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New Designs - 2015

RANGE OF OFFSHORE CRUISING YACHTS For Kraken Marine of Hong Kong

When it comes to sea miles, Kraken Marine's two Directors have logged more than most. So when they approached us for a new design range, they knew exactly what they wanted and we knew how to achieve it.

Designed for true offshore cruising, Kraken Marine's new range of yachts will include a 48, 58 and a 66-footer. Designed for luxurious cruising whilst maintaining seaworthiness and performance, this new range ticks all the requirements for this generation of sailor.

A modern hull and efficient modern appendages allow these designs to take on long ocean passages, or coastal weekend cruising, with ease and comfort.

Knowing how each owner has their own experiences and needs, alternative layouts are available to suit their cruising ways. But if you are not quite sure, Kraken have a lifetime of experience to help you work through what is the best fit.

Below is the first of the designs, the Kraken 58, but over the next few newsletters, we will introduce you to the Team involved, including the two Directors, and detail some of the features that will make this exciting new range stand apart from the rest.

The new Kraken Marine website is in the process of going live, and as soon as it is, we will let you know. In it you will hear about the philosophy of the brand, the range available, as well as some interesting cruising stories and links. Until then...




Kraken 58 Centre Cockpit Cruising Yacht

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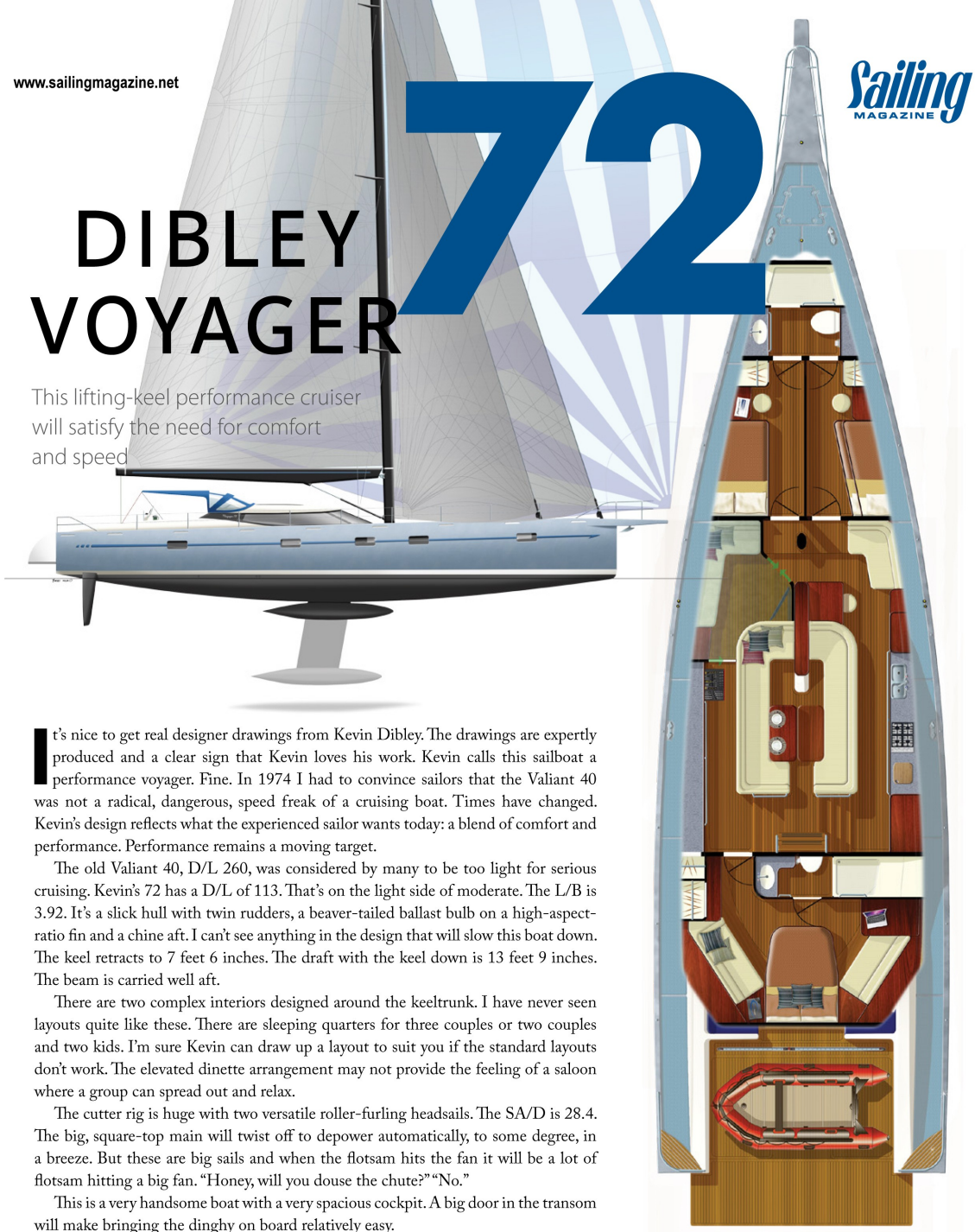
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Design Review by Robert Perry—February 2015 SAILING

Bob's reviews can be tough or glowing and you never know which you'll get, but there is one thing you can guarantee, it will be an entertaining read. Here he gives his thoughts to our Dibley 72 'Voyager' which is detailed on our website: www.dibleymarine.com/sail/sail/voyager72.html



www.sailingmagazine.net

DIBLEY VOYAGER

This lifting-keel performance cruiser will satisfy the need for comfort and speed

It's nice to get real designer drawings from Kevin Dibley. The drawings are expertly produced and a clear sign that Kevin loves his work. Kevin calls this sailboat a performance voyager. Fine. In 1974 I had to convince sailors that the Valiant 40 was not a radical, dangerous, speed freak of a cruising boat. Times have changed. Kevin's design reflects what the experienced sailor wants today: a blend of comfort and performance. Performance remains a moving target.

The old Valiant 40, D/L 260, was considered by many to be too light for serious cruising. Kevin's 72 has a D/L of 113. That's on the light side of moderate. The L/B is 3.92. It's a slick hull with twin rudders, a beaver-tailed ballast bulb on a high-aspect-ratio fin and a chine aft. I can't see anything in the design that will slow this boat down. The keel retracts to 7 feet 6 inches. The draft with the keel down is 13 feet 9 inches. The beam is carried well aft.

There are two complex interiors designed around the keeltrunk. I have never seen layouts quite like these. There are sleeping quarters for three couples or two couples and two kids. I'm sure Kevin can draw up a layout to suit you if the standard layouts don't work. The elevated dinette arrangement may not provide the feeling of a saloon where a group can spread out and relax.

The cutter rig is huge with two versatile roller-furling headsails. The SA/D is 28.4. The big, square-top main will twist off to depower automatically, to some degree, in a breeze. But these are big sails and when the flotsam hits the fan it will be a lot of flotsam hitting a big fan. "Honey, will you douse the chute?" "No."

This is a very handsome boat with a very spacious cockpit. A big door in the transom will make bringing the dinghy on board relatively easy.

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Our best estimate of the sailaway price

\$3 million

LOA 72'2"; LWL; Beam 20'1"; Draft 7'6" (keel up), 13'9" (keel down); Displ. 76,058 lbs.; Ballast 28,218 lbs.; Sail area 3,158 sq. ft.; SA/D 28.4; L/B 3.92; D/L 113; Auxiliary 200-hp Volvo Penta; Fuel 528 gal.; Water 264 gal.

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2015 Racing Results and News **SUBIC TO BORACAY RACE & THE BORACAY CUP REGATTA**



'CENTENNIAL III' to weather with speed and height

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'JELIK' on the wind and flying.

'CENTENNIAL III' & 'Jelik'

Back in 2000, Laurie Davidson approached Kevin Dibley to work alongside him on a new TP52 for an American client. Working alongside Davidson is always a pleasure and with Cookson Boats completing the build, the yacht was launched successfully in 2001.

Moving the clock forward twelve years and with various owners in between, Ernesto Erchauz of the Philippines finally took ownership.

Dibley was approached in 2014 for the possibilities of a new keel design based on successful work he had done for Frank Pong on the various yachts in his fleet including the R/P75 'Jelik'.

Bringing in a team that included Nina Heatley (structural engineering) and Neil Howe (builder—

Kawerau Engineering), Dibley designed a deeper, narrower, lower drag fin that would suit the hull shape and allow faster downhill runs, while increasing lift and speed on the wind. She also had to perform under IRC which is the predominate rating system in Asia. The result could not have been better with her first event being the 2015 **Subic to Boracay** race in February. She won IRC convincingly in this 200 nm passage race followed by Jelik who settled for 2nd.

After a few days break, both yachts started the **Boracay Cup** which is a four day Regatta featuring windward/leeward and around island courses. It is part of the 12 race Asian Yachting Grand Prix Championship and well respected on the circuit.

At the end of the Regatta, after 6 races, both 'Centennial III' and 'Jelik' tied for 1st, and with one drop of their worse result, they still tied for 1st. It was only on count back, taking Pong's first three races (1st's) into account that Jelik took out the win, followed by Centennial III in 2nd.

Well done to both Frank Pong, Ernesto Erchauz, and their crews for the well earned results.

(Photo credit for both photos to AsianYachting.com)

8th COMMODORE'S CUP 2015 Subic Bay, Philippines

Since the above report, a repeat of the Jelik / Centennial III tussle happened during the 8th Commodore's Cup held out of Subic Bay in the Philippines in April but 'Standard Insurance Centennial III' came out on top with a 2,1,1,1,1,1 and overall win in IRC. The 2015/16 Season should be an interesting one with the next tussle being the 2015 China Cup International Regatta in October.

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2015 DONALD HAY REGATTA—Queenstown, New Zealand



'Springloaded' to weather with speed and height

DIBLEY 8 Metre — 'SPRINGLOADED'

As one of Dibley's first designs back in the early 1990's, 'Springloaded' (sistership to 'Supergroove') has gone through a few owners, with plenty of success during her time. When she sold to Darryl Pender, based out of Canterbury, NZ, she was given a complete makeover, and the results have been spectacular.

The first regatta for 2015 saw Kevin Dibley join Darryl, Kevin Barker, Jamie White and Adrian Short for the Donald Hay Regatta in Queenstown. The regatta involves a 25 nm race from Queenstown to Kingston where the yachts raft up for the night. The 2nd day has the race back to the Wakitipu Yacht Club where they started.

'Springloaded' managed Line on both days, in winds ranging from 0—25 knots, and took away the Donald Hay Classic Trophy.

The new square-top main has given her a new lease in life with fingertip helm control and power to spare. Well done Team.

(Photo credit to John Stalker)

2015 SOVEREIGN PORT NICHOLSON REGATTA—Wellington, New Zealand



L-R | Ben Lissaman, Andrew McFarlane, Jonathan Duffy, Glenn Robertson, Brian Bailey, David Croad, Matt Kerr, Craig Smith

DIBLEY MODIFIED—ROSS 40 — 'SATELLITE SPY'

In 2014, Dibley was approached to design a new keel and bulb for the Ross 40 'Satellite Spy' which was designed by Murray Ross for his own use back in 1985. A yacht ahead of it's time, the Ross 40 became a top performer throughout the 80's, 90's and early 2000's. With new ideas and technology coming into the design game, the Ross 40's kept up with small incremental changes which included rig updates

and bulb re-shaping, but the design was struggling to keep up with the modern yachts hitting the racing scene.

Dibley had a lot of respect for the Ross hull shape but did a full analysis on the design and performance aspect of the yacht before deciding the best path would be to completely re-design the keel, move the keel aft and re-shape the bulb to cut drag and balance the yacht better for upwind control and off wind acceleration.

Dibley brought in Nina Heatley to structurally engineer the keel and make the required changes to the keel floors and internal laminates, and Neil Howe of Kawerau Engineering to build the fin. The new owners, Matt Kerr and Glenn Robertson, brought in builder Jeremy Hay of Sounds Marine to put it all together.

The results have been outstanding with her first race being the Sovereign Port Nicholson Regatta run by the Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club. After a week of racing, Satellite Spy cleaned out the trophy cabinet by taking out 1st on General Handicap, 1st on PHRF (and is now the 2015 NZ PHRF Champion), and top yacht of the Regatta winning the Ross Telford Memorial Trophy.

Since the above report, they then went on to not only take Line Honours, but also the race record for the 2015 Mnt Gay Mana Island Offshore Race held on the 25th April. Well done to Matt, Glenn and crew for a great start to 2015.

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Westlawn Institute of Marine Technology
www.westlawn.edu

Sailing Anarchy
www.sailinganarchy.com

New Zealand Marine
www.nzmarine.com

Asian Yachting
www.asianyachting.com

History of IOR Blog
www.rbsailing.blogspot.co.nz/

Shorthanded Sailing Association of NZ
www.ssanz.co.nz

Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron
www.rnzys.org.nz

From the Design Office:

2015 has seen some great results from the work that was put in during 2014 and we see this continuing into 2016 with current projects on the table.

Neil Spencer has taken over as Managing Director of DYD Ltd which frees Kevin to concentrate on the design and client liaising. Neil comes from a strong yachting background and is also a Director for CEproof International (NZ) Ltd. which provides services to NZ companies who need to conform to European Union product legislation, EC Directive requirements and EC/NZ Mutual Recognition Agreements.

The company is in great hands with Neil's management and vision and we look forward to working together on the growth of DYD Ltd.



Kevin Dibley (Queenstown, NZ)

2015 Racing Results and News (continued)



8 August, 2015 - Auckland, NZ:

Mike Elley and Scott Blakey took out the SSANZ 2-handed 100-Miler in Auckland aboard their Dibley modified 'White 40' 'Nosaka', completing the course in just over 14 hours. Early last year, DYD designed new appendages to match the new sail plan and worked closely with Mike to ensure maximum performance on all points of sail. Race report from Mike can be found on our Facebook Page.

SSANZ (Shorthanded Sailing Association of New Zealand) runs this 3 race series with help from major sponsors 'Safety at Sea', 'NZ Spars and Rigging, and 'Evolution Sails'.



July, 2015 - Washington, USA:

John Steiner and crew continue to enjoy their Dibley 25 'Carbon' up in the Pacific Northwest of the USA. Racing out of the West Sound Corinthian Yacht Club, John recently got 4th overall in the 2015 WSSA Trophy Series with 3 races won in division 1 and 2 first overalls from the 7 race series. Still in the early stages of his yacht racing experience, John can clearly be seen to be enjoying himself tremendously. More updates as news comes through. Check out our Facebook Page for further news and happenings around the world.

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