

## **Deed of Gift Rescue Award**

**The Rescue Award shall be** awarded annually by SCYA in recognition of the recipient's outstanding display of heroism and compassion within the sport of Southern California yachting as recognized by his/her peers. The award may be given for heroism on or off the water and should not be limited to skippers and crew, but could include support staff, judges, or other such individuals exhibiting exceptional acts of heroism.

### **The Award**

This award shall consist of a perpetual trophy and is directed into the charge of SCYA which shall be responsible for providing a suitable take home trophy. Said take home trophy shall show the name of the winner, the year awarded and the full name of the perpetual trophy.

The time, date and place for the trophy presentation shall be prescribed by the Board of Directors of SCYA, traditionally at the January *Change of Watch Ceremony*. However, the Commodore of SCYA, or designee, may deem it appropriate to make a presentation at an Opening Day ceremony or other function of the winner's club.

### **Nominations**

Nominations for this award shall be submitted in writing to the SCYA office by the various Harbor Associations or any recognized member organization if not part of a Harbor Association, with only one nominee allowed from each organization or association. These nominations should be supported by concise, suitable resumes or letters outlining the nominee's act of Heroism for this award and shall be submitted prior to November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. *Additional consideration will be offered to nominees whose acts of heroism took place in the last year.* Submission by E-mail is strongly encouraged. Selection of a winner will only be made from submitted nominations.

### **Selection Committee**

The selection committee shall be comprised of a minimum of five (5) people selected by the Commodore of SCYA with at least one from each Harbor Association. Two of the members of the selection committee are to be current Directors of SCYA and one of these is to be the chairman.

**The following prerequisites shall govern this award:**


1. This award may be presented to a person or a vessels crew in any calendar year and may not be presented if no worthy candidates have prevailed.
2. The act of heroism recognized may be on a local, national or international Level.
3. The act of heroism may include rescuing an individual or crew at sea by providing life saving acts of first aid and/or intervening with the salvage and repair of a sinking vessel.
4. The recipient must reside within the SCYA jurisdiction area during the year for which the award is being presented.
5. The recipient need not be affiliated with a member club of SCYA. In order to maintain interest in the trophy, when awarded to a yacht club member, the recipient's yacht club shall give the perpetual trophy prominent display at its facilities. Should the recipient not belong to a yacht club which has these facilities, the perpetual trophy shall be displayed at a yacht club designated by the Flag Officers of SCYA.
6. The recipient, or yacht club, will provide insurance coverage at all times for this perpetual trophy. The insurance must provide coverage for loss due to theft, fire or damage of any kind. This coverage must be maintained at all times the trophy is in the recipient's possession.
7. The recipient or responsible club officer from the recipient's sponsoring club shall sign a "Receipt Agreement," provided by the SCYA trophy chairman, by which it engages and binds them or the club to hold the perpetual trophy subject to and within the terms and conditions of this deed.

**Full authority of the Deed of Gift is vested in the Board of Directors of SCYA, and any actions concerning this deed including amendments shall be voted on under the provisions in the organizations By-laws.**

**Accepted March , 2008 by:**

*Mark A. Hansen*

**Commodore**



**Vice Commodore**

**Secretary**

*Received via email 12/29/08  
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