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Ancasta Group acquires Spencer Rigging

Ancasta Group has announced the acquisition of Cowes-based Spencer Rigging to further bolster its portfolio of yacht services provided worldwide. Spencer Rigging joins Advanced Rigging and Hydraulics within the Group to deliver the highest standard of marine, architectural and commercial rigging services.

Established in 1958, Spencer Rigging holds one of the most prominent names in the industry, famed for being a pioneer in the manufacture and design of yacht rigging, as well as an innovative developer of modern techniques for bespoke architectural projects, launch and recovery systems, and lifting equipment.

LEEA accredited and ISO 9001 registered, Spencer Rigging will continue to operate from the company's iconic rigging loft based at Empire Building, St Mary's Road, Cowes, with the team headed by Managing Director, Neil Brinsdon.

Spencer Rigging's facility offers the capability to support a wide range of international projects, including the in-house manufacture of specialist lifting systems for the marine, commercial and construction industries.

Advanced Rigging and Hydraulics will continue to operate from its base in Port Hamble, with the teams on both sides of the Solent set to expand.

With a history of completing sailing rigging projects from dinghies to ocean racers, Spencer Rigging produces lifting and architectural equipment to clients across commercial, MOD and construction industries, and carries out non-destructive and destructive testing.

The rigging loft offers unrivalled manufacturing and lifting facilities, producing rigging for all sectors, including wire swaging 1.5mm to 32mm wire, talurit swaging 1mm to 58mm, rod rigging -4 to -540. Its in-house production of lifting equipment includes webbing (CE Marked), chain and wire slings.

Nick Griffith, Ancasta Group Managing Director, comments: “Spencer Rigging is a hugely respected name with a reputation built on trust and quality products produced by its skilled workforce, continuing the company ethos established by Harry Spencer over 65 years ago.

“We’re delighted to be extending this reputation to further enhance Ancasta Group's turnkey boat repair, maintenance and aftersales services that support clients through the lifecycle of their boat ownership, and continue to deliver trusted equipment and services to a wide range of industries.”

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About Ancasta International Boat Sales

- Ancasta International Boat Sales has 17 offices across Europe.
- Ancasta Race Boats is a specialist branch of Ancasta International focusing on performance yachts.
- Ancasta is the largest Beneteau Power and Sail dealer in the UK.
- Ancasta is the largest UK dealer for Prestige Luxury Motor Yachts dealer and Prestige Yachts in the Balearics.
- Ancasta is exclusive UK dealer for Lagoon Catamarans.
- In addition, Ancasta is a new boat dealer for CNB Yacht Builders and McConaghy Yachts.
- The Ancasta Group incorporates Sanlorenzo UK, PB Europe, Ancasta Yachts Services, Ancasta International Yachts Sales and Advanced Rigging and Hydraulics, both operating from Port Hamble.
- For more information on Ancasta visit www.ancasta.com

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