



## THE GARRETT HORDER MEMORIAL TROPHY

Dedicated to recognizing youth boating programs

### SUBMISSION AND JUDGING GUIDELINES

The Pacific Coast Yachting Association (PCYA) recognizes that Youth Boating programs thrive in a wonderful and exuberant variety with no two alike. The solitary thread that ties these programs together is their goal of instructing young people in the art and science of boating, safety and in having fun. So it must be that the judges who volunteer each year to compare the merits of various programs must evaluate against these elements, but principally the latter.

Nevertheless, while PCYA must avoid setting standards for such programs, some guidelines need to be observed regarding the submission and judging of award nominations:

1. Firstly, since the award is open to youth boating programs from Western Canada to Southern California, and since there are judges from each of PCYA's four regions, ***the nomination must be in electronic format***. The practicality of the electronic format makes it preferable for placing before judges who are geographically separated.
2. Secondly, ***each nomination that PCYA considers must come from one of our yachting association members***. Only one nomination will be accepted from each association. Therefore, a club that wishes to nominate the youth boating program that they support should petition the Board of Directors of one of the regional associations of which that club is a member. Such petition should request that the PCYA member association nominate that club's submission for the Horder Award. There are several associations in each region that can make nominations, see <http://pcya.info/membersWebLinks.htm>. Clubs have the option of submitting a nomination to additional PCYA member organizations.

PCYA believes that all Youth Boating programs are worthy of recognition simply because they fulfill the function so prized by Garret Horder. Still, the judges who must compare programs need information to educate their decisions. They yearn for facts; just the facts underlying the elements outlined in the first paragraph.

- What do the kids who participate in the program think of it?
- What is the scope of the program? Which of the many aspects of boating are promoted.
- Do kids learn how to sail more than one type of boat? Do they learn boat maintenance?
- Do they learn to kayak or wind surf? Are they invited to crew on boats competing in regular club races? Are programs involving fishing, swimming or diving available
- Which kids participate and are they members' kids or grandkids? How many kids take part?

- Does the program reach out to kids who might never be exposed to boating otherwise?
- Is the program accessible to handicapped or financially disadvantaged kids?
- Is the program's aim to foster sporting competition? If so, how successful is that endeavor?
- How much support do club members provide either financially or by volunteering?
- How long has the program been running and has the program expanded over time? Often, the effort required simply to initiate a program and keep it viable deserves recognition.
- Are there other features or enhancements that separate and elevate a particular program to make it exceptional?

This document is provided to everybody involved in Youth Boating to encourage perseverance and to provide a voice to communicate your efforts to the Pacific Coast Yachting community. It is intended to encourage all organizers of Youth Boating to feel the pride and obtain the recognition that such endeavors deserve. It is also provided for the judges, who must render difficult decisions regarding the worthiness of programs that are all deserving.

The deed of Gift that governs the awarding of this trophy follows:

## **DECLARATION OF TRUST GARRETT HORDER MEMORIAL TROPHY**

Amended Jan 19, 1999

This DECLARATION OF TRUST is executed this day by the PACIFIC COAST YACHTING ASSOCIATION.

WITNESSETH: That it hereby declared as follows:

PACIFIC COAST YACHTING ASSOCIATION wishing to acknowledge the importance of imparting knowledge and appreciation of the sport of recreational boating to the youth of our area, hereby dedicates the GARRETT HORDER MEMORIAL TROPHY to the, quality and improvement of boating education by our member associations.

The GARRETT HORDER MEMORIAL TROPHY is to be awarded at the PACIFIC COAST YACHTING ASSOCIATION annual meeting to a member organization.

The form of the report, and its submission date, may be determined by the officers of the PACIFIC COAST YACHTING ASSOCIATION, as shall judging criteria. One judge from each of the member areas (Pacific Northwest, San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego) shall be appointed by the current PCYA Commodore, with a balance between the sail and power organizations. The current PCYA Commodore will act as the fifth judge, and the decision of the judges will be final.

The GARRETT HORDER MEMORIAL TROPHY may be awarded to any member organization. No subdivision of the member organization may receive the trophy more than once in any three-year period.

This DECLARATION OF TRUST may be amended at any annual meeting of the PACIFIC COAST YACHTING ASSOCIATION by a majority vote of the directors present providing a quorum is present.