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ABBRA Presents Awards at Annual Conference

Annual ABBRA event celebrates six members

Warren, Rhode Island—The American Boat Builders & Repairers Association (ABBRA) presented six awards at its Annual Conference for boatyard owners and managers July 18 in New Bedford, MA.

The six annual ABBRA awards included:

- **The Dennis Snow President's Award**—given annually to the individual or organization that makes a significant and lasting contribution to improving the state of the boatyard industry—presented to Neal Ross.
- **The Award of Excellence in Customer Care** presented to Noank Village Boatyard of Noank, Connecticut.
- **ABBRA's Award of Excellence**, or "Boatyard of the Year," presented to Jarrett Bay Boatyard of Beaufort, North Carolina
- **The Award for Excellence in Innovation** was presented to Kittery Point Yacht Yard of Kittery, Maine.
- **The award for Commitment to Training** was presented to Susan Swanton, Executive Director of the Maine Marine Trades Association.
- **The Excellence in Safety & Environmental Practices** was awarded to Kingman Yacht Center of Cataumet, Massachusetts.

The Annual Conference—sponsored by Interlux Yacht Finishes, Awlgrip North America, Cordjia Cloud Solutions, Great American Insurance, Brownell Boat Stands, Port Supply, Marinevest, and Aquas Group—concluded with private tours of four New England boat building and repair facilities: Burr Brothers, Inc; Fairhaven Shipyard; Bayline Boatyard and Transport; and South Wharf Yacht Yard.

The American Boat Builders & Repairers Association (ABBRA), founded in 1943, strengthens and encourages professionalism in the boat building and marine service industry by providing its members with timely information, training, education, and business services.

ABBRA: Dedicated to the Marine Service and Repair Industry.

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