

# RACING | Sarah Donohue

Martyn Weeks (24) and Sean Morton (26) are the youngest team in the 2 litre fleet and, although still learning, have been hitting the circuit hard this season.

## IN WITH THE NEW



In their first season they took a presentable ninth in the Nationals and travelled to Italy last year for the European Championships where they took tenth overall. Their boat, Lamco Design, is an Ocke Mannerfelt Batboat with a top speed of 82mph, but then it doesn't have much weight to shift. Martyn and Sean are a light crew weighing in at just 12 stone each unlike many of the other 2 litre teams.

In 2000 Martyn entered the Poole Bay Chasers series in a 16-foot Phantom - a boat with more championship titles on the British racing circuit than any other. He was hooked. He decided it was time to raise the stakes so he sold his boat and car and bought a Batboat. The boys knew they were up against the country's best including Roy Smith, who is now fully recovered from his horrific crash in Italy last year.

Weeks and Morton have also just bought one of the original V24 boats from the Irish team. Builder, Mark Pascoe, has added many extras such as GPS and a trailer, and the original price of £29,000 has risen to around £40,000 plus.

The boys, both from Poole, are sponsored by Lamco Design, RM Paint and Sea J Marine.

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