

# New Features and Exhibits Announced for Largest Annapolis Powerboat Show Yet

Annapolis, MD - Attendees have a lot to be excited about at the 2025 Annapolis Powerboat Show (October 2–5). With the construction at Annapolis City Dock opening up new space, the show has grown to accommodate a host of new vessels and exhibitors.

## Highlights of What's New

- **Yard Patrol Craft:** The USNA will be bringing a 108' Yard Patrol Craft to the show as part of the Navy's 250th Anniversary celebration. Attendees will be able to climb aboard and explore.
- **Boat Show Brew:** To promote this year's fall shows, Annapolis Boat Shows has partnered with Pherm Brewing to create Boat Show Brew—a custom-brewed pilsner.
- **Biggest Show Yet:** With the construction at City Dock, this year's show will have a larger footprint and a reimagined entrance.
- **Monterey Elite 25 OB:** The Monterey Elite 25 OB will be making its world premiere.
- **Lancia Aperia 52:** The Lancia Aperia 52 will be making its U.S. premiere.
- **Taiga Orca PWC:** For the first time ever, the Demo Dock will feature an all-electric personal watercraft—the Taiga Orca.

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## **Yard Patrol Craft**

In honor of the U.S. Navy's 250th birthday, the United States Naval Academy is bringing a piece of its proud training tradition to the 2025 Annapolis Powerboat Show, October 2–5. For one weekend only, attendees may step aboard a 676-class Yard Patrol (YP) Craft—the same vessels midshipmen use to sharpen seamanship, navigation, and leadership skills on the Chesapeake Bay and beyond.

Usually reserved for midshipmen, these 108-foot workhorses provide hands-on instruction in everything from damage control to advanced navigation. Each YP is midshipman-run and officer-guided, designed to simulate Fleet operations in a safe, controlled environment. They even run movement orders up and down the Eastern Seaboard.

The YP's presence isn't just a rare opportunity to climb aboard a Navy training vessel—it's also a salute to the Navy's founding moment on October 13, 1775, when Congress resolved to create the Continental Navy. The tradition of commissioning sea-ready leaders began then and continues today from right here in Annapolis.

This floating classroom is more than wood and steel—it's the future of naval leadership. Don't miss your chance to tour the ship, meet the crew, and experience the mission firsthand.

Catch the action at City Dock, just in time for Fleet Week—and get a close-up look at how the Navy trains tomorrow's officers.

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*Annapolis Boat Shows Team at Pherm Brewing, Annapolis Boat Shows*

## **Boat Show Brew**

The Annapolis Boat Shows are proud to welcome *Boat Show Brew* as the official beer of both the 2025 Annapolis Powerboat Show and the 2025 Annapolis Sailboat Show. Brewed in collaboration with local favorite Pherm Brewing Company, this crisp, crowd-pleasing pilsner does more than toast the boating lifestyle—it helps fund it.

Proceeds from the *Boat Show Brew* launch party will go directly to the EYC Foundation's Marine & Maritime career initiatives, supporting the Foundation's efforts to promote careers in the marine trades and maritime sciences. The all-volunteer 501(c)(3) nonprofit awards more than \$50,000 in scholarships



annually and is committed to opening doors for the next generation of Chesapeake Bay stewards and marine professionals.

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*2024 Annapolis Powerboat Show, Annapolis Boat Shows*

## **Biggest Show Yet**

The City of Annapolis is undergoing a transformative redevelopment of its historic City Dock, the waterfront home of the Annapolis Boat Shows. This multi-phase project aims to enhance resiliency against sea level rise, create a more vibrant public space, and preserve the area's maritime heritage. When complete, the revitalized dock will serve as a year-round community hub while continuing to host the world's premier in-water boat shows.

While construction will be halted for the duration of the show, the layout still had to be thoughtfully adjusted to accommodate the project. The Dock Street entrance to the show had to be completely reimagined—allowing for a more open entryway into the event. What's more, with the removal of the Harbor Master's Office, the overall footprint has temporarily expanded. The additional

space is a welcome consequence. This year's show is expected to feature well over 300 exhibitors and 400 boats.

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*Monterey Elite 25 OB, Rhode River Boat Sales*

## **Monterey Elite 25 OB**

Making its world premiere at the Annapolis Boat Shows, the all-new Monterey Elite 25 OB (showcased by Rhode River Boat Sales) is a fresh take on the modern luxury bowrider. With generous seating, a sleek fiberglass hardtop, ample storage, and a built-in wet bar, it delivers comfort and style in equal measure. Powered by a single outboard engine up to 350 hp and riding on Monterey's advanced VST hull, the Elite 25 OB is built for smooth cruising, weekend getaways, and full days on the water with friends and family.

### **Key Specifications:**

- Length Overall (w/ Swim Platform): 25' 7" (7.79 m)

- Beam: 8' 6 in" (2.59 m)
- Deadrise: 21°
- Draft (Engine Up / Down): 18" / 36" (45.7 cm / 91.4 cm)
- Fuel Capacity: 90 gal (378 L)
- Bridge Clearance (w/ Hardtop): 8' 4" (2.54 m)
- Maximum Power: 350 hp (261 kW)



*Lancia Apra 52, S&J Yachts*

## **Lancia Apra 52**

Making its U.S. premiere at the 2025 Annapolis Sailboat Show, the Lancia Apra 52 (showcased by S&J Yachts) introduces a new blend of traditional design and modern Italian yacht craftsmanship. Designed by Victory Design and built by Cantieri Apra, the 52-footer combines classic lines with contemporary materials and performance systems. Offered in multiple configurations—Family, Cruise, or Outboard—the model is available with a range of propulsion options including twin MAN I6-800 diesels, Volvo Penta D8 IPS-800s, or quad Mercury Verado 600 hp outboards.



#### Key Specifications:

- Length Overall: 50–52 ft. (15.3 m)
- Beam: 16 ft. (4.88 m)
- Draft: 2.6 ft. (0.8 m)
- Fuel Capacity: 660 gal (2,500 L)
- Passenger Capacity: Up to 14
- Cabins: 2–3 (varies by layout)
- Top Speed: Up to 52 knots (varies by configuration)
- Cruising Speed: Approx. 25–35 knots



*Taiga Orca PWC, Electrified Marina*

### **Taiga Orca PWC**

New to the Demo Dock this year, the Taiga Orca is a 100% electric personal watercraft engineered for high performance and low environmental impact. Manufactured in Canada by Taiga Motors, the Orca (showcased by Electrified Marina) delivers up to 120 kW (≈160 hp) of instant torque, reaching top speeds

around 60 mph with virtually silent operation. It offers clean, responsive power for thrill-seekers looking to reduce their on-water footprint.

#### Key Specifications:

- Powertrain: 120 kW electric drive ( $\approx$ 160 hp)
- Top Speed:  $\sim$ 60 mph ( $\approx$ 100 km/h)
- Range: Up to 2 hours of runtime
- Capacity: Two riders (up to 342 lb combined)

#### Charging:

- Level 2 (240 V):  $\sim$ 3.5 hours to full
- Level 3 DC Fast Charging:  $\sim$ 30–40 minutes to 80%



*Annapolis Powerboat Show Aerial, Annapolis Boat Shows*

## Returning Features

Fan-favorite features are cruising back into the Annapolis Powerboat Show this fall, bringing hands-on experiences and insider access to the forefront. The Demo Dock returns, giving attendees the chance to test-drive some of the



newest models ranging from high-performance center consoles to all-electric cruisers.

Also returning: the VIP Experience, hosted by AXOS Bank, with a private lounge offering curated food and drink, premium show access, and a relaxed place to recharge between dock strolls. BoatUS On-Water Training is back with practical, skills-focused sessions designed to help boaters build confidence at the helm. Courtesy of BoatUS, a lineup of free seminars delivers expert insights on everything from buying your first boat to planning big adventures.

A little way up Spa Creek and accessible exclusively by water taxi, Brokerage Cove, sponsored by Yachtr, returns as the Annapolis Powerboat Show's dedicated in-water display of high-quality pre-owned powerboats. This relaxed, scenic extension of the show offers a curated lineup of previously loved vessels from trusted brokers—ideal for buyers seeking value, variety, or a first step into the boating lifestyle. With fewer crowds and plenty of space to explore, Brokerage Cove invites you to slow down, take your time, and find the boat that fits just right.

Whether you're here to shop, learn, or just soak it all in, the Annapolis Powerboat Show has something to keep every kind of boater engaged.

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