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*Schaefer expands product offerings and enters powered products market*

**NEW BEDFORD, MA, October 30, 2016**– Schaefer Marine has acquired Ideal Windlass Company, expanding Schaefer's product offering and servicing existing Ideal Windlass customer base.

*We are pleased to announce the acquisition of Ideal Windlass. They have been a family run operation with great heritage and a fantastic reputation. We hope to continue and expand upon that tradition*

**– Fred Cook, President of Schaefer Marine**

Ideal Windlass Company, currently of East Greenwich, RI, was founded in 1936 by the late Burton S. Raymond. Ideal's growth was rapid and it supplied the U.S. Navy with windlasses and cable retrievers for sub chasers and mine sweepers throughout WWII and then through the Korean Conflict. At the same time the company was supplying most of the U.S. pleasure craft industry. Ideal's client list over the years has included

Bertram, Viking, Chris Craft, Tollycraft, Bayliner, Ocean Yachts, Broward, Burger, Hinckley/Little Harbor, Roscioli and Palmer Johnson to name a few.

The company was then taken over by Burton Raymond Jr. and run since the 1970's by his son Cliffe and wife Betsy. They prided themselves on superior customer service and custom capabilities to make Ideal a builder of top quality equipment. Ideal believes Schaefer Marine was the right fit for their company.

*We cannot think of another company we would sell to. Ideal and Schaefer have long shared a tradition of quality manufacturing and we know that will continue.*

**- Cliffe Raymond, Ideal Windlass Company**

Effective immediately, Schaefer Marine will continue sales of all Ideal Windlass products, as well as service existing models. Cliffe Raymond will continue in a consulting role with Schaefer, ensuring continuity and new product development.

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Sales@SchaeferMarine.com. Visit [www.SchaeferMarine.com](http://www.SchaeferMarine.com) to learn more about the company.

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# Schaefer Marine releases new Ratchet Block

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NEW BEDFORD, MASS. – April 16, 2016 – Schaefer Marine, located at 158 Duchaine Blvd. in New Bedford, Mass., have released a brand new ratchet block. The new product is the M66-08.

“We are really excited to get this on the market” said Steve Majkut. The product is listed with a high strength to weight ratio, and ten faceted sheaves to grip line well. It also has two ease of use features: flushing holes to allow easy cleaning of the sheave, as well as a dual-sided ON/OFF switch for easy operation.

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## Schaefer chocks now available in new sizes!

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NEW BEDFORD, MASS. – April 1, 2016 – Schaefer Marine, located at 158 Duchaine Blvd. in New Bedford, Mass., announced today that they have released three new chock sizes for their customers.

“We are pleased to offer three new sizes of Stainless Steel

Chocks. Available in [5-5/8"](#), [7-1/2"](#) and [9-1/4"](#) models our new Chocks feature 316 Stainless Steel with some radius edges" They are available with oversized fasteners (not included) to ensure secure placement. "These will compliment our existing line and offer boat owner a few more options to fit their needs."

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## **Schaefer Online Store open for business!**

Our online hardware store is up and running! Most of our products are now available for online purchase and we are offering FREE ground shipping in the continental U.S. Check out the store! [SHOP NOW](#)

Some larger items such as furling systems require custom measurement and installation from our great builders! For those items, contact us at 508-995-9511 to speak to our team about the custom needs of your boat.

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# **Bristol 47 Refit with Schaefer Furler & Mack Sails**

Very cool refit with our Schaefer furler!

This Bristol 47 recently did a refit with the crew at Mack Sails that included the addition of our Schaefer furling systems. Check out the exceptional video of a beautiful vessel.

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# **Schaefer introduces two new Opening Pre-Feeders**

The new Schaefer opening pre-feeders solve many issues on the bow of any racing sailboat. Our two-sizes cover boats in all ranges. The 45-06 is our non-adjustable opening pre-feeder with a computer machined finish for a smooth entry. The single pull opening feature allows for quick disengagement. The 45-07 Grand Prix design allows the flexibility to adjust for various luff tape sizes from #5 through #8. Both feature a hardcoat anodized aluminum finish for durability.

Contact us to learn more about how our pre-feeders will make your boat more efficient. (508)-995-9511



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# Schaefer Marine Designs New Lightweight Aluminum M-Series Blocks

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NEW BEDFORD, MASS. – September 7, 2006 – Schaefer Marine, located at 158 Duchaine Blvd. in New Bedford, Mass., announced today that they have developed new M-Series Blocks made from anodized aluminum.

“Our new M-Series Blocks are extremely lightweight yet strong as well while providing a distinctive, clean look,” said Fred Cook, President of Schaefer Marine. “They are made from computer-machined aluminum which maintains sideplate strength



while minimizing weight, resulting in an incredible strength to weight ratio. The Torlon™ Rollers and Delrin™ Ball Bearings in the sheave handle high loads with low friction. These M-Series Blocks provide an exciting, new alternative for sailors who are interested in a lightweight choice.”

Schaefer’s M-Series Blocks will be available in January 2007 in 66mm, 82mm and 100mm sizes in Singles, Webbing/Lashing Singles, Stand-Up spring, Halyard Lead and Foot Blocks.

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## **Schaefer releases Carbon Fiber 8” Winch Handles**

Schaefer is taking our well executed Winch Handle program to a new level. We have now ready for delivery our first Carbon Fiber 8” Winch Handles.

The handles are manufactured from compressed Carbon Fiber. The ultimate strength achieved from the handle is exceptional and the weight is stunning. We show a finished weight of .508 lbs or 8.13 ounces. The ball bearing single grip ensures a secure and smooth grip.

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## **Schaefer's Patented Articulating Sail Track Solves Big Problem for the New 203 ft. Sailing Yacht "Athos"**

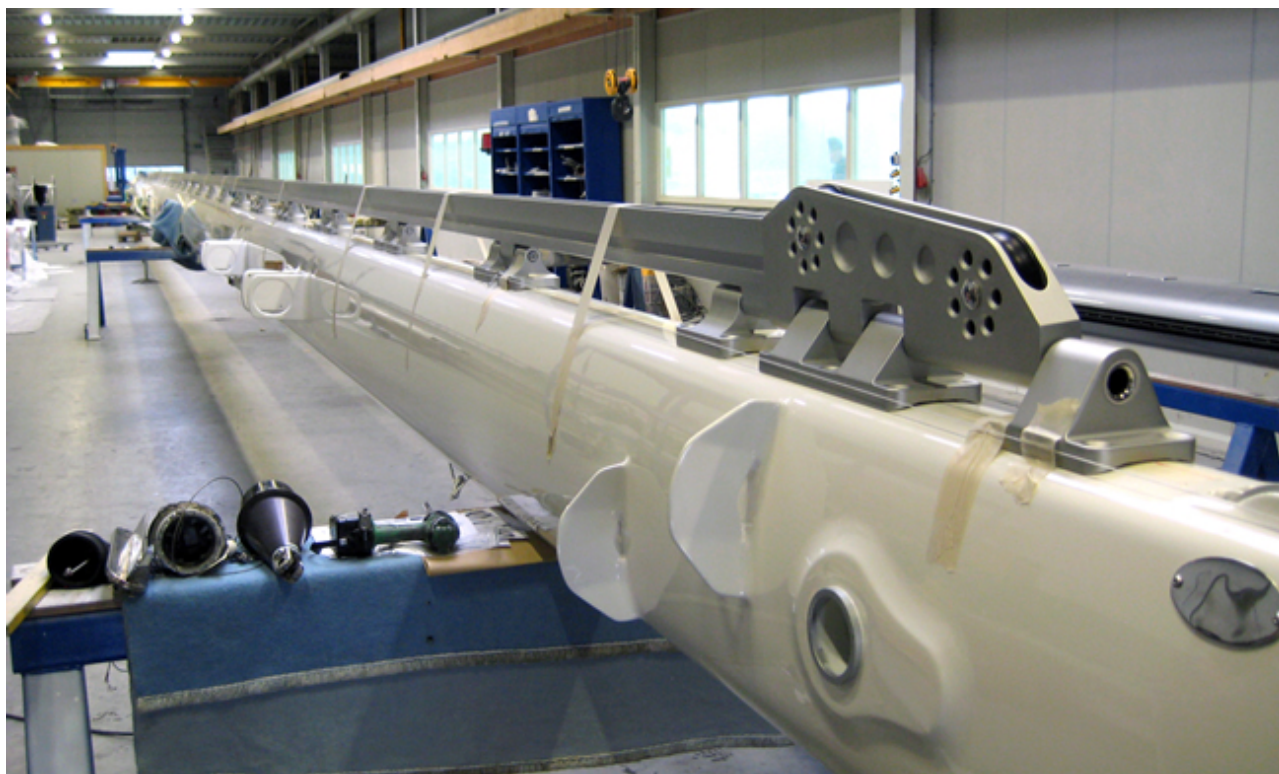
February 9, 2010 – – New Bedford, MA – – Schaefer Marine's patented articulating mast track has been installed on the mast of the 203 ft. sailing mega yacht "Athos", which will arguably be the most notable launching of a new yacht in 2010. "Athos", currently being built in Holland, is 203 ft. long, displaces 370 tons and draws 30 ft. of water with the board down.

Schaefer's articulating sail track will allow the crew of "Athos" to furl her sails with full-length carbon battens, entirely into her boom. Fully battening a sail is normally only possible with the use batten cars. However batten cars

cannot be used if the sail needs to be furled into the boom, which is why Schaefer originally developed the technology for their own in-boom furling system originally designed for boats up to 53' feet. With Schaefer's system, when the sail is furled into the in-boom the bolt-rope and battens simply slide down and off the lower end of the articulating track extrusion and into the boom.

When underway, Schaefer's entire track articulates so the batten ends and luff bolt rope move as one when the sail is trimmed. So the bolt rope, which otherwise would have been subjected to 750kg of forward thrust from the battens, is effectively protected by the batten 'seats' designed into the solid aluminum extrusion.

The owner of "Athos" successfully tested the system last year on the 108 ft. "Shamoun" which resulted in adapting the same system to "Athos". More information on Schaefer's articulating track and in-boom furling system is available at [SchaeferMarine.com](http://SchaeferMarine.com).



New mast being fitted out for the 203' Athos to be launched



Prototype system previously tested on the 108' Shamoun

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## **Schaefer Marine To Distribute Manson Anchors In The United States**

HENDERSON, NEW ZEALAND – Manson Anchors of New Zealand has appointed Schaefer Marine to distribute its product line in the United States.

Schaefer Marine is a leading manufacturer and supplier of marine products to recreational and commercial accounts

throughout the United States. "We are proud to form this association with Manson Anchors. Both companies are rooted in manufacturing high quality products and in servicing their customers with the highest degree of satisfaction," said Fred Cook, President of Schaefer Marine.

Established in 1974, Manson manufactures a full range of yachting, power boat, racing yacht and superyacht anchors. The newest Manson anchor is the Manson Boss, the company's most technically-advanced, safest anchor ever. The Boss offers significantly more holding power in most seabeds. The shank, made from high tensile, Lloyd's Register-approved (minimum 800mpa) steel, features the new patented shackle Preventa™ and has been FEA optimized for strength. This puts weight in the right places with savings made in non-essential areas. The weight savings are transferred into the fluke to ensure even more holding power.

Manson Anchors are original equipment on leading boat brands and available at leading marine retailers worldwide. For more information on the Manson product line, visit [www.mansonanchors.com](http://www.mansonanchors.com). Dealers and distributors in the US interested in Manson Anchors should contact Schaefer Marine, 1+ 508.995.9511 or email [stevem@schaefermarine.com](mailto:stevem@schaefermarine.com).