Following a hugely successful Asia Superyacht Rendezvous in December 2009, the 2010 sociable sailing fun event is charging forward under the stewardship of organisers Gordon Fernandes and Charles Dwyer.

"2009 was the most successful sailing event of the Asia Superyacht Rendezvous and we plan to deliver an even more exciting event in 2010", note the organisers, as they gear up for the big 10-year celebration of Superyachts in Asia to be held in Phuket.

The 2010 superyacht event will be held Dec. 16, 17 & 18, 2010 - and for the third year, will be anchored by the luxury Chedi Resort in Phuket, Thailand and returning co-sponsor and organising company, Asia Pacific Superyachts Co. and Jumeirah Private Island.

The 2010 event has been expanded from 2 to 3 days, is 'by invitation only' but by no means limited, the only stipulation being, the vessel is over 30 Meters LOA. Following the annual festive event, the fleet departs to discover the more than 100 islands in the Phuket area during the holiday season while, Thai hospitality and food amidst the gorgeous tropical waters and experiencing great brilliant sunsets of the Andaman Sea.

Organisers Gordon Fernandes and Captain Charlie Dwyer note, “As Asia's premier Superyacht hub, we welcome the initiative to once again organize a Rendezvous for Superyachts in the region. Every year many Superyachts visit the Pacific Rim and all leave with exciting stories and experiences.”

Further information at: www.asia-superyacht-rendezvous.com and www.asia-pacific-superyachts.com

News from JPS Yacht and Charter Services – United Arab Emirates

JPS Yacht & Charter Service is pleased to announce that their website is now up and running (www.jpsyachts.com) JPS are starting to prepare for the Abu Dhabi Grand Prix being held in November, and have booked their first 86m in a prime spot for the event. Any interested parties to contact JPS directly.

JPS has been working hard as part of the steering committee for a new Association which they are trying to start up in the Middle East - Marine Leisure Association of the Emirates (MLAE.) This is desperately needed in the Middle East to try and ease all the governmental procedures hindering the marine industry at present. For more information please contact Stephen Corbett on info@jpsyachts.com

Changes to New Zealand Pilotage and Charter Laws

Vessels over 500grt and under 1000grt can apply for a pilot exemption in the main ports & cruising grounds of Auckland, Bay of Islands, Marlborough Sounds & Fiordland.

Maritime New Zealand will give an exemption for Masters with acceptable qualifications an exemption after being examined on transits & a small test per port. This will free up the ability to cruise New Zealand’s stunning main cruising areas for 6 months.

Charter:

Charter: Maritime NZ will issue a Certificate of Competitency on vessels wishing to charter in NZ for up to 2 years. Vessels need to lodge with Maritime NZ the appropriate paperwork to receive this Certificate. Rules state that vessels must not carry more than 12 passengers.

With the Rugby World starting in September 2011 (the beginning of the season) it is a great time for vessels looking for somewhere outside of the norm to take in chartering in Tahiti, Fiji & arrive in NZ for this sporting extravaganza.

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A warm welcome to the following new member :-

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