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## Garmin® Unveils New High-Resolution GPSMAP® 8400/8600 All-in-One MFDs with 17-, 22- and 24-Inch Displays

*Via The Business Wire*



Garmin International Inc., a unit of Garmin Ltd. (GRMN), today announced the GPSMAP 8400/8600 series – powerful new all-in-one multi-function displays (MFDs) that offer mariners the highest screen resolution on the market. These large-format MFDs provide a sleek glass helm look and are available in 17-, 22-, and 24-inch displays that feature full HD in-plane switching (IPS) screens with multi-touch control. Boasting new and improved processors, they provide increased performance, enhanced video processing, and the fastest chart drawing offered in a Garmin MFD. The GPSMAP 8400/8600 series is being announced in conjunction with the Miami International Boat Show, and will be on display at the Garmin booth #C480.

“Garmin was the first to create a glass-helm design, and we’re excited to take it to the next level with the GPSMAP 8400/8600 series by offering increased resolution, larger display sizes and faster processing,” said Dan Bartel, Garmin vice president of worldwide sales. “This new series is a superior solution, offering the best in value, performance and ease-of-installation.”

These sunlight-readable MFDs feature an anti-glare IPS LCD display that provides consistent, accurate colors that can be seen from all viewing angles, an industry first for this class. Featuring the highest resolution available on the market today, the GPSMAP 8x17 and 8x24 offer a WUXGA 1920x1200 display, and the GPSMAP 8x22 has an FHD 1920x1080 display. The maximum glass design can be flush or flat-mounted, and enables edge-to-edge installation of multiple displays.

The processing power found in the GPSMAP 8400/8600 series is the highest offered in a Garmin MFD. All added sensors like radar, sonar, Panoptix™, and multimedia benefit

from this increased performance and provide a premium user experience across the entire network.

With new One Touch presets for sonar, charts, radar, cameras, media, and digital switching, the GPSMAP 8400/8600 series provides a more intuitive user interface that can be independent or incorporated into SmartMode™ station controls. Users can configure and customize their entire system for activities ranging from docking, cruising, fishing, and anchoring with just one touch.

Mariners can view videos in full or split-screen from a variety of media devices on the chartplotter’s display using the HDMI video input, or they can mirror the chartplotter screen on a TV or monitor using the HDMI output port found on these new devices. HDMI video is shared across the Garmin Marine Network and can be viewed on multiple displays. Users can even play digital audio from HDMI input through the boat’s stereo (optional cable required).

The all-in-one compact design of the GPSMAP 8400/8600 series eliminates the need for black-boxes, monitors, and external Wi-Fi antennas. They feature built-in Wi-Fi and ANT that allow the chartplotter to connect to a new quatix™ 3 marine smartwatch, Nautix™ In-View Display, VIRB® action cameras, RF wireless remote control, smartphones, and tablets. The chartplotter screen can even be split to show up to six different features simultaneously, including HDMI video input. They feature four wired-Ethernet ports, composite video input, and are fully network capable across the Garmin Marine Networking, NMEA 2000, and FUSION-Link. Mariners will also benefit from enhanced video processing with up to four IP camera streams and simultaneous Garmin Helm support.

Support for J1939 is also available, providing engine and generator data with configurable templates for instrumentation.

The GPSMAP 8400/8600 series is expected to be available in Q1 2016. For more information and pricing, visit [garmin.com/marine2016](http://garmin.com/marine2016).

Recently, Garmin was named Manufacturer of the Year and received the honor of being the most recognized company in the marine electronics field by the National Marine Electronics Association (NMEA). Garmin’s portfolio includes some of the industry’s most sophisticated chartplotters and touchscreen multifunction displays, sonar technology, high-definition radar, autopilots, high-resolution charts, sailing instrumentation, and other products and services that are known for innovation, reliability, and ease-of-use.

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# A Chat With Tad Roberts, Boat Designer

*Courtesy of BoatBits.blogspot.com*

## **Hi Tad, what made you decide to become a NA?**

These days I call myself a Boat Designer, Naval Architecture is part of what I do but I do other things as well: Art, Styling, Engineering, Social Commentary, Teaching, Lecturing and writing.

There really wasn't much choice, I knew what I was going to do at an early age, it just took a long time to figure out how to do it. Both my grandfathers and my father designed and built boats for themselves, and most of my relatives are involved with boats so it started early. I was drawing boats as soon as I could hold a pencil and just carried on, getting more sophisticated as I got older. Somehow I knew that sea-time was required and so I spent many years crewing on anything I could get aboard, mostly commercial boats but also some sailing vessels.

This experience using, building, and maintaining boats showed to me that there was huge opportunity for improved designs. And that's the real reason for doing this, to create better boats. Boats can be prettier, easier to build, better performing, and simpler to use and maintain if those are set out as design goals.

**As a home builder of boats myself, I find that a real issue I have with a lot of designers is that they are so concentrated on the existing retail market and current fashion that they often ignore the actual reasons someone chooses to build a boat rather than buy.**

I have no interest in doing a warmed up version of what's already been done. One of the big gulfs is that production weekenders bear no relation to boats that people could build for themselves and live aboard while cruising. Yet the design business is focused on and judged by success in that production racer/cruiser market. IE you must be a "good" designer because Beneteau built 1,000 hulls to your design.

And these production boats are not user friendly, all systems are cheaply done, inaccessible, and un-repairable. The accommodation is designed around numerous berths and

heads and no storage space. And the deck arrangements provide no shelter for the crew and uncomfortable under-sized cockpits. One of my bigger beefs is the lack of any consideration of reasonable dinghy storage. And the rigs are ridiculously complex for the way they are used.

Today's stock racer/cruiser is virtually identical to what was being offered 30 years ago except today's boat is higher and wider with a smaller keel and different shaped windows. Okay, I'm exaggerating a bit... But the only market area attracting interest (sales) is where there's innovation, for instance in multihulls. I think builders have missed innovation in cruising boats, rigs should be simpler and work better, draft should be shallower with moveable appendages, interiors should be friendlier and more useful, and decks should be safer.



Ragsdale 36' twin keel origami steel gaff schooner

## **Three words... Balanced Lug Rig...**

I like lug rigs, one of my own boats (Ratty) is an unstayed partially-balanced standing lug cat ketch. This rig is totally forgiving and can be set up or taken out of the boat in a few minutes. I've drawn a number of balanced Chinese (fully battened) lug rigs and I've sailed a 54' Colvin pinky with big balanced lug sails. The lack of sheet load was a huge revelation to me, also the lack of flapping and the instant power/depower.

## **What designs that you are currently working on have you excited?**

So many boats and so little time! Currently the majority of my work is on powerboats and motorsailers, but pure sailing vessels remain a big interest. The "Future Cruiser" series have been percolating on a back burner for over a year. Without a client conceptual designs end up as a crusade for recognition and today I just have less time and energy for such undertakings. While that's great for the stew pot, a designer has to push the new ideas out in the world.

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# East Coast's Best Kept Secret™

## Review of Snug Harbor Marina and Cottages

### Chincoteague Island, VA 23336

*Courtesy of Trip Advisor*

Alexa S

Mullica Hill, New Jersey,

You can enjoy life at a slower pace. There is always something for everyone, crabbing and fishing early in the morning, taking a boat out a little later and then just relaxing at the tiki hut late in the afternoon. You will find that the owners know most of their guests by their first names - even the children. There are only a limited number of cabins therefore you receive the utmost service and attention by the staff. John & Basia make sure that everyone has great time, so much so that our children and grandchildren will often stay at Snug Harbor rather than going to other attractions on the island. Everything is right there, a pier, boating, crabbing and since each cabin has a full kitchen, you have the option of eating in rather than dining out. We travel a great deal and have found no better place for the family on the east coast.

**Room Tip:** Just talk to the staff and they will be sure you have the type of cabin you need.

**“During my stay Snug Harbor provided docking space for my boat!”**

Steve K

Scaggsville, Maryland,

For me being able to keep my boat right outside the door really enhanced my stay because I could be fishing in minutes, not hours if I had to use local ramps. Snug Harbor also carries all of my fishing supplies including live bait and ice.

**“If I can't own a home on Chincoteague then I am staying at the next best place!”**

Dawn T

Delmar, Delaware

My family and I have been staying at Snug Harbor for several years now. We are always comfortable and love all the fun things there are to do while there. ie. rent a boat for the day, fish or crab off the dock, kayak and last year our daughter even learned to paddle board. She is always asking, “Mommy when are we going back to Snug Harbor!” It's always clean and neat and has a friendly atmosphere. You can't go wrong staying here with John and Basia!

**Room Tip:** Can't go wrong with any cottages, all the views are gorgeous!



**“A great spot, and a great stay”**

Paula Banks

Rosseau, Ontario

This was our first visit to Chincoteague, and I don't think we could have chosen a nicer spot. The marina and cottages look out to Assateague Island and the lighthouse; the view is what greets you when you open the door. The cottages are clean and basic, including a kitchen, fridge and utensils. Plenty of room for two people and two dogs. Basia was very efficient and helpful with our booking, and I am so glad that she was able to accommodate us for an extra night's stay. The day of our arrival, we had a long day of travel, and she made arrangements for us to access our cottage and settle in for the night. The boat tour we took from the marina with Captain John was one of the highlights of our entire trip. He is born and raised in Chincoteague, and the boat tour was the furthest thing from a rehearsed narration. He scouted with binoculars, stopped for us to take photos, and took the time to answer questions. All in all, a super stay, one we will remember for many years to come. Thanks especially for being pet-friendly!



## Advice Corner

# Inspect Your Boat's Shore Power Cords During The Winter

*Courtesy of Ed's Boat Tips*



**Will your boat be plugged in all winter long? Make sure you do these two things.**

It's that time of year folks. I'm sitting in my office on a cold dreary Saturday morning in December. As I stare out the window all I can see is white heat shrink on all the boats here in the yard. That means it's also time to make a really simple but super important safety check on your own boat, especially if you are going to be leaving it plugged in at a dock all winter.

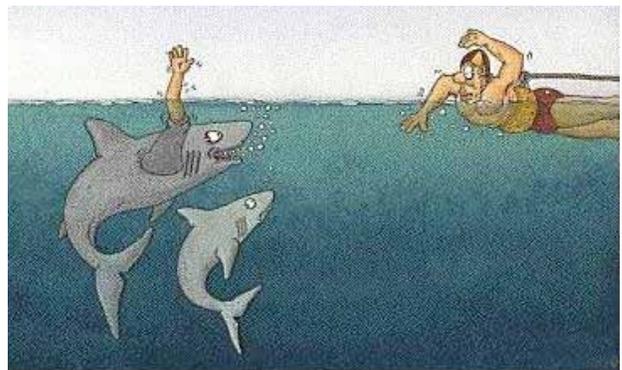
1. Unplug the shore power cord and carefully inspect both ends looking for any sign of brown, burned plastic that is a sure sign of overheating.
2. Check the dock box you are plugged into also, looking for the same, sometimes subtle evidence of overheated plastic insulation on the plugs, both the male and female sides of things.

The faults here may be in either side of the plug socket assembly so you are going to need to check that out carefully, Usually the problem is on the female side of the assembly, but often it will only show up on the male side.

The bottom line is of course electrical resistance due to loose friction connections and the resultant heat that come from it. Now, just add a space heater on board to keep things toasty in the winter and you will amplify the current draw, and generate even more heat. Enough heat and we have a dock fire. You get the idea.

**Make sure your check those cords now!**

## Boating Humor



Definition of irony

# Fishing in Florida: Top Spots for Freshwater Angling in the Sunshine

By Cathy S. Reeder, Newsmax



While the popular image of Florida is a land of beaches and people frolicking in the ocean, it is also a terrific place for an inland activity: freshwater fishing. Annually, 1.4 million people get fishing licenses in the Sunshine State and enjoy the fact that freshwater fishing in Florida has no closed season, according to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. The state has 3 million acres of lakes, ponds, and reservoirs as well as roughly 12,000 miles of river, streams, and canals.

The FWC website offers a wealth of information helpful in finding the right place to land a largemouth bass, catfish, or other freshwater fish.

## 1. Top Spots for Black Bass (Including Largemouth Bass)

One of the top spots is Lake George near Deland and Ocala in northeast Florida. It is the second largest lake in the state with 46,000 acres. Another good place for bass fishing is Lake Kissimmee in central Florida, which is more than 34,970 acres. At Lake Kissimmee, anglers catch 0.61 bass per hour – double the state average. Lake Okeechobee in South Florida is a total of 730 square miles, making it the second largest freshwater body in the contiguous United States. It is considered by many anglers to be the black bass capital of the world, sporting millions of largemouth bass, year-round fishing, many boat ramps, and 100 miles of lakeside access.

## 2. Top Spots for Catfish

The Yellow River in northwest Florida is home to record-breaking flathead catfish. The state record flathead was caught here in 2011, weighing in at 55.05 pounds. The area from the Alabama line to the Interstate 10 bridge is recommended. The Choctawhatchee River in northwest Florida boasts plentiful channel, flathead, and blue catfish. Smaller ones can be caught year-round. Larger catfish are found in the northern reaches, near the Alabama line, and in river bends and holes with woody debris. The Medard Reservoir in southwest Florida was stocked with channel catfish in 2011, and they are mature enough now for trophy fishing.

## 3. Top Spots for Striped Bass

The Lake Seminole and nearby Apalachicola River from the Florida/Georgia line at the Chatahoochee River flowing south to the town of Apalachicola is a prized area for fishing striped bass, sunshine bass, and white bass. Record catches have been made here. Meanwhile, the St. John's River from Deland flowing northward to Jacksonville is plentiful with striped bass and sunshine bass in the fall and winter. Jetties and bridges, such as those in Green Cove Springs and Jacksonville, are especially good areas to fish. Finally, Lake Apopka, a 30,600-acre lake west of Orlando, is stocked with sunshine bass. The best fishing area is Gourd Neck Springs.

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# An Interview With SeaDream Yacht Club's Owner, Chairman & CEO, Atle Brynestad

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By Carole Murphy, Wander Tonic

The very first cruise I ever took was aboard SeaDream I. We cruised from Civitavecchia (Rome) to Barcelona. Five months later, we were boarding SeaDream II for a Caribbean cruise. Obviously, SeaDream is a product we love.

I did a lot of research when looking for a cruise line. I found myself swooned by SeaDream's concept of just 56 couples served by a crew of 95. It was a wonderful fit for me and my husband! We just loved the personal attention we received onboard, not to mention the lack of crowds, long lines and waiting.

I was very fortunate to be granted an interview with SeaDream Yacht Club's owner, Chairman and CEO, Atle Brynestad. He's an entrepreneur and highly successful Norwegian business man. He founded Seabourn cruise line in 1987, eventually founding SeaDream Yacht Club in 2001.

## THE INTERVIEW

**Carole: How often do you have the opportunity to be a passenger on one of your yachts?**

**AB:** I try to be onboard 3 or 4 times a year so I can have good contact with the crew and our guests.

**Carole: Which itineraries do you enjoy most?**

**AB:** I like all of our itineraries and I try to go on different itineraries every year.

**Carole: I know you founded SeaDream Yacht Club in 2001 after many successful ventures in the cruise industry. How did you choose the name, "SeaDream Yacht Club?"**

**AB:** We discussed many different names during the summer of 2001. We were at our summer house, so we had extra time to spend to find a good name. 'SeaDream' expresses what we deliver as an extraordinary vacation. 'Yacht' expresses the style of the ships. It is causal and style at the same time. 'Club' expresses the feeling that each guest is important [to] us and that the ships are their "club house."

**Carole:** You were instrumental in developing the yachting concept that \*is\* SeaDream. What did you base SeaDream's



yachting concept on? Was it as simple as experiences you've had over the years? Did you say to yourself, "If I could create my own cruise experience, \*this\* is what it would be.?" It's obvious you knew what you were doing because it's an amazing product in so many ways.

than 20 years. I was the founder and owner of Seabourn Cruise Line and also the CEO in the first years. I have also been the chairman of Cunard, and based on all the experience from the top end of the cruise industry, my wife and I discussed what kind of quality we would like to experience. The SeaDream product has been developed based on all of this, and we hoped there would be many more people that would like to enjoy the same quality as we would like.

**Carole: Of the new itineraries, which ones excite you the most?**

**AB:** They are all great.

**Carole: You must be thrilled that one of your yachts is finally visiting your home waters. What, in particular, would you suggest SeaDreamers not miss if they choose one of the two Norwegian voyages 11122 (Hamburg, Germany to Bergen, Norway) or 11123 (Bergen, Norway to Copenhagen, Denmark)?**

**AB:** They are both great, but I advise to book early since there are only two [Norwegian] voyages.

**Carole:** I recently read an article about special activities related to a garden tour & beach BBQ of sorts that you are “hosting” during the Norwegian voyages. Is there anything else SeaDreamers should look forward to on these particular voyages?

**AB:** The only thing I can say is that to visit Norway onboard SeaDream will be great and if it works out, I would like to invite all guests to our Crystal Factory with its location only 1 hour from Oslo.

Hadeland Glassverk was founded in 1762 and is one of the most visited places in Norway.

**AB:** Yes we do use Hadeland products onboard the ships. We are using the following SURF series Hadeland glasses in the Stateroom and the Piano Bar: wine, long drink, champagne and rock glasses. [Special thanks to Sigurd for this information.]



**Carole:** I’m sure a lot of planning has gone into these new itineraries. Do you expect any growing pains? This is, after all, the first time mega-yacht SeaDream 1 has been in northern European waters.

**AB:** We know these areas very well and our Captains are also from this region, so this will be more than fine.

**Carole:** Is the yacht suited for the weather in these northern waters?

**AB:** Yes, it is. And the summer in Scandinavia can be extremely nice. Sun is up 0400 am and goes down 23 pm, so the light is great and the nature is great. Some of our best vacations on ships have been to the Norwegian fjords and in the Baltic to Sweden and Russia.

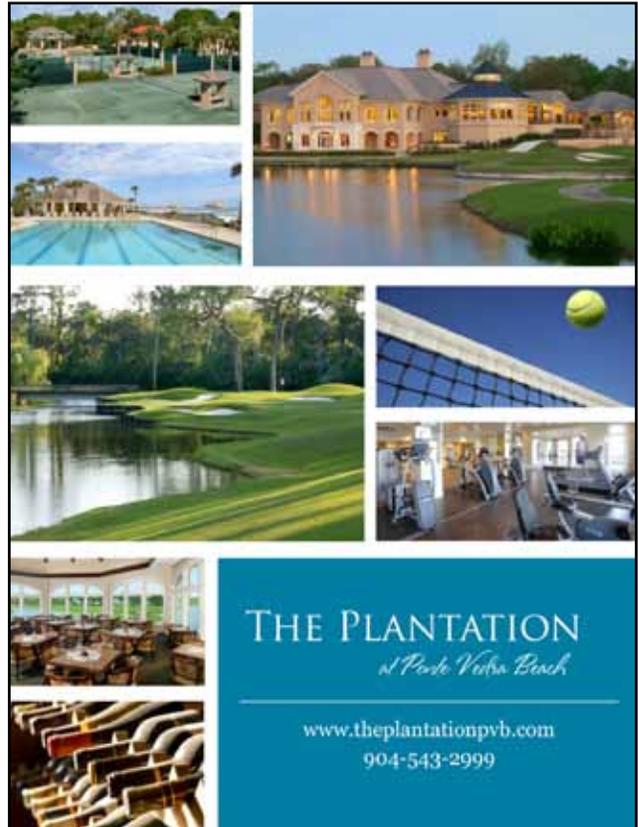
**Carole:** SeaDream’s two yachts are perfect for enjoying the outdoors. Will it be possible to do so in Northern Europe during questionable weather?

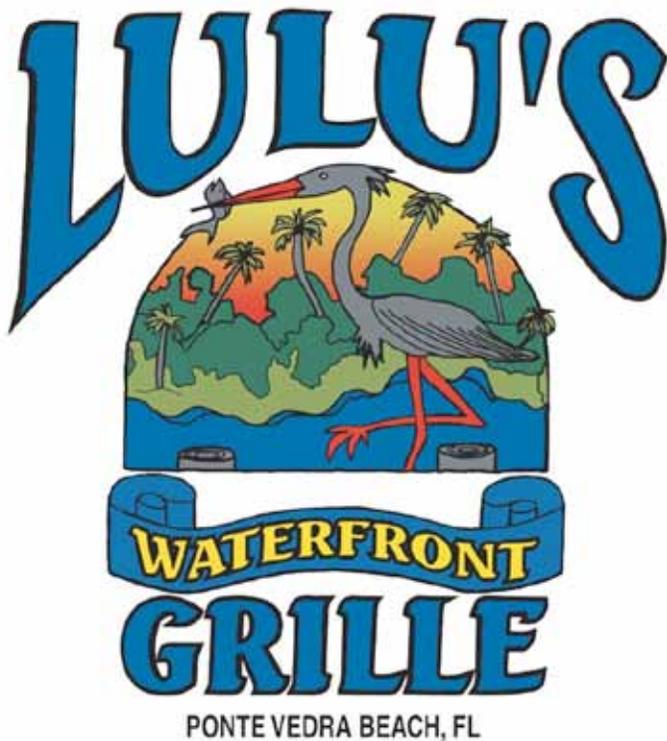
**AB:** We live in Norway and we know the weather well. Most of the time the summer weather is great. People are swimming in the ocean or in the lakes. It is normal to have dinner outside in the gardens or in the streets of towns and cities.

Some of the best experiences we have [had] is to sail along

the coast of Norway and there are a lot of small boats along the whole coast of Norway and Scandinavia. The SeaDream ships are perfect for these waters because we also can go close to the coast and behind islands. The big ships have to be outside and can not benefit from what SeaDream can.

The ships have been to Scandinavia many times before and they will do great. All the outdoor space we have will make it extra nice to experience Scandinavia with SeaDream.





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LuLu's is a locally owned and operated, casually upscale restaurant with a menu that features "culturally eclectic" cuisine (seafood, steaks, and pasta) which are offered seven days a week for lunch and dinner in their dining room and on their "porch" overlooking the Intracoastal Waterway. Sunday Brunch (11:00-2:00) is a tasty experience and a BIG local favorite!!

Lulu's Waterfront Grille has also announced a new management! Now, in its 15th year of business, the new management team is working on new and exciting changes to come! While keeping some of the classic entrees Lulu's is known for, such as its "Fried Shrimp Captain's Platter," some exciting new seafood choices are now available. So kick back and enjoy dining along the intracoastal waterway, while watching occasional boats pass by or catching the sunset as it glistens across the water.

Happy Hour every week-day from 4 - 7 featuring new snacks and bar menu. Lulu's is located at 301 N. Roscoe Boulevard, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL [Palm Valley] 2.2 miles west from the Solana Road/A1A intersection.



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# Boat Art Gallery



# The Top Toys at the London Boat Show

By Chris Kitching for MailOnline



A water sled that lets riders swim like fish and amphibious cars are among the must-have gadgets for wealthy yacht owners

Luxury yachts worth millions of pounds are the main attraction at the London Boat Show, but it also features some of the latest toys or gadgets for wealthy buyers.

With hundreds of exhibitors on hand at this year's event, yacht owners have plenty of options to keep guests entertained while sailing the Mediterranean or Caribbean.

This year's must-have accessories include a high-performance personal watercraft that can do a top speed of nearly 75mph and a device that allows riders to swim in the sea like a dolphin.

The Seabob F5 S, created by German firm Cayago, propels riders at a top underwater speed of nearly 10mph at depths of 131ft. It is even faster on the surface, where it can hit a top speed of nearly 12.5mph.

All riders have to do is point the Seabob in the direction they want to travel and set the speed. If they let go or dive beyond their pre-set limit, the £7,800 device will stop automatically and float to the surface.

Powered by a high-energy lithium-manganese battery, the Seabob F5 S runs for about 60 minutes before it needs a charge.



With a top speed of nearly 75mph, Sea-Doo's RXT-X 300 will be one of the hottest toys when superyachts return to the Mediterranean. The beastly machine boasts a supercharged 300-horsepower Rotax engine which is the biggest ever on a Sea-Doo model. It is big enough to hold three occupants and powerful enough to pull a wakeboarder or water skier.



The 2016 Dutton Reef (front) is Dutton's first new model in 14 years and is based on the Ford Fiesta MK8 (background: Dutton Surf)



The Dutton Surf, a four-wheel drive model based on the Suzuki Jimny. A fully-assembled model costs £18,450, plus a donor car and VAT. Since he started making them in 1989, Tim Dutton has twice crossed the English Channel in one of his amphibious cars.

At this year's boat show, he displayed two models that can take buyers almost anywhere they choose. The 2016 Dutton Reef is Dutton's first new model in 14 years and is based on the Ford Fiesta MK8.

The 10-day London Boat Show kicked off with the world debut of Sunseeker 131, a 131ft superyacht from British firm Sunseeker International, unveiled with help from Downton Abbey actor Hugh Bonneville



The opulent dining area of a Sunseeker 725, with large glass table laid up with crockery, cutlery and a beautiful flower centerpiece



Lavish surroundings: The luxurious lounge area of a Sunseeker 725 which has a giant TV, colorful cushions and homely touches.



# **A Boat Review** *Provided by boattest.com*

## **Robalo R180 (2014-) Captain's Report**

*By Capt. Steve*



**The R180 has high freeboard that adds to the boat's feeling of security. She also has good handling characteristics and you can take her into skinny water.**

### **A Boat on a Mission**

With heavy competition in the 18' (5.49 m) center console market, Robalo seems to have come up with an interesting mix of design features that should make her appeal to the off-shore angler who wants a decent-quality coastal fishing boat at an affordable price. Because she only draws 11" with the outboard up, with the addition of a trolling motor, you also have a flats boat.

**The test R180 had the optional black color band that made the boat look really slick in our opinion.**

### **Distinguishing Features**

Let's take a look at what separates the R180 from the pack--

**\*Not Lightweight.** The R180 measures in at 2,150 lbs. (1,179 kg) dry, without an engine. Most 18' center consoles weigh between 1,700-2,100 lbs. (771-952 kg), so that means the R180 is at the high end of the scale. This is a significant distinction because the price-point boats tend to be on the light side. It becomes evident that Robalo holds nothing back in the build quality of its entry level center console.

**\*High Freeboard.** As already noted, the Robalo 180 has a high freeboard, one of the highest in the industry no matter what price point. This is one of the main reasons that it

weighs more than other boats in class. The R180 is also a bit beamier than a number of boats in class which also adds to weight and stability.

**\*Reasonably Priced Options.** Here's an area where a builder typically makes up for the lower price. Many builders have expensive options, or option packages that create a margin that may not be in the base MSRP. Apparently Robalo didn't get the memo as I find its optional extras to be quite reasonably priced.

**\*Owned by a Publicly Traded Company.** Of the fifty or so center console brands on the market, the only other ones owned by a publicly traded company making center consoles, that I can think of, is Brunswick. Marine Products Corporation is the parent of Robalo as well as Chaparral, one of the most respected names in sportboats. While there are no absolutes in this business, if I owned a Robalo I would feel a bit more secure with my investment knowing that there are some financial oversights of the builder. And, because Marine Products Corporation also makes sportboats there is bound to be some positive cross-pollination of design and engineering ideas.

### **A Look on the Trailer**

Before the test I had the opportunity to take a look at the R180 while she was still out of the water and there were some features to take note of. She had an 18-degree deadrise which is pretty standard. She has single lifting strakes on each side of the keel and reverse chines that should add stability while casting on a drift.

More interesting was the flat keel pad running along the bottom. This is part of what Robalo calls it's "Hydro Lift" hull design that should give quicker planing times, a higher top speed, and a more docile turning characteristic. We'll see...

### Performance and Handling

On the water, I found the R180 to be a pleasure to operate. She was very responsive to the helm, and while we had a flat calm day to test in, it was easy to find wakes to carve through and the R180 performed quite well. Launching off waves, she held a nice even keel and made a gentle stern first reentry that kept me in control and comfortable. Even crossing the wake from the side had a stable feel. Doing hard-over "test captain" turns were equally comfortable but were met with a little ventilation; however it's rare that you'd operate this way. Normal turns were a non-event.



**When pushing through waves, the R180 throws water low and off to the sides. For that reason I failed at my attempts to soak the windscreen.**

### The Numbers

With the 115-hp Yamaha 4-stroke powering our test boat we reached a top speed at 6000 rpm of 41.1 mph. At that speed we were burning just 10.4 gph for a range of 178 miles.

Best cruise came in at 3500 rpm and 20.1 mph. At that speed we were burning only 3.8 gph for a range of 237 miles. However, I found that the R180 felt most comfortable at 4000 rpm, and 25.5 mph. That's where my hand settled on the throttle more often than not, and since that speed generated only an additional 1.1 gph fuel burn at the cost of only 3 miles to the endurance, that's probably where you'll be cruising, too.

Thanks to the flat keel providing additional lift, we had a quick time to plane of 3.8 seconds. Acceleration was average with the 115-hp power plant as we reached 20 mph in 8.1 seconds and cruised through 30 mph in 12.1 seconds.

### Features Walkthrough

**Engine Choices.** Starting at the stern, the R180 doesn't come with a standard engine, per se, but the base price reflects the

115-hp Yamaha 4-stroke, and a 150-hp Yamaha is a second option. I found the 115-hp to be perfectly adequate for the mission of this boat. I mean let's face it... you're not going to be heading to the canyons in this boat; you'll be sticking to coastal areas. A larger engine will get you there faster, but is it really what you want to do?

### Stern

The stern of the R180 is pretty nicely laid out. There is a non-skid casting deck that runs across the whole stern, and it's wide enough for me to feel secure even in a light chop. As you step off the casting deck, you can lift up both sides to reveal jump seats. As I settled into one of these seats, I was pleased to see that the security of the leaning post was right within reach, and I was also able to brace my foot against the base for two points of security when the going gets rough.

In the center of the two jump seats is a 15-gallon (56.78 L) livewell, colored blue and with round edges to reduce the shock to your live bait. A three-step reboarding ladder is to starboard.



**With the aft seatbacks flipped down you have a relatively large elevated casting deck. A livewell is in the center.**

### Helm Area

The leaning post features optional powder-coated rails, and a 72-quart (68.14 L) cooler with a ruler molded into the top. It's held securely in place with brackets and bungees, and the seat is high enough to allow you to access the cooler without having to remove it from its mounts.

The leaning post is just the right distance from the helm, and gives you enough room to stand behind the wheel, and remain comfortable while still operating from the seated position. There's a footrest at the bottom of the post, but I'd also like to see a recessed footrest in the console. (I did find that there was room for it when looking inside the console itself.)

**The Console.** There's a large amount of stainless steel around this console for a boat trying to maintain its cost-effectiveness. The wheel is center mounted in the console, and there's plenty of room to mount a 12" (30.5 cm) display in the cen-

ter of the panel. Clutter is kept to a minimum thanks to the standard Yamaha digital multi-function gauges.

At the top of the console a compass is center mounted with two small storage areas to either side that are rubber matted and self-draining. To both sides of the console you will find vertical rod storage.

### Inside the Console

I measured 23" (58.4 cm) from the console to the gunwale on each side. This is unusually wide clearance for an 18' boat. Around the front of the console is the usual seating that is found on nearly every center console on the planet.

The front of the console swings open to reveal a storage area that was fitted with the optional Porta-Potti on our test boat. The compartment has ample artificial light, and is large enough for sitting head room only. None of the bulkheads are padded, but there's a clothes/lifejacket rack overhead and a grab handle on the inside bottom of the door. I would like to see a magnetic catch to hold the door in the open position. I can think of only a couple of other center consoles which have access doors in the forward quadrant of the console and this design has its advantages, particularly for portly anglers.



### At the Bow

The bow area features, what is in effect, two casting areas. The lower casting deck has a hatch over the 25 1/2- gallon (96.5L) fish box/cooler that drains overboard. You can also step up onto the forepeak to find a higher casting deck to use while in calm water. I felt completely secure standing on this elevated platform and all that was missing was the rod in my hands. In the center of the deck is an anchor locker that's fitted with an anchor keeper to hold your Danforth securely in place.

**With this fishbox/cooler closed, you have a secure casting area. Notice how the grab handles come well forward.**

### Options and Pricing

The Robalo R180 comes nicely equipped with the Yamaha 115 horsepower 4-stroke plus trailer for a base price of

\$29,395. I use the term "nicely equipped" as you can pretty much take this boat fishing right from the dealership floor, but there are some notable options that I would consider.

Center consoles are not well known for the amount of shading they provide and for that reason I would at least get a Bimini top and boot. If you wanted to get a little more extreme, and of course good looking, there's an aluminum T-top with canvas available. Whether you install electronics or not, a console cover is a must-have. Robalo offers a Garmin 740 GPS fishfinder with a 7" (17.8 cm) display.

In the utility category, a custom anchor is available. If you don't plan on using the upper deck at the bow for casting then you may want to consider the full-welded bow rail. The R180 can be pre-wired for a trolling motor which would make the dual battery charger a good idea. The boat only draws 11" with the outboard engine up, so with a trolling motor you can venture onto the flats. (Make sure your trolling motor will reach the water.)

Our test boat was equipped with the optional trim tabs but I never touched them.

### Recommendations

I've seen a lot of center consoles over the years and they all start to blend together, but there are several features that make the Robalo R180 a standout in my mind. While she may not be the lowest priced 18' CC boat on the market, she is quite reasonably priced, and you get a lot of added value for 2 to 3k more, in my opinion.

What you are getting in addition to the clever design features, such as the front-opening center console, and the casting platforms both on the bow and the stern, and the hefty displacement and increased freeboard. Both of these aspects make this boat more offshore capable, to my mind. Yet, performance is not encumbered because of the boat's 18-degree deadrise and her keel pad.

Further, because of her minimum draft of 11", gear up, with the addition of a trolling motor, you can take her into skinny water just like a bay or flats boat. That added utility is another reason why I think this boat is a good investment.

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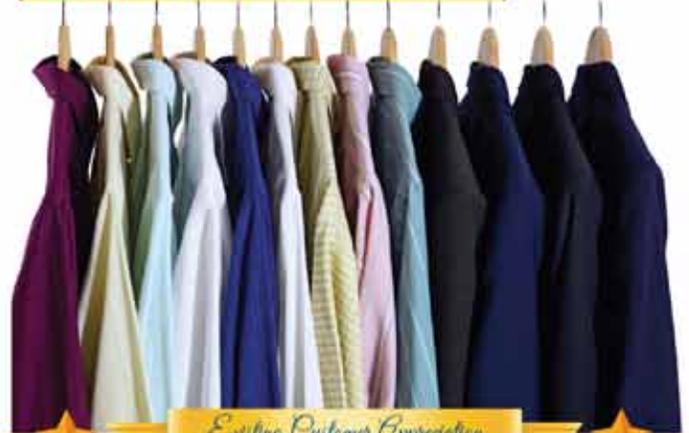
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**Here are the Top 26 Drinks that should not be missed  
(organized by neighborhood, you can later organize them by taste after trying them out!):**

#### **Downtown**

1. Dos Gatos: Stolen Fish
2. The Volstead: Baked Apple Sazerac
3. Mark’s: Blue Long Island
4. River City Brewing Company: Red Rooster Ale

#### **Riverside**

5. Intuition Ale Works: I-10 IPA
6. Bold City Brewery: Dukes Cold Nose Brown Ale
7. Black Sheep Rooftop Bar: Dusty Boot
8. The Blind Rabbit: Drunken Rabbit
9. Lola’s Burrito Joint: Chupa-Me-Chupa Margarita

#### **Avondale**

10. Orsay: Hey Jealousy
11. The Brick: Mango Mojito
12. Mojo no.4 BBQ and Whiskey Bar: The Drunken Cucumber

#### **San Marco**

13. The Grape and Grain Exchange: Old Fashion
14. Bar X at Bistro AIX: The Bridge of Bardot

15. Aardwolf Brewing Company: Stormageddon

16. Sidecar: Tending Rabbit

17. Taverna: The Salty Dog

18. Bb’s: Moscow Mule

#### **Neptune Beach**

19. Flying Iguana: Spice of Life

20. Lemon Bar: Rum Runner

21. Pete’s Bar: White Russian

22. Azurea Lounge: The Ocean

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23. Casa Marina Penthouse Lounge: Key Lime Martini

24. Taco Lu: Pinarita

#### **Southside**

25. Moxie Kitchen and Cocktails: Leaving Amazon

26. Ovinte: DB9

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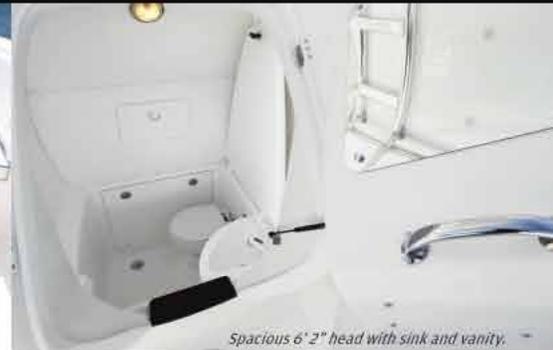
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