

## **NSSLGlobal announces continued sponsorship of Royal Navy's HMS Oardacious team in World's Toughest Row Atlantic Challenge**

**HMS Oardacious will again benefit from NSSLGlobal's communications services and support as they row across the North Atlantic in December 2023**

**05 October, 2023** – NSSLGlobal is proud to announce its ongoing partnership and Gold sponsorship of the HMS Oardacious rowing team as they once again take on the formidable World's Toughest Row Atlantic Challenge in 2023. NSSLGlobal will provide crucial connectivity services, airtime, equipment, and essential 24/7 support to ensure the team's successful journey as they row an impressive 3,000 miles across the North Atlantic. This partnership continues to exemplify NSSLGlobal's commitment to the team's mission of supporting charitable causes, including the Royal Navy and Royal Marines Charity (RNRMC), inspiring STEM education outreach programs, and advocating for mental health awareness.



The Royal Navy submariner team, known as HMS Oardacious, was first formed in 2019, and became the fastest military team in history to row the Atlantic. This success was repeated in 2022, raising hundreds of thousands of pounds in support of mental health initiatives. This year sees the team's first five-crew line-up, consisting of: Commander Matt Main, Commander Dan Seager, Commander Mike Forrester, Lieutenant Rob Clarke and Petty Officer Ian Allan.



For the crew, having continuous 24/7 connectivity is imperative for weather monitoring, navigation, safety, and welfare. Thanks to extensive experience working with maritime users and the HMS Oardacious crew, NSSLGlobal can provide personalised support, ensuring they remain connected with loved ones, are safe and at and can access essential daily route updates. The availability of robust communications solutions throughout their voyage also allows the crew to share their journey on social media and with media outlets, helping to generate contributions to their charitable causes.



The 2023 World's Toughest Row Atlantic Challenge will commence in early December, with teams departing from La Gomera in the Canary Islands to take on a gruelling voyage across the Atlantic Ocean, ultimately reaching their destination in Antigua. The arduous 3,000-mile journey takes on average around 40 days, subjecting participants to intense physical and mental challenges. Notably, last year, HMS Oardacious completed the event in 35 days, two days faster than their previous record in January 2020.

Sally-Anne Ray, Group CEO, NSSLGlobal, expressed her pride in supporting the HMS Oardacious team and said, "Supporting the team as they once again take on the Atlantic Challenge is a privilege for NSSLGlobal. Rob, Matt, Dan, Mike and Ian are pushing themselves to the absolute limit of their endurance, across thousands of miles. They are an inspiration to all of us and are set to endure long, challenging nights at seas whilst raising funds and awareness for incredibly worthwhile causes. Many of the NSSLGlobal team have served in the armed forces, and so we really appreciate the vital role of the RNRMC in providing wellbeing support to serving personnel, veterans, and their families. We are proud to provide essential communications support to the team and wish them the best of luck in their journey across the North Atlantic."

Commander Mike Forrester, from HMS Oardacious, added, "We are delighted to once again be supported by NSSLGlobal as our communications sponsor. The crew will greatly benefit from their services. This support takes a huge burden off our shoulders, the quality

communications, technology, equipment and airtime are vital to our safety and wellbeing. From NSSLGlobal's previous support, we know how genuinely concerned for our safety and wellbeing they are. Our families especially will be reassured by being able to talk to us and seeing pictures of us eating endless packets of dried food!"



To learn more about the HMS Oardacious team and contribute to their cause, please visit the official website: <https://www.hmsoardacious.com>

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