



## REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS CHARLES A. LANGLAIS TROPHY

To recognize exceptional, outstanding and meritorious service to the sport of yachting

To: Commodores and Secretaries of PCYA Member Associations  
Action: Please distribute this invitation to all your member clubs as soon as possible

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 an individual for “exceptional, outstanding and meritorious service to the sport of yachting”.

This prestigious trophy represents a unique opportunity to honor one of your deserving members for dedicated service to your organization and to the sport of yachting in general. The Trophy consists of a sterling silver loving cup mounted on a teak base bearing plaques for the names of the several recipients. It will be displayed at the Yacht Club of the recipient during the year following the award. An appropriate take-home trophy will be provided for the individual honored by this award.

Recent awardees have been:

2008	PICYA	Ernie Rideout	2003	PLRANC	Haluk Akol
2007	SMBPF	Bruce Kessler	2002	PIYA	William “Bill” Bradshaw
2006	PICYA	Stan Honey	2001	SCCA	Tom Collins
2005	PICYA	Russ Robinson	2000	IPBA	Paul Siminson
2004	SDCA	Bill Lewis	1999	PICYA	Tom Allen

The Deed of Gift describing the judging criteria for this award is included for your information. This notice and other information can be found on our website at <http://pcya.info/>.

Deadline for entries to be received by PCYA is October 1, 2009. Submissions are limited to ten pages, including any covering letter. Pages beyond ten will not be considered. Clubs are to send submissions, in accordance with the attached guidelines, to their parent organization – PIYA, IPBA, PICYA, SCCA, SCYA, SDAYC, SMBPF, YRASf, or YRUSC – for review, approval and forwarding to PCYA. Please send your submission in PDF format (no hard copy) to:

Rear Commodore Guy Walters  
Eml: [GWalters@telus.net](mailto:GWalters@telus.net)

Questions relating to this trophy award may be addressed to:

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### SUBMISSION AND JUDGING GUIDELINES

The Pacific Coast Yachting Association (PCYA) recognizes that every Yacht Club and boating organization depends upon willing and eager volunteers to promote the wide variety of programs that boaters enjoy. More, that the entire boating community relies upon people in a broad array of endeavors to promote and protect our sport and our pastime. Boaters span a diverse range of pursuits; sailors who race and sailors who cruise, power boaters who cruise, who fish and who test their navigation skills in sports like Predicted Log Racing. Boating incorporates dinghies, kayaks, jet-skis, ski boats, trawlers and yachts. Boaters ply the oceans, bays, harbors, rivers and lakes on our wonderfully varied coast. Every aspect of boating shares interests and has conflicts – even with one another. Volunteers always emerge to promote mutual interests and to solve problems.

All of these generous people deserve recognition for their efforts. Charles Langlais himself exemplified the untiring volunteerism that this award is intended to acknowledge. His enthusiasm for boating was unlimited and he found joy in it and fun. So it must be that the judges who volunteer each year to compare the merits of various nominees must evaluate against these characteristics, but principally enthusiasm and fun.

Nevertheless, while PCYA cannot attempt to anticipate the range of engagement that deserves recognition, some guidelines need to be observed regarding the submission and judging of award nominations:

1. Firstly, ***each nomination that PCYA considers must come from one of our yachting association members as a letter in written or electronic format.*** Only one nomination will be accepted from each association. Therefore, a club that wishes to nominate one of their members 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 Langlais Award. There are several associations in each region that can make nominations, see <http://pcya.info/membersWebLinks.htm>. Clubs are often members of more than one of the Associations eligible to submit nominees and may seek to have their nominee supported by more than one Association.
2. Secondly, since the award is open to members of clubs from Western Canada to Southern California, and since there are judges from each of PCYA's four regions, ***the supporting documents for the nomination must be in electronic format.*** The practicality of such format makes it desirable for placing before judges who are geographically separated.

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

**DEED OF GIFT**  
**CHARLES A. LANGLAIS TROPHY**

As Amended June 9, 2002

In order to promote the sport of yachting and to encourage resistance to harmful actions CHARLES A. LANGLAIS, hereinafter referred to as the donor, gives to the Pacific Coast Yachting Association, hereinafter referred to as the donee, a sterling silver trophy under the terms and conditions hereinafter set out:

- I. NAME: The Trophy shall be named, "The Charles A. Langlais Trophy"
- II. DESCRIPTION: The Trophy consists of a sterling silver loving cup mounted on a teak base bearing plaques for the names of the several recipients.
- III. HISTORY: This Cup was won by the Donor sailing the R Boat, LADY GAY at the 1926 Championship Regatta of the Pacific Coast Yachting Association and presents it this year, the 50th anniversary of the Trophy.
- IV. AWARD: This Trophy may be awarded not oftener than once in any calendar year by the Board of Directors of the Pacific Coast Yachting Association and, if so awarded, shall be presented to the recipient at the Annual Meeting of the Association.

This Trophy shall be awarded, only to a member of the yacht club which is a member of a Member Association of the Pacific Coast Yachting Association by affirmative vote of the Board of Directors for exceptional, outstanding and meritorious service to the sport of yachting, not for successful competition but including such success as exceptional seamanship, sportsmanship or any achievement which shall protect or promote the sport of yachting in its broadest configuration.

Any member Association may nominate a candidate in writing addressed to the Commodore of the Pacific Coast yachting Association at least ninety (90) days prior to the date of the Annual Meeting. The Pacific Coast Yachting Association Vice Commodore and the immediate past recipient will be Co-chairmen and the five most recent available recipients will constitute the Nominating Committee. This Committee shall, after careful review of all nominations submit its recommendation to the board of Directors of the Pacific Coast Yachting Association during the Annual Meeting. The Board of Directors shall either accept or reject the recommendations of the Nominating Committee, but shall not select a different recipient.

- V. CUSTODY: The Trophy itself shall be maintained and insured by the donee and may be delivered to the recipient or his yacht club, as the Board of Directors shall determine from time to time.

The donee shall provide a suitable take-home trophy for each recipient.

The Trophy shall be returned to the Secretary of the donee not later than the Annual Meeting of the Association following the calendar year in which it was awarded so that the Trophy may again be presented. If not awarded, the Secretary shall retain custody until it is next awarded.

Amendment attested by:

**Commodore J.D. Smith**

**Secretary/Treasurer Paul Artof**

11/10/08