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Peters & May renews long-term partnerships with the 52 SUPER SERIES and WCC's ARC Rally as sailors prepare for a return to competition

Southampton, UK, 27 May 2021 – Global marine transport and logistics provider Peters & May is reaffirming its commitment to support international yacht racing with continued sponsorship of the prestigious 52 SUPER SERIES and the renowned transatlantic ARC Rally, run by the World Cruising Club. Although both on and offshore events are still facing limitations, organisers

of the ARC and the TP52 fleet are looking ahead to a return to racing this year.

The leading global logistics provider has also confirmed its support as partner sponsors to two other prominent events in the yacht racing calendar, the Cape 2Rio Race 2023 and the Beneteau Cup which recently took place in Hong Kong.

Peters & May has worked with major yachting series and events for over forty years, shipping boats and their equipment across the globe to support competitors. Peters & May CEO Simon Judson said: "As a long-term partner of both the 52 SUPER SERIES and the ARC, we're proud to be trusted to continue these valued relationships by providing ongoing support to participants. We know how eager competitors and participants will be to get back round the cans or head out to sea, and we look forward to seeing many familiar faces once more, as well as getting to know new participants."

While the pandemic halted most events for the highly competitive TP52 fleet in 2020, three regattas are now planned for late summer and autumn in the Balearic Islands, with a more extensive schedule in place for 2022. Peters & May has supported the 52 SUPER SERIES since its inception, shipping not only these grand-prix monohulls but also transporting their containers of equipment, RIBs, kit, and spares, and handling all customs requirements on behalf of crew.

Agustín Zulueta, CEO of the 52 SUPER SERIES commented: "We are delighted to continue our relationship with Peters & May who have proven themselves valued partners on every level since we started working together. Some years are more difficult than others. For example, last year Peters & May did us proud when we went to Cape Town for the first time, they worked tirelessly to repatriate the boats as soon as was practical during the health crisis. This year's compact circuit should be more straightforward for them, but things are set to ramp up nicely for 2022 when we look forward to taking our owners and crews to exciting new venues, a nice challenge for our friends at Peters & May."

Each year for almost two decades, Peters & May has also supported the large numbers of adventurous sailors taking part in the WCC's transatlantic rallies. Today it offers a wide range of travel options from the Caribbean finish line, whether back to Europe or onwards to other continents. Although last year's

ARC saw a smaller number of participants than usual, sailors are showing their enthusiasm to get back to blue-water racing with the 2021 entry book full following an unprecedented number of enquiries.

Andrew Bishop, Managing Director of World Cruising Club said, “There is certainly great demand from our participants to cross oceans and explore new cruising grounds this season and beyond. Peters & May providing expert logistical support and varied shipping options gives our participants a choice for their onward plans after their rally, particularly at the end of the Caribbean season, and we are delighted to have been working with them for almost twenty years. As a long-term Corporate Member of World Cruising Club, we look forward to continuing this strong relationship with Peters & May for many years to come to benefit our participants’ cruising ambitions.”

Peters & May has also signed up as a Promotional Partner to the Cape 2Rio Race 2023. Organised by The Royal Cape Yacht Club and late Clube do Rio de Janeiro, this South Atlantic classic will attract owners and teams from across the world.

Some yachts have already confirmed their entry up to be part of this race and many previous competing owners and teams have registered their intention to compete. For yacht racers wishing to be part of this historic event, Peters & May have published a Mast Up, Keel On shipping schedule for services from the US, Australia and the Mediterranean from early November 2022.

On announcing the promotional partnership, Craig Stanbury, Global Operations Director of the Peters & May Racing sector, said, “The Cape to Rio Race first ran in 1971 and we are delighted to support the 2023 event. Like so many sports, yacht racing had a setback during 2020/2021 so it’s great to see organisations backing its return and making long-term commitments. Our dedicated sailing schedule has been designed to bring as many International yachts and race teams to the start line on January 2nd, 2023.’

Peters & May also confirmed that it was recently a proud partner sponsor of the inaugural Beneteau Cup, which took place in Hong Kong in mid-May. The two-day event, which proved a great success, saw competitors taking part in an island and pursuit race. The Cup was organised by Asia’s leading yacht broker, Simpson Marine, a long-term logistics partner of Peters & May, who has been providing the broker with tailored logistics and yacht transportation solutions for many years.

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