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CaryAll from Alloy Yachts won Best Power 24-40m.

WORLD CLASS YACHT DESIGN & LEADERSHIP

International Allure at the ISS Awards 2013

EACH YEAR THE INTERNATIONAL SUPERYACHT SOCIETY (ISS) ANNOUNCES THE WINNERS OF THE 2013 DESIGN AND LEADERSHIP AWARDS. THIS YEAR the awards were presented at the 23rd anniversary of ISS's Awards Gala.

ISS's fundamental mission is to build alliances worldwide with regional associations to recognise achievement as well as provide educational opportunities and networking events. This year's prestigious award winners include the 72m superyacht Stella Maris, Pumula from Royal Huisman and the Damen-built 67m Fast Yacht Support vessel Garçon.

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Best Sail 24-40m

The winner of the 2013 Best Sail 24-40m is Pumula from Royal Huisman. The concept for Pumula was clear. The owners wanted "a classically inspired design that evoked the honest simplicity of a 'gentleman's sailing yacht'." A nod to yachts of the classic era, Pumula's owners desired a beautiful and luxurious build, with technology that was straightforward and uncomplicated. Their yacht should be large enough to cruise the world – high and low latitudes – in comfort, yet small enough to be easily handled by a small crew and by the owners themselves. In the end, Royal Huisman and Dykstra Naval Architects exceeded their every expectation. Pumula's interior living is in perfect step with her outdoor appeal. Interior designers Rhoades Young made sure the environment within reflected an earlier era of sailing.

Best Sail 40m+

Better Place from Wally won the 40m+ award, the Bugatti blue coloured 50m sailing yacht, is the

world's largest sloop in carbon fibre developed on the lines of Tripp Design with the interiors by Wetzels Brown Partners. Luca Bassani Antivari, Wally Founder and President and head of R&D stated, "We succeeded in delivering an environmentally friendly and breakthrough Wally 50m with aggressive and sleek lines of a true performance sailing yacht, rather than the motor sailor look typical of this class of yachts."

Best Refit

A2 from Pendennis/Feadship was awarded Winner of Best Refit, which is her second win after taking the honours in the World Superyacht Awards earlier in 2013. Pendennis' remodelling of the 1983 Feadship A2 was a milestone for the yard in terms of remodelling projects, and really showcased all elements of their in-house skills and experience from naval architecture through to exterior finishing.

Best Power 24-40m

CaryAll from Alloy Yachts was the winner of the Best Power 24-40m category. Built by Alloy >>



Alloy Yachts won Best Power 24-40m, in the picture Alloy's Tony Hambrook, Cary Ali's owners and designer René van der Velden.



VSY won Best Interior and Best Power 65m+, in the picture ISS's Rob Carron and VSY's Lorenzo Cerulli.



Jurjen van 't Verlaat of Royal Huisman, winner of Best Sail 24-40m.



Till von Krause and Andre Jonker from Abeking & Rasmussen, winner of Best Power 40-65m.

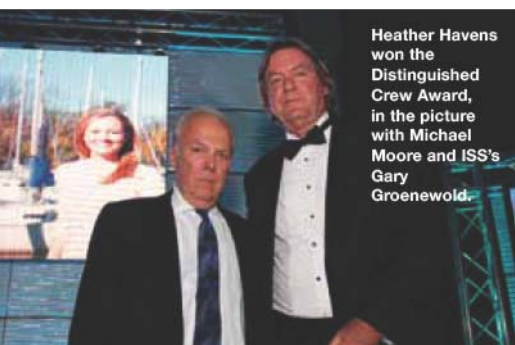
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Giancarlo Ragnetti from Perini Navi won the Leadership Award.



Michael Moore won Business Person of the Year, in the picture with IMA Yacht's Sabrina Farmer and ISS's Norma Trease.



Heather Havens won the Distinguished Crew Award, in the picture with Michael Moore and ISS's Gary Groenewold.



Damen Shipyards won Excellence in Innovation. In the picture with ISS's Derik Wagner and Norma Trease, Amels' Rob Luijendijk, Johan Kaasjager and Damen's Mark Vermeulen.



Stella Maria from VSY won both the Best Power 65m+ and Interior Design awards.



The ISS Award of Excellence in Innovation was for the Damen-built 67m Fast Yacht Support vessel, Garçon.

Yachts, and designed by René van der Velden, CaryAli is a modern and stylish explorer yacht, equipped for long-range travel. Her experienced owners were hands on throughout the design and build process and winning this award is a real testament to their vision for the project.

Best Power 40-65m

The 60m Excellence V from Abeking & Rasmussen can accommodate fourteen guests and 20 crew members. Excellence V is 'only' 60m long, according to the shipyard, but this is no waiver but calculus, on the one she can call at small harbours and on the other hand she has 50 percent more device volume than the known A&R 60m yachts through a considerable beam of 12.8 m and an additional deck says the shipyard. Raymond Langton Design created a modern contemporary interior with all the personal touches the experienced owner requested. The yacht features the latest in yachting and is characterised by modern technology and comfort, such as the enclosed bow area for the owner's privacy, numerous hull openings for easy access to the sea, a cinema, an elevator and more.

Best Power 65m+ & Best Interior

The 72m superyacht Stella Maris from VSY came away with two prestigious prizes, winning both the Best Power 65m+ and Interior Design awards. VSY said the awards were a valuable recognition of the Italian shipyard's constant commitment, which underlines the fundamental importance of the teamwork. "Results of this nature are achievable only by bringing together the

best of the industry, like Espen Oeino, Laurent Giles Naval Architects, Michela Reverberi and all those – direct workers, craftsmen and subcontractors – involved in the production, who put all their passion and professionalism to create a yacht of this calibre."

2013 Excellence in Innovation

The Damen-built 67m Fast Yacht Support vessel, Garçon, won the ISS Awards of Distinction for Innovation. According to the ISS: "The Excellence in Innovation award is given to an individual or business that has demonstrated innovation in their endeavours within the previous year."

To reach speeds between 18 and 25 knots in all sea states, Garçon's innovative 'Axe Bow' and underwater body shape make her a fast and dependable support ship.

Garçon, whose sale was brokered by owner's representative Moran Yacht & Ship, has 235m² deck >>

space for toys such as tenders, jet-skis and sailing dinghies. In addition, the vast deck space makes room for a fully certified helipad with 5,000 kg take-off weight for commercial use.

Sales and marketing of the Damen range of Yacht Support vessels is handled by Amels. Rob Luijendijk, CEO of Amels, had the honour to receive the award, commenting: "The Sea Axe is a patented hull design, but what makes Garçon so special is her combination of high performance, purpose-built configuration for the client, along with great looks and yacht-quality finish."

Damen has responded to growing interest in specialised yacht support vessels, with three already delivered and another four under construction. Mark Vermeulen, Director of Damen's Yacht Support Division stated: "Following the success of the Sea Axe vessels, we have expanded the range up to 90 m in length, with our Yacht Support vessels based on proven heavy-duty platforms, such as Damen's Offshore Patrol Vessel and Worldwide Support Vessel. With a ship of these proportions, almost anything is possible. With an inside and outside combined deck space of 800 m², these vessels give you huge capacity. And like Garçon, they look great too. The perfect complement to a luxury superyacht."

2013 Leadership Award

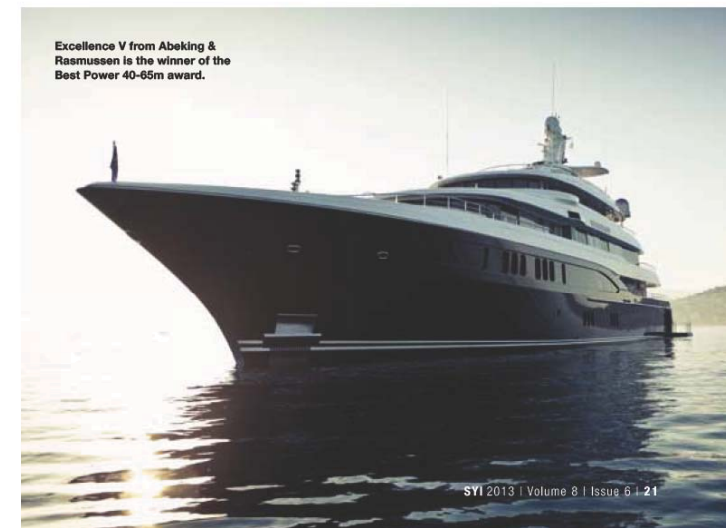
Giancarlo Ragnetti, CEO of the Perini Navi Group, won the ISS Leadership Award. His greatest quality according to Perini Navi is the relationships and trust he developed with the owners of Perini Navi Yachts. Consider the fact that during his tenure Perini has signed 56 contracts and in fact of those 56, there have been nineteen owners who have two Perini yachts and two who came back for three. The well-known and incredible sense of 'family' that pervades throughout the world of Perini Navi has to be attributed in a large part to Giancarlo's leadership.

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Pumula from Royal Huisman won 2013 Best Sail 24-40m.

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Excellence V from Abeking & Rasmussen is the winner of the Best Power 40-65m award.