

2015 winners

Alan Hidden Trophy:
Ellie Poole, South West area

Cape Horn Trophy:
Roy Hart, East Coast area

David Cade Memorial
Trophy:
*Ben Collins, Solent Area &
Yannie Cariguel, France*

Gaffers Globe:
*Sally & Tony Kiddle,
East Coast area*

Gaffers Tales:
Derek Biddle, Solent area

Jolie Brise Trophy:
Ed Burnett, South West area



OGA Awards and trophies

Dave Percival, OGA Awards and trophies secretary, made presentations for the 2015 sailing season at the AGM on 16 January 2016. A report on the awards and trophies will be published in the Spring 2016 issue of Gaffers Log. Visit the OGA website for full details: www.oga.org.uk/trophies

Young Ellie Poole wins the Alan Hidden Trophy. She races Toppers at international level and was made skipper of 'Wender', her grandfather's 1898 gaff cutter, taking third prize in the Dartmouth Regatta Series.

Three awards go to participants (and the organisers) of the successful cruise in company from Yarmouth to St Malo.

Roy Hart wins the Cape Horn Trophy for his passage from the East Coast to St Malo and back in 'Greensleeves', a 19' half-decked Memory. *He coped with 'winds nudging gale force, handled calms and rode the mighty tides of the St Malo bight with quiet aplomb.'* The Gaffers Globe is awarded to Sally & Tony Kiddle in another small boat, the Golant gaffer 'Step Back in Time'. *'Sally is/was very new to sailing and she took what was a rough Channel crossing to Alderney very positively, especially as most of her clothes got soaking wet as wave water came sluicing over the cabin roof into the cockpit and flooded into the lockers in the cabin.'* Organisers of the cruise, Ben Collins and Yannie Cariguel, were jointly awarded the David Cade Memorial Trophy for their efforts in ensuring that *'crews from England, Holland and France came together in a true spirit of international gaffing and friendship.'*

The Jolie Brise Trophy was awarded posthumously to Ed Burnett: *'the yachts he designed will certainly continue to give pleasure to many, but we can only imagine what heights this outstanding designer might have achieved if his illustrious career had run its full course.'*

The winner of the Gaffers Tales award is Derek Biddle for 'Tales of Gypsy Mermaid' describing fellowship, adventuring and hospitality on a miniature tallship.

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