

Press release

Inaugural Pendennis Cup to be held during Henri Lloyd Falmouth Week 2008

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Pendennis Shipyard and the Port of Falmouth Sailing Association (POFSA) have just announced their intention to hold an inaugural classic superyacht regatta as part of Henri Lloyd Falmouth Week in 2008.

A number of classic yachts have already expressed an interest in the event, including Lulworth, Cambria and Mariquita. The organising committee is aiming to attract up to 20 classic superyachts to race out in the bay between the Monday and Friday of Henri Lloyd Falmouth Week.

The ability to put on such an event has been made possible with the support of Pendennis' neighbours A&P Falmouth and their new Port Falmouth Marina project. The Pendennis Cup will be the first big sailing event to take place at the new marina and will be the forerunner to the Funchal 500 Tall Ships Regatta in September.

Toby Allies, Head of Sales and Marketing at Pendennis commented 'It's great that helping to host this Cup has allowed us to become more involved in Henri Lloyd Falmouth Week. We hope that the cup will be a chance for the Superyacht community to fully appreciate what Falmouth and the surrounding area can offer them.

Mark Osborn, Chairman of POFSA added 'Falmouth has a rich history of holding regattas for these classic yachts in the past and it would be great to revive this tradition and put the port back on the Superyacht map.'

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Notes to Editors:

The organising committee is made up of representatives from Pendennis and POFSA.

Pendennis Shipyard:

Pendennis are the UK's premier builders and re-fitters of the Worlds finest SuperYachts. Building on hundreds of years of local maritime heritage, Pendennis has become one of Cornwall's most important employers – with just over 280 highly skilled craftsmen based at their 6.5 acre prime water front location in Falmouth.

POFSA:

Information to be supplied

Henri Lloyd

Henri-Lloyd is the title sponsor of Falmouth Week 2007. Henri-Lloyd – founded in 1963 by Mr Henri Strzelecki - is an international manufacturer of specialist sailing clothing and is recognised as the world's most innovative marine clothing brand. Henri-Lloyd has a long association with pioneering sailing heroes such as Sir Francis Chichester and Sir Robin Knox-Johnston, but more recently, the Company has developed its sponsorship portfolio to include the Clipper Round the World Race, Falmouth Week, Team GBR 2004, the Ericsson Racing Team and the BMW ORACLE Racing Team for its Americas Cup challenge in Valencia in 2007.

Port Falmouth Marina:

As well as providing 300 fully-serviced deep water berths for boats of all sizes, the marina will offer dedicated Superyacht pontoons with 1m high freeboard, 6m water depth, large power outlets and access for provisioning vehicles.

Port Falmouth Marina offers direct access to the sheltered waters of the Falmouth Estuary and the coastline of West Cornwall, and is within easy reach of local attractions, shops, beaches, bars and restaurants. It is scheduled to open in the summer of 2008, and will be playing host to the Funchal 500 Tall Ships Regatta in September.

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