

## New Crew Recruits



Crew4Superyachts graduates

TRAINING CAN NEVER BE overemphasized in this industry – and the options for steward/ess training seem to grow more prolific every day. New on the scene is Birmingham, UK,-based Crew4Superyachts, run by former Chief Stewardess Rachel Simms. Her company recruits newbies into the industry and provides training for junior steward/esses.

“After spending six years as a chief stewardess, I was only too aware of hiring new junior stews only to find out a few months down the line they cannot cope with the demands, or [they] thought it would be all fun, relaxation and cocktails when it is anything but!,” Simms says.

So Simms took her experience and tailored it into creating her course of study. “I devised the Crew4Superyachts training course after seeing the benefits training had for me and my

career and to cope with the need for junior stews who can hit the ground running,” she says.

Courses range from Silver Service to modules on crew behavior to laundry and housekeeping skills, coffee making to wine appreciation and bartending skills. Simms goes a step beyond the ordinary, too – after her students graduate her course, she takes them to Antibes to meet placement agents face to face and to get more of a grasp of the industry. [www.crew4superyachts.co.uk](http://www.crew4superyachts.co.uk)

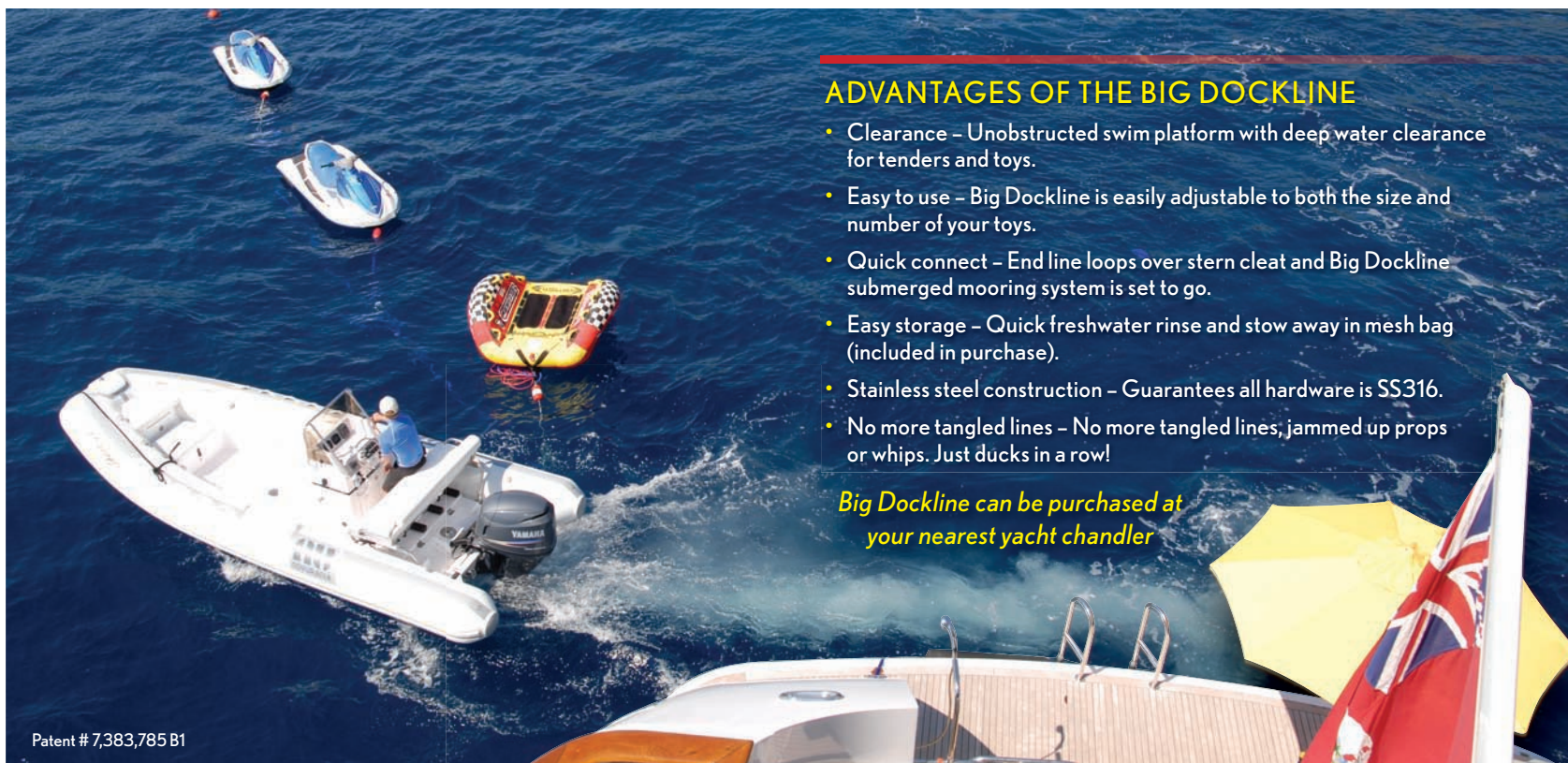
## YARD NEWS

### MARINA BARCELONA'92: A GREEN SOUL

Even after establishing its carbon offsetting program in which MB'92 offers visiting yachts the option to offset their emissions, the yard is not resting on its laurels. In fact, it has hired an external company to carry out a full environmental audit of the shipyard and its activities to assess where energy savings can be made and where environmental impact can be reduced. MB'92 is also studying the feasibility of installing solar panels to generate some of its own electricity.

Recycling is also a serious matter at the yard – every yacht is provided with three receptacles: one for plastic recycling, one for paper recycling and one for general garbage. A glass container and a reception point for oil, paint and other contaminated materials are located on site. Other ideas being considered include a recycling plant for freshwater used for pressure washing yachts on the hard and rainwater-capturing facilities.

As one of the founding members of the recently established ICOMIA Super Yacht Refit Group, MB'92 is striving to improve environmental best practices, not only with the other members of the group, but also throughout the superyacht sector. In cooperation with ICOMIA, the yard is currently working on compliance with the EU's solvent's emissions legislations. The Refit Group also will aim to improve waste reception facilities, both in their own facilities and in marinas. [www.mb92.com](http://www.mb92.com)



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