

**R. W. CASPERS TROPHY**

**H-CAP FLEET**

**DEED OF GIFT**

The original Caspers Opening Day trophy was missing for a number of years, hence a new one was purchased and is raced for on Opening Day of the yachting season by yachts of the PHRF class,

The newly organized H-Cap fleet came across the original trophy and requested to have it redesignated for the Opening Day H-Cap Fleet race.

Amended by the Board of Directors of the Santa Barbara Yacht Club this 26<sup>th</sup> day of February 1998 as follows:

This trophy is a perpetual to be raced for annually on Opening Day of the yachting season by yachts of the Club "handicap" Fleet (known as H-Cap Fleet).

By   
SBYC Secretary

Wayne M. Harris, H-Cap Fleet Chairman  
June DeVoto, Trophy Chairman

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I. The R. W. Caspers Perpetual Opening Day Trophy shall be presented on opening day each year to the winner on corrected time of the arbitrary handicap class race on that day. The owner's name, name of the boat, and the year shall be inscribed on the trophy which will remain in the possession of the winner to be returned to the current commodore not later than one week before the next opening day.

II. The R. W. Caspers Perpetual Season Championship Trophy shall be presented to the Santa Barbara Yacht Club member who owns the arbitrary handicap class boat which has the highest number of points at the end of each racing season. The trophy will be presented at the first yacht club meeting following the final race of each season and shall be kept in the possession of the recipient until one week before the opening day of the following season when it shall be returned to the commodore and kept on display until the next presentation. The trophy shall bear the name of the owner, name of the boat, and the year. Running totals shall be posted on the bulletin board and points shall be figured on the following basis:

Any boat that properly completes a race shall receive 1 point for so doing and 1 point for each boat it beats on corrected time. In addition 1/4 point shall be granted the winning boat on corrected time. Consequently, in a 12 boat race the boat finishing last would receive 1 point; the boat finishing sixth would receive 7 points; and the winning boat would receive 12 1/4 points. In the event of a tie in a particular race, each tying boat shall still receive only 1 point for each boat it beats plus 1 point for completing the race and an additional 1/4 point if the tie is for first place. In the event of a tie in total points at the close of the final race of the season a run-off handicap race shall be held the following Sunday over a course prescribed by the race committee. All official races of the Santa Barbara Yacht Club shall be deemed championship races with the exception of the Lady Skipper Race.

The purpose of the donor of this trophy is to stimulate and encourage all owners of arbitrary handicap class sailboats to enter their boats in as many races as possible. The essence of the trophy is that a boat that consistently makes a good showing in every race can amass more points than a boat which generally wins but only enters spasmodically.

  
R. W. Caspers