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Asia Superyacht Rendezvous

The Chedi Phuket, Thailand, 16 to 18 December 2010

▶ Following last year's hugely successful Asia Superyacht Rendezvous, organisers are finalising details for this year's event in Phuket, Thailand. It is the only event in Asia that brings together motor and sailing yachts and exclusive media partner Boat International Media and Feadship are among the returning sponsors.

The Rendezvous is the longest-running superyacht event in Asia. Asia Pacific Superyachts general manager and event co-organiser Gordon Fernandes says, 'For a long time, the Caribbean has been seen as the stomping ground for yachts, and Asia has been the poor relative. But much of that is changing, and this area is set to boom with Phuket as a new yachting hub.'

'Feadship has a long-established presence in Asia,' says Bas Nederpelt, the company's director of sales and marketing. 'We are convinced there is a great potential for yachting in the area and for Phuket in particular as a yacht hub. Too few yacht owners explore the beautiful Asian waters.'

The event has been expanded from two to three days this year, and will now have an additional event race. This year's itinerary includes two days of sailing events, sunset cocktail parties, a model boatbuilding contest and a gala dinner. 'Meeting up with the others is wonderful,' says co-organiser Captain Charles Dwyer. 'This is the real point of the Rendezvous – it's primarily a social event. It's certainly not all about winning races.' Entry is by invitation only, and all yachts participating must be over 30 metres.

Caribbean Rendezvous

Boat International Media is delighted to announce the dates of the inaugural Caribbean Regatta and Rendezvous at Oil Nut Bay, British Virgin Islands, 16 to 20 March 2011. Boat International will host superyacht owners, families and friends at the latest superyacht marina and luxury resort, North Sound Marina and Oil Nut Bay. 'Organising a Rendezvous and regatta in such a fantastic location will not be a hardship for us,' says Tony Harris, chief executive of Boat International Media, 'and we look forward to making sure that our participants get the on and off the water fun of the usual Boat International standard.'

David Johnson, chairman of Victor International and owner of Resolute, a 40m Westport, adds, 'I am proud to partner with Boat International to introduce the inaugural Caribbean Rendezvous and Regatta at Oil Nut Bay in the BVIs.'



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