



Gowrie Group Commits to CPYB Silver Sponsorship

Gowrie Group, the largest independently owned marine insurance group in the U.S., recently committed to being a *2012 CPYB Silver Sponsor*.

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Dawn M. Speros, a twenty-five year veteran of the marine insurance industry and Senior Yacht Insurance Specialist at Gowrie Group said, *"We are excited to expand upon our long standing relationship with CPYB through this sponsorship. I look forward to continuing to advise yacht brokers on how to better serve their yacht clients through increased education, awareness, and integration with the marine insurance industry."*

Gowrie Group provides insurance, benefits, and financial services to individuals and businesses throughout the US, and specializes in customized marine, business, home, auto, and boat insurance products and services. Gowrie Group is the largest independent marine insurance group in the US and is ranked in the top 75 independent insurance agencies in the US. Gowrie is endorsed by US SAILING, the national governing body for the sport of sailing. Gowrie's 120+ dedicated professionals are primarily located in the company's main offices in Westbrook CT, Darien CT, and Newport RI. For more information about Gowrie Group visit www.gowrie.com or call 800-262-8911.

For more information about becoming a CPYB Sponsor, call 1-410-940-6345.