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RS Marine Group marks 10-year anniversary of its RS Aero with in-house move

After 10 years of being built by external manufacturer MTAG Composites, production of RS Marine Group's internationally renowned RS Aero will now take place at the group's facilities in Cowes on the Isle of Wight, alongside its RS21, RS400, and RS500 models.

The move to manufacture the RS Aero in-house will ensure even tighter quality control, outstanding final products, a lower carbon footprint and decreased build costs which will be passed onto the customer.

RS Aero

Celebrating its tenth birthday this year, it's been quite a decade for the iconic British-built single-hander, and it has been inspiring to see an RS dinghy be the catalyst for creating one of the most vibrant single-handed classes in the world.

With 3,600 boats sold globally in over 60 countries, the RS Aero community is thriving due to its Corinthian spirit and the shared passion for exhilarating racing. With a 33 kg lightweight hull, durable carbon rig, four rig sizes and enticing handling, the RS Aero is the most technically advanced boat in its sector, and is described as fun, fast and appealing with simple and well executed concepts.

The RS Aero Class calls on racers of all ages, sizes and abilities across the globe, representing the perfect single-handed class to transition into as a junior sailor or a sidestep as an adult looking for a new challenge.

Alex Newton Southon, Co-CEO, RS Marine Group comments: "I've been lucky enough to spend time racing in the RS Aero fleet, be on the ground at the Olympic Trials and be a part of the team that designed the boat from the outset. It's been humbling to watch the RS Aero go from strength to strength over the last decade.



"Manufacturing moving to Cowes is a proud moment for RS Marine Group and presents us with an opportunity to reinforce the qualities that the RS Aero build is famed for: performance, durability and modern building techniques."

Manufacture of the new hulls will commence from Cowes this autumn, ready for delivery in early 2025.

For more information on RS Sailing and the RS Aero, visit www.rssailing.com.

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NOTES TO EDITORS:

- Within the RS Marine Group, RS Sailing is internationally renowned for producing durable, award winning, and fun sailing dinghies. RS Electric Boats works towards reducing emissions from chase boats. The Pulse 63 is 100% electric, uses emissions-free propulsion, and is made using sustainable materials. Cheetah Marine and RS Electric Boats joined forces in 2022 to develop a new generation of electric workboats. The companies are working together to accelerate the evolution of dependable electric boats for commercial, and leisure use. Ocean Play is a collaboration between RS Marine Group and Jo Richards to manufacture Picos, Bugs, Bahias and Vagos. As well as manufacturing to Richards' original design, Ocean Play offers worldwide customer services for all four boats.
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- Cheetah Marine launched its first catamaran in 1990. Designed by founder Sean Strevens, who was then a commercial fisherman, it was made to handle rough seas and beach safely in surf. Since then, the company has built over 600 catamarans for commercial seamen, fisherman, divers, patrol personnel, hydrographic surveyors, expedition skippers and more.
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- RS Electric Boats' parent brand, RS Sailing is internationally renowned for producing durable, award winning, and fun sailing dinghies. RS Electric Boats was born from the company's desire to reduce emission from chase boats. Production facilities for its Pulse 63 – a RIB with fully integrated electric hard drive – has recently moved to the Hamble. The Pulse 63 is 100% electric, uses emissions-free propulsion, and is made using sustainable materials.
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