

# The PCYA Pennant



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## **Attendees at the PCYA General Meeting at the Seattle Yacht Club**

January 28, 2007. Left to Right: PCYA VC **Cleve Hardaker**, SC **Bill Lewis**, SC **Joe Castagna**, PCYA Secretary **Joan Marsh-Clune**, SC **Al Smith**, PCYA Jr. SC **Linda Newland**, PCYA Commodore **Jerry Downer**, SC **Pat Goodfellow**, SC **Marda Phelps**, PIYA Commodore **Keith Johnson**

## **Stan Honey to receive 2006 Charles A. Langlais Award**



PCYA accepted four nominations for the Langlais award to recognize “exceptional, outstanding and meritorious service to the sport of yachting”.

The 2006 recipient of the award, announced at the general

meeting of PCYA in Seattle on January 27, is **Stanley K. Honey** of South Beach Yacht Club nominated by PICYA. Stan will join a long list of outstanding Langlais winners and will serve as co-chairman of the judging committee for 2007.

Other nominees were Jim Lonergan of SDCA, Craig Ryan of SCCA and Bob Kellock of SCYA The Trophy, which will be presented at SBYC’s opening day, consists of a sterling silver loving cup mounted on a teak base bearing plaques for the names

of the prior recipients. It will be displayed at South Beach Yacht Club during the year following the award. An appropriate keepsake trophy will be presented at the same time.

Charles A. Langlais first won this trophy in 1926 sailing the R Boat, LADY GAY in the 1926 Championship Regatta of the Pacific Coast Yachting Association. PCYA Staff Commodore Langlais rededicated it in 1976 to be awarded once in any calendar year to recognize outstanding individuals.



## PCYA Officers for 2007

Officers for 2007 were elected and installed by SCYA Staff Commodore **Bill Lewis** at the annual meeting of PCYA at the Seattle Yacht Club on January 27, 2007. Officers come from the twelve associations with membership in PCYA, and they represent four regions between Vancouver, Canada and San Diego, California. In addition, officers come from both a sail background and a powerboat background to reflect the member organizations.

Flag officers for 2007 are:

Commodore **Jerry Downer**

– Pacific Northwest, powerboat.

Vice Commodore **Cleve Hardaker** – San Diego, sail.

Rear Commodore **Marty Livingston** – Los Angeles, powerboat.

Secretary/Treasurer **Joan Marsh-Clune** – San Francisco Bay, powerboat.

Port Captain **Bob Good** – Vancouver, Canada, powerboat.

Junior Staff Commodore **Linda Newland** – Pacific Northwest, sail.

Appointed officers:

Predicted Log Racing Coordinator - SDCA **Bob Ehlers**.

Environmental Affairs – PCYA S/C **Bill Lewis**.



## PCYA 2007 Bridge

Below Left to Right: Jr. Staff Commodore **Linda Newland**, Vice Commodore **Cleve Hardaker**, Secretary/Treasurer **Joan Marsh-Clune**, and Commodore **Jerry Downer**.

Absent: Rear Commodore **Marty Livingston**, Port Captain **Bob Good**.



## Upcoming Regattas

The 2007 Barusch/Castagna Predicted Log Racing Championship and the Jesse L Carr Sailing Championship regattas will be held in Vancouver, Canada over the weekend of June 8 through 10, 2007. The host organization will be the International Power Boat Association Gulf of Georgia (IPBA). The Chairman of the Barusch/Castagna will be **Bob Good** of IPBA.

The official NOR for both events will be posted on the PCYA website at <http://pcya.info> and regatta invitations will be mailed in April. Please advise your race chairs of the regatta dates. Additional information may be obtained from PCA Commodore **Jerry Downer** at [norwester45@hotmail.com](mailto:norwester45@hotmail.com).

## King Harbor Junior Sailing Foundation selected for the Garrett Horder Award for 2006

Selected from among six deserving nominations, distributed up and down the west coast, the Garrett Horder Trophy has been awarded to **King Harbor Yacht Club's Junior sailing Foundation**. The award was announced at the general meeting of PCYA in Seattle on January 27, 2007. Nominations were balanced between powerboat and sail associations and included a nomination of an inland program for the first time.

Other nominations were for the Tahoe Community Sailing Program supported by the Tahoe Yacht Club by PICYA; the Silver Gate Yacht Club Junior Sailing Foundation by SDCA; the California Yacht Club Youth Sailing Program by SMBPF; the San Francisco Yacht Club Youth Sailing Program by YRASF and the Santa Monica Windjammers Yacht Club Youth Sailing Program by YRUSC.

The trophy, a famous Currier and Ives print of the sail/steam vessel "San Francisco", is over one hundred years old and occupies a prominent mantel



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location at St. Francis Yacht Club. Although the original trophy will remain at the St. Francis Yacht Club, a keepsake trophy will be presented at KHYC's opening day.

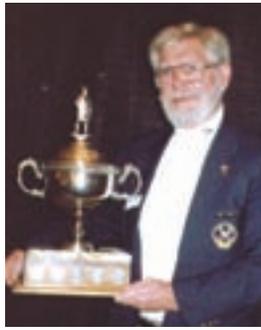
This award was established by the Horder Family to honor the memory of PCYA staff Commodore Garrett Horder. Its purpose is to acknowledge the importance of imparting knowledge and appreciation of the sport of recreational boating to the youth of our area



## **Vern Bendsen, 2006 PCYA Port Captain is Named Yachtsman of the Year by Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association.**

At the 2006 PICYA Awards Dinner held at the Encinal Yacht Club on November 6, 2006, Junior Staff Commodore Mike Billington presented **Vern Bendsen** (Solano Yacht Club) with the Douglas Boswell Perpetual Trophy for Yachtsman of the Year.

Vern's boating experience is long and varied; it includes sailboat racing, powerboat cruising and canoeing. His first experience at boating was learning to canoe as a teenager in the Chicago area. In the 60's Vern had a 33-foot sloop at Newport Beach and participated in the Newport to Ensenada race six times finishing in third place in one race. In the late eighties Vern acquired a powerboat and to date has logged more than 3300 hours at



the helm of the Ko Oli-na. Vern is a long time member if the Solano Yacht Club where he served as Commodore in 1996. He was Commodore of the Ben Ali Shrine Yacht Club in 1998. He has served as treasurer of the Delta Marina Yacht Club for seven years and three years as treasurer of the Emeryville Yacht Club.

Vern is currently an international director for the International Order of the Blue Gavel and has served as a director and president of Delta District 19. Vern, a Staff Commodore of the PICYA having served as its President in 2004, has also served on many PICYA committees and is the current chairman of the Scholarship Committee. He has personally visited 52 PICYA yacht clubs and 37 other yacht clubs around the country and the world.

Vern's motto is "We are all here to have fun!" and he has certainly lived up to it with his endless supply of jokes and witticisms. Congratulations to Vern on receiving this hard earned honor.



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## **International Power Boat Association kicks off the 2007 Log Racing Season**

The International Power Boat Association kicked off the 2007 contest season with Queen City Yacht Club's hosting of their First of the Season Race on Jan 13 under the direction of Race Chair **Bob Lindal**. Twenty boats entered and began a good social event weekend with an invitation to all visiting racers to join QCYC members at their monthly Friday Night Social.

After Saturday breakfast, the 14.3 nm race was run on Lake Washington on calm waters starting with moderate overcast skies for the slower class boats. As the day continued, the overcast became heavier for the faster class boats, which hid some of those necessary long-range landmarks. The weather apparently didn't hurt too many of the racers as 11 of the 20 competing boats realized scores under 1.00%.

The scores were announced and trophies presented that evening at the awards dinner. **Scott Standjord** of Seattle YC aboard REDEMPTION took Overall honors with a score of 0.4712%. Following in 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Overall was QCYC Race Chair **Bob Lindal** on SUZY Q at 0.5408% with **Dick Timmerman** of QCYC racing VAGABOND with a score of 0.5845%. The remainder of the field was divided into five awards classes (IPBA North tradition) with awards presented to the top three racers in each class. The

## Recreational Boaters of California

### Overview of Key Issues February 7, 2007

#### • Vessel Operator Certification

- RBOC is working in a leadership role, engaging each of the boating industry stakeholders, to carry forward the discussions initiated in 2006 by the Department of Boating and Waterways [DBW], towards the introduction of legislation providing for a balanced and effective DBW vessel operator certification program.

#### • Protection of Boater Funds

- RBOC in support of a full budget for the Department of Boating and Waterways [DBW] as the Legislature and Governor work towards a state budget for the year beginning July 1, 2007. RBOC is also working in opposition to the continued re-direction of \$27 million in boater fuel tax dollars to the state parks department and/or other programs [like last year's efforts to provide \$20 million for commercial salmon fishing] that lack direct accountability to boaters.

#### • Boat Decal and Fees for Lake Tahoe

- RBOC is working in support of local boater efforts to oppose an ill-advised proposal before the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency [TRPA] that would require boaters operating on the lake to obtain a boat decal, support a new government bureaucracy, and pay annual fees ranging from \$20 to \$200 per boat to support non-boating environmental mitigations including street sweeping, stoves and wood chippers.

#### • Copper-based Anti-fouling

**Paints** - RBOC is continuing efforts to oppose onerous regulations, such as the proposed ban on the use of copper based anti-fouling paints that are being phased-in through a 15-year period in the San Diego area. White's Landing - RBOC is continuing efforts with local boaters to work with the Santa Catalina Island Conservancy to address concerns with the decision to restrict the ability of boaters to anchor in popular areas around the Catalina Islands.

#### • 2007 Legislative Proposals

- RBOC is reviewing hundreds of new bills as legislators introduce measures in advance of a February 23 deadline to identify those bills that would impact boater interests, adopt positions, and develop strategies to protect and enhance boater interests. Anticipated bills include a proposal to require boaters to certify with their biennial boat registrations that their boats meet CARB emission requirements for engines that are subject to new requirements in 2008, and legislation proposing boaters contribute financially as beneficiaries of levees in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

Visit RBOC on-line at:

[www.rbooc.org](http://www.rbooc.org) for the latest updates, press releases, calls-to-arms, and reports on government relations issues impacting the recreational boating community.



## Powerboats - from page 3

QCYC Team Trophy, awarded to the club with the lowest total for their best four scores, went to the host club, QCYC. To cap the weekend off, a hearty QCYC breakfast was enjoyed Sunday morning in the clubhouse before casting off for the trip home.

The second IPBA race of this season was the Bremerton Yacht Club's 73<sup>rd</sup> **Running of the Heavy Weather Race** held on Feb 18 with an entry field of 38 boats and was chaired by BYC Race Chair **Mike Henry**. A full social event weekend was provided which included a Friday night wine tasting party, Saturday night dinner followed by an inter-club skit competition and dancing to live music. The Sunday afternoon Heavy Weather Race followed by an awards dinner plus more dancing and concluding with Monday morning breakfast. This year's "heavy weather" consisted of steady 10-15 knot winds gusting to 25 and clear visibility; fortunately, the race was run on inside waters and not out on Puget Sound. Of the 38 entries, only 4 managed to score under 1.00%.

Taking Overall honors was **Dick Spence** of QCYC on KICH-GAI with 0.8446%. Close behind in 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Overall was **Mike Henry** of BYC aboard PEACHY KEEN with 0.8924%, closely followed in 3<sup>rd</sup> place Overall by **Leo Longenecker**, also of BYC, on REALITY CHECK. The remaining 35 racers were divided into five awards classes with awards given to the top three



in each class. BYC Commodore **Ron Morse** at 4th Overall with 0.9269% won the Novice trophy.

The BYC Team Trophy was won by BYC with a combined 4.045%, barely edging the QCYC team at 4.075% (now that's close!). That's it for racing from the Upper Left Corner.

For up-to-date scores and individual standings, please visit us at our IPBA website [www.ipbalogracing.org](http://www.ipbalogracing.org)



## **San Diego Cruiser Association**

SDCA's current plans are to host the Barusch/Castagna regatta in the spring of 2008. The time frame will be between April and June. The North American Invitational (NAI) regatta is planned for a time frame encompassing September and October to avoid hosting both regattas too close to one another.

The Pacific Coast Yachting Association (PCYA), representing West Coast yachting organizations and clubs from Vancouver, Canada to San Diego, California, sponsors the Barusch/Castagna Regatta annually. This regatta brings together the top two cruiser navigation contestants from each of the member West Coast clubs for a three-day venue capped by a 35 nautical mile predicted log contest.

The Barusch Trophy goes to the individual skipper who has the best score among all contestants. The Castagna trophy goes

to the yacht club whose skippers collectively score the best among all other club representatives.

The North American Cruiser Association (NACA), representing Cruiser Associations and Clubs throughout the United States, sponsors the North American Invitational regatta annually. This regatta brings together the top cruiser navigation contestants from each of 13 member associations from the past year for a three day venue capped by a 35 nautical mile predicted log contest. The NAI Trophy goes to the individual skipper who has the best score among all contestants, earning recognition as the Best of the Best.

For more information visit the SDCA website at: <http://www.sandiegoca.org>



## **Pacific Coast Yachting Association History**

The Pacific Coast Yachting Association was founded in 1923 at a meeting held at the Bohemian Yacht Club in San Francisco by the representatives of the Southern California Yachting Association (SCYA) and the Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association (PICYA) of San Francisco Bay. Subsequently, the Pacific International Yacht Association (PIYA) from the Pacific Northwest joined the group.

The original idea was to coordinate the holding of Pacific Coast Championships and promote every phase of Yachting for the greatest good of the sport

itself on the highest Corinthian plane.

The original Associations and Member Clubs who were part of this effort were: PIYA, PICYA and SCYA.

Seattle Yacht Club  
San Francisco Yacht Club  
Santa Barbara Yacht Club  
Queen City Yacht Club  
Corinthian Yacht Club  
California Yacht Club  
Royal Victoria Yacht Club  
Aeolian Yacht Club  
Newport Harbor Yacht Club  
Tacoma Yacht Club  
Oakland Yacht Club  
Los Angeles Yacht Club  
Royal Vancouver YC  
South Bay Yacht Club  
San Diego Yacht Club  
Portland Motor Boat Club  
Vallejo Boat & Yacht Club

In recent years PCYA has sponsored two principal events in separate regattas, rotating among four areas; namely the Carr Trophy for sailing crews and the Barusch/Castagna for powerboat, Predicted Log, individual and team racing. PCYA also presents two annual awards, the Charles Langlais for individual contribution to yachting and the Garrett Horder for improvement in Junior Sailing programs. PCYA also helps in looking after the interests of recreational boating on the west coast. Recreational Boaters of California (RBOC), the California legislative advocate group grew out of discussions with PCYA, PICYA and SCYA.



## ***Pacific International Yachting Association initiates the first Optimist clinic in the Pacific Northwest***

In August 2006, P. I. Y. A. ventured into a very special world, that of the Optimist Racing Clinic. The clinic was conducted in a very awe-inspiring place, the wind capital of the Northwest, the Gorge at Cascade Locks.

With the gracious help of Seattle Yacht Club, Opti parents in both the organization of the event and the recruitment of two top-notch coaches from Argentina, Bocha and Argy we embarked on three days of intense training in some of the best heavy air conditions found anywhere.

Some families camped at the Port campgrounds, others availed themselves of the local hotels, and they came from as far away as Ft. Lauderdale, Florida to the east and from the north a group of travelers came from Thorsby, Alberta, Canada.

A great time was had by kids and parents combined, stories shared of the kids accomplishments were great, the most novel being the story of Emma who started sailing at age 4. Sailing with her Aunt in Aunties Byte, she would not go unless her doll went along. Off to the dock they would go, rig the boat and Auntie with roll of duct tape in hand would tape the venturesome dolly to the mast so they could push off and enjoy hours on the water.

August 2007 has P.I.Y.A. and

SYC planning another venture to the Gorge. Ripple as it is called also has plans to have Bocha and Argy back again to inspire and encourage these venturesome Opti sailors. This year plans to be a much bigger event, the Northwest Junior Olympics will immediately follow Ripple, dates are August 15, 16, 17 2007 Clinic, August 18, 19, 2007 Junior Olympics. See you there. ★

