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Peters & May Supports the Grass Roots of Power Boating and Introduces the New Talent to the Established Professionals.



Ben Pocknell, Steve Curtis and Steve Curtis MBE.



Ben Pocknell and Steve Curtis with Spirit of Qatar 96

Peters & May will be supporting Ben Pocknell and Steve Curtis in the F400 powerboat class, for the 2011 UK Formula Future Offshore Racing season. The F400 is a 14ft, 2-seater race boat, with a 40hp Yamaha outboard, raced by a driver and navigator, who must be 12 years or older, have a love of speed and nerves of steel, as the top speed of these boats is anywhere between 30 and 35 miles per hour.

Ben (16), who has been racing powerboats since the age of 8, has claimed 3 National Championship titles, two National Speed Records, and will be racing in both the F400 and the E900 classes this season.

Steve (14), who shares his name with the infamous powerboat racer, Steve Curtis MBE, has also achieved an unprecedented amount within his chosen sport, already holding 2 Honda Youth RIB National Championship titles and an RYA East Regions Young Sailor of the Year Award. Steve, who attends Kimbolton School in Cambridgeshire, has ambitions to expand the sport to more youngsters saying "It's an extreme sport, but with the right training kids can be as safe on the water as adults, sometimes more so".

Peters & May will be supporting the boys in their efforts to win the F400 Championships in 2011, and they have another big name in power boating on their side too. Steve Curtis MBE, partner of Sheikh Hassan bin Jabor Al-Thani of the Qatar Team, allowed both Ben and Steve a

privileged seat in one of the two Spirit of Qatar Class 1 powerboats. As the preferred logistics provider to Qatar Marine Sports Federation, Peters & May was able to treat the junior team to an 'access all areas' tour of the Qatar Team workshop. Ben quotes "we are really excited about being here and about racing for Peters & May, and it's amazing that we have some of the same branding as the Qatar Team boats, these guys are at the top of our sport, and one day we hope to be there too".

For more information please visit www.petersandmay.com/news

Follow Ben and Steve in their first race as Peters & May at www.benatom.co.uk/follow

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Company Profile

Peters & May has over 30 years' experience in global boat transportation and freight forwarding via air, road, rail and sea from a global network of offices and exclusive agencies. The company ships over 8,000 vessels each year through more than 150 ports in over 60 countries.

Peters & May is the preferred transporter for many of the leading marine manufacturers and associated businesses, including Sunseeker and Viking Yachts and regularly works with Beneteau, Oyster, Lewmar, Fairline Boats, Henri Lloyd, Lagoon and many others.

Peters & May Racing is supporting numerous powerboat and sailing projects, including P1 SuperStock, H1 Unlimited and the Transatlantic Yacht Race.

For more information regarding the company, please visit www.petersandmay.com.

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