



PRESS RELEASE

Saunders Yachtworks wins Boatyard of the Year

Saunders Yachtworks, with facilities in Orange Beach and Gulf Shores Alabama, received the prestigious Boat Yard of the Year award from the American Boat Builders and Repairers Association (ABBRA) at its annual conference in Ft Lauderdale. The award is given to that boatyard which “demonstrates excellence in all facets of business through commitment to customer relations, quality management and positive vendor and employee relations”. Andrew Saunders, Chairman of the Board of the company, accepted the award.

“We are very proud to have won this fine award as real symbol of recognition from our peers. It is fitting that it comes in both our 50th Anniversary year as well within weeks of the opening of our new Gulf Shores headquarters building,” says Mr. Saunders. “We thank the association for honoring our past efforts while we focus on our goal of making Saunders Yachtworks the Boatyard of the Future.”

Saunders Yachtworks was founded in 1959, when it began as a marine service company in Mobile, AL. In the next 25 years, it focused on the providing engine services to commercial marine interests in the port of Mobile and surrounding waters. In 1985, Saunders dedicated one service technician with customized tooling and customized training for servicing high performance engines. In the last 25 years, that one man has grown into a full-service company with dedicated facilities including a 60 ton Travelift and 10,000 sq ft of interior work space. With 50 employees, Saunders includes independent divisions for marine engines, vessel systems, boatyard crafts, dry dock, and equipment installations.

The American Boat Builders and Repairers Association (ABBRA) represents over 250 boatyards, repairers, and associated industries in the United States and abroad. As the hub of the boatyard/service-facility network, ABBRA provides its members with the opportunity to exchange information and coordinate efforts to handle matters of mutual concern through open discussions, quarterly newsletters, an annual conference, and training seminars throughout the United States.

With a 50 year tradition of integrity and performance in marine repair, Saunders Yachtworks has facilities in Gulf Shores and Orange Beach, Alabama. The company has long established itself as the premier marine service provider on the northern coast of the Gulf of Mexico serving the yacht and high speed commercial craft markets. Saunders is a full-service operation, with a commitment to provide in-house solutions to our customers’ needs.

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Andrew Saunders (l) accepting Boatyard of the Year Award from ABBRA President Doug Domenie

