FURUNO BRINGS NEW FEATURES AND Refined Controls TO YOUR FINGERTIPS WITH THE NEW NAVNET TZTOUCH2 SERIES

Camas, WA, February 12, 2015 – In 2012, Furuno set a new standard for touch screen technology when they introduced the marine industry’s first multi touch navigation system. They continue to leverage the latest hardware and software technology with their newest MFD (Multi Function Display) introduction, NavNet TZtouch2. This “next step” in the NavNet series takes the feature set of the award-winning TZtouch and refines it to make these new MFD units even more intuitive, while also adding new features, making this a must-have piece of electronics on any helm.

The first thing you will notice is that Furuno has built-in a couple of hardware components that traditionally have been sold separately. Perhaps the most important built-in feature is their award-winning Fish Finder technology! Every NavNet TZtouch2 display has a built-in Fish Finder that is dual-frequency (50/200kHz), and has a 600W/1kW power output. With TZtouch2, Furuno is introducing a new, proprietary Fish Finder technology, called RezBoost™. RezBoost™ is a revolutionary new feature that utilizes Furuno’s exclusive digital signal processing protocol to produce fish targets and images that are 4-8 times sharper than a conventional Fish Finder, without the need to change out your narrowband transducer, or purchase an expensive broadband transducer. With RezBoost™, you can now achieve target separation and resolution that was previously limited to Furuno commercial-grade Fish Finders. It also includes Furuno’s unique Bottom Discrimination and AccuFish™ modes. This unique, built-in Fish Finder saves at least $900 over earlier NavNet systems.

However, they didn’t stop there. Furuno also built-in a 56-channel GPS Receiver right into the display. You can still connect an external antenna for redundancy, but the primary GPS receiver is built-in, saving you another $450. That’s a whopping $1,350 savings over previous NavNet models!

Once you turn on TZtouch2, you will notice an updated and refined, but also familiar user interface. Furuno designers used bright, bold colors, with easy to identify icons for the display selection of Radar, Fish Finder, Chart Plotter, Weather, Camera, Instruments and Nav Data. Creating custom display pages is as easy as dragging and dropping the icon onto the display creator. Accessing different displays is done by tapping on the Home icon, or utilizing the new “Edge Swipe” motion. Just swipe down from the top of the screen and display page options drop down for quick and easy access. You can “Edge Swipe” from all four sides to access
various options. Swipe the right side to view contextually appropriate menus, swipe the left side and you get navigation data, then swipe from the bottom for chart and data layer options. Rather than digging through menus, all of the important options are now just a swipe away.

NavNet TZtouch2 is a component-based system that utilizes Furuno’s award winning network products. You can choose from a 12.1-inch WXGA or 15.6-inch FWXGA multi touch display that utilize raster and vector charts in MapMedia format based on Jeppesenn, Navionics and NOAA data. From there, you can add a variety of UHD Radars, from their 4kW Dome to a 25kW Open Array. As with NavNet TZtouch, you can integrate, display, and control the NavPilot Autopilot, and Furuno’s new FI70 Instrument. Both of these products have displays that match TZtouch2, giving your helm a beautiful all-glass finish. Additional sensors that can be added to the network include AIS, Weather Fax, SiriusXM Satellite Weather, Fusion Marine Stereo, Cameras, as well as NMEA2000 and Furuno CAN bus devices. It even includes one NMEA0183 output port to send data to legacy systems.

NavNet TZtouch introduced the capability to access tablets and smartphones via WiFi and TZtouch2 continues that ability. You can download and utilize several FREE apps for both Apple and Android devices for use with your TZtouch2 display, or there’s a physical remote keypad that can be connected, as well. More wireless capabilities are planned, including connection to the ActiveCaptain service that delivers crowd-sourced points of interest, Community Charts that allow users to report changes such as depth, obstructions, etc., and finally a TimeZero™ Cloud Data Service that will allow you to back up and synchronize your data across your TimeZero™ devices.

Whether choosing equipment for a new boat build, or looking to retrofit an existing helm, NavNet TZtouch2 is the perfect solution for you. With its easy to use interface, built-in GPS and RezBoost™ Fish Finder, and an easy retrofit path from existing NavNet 3D or TZtouch systems, NavNet TZtouch2 is the perfect way to get the latest technology at an amazing price.