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Top row: Stew Laurence, Chief Stew Kim, Deckhand Coral, Chief Engineer Jim and Deckhand "Pup." Bottom row: Launderer Ben, Stew Ash and Second Mate Dan of M/Y *Tango*



Team Elite: Deckhands Caswyn and Sam, Second Officer Craig, Paul from BWA Barcelona, Deckhand Dan and Second Officer Doug of M/Y *Eclipse*



Second Electro-technical Officer Erik, Deckhand Dave, Second Engineer Tom, Electro-technical Officer Phil and Junior Officer Dan of M/Y *Palladium*



Bosun Lewis, Second Stew Solveg, Deckhand Anton, Stew Andrea, Second Engineer Kristinn, Deckhands Lee and Patrick of M/Y *Sarah* with Emanuel



Purser Donna, Head Housekeeper Leila, Housekeepers Emily, Abigail and Elen of M/Y *Eclipse*



Aaron, Engineer Cesar and First Mate Eustaguio of M/Y *Cinque*, Ruben from Club Natació, Stew Corina and Deckhand Rian of M/Y *Gran Finale*



Dayworker Mantis, Deckhands Rocky and Kyle, Chief Engineer Gunner, Capt. Giles, Capt. Guy, Deckhand Sera and Chef Jodie of M/Y *Talitha*



M/Y *Eclipse*: Deckhand Dan, Second Officer Craig, Deckhand Sam, Second Officer Doug and Deckhand Caswyn of Team Elite with Team Cruyff

■■■■ AS OLYMPIC EXCITEMENT REACHES a fever pitch, there's one group of yachties who are kicking back their heels, ripping open the beer and having a bit of a sit down — they've already got their cups, their medals and survived the grueling trials of a taxing pentathlon. And unlike the 2012 Olympians who will be gathering in the UK, this Barcelona-based mob did not endure the pain for personal or patriotic glory, but to raise money for the Cruyff Foundation, the charity set up by legendary Dutch footballer Johan Cruyff to support and encourage sport activities for disabled children.

The "Pentathletes" were rounded up (no, not press-ganged!) from yachts berthed at Marina Port Vell/MB'92 thanks to the Olympic-style organizational skills of Antonella Della Pietra Nield, managing partner of BWA Yachting, Spain, and her dedicated teammates. April 28, 2012, was the first annual BWA Pentathlon at the Club Natació, Barcelona, and kick-off began at 14h00 with 10 teams at the starting lines, eyes glinting with ferocious (albeit bleary) ambition. Ten minute stints of five-a-

side football (twice), beach volleyball, a warfare-esque game involving water-filled balloons and human targets, an obstacle-filled swimming trail and a raft race (while balanced on top of a ball) were the Herculean feats our gladiators were challenged to overcome and did (ish...).

Final winning scores read like this — five-a-side football: Team Elite (the boys from M/Y *Eclipse*); "Swimming:" M/Y *Sarah*; "Dangerous trail:" M/Y *Tango*; beach volleyball: M/Y *Talitha*; water obstacle race: M/Y *Gran Finale* and M/Y *Cinque*. Best Supporting Team went to BWA Yachting. Team Elite then were challenged to a final match with the real experts from Team Cruyff, which they lost dismally (2-22). After Team Elite manfully overcame their disappointment, Team Cruyff was nominated as champions of the first annual BWA Pentathlon.

Prize giving was followed by a "chill and chomp" on a fabulous barbecue that the rain chose to challenge and pretty much won, but after some fantastic raffle prizes were awarded, everyone left a winner. ¡Hasta la vista, baby! www.bwayachting.com; www.fundacioncruyff.org DW