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Ocean Marina Pattaya Boat Show

Ocean Marina Yacht Club will host the 2013 Ocean Marina Pattaya Boat Show, promoting Pattaya and its surrounds as a leading hub for marine tourism in South East Asia. The event will be held over 22-24 November 2013. The event is strongly supported by the Tourism Authority of Thailand who see significant economic benefits

accruing to Thailand from the marine leisure industry.

Supattra Angkuwiniwong, Deputy Managing Director at Ocean Property said, "This is the second year for the Ocean Marina Pattaya Boat Show, and we plan to expand the number of berths again in the near future to support the growth of marine leisure

tourism in the region. Ocean Marina is already the largest marina in South East Asia."

"In previous years, the ratio of yacht owners at Ocean Marina Yacht Club was 80% foreign and 20% Thai. However, last year this proportion of Thai yacht ownership increased to 38%. More Thais are enjoying the marine lifestyle and we expect that trend to continue. We have expanded the on-water and on-shore exhibition area to a total of 2,600 sq.m., and have strong support from exhibitors in marine tourism and lifestyle business sectors including leading yacht brands, bikes, cars, luxury property and much more."

In 2012 the show generated THB80 million revenue for the marine tourism industry, so following that success, the organisers are confident that the second year will deliver more quality and will be even bigger. Pattaya has become a top marine tourism destination in Thailand, in large part due to presence of the world-class Ocean Marina Yacht Club.

Yacht brokers predict that the number of foreign yachts visiting Thailand will increase by at least 30% to approximately 2,100 yachts by 2015.

Witawan Thawarat from the Tourism Authority of Thailand said, "Thailand is a popular destination for marine tourists with many chartering yachts and enjoying Thailand's cruising grounds and those of neighbouring countries. Thailand has a well-developed marine infrastructure with international standard marinas that can cater for all sizes of yachts, quality yacht maintenance services and skilled craftsmen."

There will be over 300 exhibitors from marine, marine tourism and leisure and lifestyle businesses from Thailand and overseas. The expected 3,000 visitors, free-to-attend, packed program of on-shore and on-water activities and entertainers including free sailing, water polo, trials, lucky draws, cocktail party, Dragon Boat Races and a mini-club side beer garden and hotel entertainment live band. ☺



Boat Show Calendar 2013-2014

<p>Nov.22-24</p> <p>Ocean Marina Pattaya Boat Show VENUE: Pattaya, Thailand www.oceanmarinaboatshow.com</p>	<p>Nov.29-Dec.1</p> <p>Hong Kong International Boat Show VENUE: Sai Kung, Hong Kong www.clubmarinacove.com</p>	<p>Jan.9-12</p> <p>Phuket International Boat Show VENUE: Phuket, Thailand www.phuketboatshow.com</p>	<p>Jan.10-13</p> <p>7th Sanya International Boat Show VENUE: Sanya, China www.syboatshow.com</p>
<p>Mar.1-3</p> <p>Boat China & Water Sports Expo VENUE: Gaungzhou, China www.chinaboatshow.org</p>	<p>Mar.4-8</p> <p>Dubai International Boat Show VENUE: Dubai, UAE www.boatshowdubai.com</p>	<p>Mar.20-23</p> <p>China Hainan Rendezvous VENUE: Sanya, China www.hainanrendezvous.com</p>	<p>Apr.10-13</p> <p>19th China (Shanghai) International Boat Show VENUE: Shanghai, China www.boatshowchina.com</p>
<p>Apr.10-13</p> <p>Singapore Yacht Show VENUE: Sentosa Cove www.singaporeyachtshow.com</p>	<p>May.8-11</p> <p>Taiwan International Boat Show VENUE: Keelung, Taiwan www.boatshow.tw</p>	<p>Jun.7-8</p> <p>IYS Indonesia Yacht Show VENUE: Jakarta, Indonesia www.yachtexpoasia.com</p>	<p>Jun.12-15</p> <p>Korea International Boat Show VENUE: Goyang, Korea website cannot be found</p>