

Cortez Racing Association

Minutes for the Regular Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Date: Thursday, August 7, 2025,
Location: SWYC

1. Call to Order: 1830

Roll Call: Keith Ericson, Chuck Bowers, Colleen Cooke, Susi Graff, Shelly Raming, Dale Greaney, Margo, Jerry Lewis, Rich Chambers, Toralf Strand

2. Quorum – YES - *Article V: Section 7. Meetings: A regular meeting shall be held each month. Seven Officers shall constitute a quorum.*

3. Introduction of Guests: *NONE*

4. Announcements: *NONE*

5. Review and Approve Minutes: July 10, 2025 – *approved YES unanimous*

6. Treasurer's Report to include Accounts Receivable – *reported bank balance – Beer Cans: Michael \$500 tip - \$1050 for RC Committee party – paid for tax returns*

7. Email Votes - *NONE*

8. Old Business

CRA Race Check List -

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18kLpicb_YzPcxa6udOI8pwK46ZLPEvoFu1lrSH9lAQ/edit?ts=569810eb#gid=2135070042

a. Beer Cans, 5/21, 28, 6/4, 11, 18, 25, 7/9, 16, 23, 30 – *some discussion about choice of ratings being used – consensus great racing summer*

b. Commodore's Cup, 7/12,13 – *good food – discussion about the course relative to kelp – maybe Rod Messenger for Sportsmen of the Year for his ship to shore transportation*

c. Sharp HospiceCare Regatta 8/23 - *pursuit start is a bit difficult with mix of ratings – no overall winner this year – about ready to go - trophies have been ordered*

d. Dennis Conner Around the Coronados, 9/13 – *need to confirm SD Boatworks as sponsor and to provide trophies – confirmed by Margo*

- e. Halloween Regatta, 10/25 – need sponsor, venue, trophies, photographer, boat and driver for photographer - *Doyle Sails to be confirmed by Margo – Toralf and Dale to inquire about venue*
- f. Did Zephyr renew membership after participation in N2E? Susi Graff to report – *did not renew and was disqualified*
- g. RC boat “Dennis Conner” – Colleen Cooke – *fairly close to being on budget for yearly expenses – varnishing done -staining to be done later – will be towing two sport boats to Arden – discussion about horns*

9. New Business

- a. Shot gun or something else? – *maybe try smaller shells – still have a fair amount of standard shells in inventory – maybe install more horns on DC*
- b. Annual Awards – SDAYC and SCYA – see below – *send your recommendations to Keith ASAP – due at SDAYC by October 1*

10. New Member applications sent by email for approval vote since the last meeting – NONE

11. New Member applications (in need of approval) – NONE

12. Directors Reports:

Commodore: *to order new burgees*

Vice Commodore: *no report*

Rear Commodore: *no report*

Fleet Captain: *filed through Fall Regatta*

Secretary: *no report*

Treasurer: *no report*

Communications Director: *replaced photo for Winter Regatta as previous photo was challenged for copyright*

Director at Large: *not present*

Director at Large Ways & Means: *no report*

Junior Staff Commodore: *Since last BOD meeting, two protest hearings were held.*

7/21 - Aeolos/Sundance/Next Wave. Three protests from the same incident were combined.

8/7 - Pelican vs Bella Luce - Aeolos was DSQ from race 8 of the BC. Bella Luce was DSQ from race 10 of the BC.

PHRF Representative: *not present*

Membership Director: *not present*

Race Committee Chair: *discussion about possible misconduct by a certain individual – MarkSet Bot got a software update*

10. 2017 Adjourn

11. Next Regular Meeting: Thursday, September 4, 2025

Annual Awards – SDAYC and SCYA – see below

San Diego Association of Yacht Club Annual Awards – DUE OCTOBER 1, 2025

The San Diego Association of Yacht Clubs (SDAYC) recognizes the many Yacht Club members in our region who achieve significant success or contribute to our sport in deserving ways.

The Officers of each Club should be aware of the achievements of their members and submit applications to SDAYC for one or more of the awards that will be presented. It is not necessary to wait until the application deadline to do so.

In addition, the Southern California Yachting Association (SCYA) offers their own awards and Club Officers may wish to consider their members for those also. See [SCYA Awards](#).

Yachtsman of the Year

Awarded annually and selected for outstanding achievements and contributions to the sport of yachting.

[Deed of Gift](#) and [Application](#) - **please also submit a headshot & 2 other photos, if possible (digital jpeg).*

Submission deadline is October 1, 2025. Application to be submitted to Vice Commodore Mark Mallaby. Email mark.mallaby1@gmail.com

Yachtswoman of the Year

The Yachtswoman of the Year will be selected for her outstanding achievements and participation in the sport of yachting.

[Deed of Gift](#) and [Application](#) - **please also submit a headshot & 2 other photos, if possible (digital jpeg).*

Submission deadline is October 1, 2025. Application to be submitted to Junior Director Bob Howdyshell Email rjhowdy1@gmail.com

Alonzo de Jessop Memorial Award

Awarded for Outstanding Service to Yachting.

[Deed of Gift](#) and [Application](#) - **please also submit a headshot & 2 other photos, if possible (digital jpeg).*

Submission deadline is October 1, 2025. Application to be submitted to Rear Commodore Sandra Sherman Email slsherman@cox.net

John M. Rumsey, M.D. Award

Awarded for Special Recognition

[Deed of Gift](#) and [Application](#) - **please also submit a headshot & 2 other photos, if possible (digital jpeg).*

Submission deadline is October 1, 2025. Application to be submitted to Commodore Jerelyn Biehl Email jerelyn@odmsail.com

Paul J. Hartley Memorial Award

Conferred annually upon the boy or girl who shall have been judged to have made a significant contribution to junior sailing activity in San Diego County.

[Deed of Gift](#) and [Application](#). [Application Instructions](#) [Judging Form](#)

**please also submit a headshot & 2 other photos, if possible (digital jpeg).*

Submission deadline is October 1, 2025. Application to be submitted to Senior Director Jenee Gillam-Ray Email jgillamray@gmail.com

Peter M. Curtin Sportsmanship Award

Presented annually to recognize the values and spirit of sportsmanship.

[Deed of Gift](#) and [Application](#) - **please also submit a headshot & 2 other photos, if possible (digital jpeg).*

Submission deadline is October 1, 2025. Application to be submitted to Jr. Staff Commodore Cleve Hardaker Email chardaker@cox.net

We look forward to your Club submitting some excellent nominees for the 2025 year!
Reminder: the awards will now be held on January 11 at SDYC.

Thank you-

Jerelyn Biehl
Commodore
SDAYC

SCYA Awards

Service Awards

Warren Ewert Memorial Trophy

The Warren Ewert Memorial Trophy is awarded in recognition for serving SCYA with distinction
in the true Corinthian spirit.

The trophy is a brass sextant on a teakwood base and cost approximately \$1,400. The three current Commodores select the recipient.

George and Kay Fisher Memorial Trophy

The George and Kay Fisher Memorial Trophy is awarded to a couple who has rendered distinguished service to yachting in Southern California over a long period of time. The trophy is a large silver bowl with two handles mounted on an 8" X 8" X 6" wooden base. The three current Commodores select the recipient.

James M. (Jim) Webster Memorial Trophy

The James Webster Memorial Trophy is awarded in recognition of an outstanding contribution to yachting. The individual need not be actively engaged in sailing events or the winner of a number of races, nor a yacht owner, or be or have been a flag officer of a yacht club. The individual may be, among other things, a race committee member, a member of the press, or someone who has displayed exceptional sportsmanship, or someone not directly associated with yachting who has made an outstanding contribution to yachting. The trophy is a clock and barometer mounted on a wooden base. The incoming Commodore selects the recipient.

The Marine Order of the Golden Key Award

The Marine Order of the Golden Key Award is given to an Amateur Radio Operator. These "Hams" have provided for the safety, comfort and convenience of yachtsmen in the highest tradition of the Amateur Radio Service. The award is in recognition of outstanding service to yachting communications.

The trophy is a telegraph key mounted on a 12" X 10" X 8" wooden base. The honoree is selected by the Radio Communications Committee.

Honorary SCYA Commodores

The Honorary SCYA Commodore is selected by the incoming Commodore and announced at the January installation meeting. It is not necessary to select an honorary Commodore every year.

Performance Awards

Andy Gram Memorial Trophy

The Andy Gram Memorial Trophy is awarded to a member of a yacht club affiliated with SCYA who has distinguished himself or herself in Olympic yachting activities.

The recipient is selected by a committee appointed by the SCYA Board of Directors.

The trophy is a large silver bowl mounted on a 12" X 12" X 8" wooden base.

SCYA Commodore's Challenge Trophy

Racing for the SCYA Commodore's Challenge Trophy is a junior event, similar to the Lipton Cup. It is usually sailed in September in one-design boats of not less than 12 feet overall length with a crew of two boys or girls who must be under 20 years of age as of December 31st of the race year. The defending club issues a challenge in May or June to all SCYA clubs. Historically, this regatta has been hosted by the Newport Harbor Yacht Club. The award is presented by SCYA at the conclusion of the regatta.

Peggy Slater Memorial Trophy

The Peggy Slater Memorial Trophy is awarded to a female who best demonstrates outstanding contributions to the enhancement of woman's participation in sailing, or individual achievement

in the sport of sailing. Peggy Slater was a very active world sailor. Her boat, *Valentine*, was at the heart of many of the races she won and or in which she was a participant. The Peggy Slater Memorial Trophy was first awarded in 1991. It is an antique binnacle, originally a gift from Peggy Slater to her friend Joan Semper of Del Rey Yacht Club. After Peggy's death, Joan donated the binnacle to SCYA for the creation of a trophy in Slater's memory. Nominations are submitted by SCYA member yacht clubs, sailing associations, and Harbor Associations.

The selection process is described in the Deed of Gift. The selection Committee shall meet at the call of the chairperson in late November or early December. The trophy is awarded as prescribed by the Board of Directors of SCYA.

Sportsmanship Trophy

The Sportsmanship Trophy is awarded in recognition of the display of outstanding sportsmanship on and off the water. It is not limited to sailing skippers and could include crew, support staff, judges, or other worthy individuals. Nominations for this award should be submitted in writing to the Secretary of SCYA by Harbor Associations or any recognized organization if not part of a Harbor Association. The Sportsmanship committee selects a recommended nominee and presents its recommendation to the SCYA Board of Directors for approval.

SCYA Transpac Trophy

The Transpac is a race held in odd numbered years from Los Angeles to Honolulu. The Transpac Trophy is awarded to the boat with the best corrected time sailing under an SCYA member yacht club burgee. It was first awarded in 1939. There is no Deed of Gift. However, in 1972, a document was established with the essentials of such a deed.

The trophy is a large silver plate with the western coastline of California, Baja California and the Hawaiian Islands. The grids on the "Chart" contain the names of the winners.

The recipient of the Transpac Trophy is selected by the SCYA Regatta Chair.

SCYA One-Design Awards

The One-Design Awards are awarded for performance and participation in one-design class racing in SCYA member club events. The SCYA Fleet Captain must determine the winner of the award based on published results as of October 31st.

The One-Design Participation Trophy is awarded to the yacht club that hosts the largest one-design regatta. The "largest" one-design regatta is determined by taking the number of boats in a class and multiplying that number by the length of the boats. The regatta must be organized and hosted by a single SCYA member yacht club. It may include more than one class, but only the largest class as defined above will be considered.

The One-Design Performance Trophy is awarded to the skipper of the boat that wins the regatta described above.

Applications for the above awards must be submitted to the SCYA Fleet Captain by October 31st each year and must include a complete, readable set of results.

SCYA Multihull Perpetual Award – Alter Cup

The Multihull Perpetual Award is presented to the winner of the US Sailing Area J Alter Cup trials. The winning team represents Area J in the national US Sailing Multihull Championship for the "Alter Cup."

Brock Trophy

The Brock Trophy is awarded to the winner of the SCYA Offshore Championship, a US Sailing Area J sail-off usually held in August. If there is no sail-off, the trophy is not awarded. It is presently housed at Long Beach Yacht Club. The winner of the sail-off represents Area J at the US Sailing National Offshore Championship.

E.E. Manning Series Trophies

The Series is raced annually at Alamitos Bay Yacht Club per agreement with SCYA. The event is open to sailboats not exceeding 20 feet overall length without a fixed keel and is usually raced in March.

Four trophies are awarded.

- **The E.E. MANNING CUP** will be awarded to the winner of the class with the largest number of competitors.
- **The SKIMMER TROPHY** will be awarded to the winner of the second largest class
- **The KOBER PERPETUAL TROPHY** will be awarded to the winner of the Naples Sabot class.
- **The HOST CLUB TROPHY** will be awarded at the discretion of the race committee to the most deserving junior sailor.

Old Timers Perpetual Trophies

The Old Timers Trophies are awarded for club participation in “Old Timers Night.” One trophy is given to the club with the largest number of Staff Commodores present, and one to the club with the highest percentage of living Staff Commodores present. “Old Timers Night” is held at a general meeting selected by the Commodore.

SCYA Junior/Youth Team Race Championship for the Harold Adams Perpetual Trophy

Since 2001, the Harold Adams Team Race Classic has been a popular annual junior championship. Sailed out of San Diego Yacht Club for the past several years, the one-day event features three on three team racing in CFJ sailboats and is a great prelude to what many sailors will experience in collegiate competition. One fun aspect of the event is that it is not strictly a club vs. club or school vs. school competition, so many teams of friends from different organizations have found success over the years. The trophy will be presented by SCYA at the conclusion of the regatta.