



# Victory Class Trophy Details With Photos

## Victory Class Trophies

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### **SATURDAY SERIES**

#### **HELMSMANS CUP** (1st Saturday Series)



Presented in 1934 by HMS Dolphin to be held for one year to the winner in a series of races.

#### **PRESIDENTS SHIELD** (2nd Saturday Series)



Presented in 1934 by Harry Brickwood M.A., J.P. to be held for one year by the boat scoring the highest number of points in "Points Races" during the season.

Since 1936 this trophy has been awarded to the winner of a series of races.

#### **SATURDAY TROPHY** (3rd Saturday Series)



Presented in 1962 by the Victory Class to the winner of the Saturday Series

#### **UNDERWOOD TROPHY** (4th Saturday)



Presented in 1989 by the Electricity Sailing Club in memory of Alan Underwood, their Club Treasurer, who died suddenly.

#### **ZARENA TROPHY** (Multi Race Series)



Presented in 2002 by Yola Veck, previous owner of Z68 Zarena, to be awarded to the winner of a Multi-race Series

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### **PASSAGE RACE CUP**



Presented in 1935 by Commander H.M. Denham R.N. (the first Class Captain) for a race round the Isle of Wight. Or a series of passage races as decided by the committee.

Class records show that a race round the Isle of Wight was started in 1935 but was abandoned due to lack of wind, no further attempt has been made. Between 1936 and 1967 the trophy was awarded for a series of passage races but because of poor support for Sunday racing it was decided to award the cup for a race to Yarmouth. It is now either Yarmouth, Bembridge or Beaulieu.

### **EVENING SERIES**

#### **TUESDAY SHIELD** (1st Tuesday Series)



Presented in 1964 by Victory Class to be awarded to the winner of a series of races to be held on Tuesday evenings.

#### **BISHOP PAINTING 1** (2nd Tuesday Series)



This oil painting was Presented in 1986 by William Bishop, a previous owner of Wild Rose Z19 and a well known marine artist.

To be awarded to the winner of a series of races to be held on Tuesday evenings

#### **THURSDAY TANKARD** (1st Thursday Series)



Originally presented by members of the Victory Class who were also members of Portsmouth Sailing Club for a series of 10 races to be held on Thursday evening, the best 7 of which were to count. A tankard as purchased each year and kept by the winner. In 1972 a cup was presented to the class by Electricity Sailing Club as a permanent trophy. It continues to be known as the Thursday Tankard.

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### **PUFFIN TANKARD** (2nd Thursday Series)

***Replaces Enterprise Trophy returned to PSC***



Presented in 1998 by the family in memory of Humphrey Graham, the last owner of Puffin Z41 before she was lost at Cowes.

### **BISHOP PAINTING 2** Harbour Series)



A second painting presented in 1985 by William Bishop of Victories before the start.

To be awarded to the winner of a series of races to be held on Thursday evenings.

In 2009 the trophy was reallocated to a Harbour series.

### **McKay PAINTING** (Visitors Series)



A watercolour painting presented in 1980 by Surgeon Captain D.J. McKay R.N. to be awarded to the winner of a series of races held on Tuesday evenings.

In 2009 the trophy was reallocated to a Visitors Series

### **BRUNSWICK GATE TROPHY** (Tuesday Twilight Series)



Presented in 2003 by Scottish Widows

### **LUBBERS CUP** (Thursday Twilight Series)



Presented by Surg.Capt. McKay in 1981. Awarded to the winner of the last Saturday race. Saturday Race discontinued by Class and reallocated to Thursday Twilight from 2010

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### **ERIC DAVEY TROPHY** (Overall Twilight Series)



Presented by Eric Davey in 1994. He was a crew member of the Class for many years. It is to be awarded to the winner of a series of races to be held on Tuesday/Thursday evenings at the end of the season

### **BOB SMITH MEMORIAL CUP** (Pursuit Series)



Presented to Portsmouth Sailing Club in 1995 by his daughter. Bob was a life member of PSC and the Victory Class and had died just before his 90th birthday. He had owned Z19 'Wild Rose' from 1947 to 1969, winning many races. This cup is on loan to the Victory Class and until 2002 was awarded to Class Pursuit Race. 2003 to 2009 was reallocated to Thursday Twilight Series, reverted to the Pursuit Series from 2010.

## **COWES WEEK**

### **BEAZLEY TROPHY** (Week overall Winner )



Presented by Mr F.K. Beazley in 1962 to be held for one year by the boat with the best overall result in Cowes Week Regatta.

### **SPHERE TROPHY** (Week overall Runner-up)



Presented by Sphere Insurance (Class Insurance Company in 1984). To be awarded to the winner of Friday Race.

Note: Reallocated to week runner-up since 2008.

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### **BLACKBIRD BOWL** (Saturday)



Presented by Neville Hill in 1998, former owner of Blackbird. Awarded to the winner of the race on the first Saturday of the week.

### **EAGLE TROPHY** (Sunday)



Presented in 1976 by Brian Bunyard, former owner of Eagle and Class Treasurer for many years. Awarded to the winner of the Sunday race.

### **MITHAM TROPHY** (Monday)



Presented in 1986 by Dick Mitham, a former crew member. Awarded to the winner of the Monday race.

### **COURAGE BARCLAY TROPHY** (Tuesday)



Presented originally for competition at the Southsea Regatta, the last of which was held in 1977. Since 1985 it has been awarded to the winner of the Tuesday race.

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### **CHILDS PLATE** (Wednesday)



Presented in 1984 by members of the Childs family to mark the Golden Jubilee.  
Awarded to the winner of the Wednesday race

### **CULPAN TROPHY** (Thursday)



Presented by Cowes Town Regatta Committee in 1977, originally to be held for one year by the winner of the Thursday race and has continued to be awarded to the Victory Class winner in subsequent years.

### **IAN MEAD MEMORIAL TROPHY** (Friday)



Presented by the Mead family in 2008. Ian Mead joined the Class in 1950, held the post of Class Captain from 1980 to 1985 and 1992-1993. He was also Sailing Secretary from 1963 to 1979.

On the water he was the winner of many races.

### **BLACKBIRD TROPHY** (Passage race to Cowes)



Presented by Neville Hill in 1989, former owner of Blackbird. Awarded to the winner of the race on the passage race to Cowes.



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### **SINGLE RACES**

#### **TAYLOR TROPHY** (First race of season)



Presented by Kim & Sally Taylor in 1989. Awarded to the winner of the first race of the season, to encourage owners to launch early.

#### **HAMPER TROPHY**



Presented by Fareham Sailing and Motor Boat Club in 1950 for competition in their annual regatta. It is a scale model of a Victory Class boat. For a time in the 1970's the trophy was awarded to the winner of a passage race to Fareham from outside the harbour. However, since racing became impractical in the lower reaches of the harbour and in the entrance, the passage race has discontinued.

Note: Fareham Regatta having been discontinued the trophy is now awarded to the winner of a nominated race.

#### **HARRY FELTHAM MEMORIAL TROPHY**



Presented by members of the Victory Class in 1971 in memory of Harry Feltham, who as a builder of many of the class boats was connected with the class from its beginnings. He died in 1970, crewing for two doctors in Z23 Janet during a Thursday race. It was originally

warded to the winner of a race round the Nab Tower or an extended course in the eastern Solent. The round the Nab race was only completed once and the latter course is now adopted.

Note: The trophy was lost in 1996 and a replica made in 1997.



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### **DUNLIN TUB** (Fleet Race)



Presented by Dawson Penn, Class Captain, in 1987 and awarded to the winner of the Fleet Race, held annually on a Saturday and all Victory's encouraged to enter. The first race was held in 1984, the Golden Jubilee year of the class and there were 30 competitors.

Note: This race is now held on Tuesday or Thursday evening because of poor support on a Saturday.

### **SPECIAL TROPHY RACES**

#### **MINX TROPHY** (Crews Race)



Presented in 1989 by Delphine Freeman, owner of Z38 'Minx', and Karl Sparrow, at that time her crew. Awarded to the winner of the Crews Race. Boats to be helmed by a person who has crewed in at least 6 races but has not helmed in more than 3 races during that season.

#### **WOODCOCK TROPHY** (Single-handed Race)



Presented in 1938 by Lieut. Sam Woodcock R.N. for a single-handed race. No spinnakers allowed.

Sam Woodcock was the owner of 'Surprise' Z35, a 21st birthday from his parents in 1937. His record in class racing included 15 firsts and 2 seconds out of 20 starts, including 6 wins in 6 races in Cowes Week. This earned him selection to race for the Navy in the European Navy Regatta at Kiel in the Star Class. Regrettably, he was killed when HMS Barham was sunk during the 1939-45 war and his parents then presented Surprise to the RNSA in his memory. This is a chapter about Sam Woodcock's first and really his only season in Victory's, in a book 'Looking Astern' by his father, Percy Woodcock.

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### **EDDIS TROPHY** (Ladies Race)



Presented by Peter and Rowena Eddis in 1981. Awarded to the winner of the Ladies Race. Boats to be helmed and crewed by at least 2 ladies (owners representative can be male) This race was first held in 1949.

Note: Due to problems in getting 2 ladies for each boat, only the helm must be a lady.

### **SPECIAL TROPHIES**

#### **SAM LOADER TROPHY** (VCPR current year v previous year)



Presented by Sam Loader to Portsmouth Sailing Club in 1952, to be awarded to the winner of cruiser races. Sam was resident of 'Spice Island' for many years, and a well known eccentric and beachcomber. He was a life member of PSC and died when nearly 90 years of age. Since 1984 the trophy has been on indefinite loan to the Class and is presented annually to the top boat in the Victory Class Performance Rating.

#### **BOOKHAM MEMORIAL TANKARD** (VCPR Cowes v Portsmouth)



Presented in 1989

#### **SHEARWATER BOWL** (High season best points)



Presented in 2002 by Ian Mead, owner of Shearwater to be awarded to the boat with the most points for series races from late May until the end of Cowes Week.

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### **TOP HELMS TROPHY** (Top boat selected series)



Presented in 1993 by Barry Middleditch, Class Secretary at that time. To be competed for by the top 6 boats in the Victory Class Performance Rating of the previous year. To be awarded to the winner of a series of match races held on one day.

Note: Due to lack of support for match racing, it is now awarded to the top boat in selected series.

### **ENDEAVOUR TANKARD** (None Trophy Winner)



Presented in 1998 by Chris Smith. It is a replica of the sailors tankards as found on the Mary Rose and can be seen in their museum.

To be awarded to a boat that makes the greatest effort to get out and race but has not won a trophy during the season.



### **HUNTERS POT** (Silver Fleet at Cowes)

Presented in 2010 by John Hunter

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### **CLUTTERBUCK TROPHY** (Team Races)



Presented by Lieut-Colonel L.S.J.R. Clutterbuck to be won by the club with the best score in one special race. One team from each of the designated Clubs. From 1997 it was used as a team race trophy within the Cowes Week Regatta programme and local team racing.

### **DON METCALF MEMORIAL TROPHY** (Directors Choice)



Presented by Yola Veck in 2001. To be awarded each year to a Class Member, selected by the Directors, whose services or actions have been of benefit to the Class or it's members.

### **CAPTAINS DECANTER** (Captains Choice)



Presented in 1985 by Dr Robert Parkin, Captain at that time. It is to be awarded each year to a Class Member, selected by the Captain, for special to the Class.