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Cockwells nominated for Classic Boat Award for first Hardy to be launched in Cornish waters: please show your support and vote

Cockwells Modern & Classic Boatbuilding could win a coveted industry award if boating enthusiasts take part in a public vote between now and 9am on Monday 28 March 2022.

Following Cockwells' acquisition of the Hardy Marine brand in 2020, the first Hardy to be completed by the Mylor-based boatbuilder and launched in Cornish waters – the **Hardy 42** – has been shortlisted in the **New Powered Vessel** category of the **2022 Classic Boat Awards**.

The Classic Boat Awards, in association with **Classic Marine**, celebrate the best newly-built boats and restorations in the world of classic and traditional boatbuilding.

Blending elegant looks, enhanced systems engineering and luxurious accommodation, the traditional Hardy 42, designed by **Andrew Wolstenholme**, has long been the serious cruiser's choice and offers a smooth ride at more than 25 knots with her standard twin 440hp **Yanmar** installation, even in adverse weather conditions.

Wide, safe, walkaround decks with a generously-proportioned aft deck and flybridge provide plenty of outdoor living space for relaxing and taking in the view.

Hardy motor yachts can be customised to match the clients' precise requirements and this first Hardy 42 to benefit from Cockwells' expertise is no exception, as **Founder & Managing Director, Dave Cockwell**, explains.

“Having inherited a Hardy 42 that was already in build when we acquired Hardy's assets, it was our task to complete the craft for owners who planned to explore the inland waterways of Europe under electric power but wished to retain the renowned seakeeping capabilities of the original design for offshore passages.

“This not only provided us with the opportunity to build our first hybrid diesel/electric motor yacht – the **Hardy 42 Hybrid** that was launched at the **Southampton International Boat Show** in 2021. It also enabled us to demonstrate the complex technical capabilities that we have gained through custom-building **Duchy Motor Launches** and state-of-the-art superyacht tenders.”

Further customisation of this particular Hardy 42 included incorporating an **Empirbus** digital switching system to enable full control and monitoring of all the vessel's systems via **Raymarine** displays in the wheelhouse and flybridge helm positions; a sophisticated fuel

transfer system; modifications to the standard folding mast and helm console to ease transit beneath low-slung canal bridges, and the installation of an additional companionway between the aft deck and saloon.

“This highlights just how adaptable Hardy motor yachts are,” adds Dave. “Whether you require a traditional model or a highly-customised craft, we can create a Hardy that is uniquely yours. We are delighted that the Hardy 42 has been shortlisted in this prestigious industry awards scheme and hope that the public will show their support by voting for us.”

All you need to do to cast your vote is to log onto <https://awards.classicboat.co.uk/powered-vessels/> and select **Hardy 42**.

Winners of the **Classic Boat Awards 2022** will be announced in the May issue of **Classic Boat** magazine and on their website.

For further information about the **Hardy 42 Hybrid**, visit <https://cockwells.co.uk/hardy-yachts/hardy-42-hybrid/>

For further information about Cockwells’ fleet of Hardy explorer yachts, including the original design of the **Hardy 42**, visit <https://cockwells.co.uk/hardy-yachts/>

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About Cockwells Modern & Classic Boatbuilding

Cockwells Modern & Classic Boatbuilding is based in Mylor Creek Boatyard near Falmouth in Cornwall, at the westerly edge of the UK.

We build bespoke superyacht tenders, motor launches and sailing yachts in any material to your precise requirements and our exacting standards.

We are also the proud creators of the Duchy Motor Launches brand – handcrafted, semi-production vessels with a range of 21ft to 60ft.

In 2020, we acquired the assets of Hardy Marine and will continue to build its world-class seafaring motor yachts to their original specifications as well as to new designs.

Our Mylor Creek Boatyard is fully equipped to offer refits, restorations and engineering services for local yachts, and superyacht tenders from all over the world. As part of our ongoing expansion, we have recently purchased The South West Shipyard at Ponsharden, between Penryn and Falmouth, that will enable us to build more of our larger vessels.

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