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Offshore Partners with Off-Road

Nigel Hook and Roger Norman Enter the 2024 Gateway Marathon

Palm Beach, FL—In a monumental collaboration, offshore champion **Nigel Hook** and off-road champion **Roger Norman** have partnered up to enter the **2024 Gateway Marathon**. Veteran off-road champion and promoter of the **SCORE World Desert Championship**, racer **Roger Norman**, will pilot Hook's Class A ocean endurance boat, a **52-foot Mystic** catamaran.

Roger Norman is no stranger to speed and adrenaline. His father, **Don R. Norman**, was passionate about off-roading and brought Roger into the sport. Roger is celebrated for his overall win of the 2008 **Baja 1000** race, considered the pinnacle of off-road motorsports accomplishments and one of the most prestigious off-road races in the world.

Much of Roger's childhood was spent on the **Unlimited Hydroplane Thunderboat** circuit with his stepfather, boat legend **Bill Muncey**. In 2021, his mother, **Fran Muncey**, was inducted into the **American Motorsports Hall of Fame** after leading **Bill Muncey Enterprises** to an astonishing 24 wins and a record seven straight **Gold Cups**.

Always at the cutting edge of technology, Hook's team installed **SCORE's** off-road **Starlink** video streaming system last year onto Nigel's offshore boat. When Hook and Norman tested the boat and streaming system in **Cape Canaveral**, not only were the results successful, but both racers agreed that the similarities between the sports of off-road and offshore racing were striking, leading to a strong racer bond.



Hook's 52-foot Mystic Ocean Boat - 2022 Key West, FL



Roger Norman and Nigel Hook – 2024

Just last week, when Roger's team was preparing his off-road vehicle for the upcoming **SCORE Baja 500**, Nigel had the opportunity to drive a couple of test laps in the desert. *"The synergy between our two sports is strong, and all of the flying, sliding, and fishtailing reminds me of racing with a short rudder. Off-roading is a blast!"* said Nigel of this experience behind the wheel. Their shared passion for challenging adventures has led the duo to join up for the **Ocean Cup** endurance race. *"The opportunity to race in an offshore race has always been a dream of mine, and I am thrilled to get the chance to compete with Nigel,"* said Roger.

Hook's Mystic will again be set up with **SCORE's Star Stream** system to share onboard video and audio during this record race from **Palm Beach to West End, Bahama, and Back**. They will also be streaming video via **Starlink** from their chase helicopter. Be sure to mark your calendars for June 6-8 for the first of the three **Ocean Cup's APBA/UIIM 2024 World Record** events.

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