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Introducing mxNext

mxNext, the smallest boat in the SpeedDream portfolio, is launched.

mxNext, the next generation of super fast, super fun skiffs, was launched in Marblehead, Massachusetts and immediately performed beyond expectations. The boat, designed with the same innovation and styling as SpeedDream27, was test sailed over two weekends and the consensus among those that got a ride was that the future of small boat sailing has arrived.

"It was a lot of fun to sail," said Bill Lynn, one of North Americas top sailors. "It was fast, easy to handle, definitely athletic, but once I got the spinnaker up it was like it was on rails going downwind. The mxNext really does have a future. This is an awesome boat."



The mxNext was designed by SpeedDream's Vlad Murnikov in a collaborative effort with Rodger Martin and Ross Weene of Rodger Martin Yacht Design. "From a designers point of view it was great to see some of Newport's top Moth, A-Class cat, Laser and 420 sailors almost babble with excitement and approval after sailing the boat," said Rodger Martin.

Almost two decades ago Vlad Murnikov introduced the mxRay, the first single-handed skiff to carry an asymmetrical spinnaker. The boat was well ahead of its time in terms of innovation and performance. The mxNext is a modern advancement of the same creative ideas. Where the mxRay was fiberglass, mxNext is carbon. Longer, beamier and carrying significantly more sail area than the mxRay, mxNext is poised to be as revolutionary as it's predecessor.

"I am really thrilled with the boat," said Vlad Murnikov after the initial sail trials. "Watching it sail in a variety of different conditions it's clear that the boat performs as anticipated, perhaps even better than anticipated. It seems easy to handle, but until we have had the boat out in a strong breeze I do not want say definitively that it's an easy boat to handle. I agree that the boat is athletic to sail, but over time I am confident that it will be easy to master."

mxNext is manufactured in New Hampshire by Mark LeBlanc of International MX Composites. LeBlanc was the original builder of the mxRay and will be offering the mxNext to sailors wishing to build fleets in their local areas at a group discounted rate. For more information on starting a fleet in your area contact SpeedDream.

Editors:

mxSpeedDream is a yacht design studio based in Massachusetts. The principal focus is to build the world's fastest monohull and in 2012 a 27-foot scaled prototype of the boat was built and tested. mxNext is one of a portfolio of designs based on the innovation and styling of SpeedDream. It is the smallest boat in the portfolio and aimed at sailors looking for fun and excitement in a stylish, affordable package.

Additional Quotes:

"The mxNext is a great little boat. It felt really good on the helm, nicely balanced, definitely lively. In the puffs she picked right up onto a plane and when I bore away and set the spinnaker it immediately took off. I see a lot of potential here. It's an awesome boat." --- Ross Weene – co-designer

"It's a neat little boat, very powerful and quite comfortable to sail. It is a fair amount of work to keep it moving fast and if there is some wind you are going to have to hike really hard, but the rewards are there. You will get some amazing speeds." --- Matthew Knowles – Moth sailor

"The boat gets up and glides really nicely. You have to get the bow down, ease the sheet a bit, hike and then flatten the boat and it takes off. It's very comfortable to sail and so long as you keep the speed up when you turn it comes about really easily. The boat is just really fun to sail."

--- Robert Capita - TV star of the new Reality Series show - The Moment

"The thing that really impressed me about the boat most was that the feel on the helm was really balanced and you felt really in control. A lot of times you get into a prototype and there is always a little issue of where the rudder and centerboard are placed and how well balanced the boat is. This one seemed to be right on the money. It was a lot of fun and really seemed to get up and go."

--- Stuart Streuli - Sailing World Magazine

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