



Fisherman & Boatowner FIELD TEST

Kevlacat 930 Tournament

Special Report by Scott Bannerot**

The opportunity to get extensive field time aboard Kevlacat's 3400 Magnum—not some fair-weather boat show ride, but nearly two weeks of hard-core, cutting-edge fishing in a variety of sea states—was yet another example for me of how much a visiting Yank can learn from Aussie innovation.

I operated an offshore charter business in the Florida Keys and the Bahamas, an environment with many similarities to much of Australia, prior to

departing for an indefinite sabbatical aboard a 41-foot sloop from southern Florida. My wife Wendy and I criss-crossed the Pacific for nine years before finally realizing our long-held dream of visiting Oz. We've been fortunate to meet and spend time with some of the best professional skippers in the Indo-Pacific, yet none of this prepared me for my encounter with Damon Olsen and his new Kevlacat *Nomad*.

Frankly, when Damon first described his charter operation,

