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VODA (Vega One Design Association) is the international umbrella for seven national organizations as mentioned above. Members are Albin Vega owners, the Swedish fiberglass 27 feet sailing cabin-cruiser designed by late Per Brohäll (picture shown at top). The longkeeled sea-going yachts, some 3400 in number, were serial-constructed during the '60ties and '70ties in Sweden. Presently the VODA executive committee is



formed by (l) <u>Walther Nerving (Denmark)</u>, President and (r) <u>Rob Kloosterman</u> (The Netherlands), Secretary/treasurer. This moment VODA represents over 1.000 Albin Vega owners in Europe and North America. Please check the clubnames above for their websites.

Call for financial aid !!

"Solotheamericas"



As many Vega skippers worldwide know by now, Matt Rutherford (USA, Vega St. Brendan) is undertaking a non stop solo trip around the America's with his Vega. Purpose of the voyage is to raise funds for CRAB (Chesapeake Region Accesible Boating). CRAB is a non-profit organization dedicated to making the thrill of sailing a reality for physically and/or developmentally-challenged individuals.

CURRENTPOSITION



Upcoming Resupply, Matt needs your help

Posted on February 23, 2012 by Mike

Unfortunately it looks all the equipment breakdowns that Matt has been dealing with will require a special resupply mission. Matt is almost without anyway to generate power right now, and the methods that he does have won't last the whole way home.

Simon Edwards is currently planning a resupply

out of Recife, Brasil scheduled within a week or so. If you have any ability to help out Matt with a small donation for the new parts it would be very much appreciated. If you can, <u>please click the Donate to CRAB button</u> and contribute what you can – every little bit helps! Thank you! Web Admin Mike



<u>Read Matt's amazing blog here</u> and learn once again the importance of electrical power when on a long trip. And also the devastating consequences of mast-deck problems! Reading this blog is a must for serious Vega skippers.

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