

POWERPLAY

CATAMARANS

James Dewing

James Dewing , the Designer and builder of PowerPlay Catamarans. James is a Queensland Department Of Transport Accredited Shipbuilder (ASB00/231). He has a long history in the boat building industry. James was involved in the 1983 Americas Cup Challenge as a boat builder, and went on to be involved in the construction of a wide range of commercial, pleasure and racing boats. In his early years he built a Simpson 48 foot catamaran, and also the replica for the Pandora bow which is the centre piece display at the Museum of Tropical Queensland in Townsville. He has also designed and built Calista, a 42 foot monohull, which is in charter in the Whitsunday's.

Immediately prior to the establishment of PowerPlay Catamarans James was the owner and general manager of Townsville Slipways, a company dedicated to meeting the repair and maintenance needs of the North Queensland marine industry. It had been his observation over the years that people were moving away from the mono hull boats and tending towards catamarans. People seemed to be looking for better performance, lower fuel and running costs, with a larger boat area and more stability. Catamarans certainly offer that and from his observation people were also tending away from sailing cats as they required more effort to get to their destination. It seemed obvious to James that powered catamarans were the way of the future.

Pandora Replica



Simpson 48 ft catamaran



Calista 42



The vision of PowerPlay Catamarans is to develop a niche within the charter and recreational boating market worldwide with a unique range of powered catamarans. All boats are custom built and range in size from 12.5 to 18 metres. PowerPlay Catamarans offer innovation in design, quality of construction and exceptionally low operating cost. The intrinsic design characteristics allow the catamaran to be tailored for use as recreational or charter vessels with minimal design variations.



James & Nicole Dewing



The crew on completion of a PowerPlay 56