

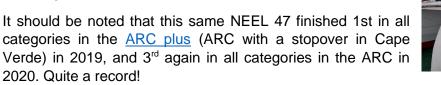
PRESS RELEASE

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The renowned Atlantic Rally for Cruisers (ARC) continues to attract and succeed for NEEL trimarans.

The three **2021-2022** versions of the <u>Atlantic Rally for Cruisers</u>, the famous transatlantic rally, will have been distinguished by **successive victories for NEEL trimarans**. More precisely:

• A <u>NEEL 47</u> reached the podium in 3rd place in the multihull category of the <u>ARC</u> "a must do" for many sailors. The ARC set off last November for a 2,700 nautical mile crossing from Gran Canaria to Saint Lucia. More than 200 boats took part, including 31 multihulls of all brands.







• A **NEEL 47 placed 1st in the multihull category in the** <u>ARC Plus</u> (with a stopover in Cape Verde). What is remarkable is that it came first in both legs, from Las Palmas to Mindelo and from Mindelo to Grenada.

• Finally, a <u>NEEL 51</u> came first in the multihulls and third in all categories in the <u>ARC January</u> (last transatlantic rally of the season). This NEEL 51 had just been launched a few weeks before taking the start. She had sailed from the NEEL-TRIMARANS shipyard (La Rochelle) to Las Palmas (start of the rally), her second mooring was in Saint Lucia where she arrived as the winner! NEEL-TRIMARANS can be proud of the state of finish and preparation of the boat at the time of delivery.



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As a reminder, in 2015, the NEEL 45 came first in the ARC in the multihull category.

These rally-regattas are an opportunity to compare the different multihull models (FOUNTAINE PAJOT, OUTREMER, EXCESS, LAGOON, MARSAUDON, PRIVILEGE, etc.) present on the market, and to study their behavior and speed, with identical weather forecasting for all of them and on the same course. The ARC is an excellent test laboratory for the various cruise multihull shipyards.

NEEL-TRIMARANS is particularly satisfied and proud to see its models systematically on the podium at the finish of these transatlantic races and also very happy for these talented owners.

More and more multihulls are signing up for this transoceanic race, which is certainly well managed and friendly, but is still a regatta with an ocean to cross.

The <u>NEEL 43</u>, the latest model of the range, has not yet taken part in the ARC, but has already crossed the Atlantic between Lisbon and Tortola, where she joined one of our <u>TRIMARAN YACHT CHARTER</u> bases.



The NEEL 47 winner of the multihull category of the ARC Plus at anchor in Grenada.

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