

WESMAR Thrusters Move 92-Foot Luxury Yacht in Typhoon

Paragon Motor Yachts in Taiwan builds semi custom 86 to 94 foot yachts that are a model of perfection. They are sleek, elegantly appointed, and guaranteed to grab the attention of any discerning buyer. But they are far more than a beautiful yacht!

Every vessel is built to superior standards, to withstand the severest of conditions. Careful selection includes using only the highest quality of equipment from propulsion systems to electronics and from Bow and Stern Thrusters to Roll Fin Stabilizers. Only the best go on Paragon Yachts.

Company owner Scott Robinson says "you never have to apologize for using the very best".

He insists on the highest caliber of equipment to ensure Paragon Yachts are prepared for the unexpected.

Recently Paragon had two of their 92 footers moored side by side in Kaohsiung Harbor in southern Taiwan, conducting extensive sea trials and waiting for delivery to the customers. These \$5.5 million yachts were a site to be seen moored together against a sea wall with Cargo ships boxing them in at both bow and stern. Paragon shipyard received warning that a typhoon was changing its track and heading right for the Harbor.

If they remained next to one another, as they were, they would have caused an unimaginable amount of damage. The situation



was critical.

Robinson said they anxiously waited for clearance from the Harbor Control to move one of the yachts while intense 40-knot winds (with 3 foot wind waves, and higher gusts) began hitting the beam of the yacht. Robinson, himself a retired

Captain, was on the controls when they received word a spot was available for one of the yachts. He was not sure by then if the thrusters could move against the increasing winds on the beam, but they did. He reported the WESMAR bow and stern thrusters did the job. "We started slowly, at just a sideways crawl, pulling away against the gale force winds," he said. "The WESMAR dual prop Thrusters were amazingly powerful. Both yachts came out unscathed."

We use the WESMAR-16 inch dual prop bow and stern thruster. We

were in a serious jam. Had a spot not been available, we would have had to hire someone to pull us off... and I'm not sure that option was even realistic on such short notice.

"I insist on using the best equipment possible, because I know anything can happen and this is the perfect example of having the right equipment when something did happen," said Robinson.

Robinson says they fit all their yachts with WESMAR 60-HP Bow and Stern Thrusters. Paragon also installs WESMAR's 16-square-foot Roll Fin Stabilizers and WESMAR Hydraulics on all their yachts. This is standard equipment simply because it is what is needed.

