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When it comes to making sound investments, Tony McLeod and Peter Robinson have an outstanding track record. Both are highly successful and well-respected businessmen, and as chance would have it, they share a passion for boating.

When Tony sold his last motor yacht he decided to invest some time in finding his next. Engaging Peter to assist him, the two spent many months scouring the nation's waterways inspecting cruisers, talking to owners, test running them and test running them again.

"We had come across the Johnson early on in our travels and I had always admired the quality of finish and inclusions of the Johnson fleet, so Peter and I spent some time with the sole importer of the cruisers, John Rushton", McLeod said.

"I invited a crew of eight, including two brokers, specialised marine mechanics and John to accompany me on a trial run. I was very impressed from the minute we hit the water. The maneuverability was excellent and the boat gave 30-knot performance with nine people on board.

"The sale was done and over the next six months I traversed the waters of Sydney, the Hawkesbury and Port Stephens. The Johnson didn't miss a beat, regardless of the conditions. Everything about Johnson Motor Yachts had been impressive, from the finish and inclusions through to the power, maneuverability and the service.

"As a businessman I felt I had discovered something special. I picked up the phone and contacted John Rushton, I made an offer for his distributorship and shortly after Peter let me know of his interest in partnering with me for the entire Australian distributorship.

The two have spent the past few months setting up the necessary infrastructure to start up another distribution centre at Port Stephens and have recently returned from a tour of the Asian manufacturing headquarters.

"With Bill Dixon overseeing the finish on the new range, the end product will be nothing short of amazing. Anyone searching for the ultimate motor yacht need only visit the Johnson factory to see the attention to detail — it is like the Ferrari of the boating industry," McLeod stated.

"We will be encouraging our purchasers to visit the factory and experience the workmanship firsthand while their boats are being built. Unfortunately we won't have the boats at Sanctuary Cove or Sydney Boat shows as the new range, including the new 75, 87 and 103 footers are currently undergoing stringent trials with Bill Dixon.

"Anyone requiring further information or wishing to get on our mailing list can contact us via Johnson Motor Yachts in Port Stephens or Sun Marine on the Gold Coast."