

VISITOR TESTIMONIALS - 2014

“Very good venue and in great location for transport links and nearby accommodation. Having one large room was more efficient than going looking for exhibitors. Also having boats in the venue was great. Had an excellent weekend networking and made lots of new contacts.”

Barry Young, Brixham Trawler Agents.

“This was my first time attending a Skipper Expo and I found it very impressive. There were a good variety of exhibitors covering all areas of the fishing industry and the weekend was a real eye-opener to the amount of businesses we can make contacts with. Looking forward to next year!”

David Venn, Guernsey, UK.

“Great show! Will be back next year.”

Steve Williams, Hornsea, UK.

“Very professional location, with an excellent venue. Enjoyed catching up with old friends and meeting new people. I spent two days visiting all the exhibitors and looking forward to next years show.”

David Faulkner, Manx Fish Producers Organisation.

“Enjoyable day out, good venue with everything under one roof.”

Peter Loose, King's Lynn, UK.

“Excellent show and really enjoyed the day. Great for making new contacts.”

Kevin Arscott, Kingsbridge, UK.

“Great setup and very relevant to the fishing industry in South, keep up the good work.”

Dave Ferris, Sheerness, UK.

“Show had everything in one place, good venue that was easily accessible.”

Jason Dobson, Scarborough, UK.

“Brilliant show, very informative with the conservation groups present and held in an ideal venue. I was delighted with the customer service after the show from Gael Force Marine who I made a purchase from. Looking forward to visiting Galway in 2015.”

Mike Hallard, Poole, UK.

“A great show thank you, looking forward to next year. I got a lot of information for fitting out my boat. I really enjoyed the seafood on Friday night an added bonus, to a great weekend.”

Jack Baker, MFV Stella Maris, Plymouth, UK.

“A superb venue, with easy access and parking, plenty of exhibitors to meet your potential needs and tended by helpful, friendly salespersons with a wealth of info to share. Shall be back again next year.”

Andrew Fuzeland, Plymouth, UK.

“Excellent show, well organized and good venue.”

Paul Collins, Ceredigion, Wales.

“We all thought, (that is the 3 of us) that it was well worth the visit (and the 150 mile drive) and we will definitely try to visit next year.”

Brian Pawley, South Devon and Channel Shell Fishermen.

“Well organised, exhibitors where excellent and very helpful.”

Charles Ziemann, Seaton, UK.

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Industry applauds Skipper Expo Int. Bournemouth 2014

Exhibitors at Skipper Expo Int. Bournemouth 2014 have praised the show for the excellent quality of the visitors and the brisk business enjoyed on the stands.

Sponsored by the National Federation of Fishermen's Organisations, and held at the Bournemouth International Centre on 10 and 11 October, the superb facilities in the exhibition hall were praised by both exhibitors and visitors alike. A major attraction was the five fishing vessels on display that were able to be accommodated within the hall.

Among the vessels was a 10m Cougar Cat catamaran from Audacious Marine, the Four Sisters, which is about to be delivered to Shoreham skipper Gary Brownrigg.

Paul Cannon of Audacious Marine said: "It was a fantastic show and on the second day we even had queue of people wanting to go up the steps to see on board the vessel. The expo has been really good for Audacious Marine and has raised our profile considerably. We have received some good quality enquiries."

Other companies enjoyed a busy show too. David Ash of Mantsbrite Marine said: "It was an excellent show and the first day in particular exceeded our expectations. We had a lot of interest in our product range and the quality of the customers visiting our stand was very good."



Overview of the impressive array of exhibitors at the show.

The Seafish and RNLI stands were particularly busy with visitors keen to find out more about an exciting initiative to supply fishermen with free personal flotation devices. Seafish also provided gear technology sessions, providing up-to-date advice on gear development, design, performance and efficiency.

Sharon Boyle of show organiser Mara Media said: "It was a brilliant show and we are really pleased by the feedback from exhibitors and visitors. This show is now firmly established in the fishing industry calendar and we are already working towards organising next year's event."



Paul Cannon of Audacious Marine congratulates Alan Pottinger, Shetlands on the signing of an 8m catamaran which will be on show at Skipper Expo Int. Aberdeen 2015, 30/31 May.

2014 LIST OF EXHIBITORS

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| ANDERSON MARINE | KORT PROPULSION |
| AAA | MAVER BOATS |
| AST | MASHFORDS BOAT YARD & REPAIRS |
| ARKLOW MARINE SERVICES | MIKE CORNISH |
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| CARAPAX AB | MARA MEDIA - THE SKIPPER |
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