva, Northern Ireland, was awarded the coveted prize and will compete on the 'Old Pulteney' yacht this June in the world's longest and most challenging global sailing event. He will join a 20-strong crew for the final leg of the Clipper Race, as they sail to the finish line from New York to London, via Derry–Londonderry and Den Helder in the Netherlands.

The competition was launched in November 2013 through promotional bottles of Old Pulteney 12 Year Old and attracted over 1,300 entries. Tom was one of five finalists who were selected on the strength of their applications and invited to attend a group interview day in Scotland to determine the winner.

During the interviews, Tom's strong communication, leadership and problem solving skills were praised by a judging panel comprising of Clipper Race and Old Pulteney representatives. His calm and cheerful personality was also deemed an asset that could boost the crew throughout the gruelling race.

Tom will now receive three weeks of intensive pre-race training in Gosport, Hampshire before embarking on the six week voyage of a lifetime.

Tom Teggart commented: *"I'm thrilled to be joining the Old Pulteney team for the homecoming leg of Clipper Round the World Yacht Race. Winning this competition is like a local league footballer being picked to play in the World Cup finals. It's the opportunity of a*



lifetime. It'll be tough but I'm going to enjoy and treasure every second of it, and I can't wait to meet the rest of the Old Pulteney team in New York in a couple of month's time"

Margaret Mary Clarke, Old Pulteney's Senior Brand Manager: *'We are delighted to crown Tom our competition winner and offer him a once in a lifetime opportunity to join such a prestigious global event. Sailing in the race is the ultimate team sport and the Old Pulteney crew in particular are known for their sense of camaraderie, Tom's skill set and personality really stood out and we are confident he will soon become an invaluable crew member.'*

'Old Pulteney' is one of 12 racing yachts competing in the Clipper Race fleet during the race around the world. Sharing a name with its sponsor, the yacht is part of a race sharing in the rich maritime history that Old Pulteney Single Malt Scotch Whisky drinkers can taste in the distinct 'maritime malt'.

The single malt brand's partnership with the Clipper Race is rooted in the whisky's strong maritime heritage and long standing involvement with sailing. Pulteney Distillery is one of the most northerly on the UK mainland - and whisky connoisseurs say they can detect a faint hint of the sea in the delicious malt thanks to its windswept location and close proximity to the North Sea.

Over 650 crew members from over 40 nationalities are taking part in the Clipper 2013-14 Race, which started on Sunday, 1 September at St Katharine Docks, London and will return to London on 12 July 2014. The Clipper Race fleet is made up of twelve identical ocean racing yachts, with each one sponsored by a different destination or brand.

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About Old Pulteney

Old Pulteney is one of the world's finest and most distinctive single malt Scotch whiskies. Known as the 'Maritime Malt', it is crafted in the windswept coastal town of Wick, home to the Pulteney Distillery which is one of the most northerly on the Scottish mainland. The distillery was established in 1826 in the heart of 'Pulteneytown', the town created to house fishermen during Wick's famous herring boom which drew a fleet of over 1000 boats and 7000 workers to this remote and rugged harbour.

Old Pulteney is the embodiment of this place, its people and its remarkable history. The skilled Pulteney distillery team continue to craft their whisky using the most traditional and time-honoured techniques that most others have long abandoned. This includes the uniquely shaped Pulteney stills, which are reflected in the design of the Old Pulteney bottle on shelves today.

Matured in hand-selected oak casks, the resulting whisky has been acclaimed for its excellence, its smooth drinking style and faint hint of the sea. Old Pulteney holds the coveted title of 'World Whisky of the Year' for 2012

in Jim Murray's Whisky Bible – one of the industry's highest accolades. The whisky also achieved top ten status in the UK single malt market in 2012 and is flourishing in many other countries around the world.

Old Pulteney continues to celebrate all things related to its maritime heritage and is renowned for its long standing support of sailing adventure across the globe.

About Clipper Ventures Plc

Clipper Ventures Plc was established in 1995 by legendary yachtsman Sir Robin Knox-Johnston, the first person to sail solo non-stop around the world in 1968-69. Sir Robin founded the company on the premise that sailing should be made available to everyone, regardless of age or experience. So he launched the Clipper Round the World Yacht Race in 1996. The company owns and operates its own matched fleet of ocean racing yachts and so far more than 3,000 people have competed in the eight editions of the Clipper Race to date. The company also owns the rights to the professional solo round the world VELUX 5 OCEANS race and runs a successful events division offering corporate sailing and development programmes. Today Clipper Ventures is recognised as a leading international marine events company which is focused on developing and promoting major global events such as the Clipper Race.

Clipper 13-14 Round the World Yacht Race

The Clipper 13-14 Round the World Yacht Race will start on Sunday 1 September from St Katharine Docks London, and return almost a year later after completing the 40,000 miles route, making it the world's longest ocean race. The event was established by Sir Robin Knox-Johnston to give everyone, regardless of sailing experience, the opportunity to discover the exhilaration of ocean racing. 650 people representing more than 40 nations will compete in the Clipper 13-14 Race on twelve brand new 70-foot yachts designed by renowned naval architect Tony Castro. It's the largest race ever. Crew members can sign up for the whole circumnavigation or one or more of eight legs. The only qualification for the race is the minimum age of 18 (there is no upper age limit) plus a thirst for adventure. The overall race is divided into individual stages and points are accumulated in a Formula 1-style scoring system. The yacht with the highest total points at the finish wins the Clipper Race Trophy.