

2011 Powerboat Party

Incorporating SEPA British National Championship Awards Ceremony

SEPA hosted a Powerboat Party & Presentation Evening at The Coppid Beech Hotel, Bracknell in typical Offshore style on Saturday 19th November - with good food, fine wine & song and some rather interesting hangovers in the early hours of Sunday morning.

Following an early afternoon Drivers Forum, well represented by several key members of the offshore racing community from across the classes, most stayed on to don their glad rags and dancing shoes to attend a trophy presentation evening to celebrate this seasons National Champions. With a live cabaret, disco and nightclub all included, the night of entertainment seemed endless and for some it was – with the morning coming all too soon for some late night revellers! Everyone was in high spirits – *and there was certainly plenty of that to go round* – with plenty of friendly and cheerful banter throughout the evening.

Hosted by Master of Ceremonies – Martin Warren - the following presentations were awarded to the National Champions for 2011 and Annual Achievement Awards made as follows:

1. *Dan Priestley & Sam Brewster*
2011 OCR Champions

2. *Neal Ives & Ashleigh Foulser*
2011 Offshore 3B Champions

3. *Stewart Dick & Brian Peedell*
2011 Offshore 3C Champions



Winner of the SEPA Bowl



Winner of The Pirates Cave Challenge Cup



Winner of The Circle Express Claret Trophy



Peter Atlee won the SEPA Shield for outstanding Contribution to Powerboating



Trophy Winners in 2011



*Ashleigh Foulser & Stewart Dick
2011 Powerboat Champions*



*Daniel Priestley - winner
of the SEPA Award for
Best Newcomer*

Finally, the sport bid a sad farewell - but happy retirement to Sheila Wright - Senior Administrator with the Royal Yachting Association for many years, who finally bows out in December to begin a life of leisure – away from all the last minute licences and race approval applications! Competitors and officials alike took the time to wish Sheila all the best for the future and presented her with a bouquet of flowers and £100 of gift vouchers.



Our thanks to Sharon 'Disco Diva' Atlee for organising a wonderful evening..... when's the next one?