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MARINE ELECTRONICS

Information to distributors

nke letter of

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW DISTRIBUTORS

5 new English distributors join the expert network: Maricom, Globalmarine Electronics, R&J, Devtech Marine Electronics and Tinley Electronics. They have been trained the 25th May 2004 in England.

ROUND BRITAIN AND IRELAND RECORD

Solune, nke partner

Solune crossed the finishing line of the Lizard Cape, the Monday 10th May 2004 at 23h 41 mn and 22s.

The final result is held over by the World Speed Sailing Record Council but it's yet known: 7 days, 4 hours, 46 mn et 22 s.

So, Solune beat the record with a 3 days and 15 hours advance. It covered 1970 miles with a mean velocity of 11.3 knots.

But Alex Thomson, nke partner and the former record holder, will try to beat this new record with Silll.

AG2R: Another victory for nke !!!

Our partner Groupe SCE Le Télégramme arrived at St Bart at 22h 49min, on Tuesday the 11th of May: Armel Le Cleach and Nicolas Troussel crossed the finishing line after 3760 miles, covered in 20 days, 8

hours and 49 min!

One hour later, Pascal Bidegorry and Sydney Gavinet celebrated their 2nd place! Hats off to this couple who finished this transat without electronic.



The Transat

The 31st May 2004, the 37 competitors starts "the Transat", one of the most difficult Atlantic race.

Our team was present since the 23d May at Plymouth in order to check the nke equipped boats:

- Géant—Michel Desjoyeaux
- Sergio Tacchini—Karine Fauconnier
- Sodebo—Thomas Coville
- Virbac—Jean-Pierre Dick
- VMI—Sébastien Josse
- Gitana X—Marc Guillemot
- PRB—Vincent Riou

➤ Poujalat/Armor Lux—Bernard Stamm

➤ Pro Form—Marc Thiercelin

➤ Temenes—Dominique Wavre

➤ Okami—Jacques Bouchacourt

Mini

The skippers in Mini have yet finished the Select 6.50 with the victory of Corentin Douguet, equipped nke.

They'll move on the Mini Fastnet which will start from Douarnenez the 13d June. nke has been partner of this competition for the last 3 years.

Around Italy

nke becomes the official partner of the "Around Italy": 17 boats will wear the nke's colours during the regatta.

WHO BUYS nke?

Sailing instruments: 2 A40, 1 X43, 1 Pogo 8.50, 1 Ginto, 2 Mini.

Pilot Pack: 1 X43, 1 Pogo 8.50, 1 First 27.7, 2 packs mini.

Marion Le Touzic

Match race

As part of my training period research, nke gave me the mission of developing the distribution network in England.

In parallel, nke accepted that I pursue my training and regattas in the match racing, with an objective: the world championship in June in Annapolis.

At present 7th worldwilde, our crew has won 2 times (Rolex Cup and Lago de Ledro), a 3d place in Calpe last April and 3d of the Spi Ouest France in Grand Surprise.

The 3d June, we'll fly to the USA for one of the more important objective of the season :

the WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP. It will take place in Annapolis, Chesapeake bay, on a J22. 16 crews are invited for this last edition. This regatta will show 120 duels during 7 days, and will elect finally the best crew of the year. Our motivation is top. Our training during winter and spring has been total, thanks to nke support.

Here we are, the 13th June.

Claire Leroy

New NMEA output Interface

We have designed a new NMEA output interface, two times smaller than the first one: 6x4x12 cm against 12x4x20 cm. In addition, this product is equipped with clips in order to help the installation. The interface read all the datas of the Topline Bus, including the GPS ones and all the datas being in the NMEA format.

Like all the new nke products, the software would be updated by the Topline Bus (without dismantling).

