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### Submarines now offered as a standard yacht option

**Southern California February 1, 2006** Trekker Marine Enterprises and SEAmagine Hydroscape Corporation have joined forces to provide the marine industry's first turn-key solution for yacht-based submarine operation.

Formerly limited to the upper reaches of the custom mega yacht community, submarines can now be ordered as standard equipment within Trekker's entire range of "adventure class" yachts starting at only 65 feet in length. "In keeping with our Cousteau-inspired mission, every Trekker has been engineered for submarine operation," says Trekker's Founder, Steven Alan Fry. "Now the most incredible marine adventure is available to the mainstream yachtsman."

Charles Kohlen, SEAmagine's co-founder, believes Trekker represents a vital industry link. "We have been building submarines for private, commercial, and scientific use for 10 years and until now each submarine's support ship required a custom solution. Trekker's innovative platform is very cost effective and greatly simplifies the storage, launch and recovery of our submarines." Charles summarizes, "The synergy between Trekker and SEAmagine will provide the yachting community with a comprehensive 1-stop-solution that makes the purchase, training, and operation of a submarine a realistic option for the greater market place."

As a part of the joint marketing and sales effort, Trekker will incorporate submarine sales and factory training into its Dana Point, California and Vancouver, B.C. retail facilities. Customers will be able to learn about the different submarine models and features, and include their submarine acquisition into the yacht's purchase process. Fry states, "Trekker is committed to building the World's most capable submersible sales and service operation as a key ingredient to our role as the innovator of adventure class yachts."

Inspired by Cousteau's famous Calypso, Trekker is introducing a new concept in semi-custom motor yachts that allows their owners to carry along a large assortment of smaller adventure vessels and vehicles. This enables a multitude of outdoor adventures to be conducted directly from the yacht a feature not met by traditional yacht designs.

With hull #7 currently under construction, SEAmagine is uniquely successful in the small world of submarine manufacturers. Their distinctive "clear bubble" designs are currently available in 2 and 3 man designs, and have established a long record with thousands of dives of safe operation and simple maintenance procedures recognized by national and international regulatory agencies.

Patrick Bray, Trekker's highly regarded naval architect, says the adventure class boats are adding a new dimension to the industry. "The Trekker project is exciting because it offers a way for owners to take their passions along with them," says Pat. "This new profile allows each Trekker to carry at least 4 significant auxiliary craft, and the multi-line Launch and Retrieval System (LRS) provides a safe and fast way to maneuver these vessels a big improvement over single cable cranes that are often dangerous to operate. This is the key to Trekker's submarine capability, and sets a new benchmark for fully integrated LRS systems."

Trekker is focused on expanding the market for motor yachts by serving up adventure to a more active customer lifestyle. To incorporate the many innovations, Trekkers sport a unique

appearance featuring a raised command control center that is immediately recognized by its all-glass shell - providing helicopter-like visibility and forward seating for the lucky guests. "It is a powerful looking design, with the best visibility ever designed into a motor yacht helm," says Bray. "We then fit the aft decks with custom racks to hold the owner's colorful array of toys. When this boat pulls into any harbor or anchorage, it will immediately be the center of action and attention."

There is even an ocean-view garage in the back of each Trekker not to store the boats, but to hold all of the fishing poles, scuba tanks, skis, sails, life vests and maintenance equipment and supplies needed to operate the adventure craft. Depending upon location and the weather, a Trekker group can choose from an amazing assortment of options, from sailboats to submarines, and optimize their experience, their adventure.

Trekker Marine Enterprises is busy preparing to build their first model, the TREKKER 75. Their 65 and 90 footers are entering final design. Plans are in place to build a range of these semi-custom adventure class vessels with models starting at 65 feet and ranging to 120 feet. Larger Trekkers will be designed and commissioned individually, but use the powerful Trekker profile and innovations.

You can learn more about the new adventure class at Trekker's web site located at [www.TrekkerYachts.com](http://www.TrekkerYachts.com).

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