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EXHIBITOR WORKSHOPS TO BE FEATURED IN TECH TALK THEATER AT IBEX

Super Sessions to be Offered on Monday, October 3rd

BROOKLIN, ME, September 16, 2016 – Education is a key focus for thousands of boating industry professionals making plans to attend The International BoatBuilders' Exhibition and Conference (IBEX) October 4-6, 2016 at the Tampa Convention Center. IBEX offers three full days of the world-renowned technical education from fundamental skills to cutting-edge advanced training and seven Super Sessions taking place on Monday, October 3rd. In addition, IBEX will also offer education in the Tech Talk Theater on the 2nd level of the convention center. For complete access to all IBEX education programs [click here](#).

“For everyone involved in boat building, design, repair, maintenance, sales, or other professional marine-industry segments we have developed an outstanding education program through our seminar series as well as exhibitor hosted sessions on the show floor throughout the three-day event,” said Anne Dunbar, IBEX Show Director. “We have back-to-back free workshops in the Tech Talk Theater and a full day of hands-on learning in our pre-conference Super Session program.”

On Monday, October 3rd there will be seven Super Sessions. [Click here](#) to register for each of the following courses or call 484-751-5135:

- NMEA Marine Electronic Installer (MEI) Course sponsored by NMEA (8 am – 4 pm)
- Analog Power Distribution sponsored by Blue Sea Systems Inc. (9 am – 12 pm)
- Fiberglass Boat Repair sponsored by WEST SYSTEM Inc. (9 am – 3 pm)
- Analog Power Distribution & Digital Switching Control Monitoring sponsored by Blue Sea Systems Inc. & Mastervolt (9 am – 5 pm)
- Practical Propeller Matching sponsored by SNAME (9 am – 5 pm)
- Infused Laminate Repairs sponsored by Composites Consulting Group (1:00 – 4:00 pm)
- Digital Switching Control and Monitoring sponsored by Mastervolt (1:00 – 5:00 pm)

Exhibitor hosted workshops in the Tech Talk Theater are FREE to attend and do not require registration. For details, [click here](#). The following is the Tech Talk Workshop Schedule,

Tuesday, October 4 from 11 am – 6 pm

- *Design, Installation and Troubleshooting Q&A* sponsored by SureShade LLC.
- *Teak Tech 2016* a discussion on design, construction, repair and maintenance of teak decking sponsored by Teakdecking Systems.
- *Success in the Challenging Regulatory Environment of Aropol L 67214* sponsored by Ashland
- *Selecting the Right Core Material* sponsored by DIAB Americas LP
- *Optimizing Surface Finish for Closed Molding* sponsored by Composites One
- *Fastmount: Connecting the Future* sponsored by Spradling International Marine

- *Control That Boat: Digital Switching Solutions for 21st Century Vessels* sponsored by Raymarine Inc.

Wednesday, October 5 from 10:30 am – 6:00 pm

- *Reach New Customers & Boost Sales with Independent Sales Reps* sponsored by the National Marine Representatives Association
- *Aquatic Species Update* presented by ABYC and NMMA,
- *Interconnecting Analog, J1939, NMEA 0183 & NMEA 2000 into One System* sponsored by VDO Instrumentation
- *1+1 = LESS: The New Math of Light-Weighting Production Boats* sponsored by Composites One
- *RGB LED Lighting – The Current and Future Development* sponsored by ITC Incorporated
- *Scantlings for Composite Boats* sponsored by Composites Consulting Group
- *Trends in Marine Toilet Systems* sponsored by Dometic Corporation

Thursday, October 6 from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

- *Water-based Antifoulings and Varnishes; The New Standard* sponsored by Pettit Paint
- *Cost Effective Solutions for Adhesives Sealants, Epoxies Without Sacrificing Quality* sponsored by Fixtech Pty. Ltd.

Also in the Tech Talk Theater will be COFFEE & CONVERSATION hosted by The Marine Millennials on Wednesday & Thursday morning starting at 8:30 am. Enjoy coffee and light refreshments and meet Kris Carroll of Grady White Boats and other marine industry leaders.

There will also be a series of speakers who will share their knowledge and take time to answer attendee questions in the Composites Pavilion at the Future Materials Display from 5 pm to 6 pm on Tuesday October 4th. Ryan Williams, Senior Scientist at N12 Technologies will present *Nanotechnology That Pays Off Now*; Alan Taylor, President of Rapid Composites will present *Rethinking Materials and Process*; and Steve Potts, Owner of Scout Boats will present *Taking Production Boats to The Next Level*. The event is Sponsored by Composites One and Magnum Venus Products.

About the International BoatBuilders' Exhibition & Conference (IBEX)

IBEX, Where Better Boats Begin (www.ibexshow.com), is the marine industry's largest technical trade event, bringing together 556 exhibiting companies, of which 110 are new to the Show, with 7,000 boating industry professionals during the 3-day event. The show floor expands 118,000+ square feet with exhibits both inside and on the water. IBEX is owned and produced by *Professional BoatBuilder* magazine and the National Marine Manufacturers Association (NMMA), and annually gathers thousands of industry professionals.

Professional BoatBuilder (www.proboat.com), a boatbuilding-industry trade magazine, was first published in 1989 in response to a growing need for a dedicated forum for those working in design, construction, and repair and has a worldwide readership exceeding 24,000. **The National Marine Manufacturers Association** (www.nmma.org) is the leading trade organization for the North American recreational boating industry. NMMA member companies produce more than 80 percent of the boats, engines, trailers, marine accessories and gear used by millions of boaters in North America. The association serves its members and their sales and service networks by improving the business environment for recreational boating including providing domestic and international sales and marketing opportunities, reducing unnecessary government regulation, decreasing the cost of doing business, and helping grow boating participation. As the largest producer of boat and sport shows in the U.S., NMMA connects the recreational boating industry with the boating consumer year-round.