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MAXI YACHT CONDOR RETURNS TO THE WINNERS CIRCLE DURING THE 2010 HAMILTON ISLAND RACE WEEK

Whitsunday Charter Maxi and twice Sydney to Hobart winner Condor returned to racing form with a win overall in Cruising Division 1 in Audi Hamilton Island Race Week 2010.

Skipper Dave Molloy sailed Condor with two of his permanent Prosail crew and 12 charter guests. They scored 1st, 2nd, 2nd, 6th and 15th to win the division from C'est la Vie and Inon. In a very closely fought regatta, Condor needed to beat Inon in the last race and eventually only 1 min 30 seconds separated first from third overall.

Molloy said "It's a great win. On day one, only five of the guests had met each other before and five others had never been sailing before. Our concept for race week is to develop a maxi crew over the course of the week from a group of guests with varying degrees of sailing experience. At the experienced end of crew skills levels was Seiichi Yoshikawa from Japan. At 61 years of age, Yoshikawa had won three Japanese Offshore Championships before Condor was even built in 1981. With Yoshikawa on the helm for many of the races and Molloy managing the crew, they cobbled together a great team".

The Explore Whitsunday Group has 6 maxi yachts in its charter fleet and Director Molloy would like to enter three of the boats at Race Week 2011. There are 30 spaces available for next years race week from 19 to 27 August 2011.

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