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Launching of MAISIE McGOO, a Stanley 38

Saturday, June 27, 2009 at 1:30pm at the boatyard in Hall Quarry

Hall Quarry, Maine: John Williams Boat Company is excited to announce the launching of MAISIE McGOO, a Stanley 38. A traditional launching ceremony will take place on Saturday, June 27th at 1:30pm. The press is invited to attend. Refreshments and a light lunch will be served.

After keeping an ad showing the Stanley 38 PETREL II by their bedside for over a year, Dana and Martha Robes of Round Pond, Maine saw her on display at the Maine Boats Homes and Harbors Show in August, 2008. The weather was terrible and the couple was calling it a day when Martha spotted PETREL II on the dock. They met builder Jock Williams on board and fell in love with the boat.

Dana Robes is a retired fine furniture builder and at one time had three retail stores in New England. In 2003, Dana and Martha purchased a 65' Ted Fontaine designed hull from Lyman Morse, set up their own shop in Round Pond and finished the sailboat themselves. Many of the systems and features on the sailboat are duplicated on MAISIE McGOO. The Robes brought the sailboat up to the yard in Hall Quarry for the crew to see firsthand the details and style that were to be incorporated into their new powerboat. Both boats have the same feel and share many of the same elements such as arched door frames and custom designed fiddles. In addition, many of the mechanical components are identical on both boats in order to simplify maintenance and repairs. They named the boat after their two West Highlander white terriers, Maisie and McGoo.

MAISIE McGOO is powered with a Cummins 540hp diesel engine. The Stanley 38 hull is molded fiberglass. This boat features teak cabin sides, bronze hardware, Brazilian cherry soles, pink Hall Quarry Granite countertops in the head and galley and other custom details. The design of the boat was a collaborative effort that brought together John Williams Boat Company's traditional look and the owner's fine furniture background. The forecastle layout was designed to accommodate the two dogs. The owners also requested that no bungs be visible. MAISIE McGOO has a full electronic package and a surround sound TV/DVD system. With an eye toward cruising abroad, a stern thruster was installed to aid in navigating the many locks throughout Europe.

With a hull already molded and awaiting finishing, construction of MAISIE MCGOO began in earnest in September, 2008 with an intended launch date of June, 2009. Given the complexity of the boat, this was a very ambitious schedule. The Williams' crew worked hard all winter along with many local subcontractors including Kramp Electronics, Paul S. Bowden and Scott Farley.

Founded in 1971, John Williams Boat Company integrates the best of traditional Maine boat building with modern technology and the kind of personal service that only a small company can provide. With just over twenty employees, the crew takes a very personal interest in all of the yard's projects and welcomes special requests.

The company's unique line of powerboats is a beautiful combination of form and function. These traditional boats range from 26' to 44'. In addition to building yachts, the company also offers full repair and restoration services, and facilities for indoor and outdoor storage for more than 120 boats.

Jock Williams, the company's founder, has been around boats all his life. He served a yearlong apprenticeship in wooden boatbuilding at Poul Molich's shipyard in Hundstead, Denmark and then joined the Hinckley Company as fiberglass production manager before founding the John Williams Boat Company. With a background in traditional wooden boatbuilding and a full understanding of the advantages of fiberglass, his boats incorporate the best of both worlds. As President, Jock must spend time in the office, but his first love has always been and remains "simply messing about in boats." For more information: John Williams Boat Company, P.O. Box 80, Mount Desert, Maine 04660. Phone 207-244-7854. www.jwboatco.com. info@jwboatco.com.

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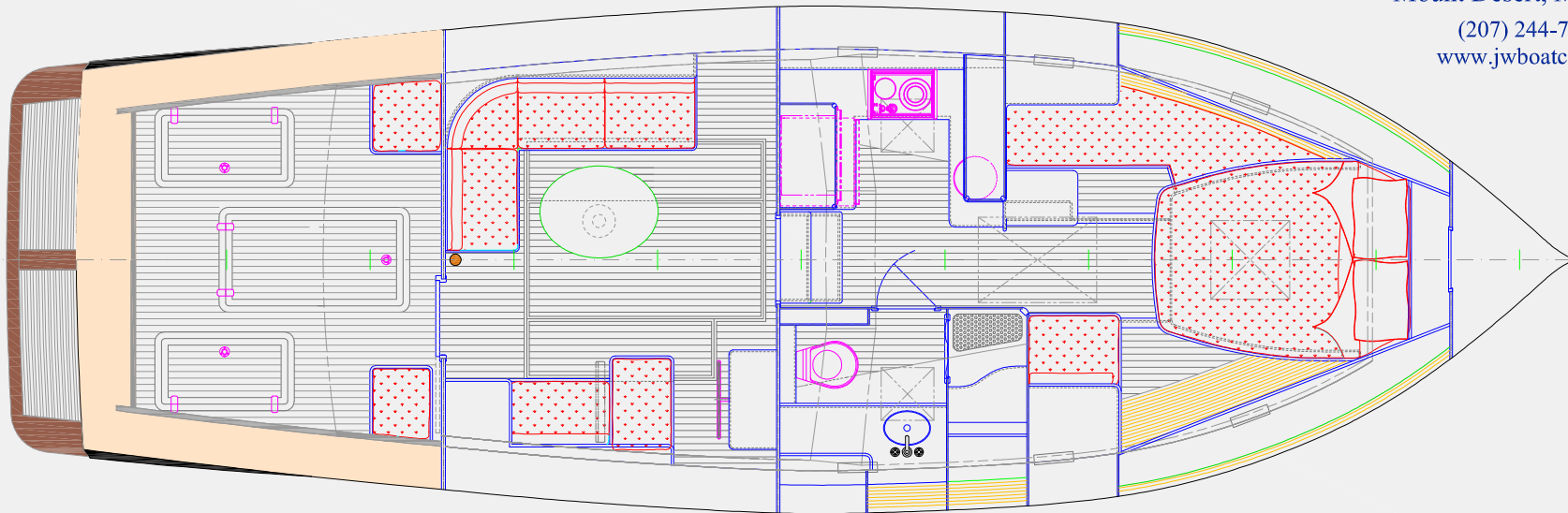
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