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Baron Benjamin de Rothschild has entered two trimarans into the ORMA 2004 Multihull World Championship. The story began with *Gitana IX* (ex *Elf Aquitaine III*), which participated in the Québec-Saint Malo 2000 Transat. The tale continued with the conception and birth of *Gitana X* (pictured), inaugurated in June 2002. Then came the introduction of *Gitana XI* (ex *Belgacom*) into the team, launched in Brittany in good time for the start of the ORMA season of racing, which started with a Grand Prix in La Trinite. The Gitana team now comprises the two 18.3m trimarans: *Gitana XI* under Lionel Lemonchois, and *Gitana X* under Breton skipper Marc Guillemot.

The older *Gitana X* has been revitalised for the season with a new winged foil section on the central rudder, a new mast and sails and a modified deck layout. *Gitana XI* was prepared by CDK Technologies: a yard specialising in composites acquired by de Rothschild in December 2003. Yann Marilley will co-ordinate the Gitana team operation, which now comprises almost 30 people. The two crew lists feature ocean-racers such as Olivier Wroczynski, François Denis, Nicolas Raynaud, Jean-Baptiste Epron, Dominic Bourgeois and Yvon Daniel. Contact: Gitana Team, 188 Avenue Denfert Rochereau, 17000 La Rochelle, France Tel:+33 6 16 19 12 20 Fax:+33 5 46 43 25 33

TECHNEMA 95

Large windows, a dining room seating 10 and a well-arranged galley are notable features of Posillipo's Technema 95. Her flybridge is reached from the raised pilothouse, where a sun deck and comfy seating awaits her guests.

Her lower deck features an owner's suite with a dressing room and spa pool, and three guest cabins with en suite facilities. Four crew live forward.

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Progress at Shamrock Quay

Shamrock Quay's two-year, £1.5 million refurbishment has involved the removal of the old pontoons and piles, dredging of the entire area, and the installation of new piles and pontoons. The new configuration will increase the number of available berths to 255 – all of which will be fully serviced – and will accommodate boats from 5 to 25m. New features are a 60m visitor berth and a 70m specialist superyacht berth with a pressurised water supply, a higher freeboard and a wide range of electrical supplies. This is one of only three on the UK's south coast (the other two are at Ocean Village and Saxon Wharf). Berth holder and visitor facilities at the refurbished quay include a boat yard, a travel hoist, a marina office with 24-hour staffing and security, a car park, showers and toilets. Services include a chandlery, a sail maker, new



and used boat sales and a pub and restaurant. Contact: Shamrock Quay, William Street, Northam, Southampton, SO14 5QL, UK Tel:+44 (0)2380 22946 E-mail: shamrockquay@mdlmarinas.co.uk



A three-regatta series is to be held in Newport, Rhode Island, coinciding with the New York Yacht Club's 150th anniversary. The NYCC's 150th Annual Regatta presented by Rolex, runs from 11 to 13 June. Its Race Week at Newport, also presented by Rolex, runs from 16 to 25 July, with vintage and classic yachts sailing from 16 to 21 July. The Museum of Yachting's Classic Yacht Regatta will run from 3 to 5 September. The three events at NYCC's on-the-water clubhouse Harbour Court will bring together some of the most spectacular and historically significant vintage and classic yachts. Prizes will be awarded for the series, and for each of the three events. Racing (in both handicap and Metre classes) is for vintage and classic yachts built prior to 1965 in wood or steel using traditional building methods. An *concours d'elegance* award will be offered to both sailing and motor yachts during the Classic Yacht Regatta to recognise excellence in restoration and presentation. Contact: New York Yacht Club Sailing Office Tel:+1 401 845 9633 Fax:+1 401 846 3303 E-mail: sailingoffice@nyc.org