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Dear Association Committee Member

At the ACM in January we agreed that a process and criteria for a "President's Commendation" award would be defined and, once agreed, included in the Handbook for OGA Officers as an OGA Award. This new award has been proposed to fill a shortfall in our existing awards to recognise any act, achievement or contribution worthy of note and congratulation, and is not confirmed to a single person, boat, or group. This award is flexible, economical and could be presented as a formal certificate suitable for framing. The President's Commendation has the advantage of being totally flexible in terms of what it is recognising; it can be presented to a number of members for the same reason (e.g. a crew), and is low cost.

As for existing Trophies and Awards, members can be nominated for the President's Commendation by any other OGA member through their Area Committee. Area Secretaries should submit their nominations to the GMC, with a detailed justification explaining why they are being put forward for a particular Trophy or Award, by December 1st. Winners will be announced at the Association AGM.

Please consider the Award name, the criteria and the nomination and judging process. Feedback and comments are welcome prior to our discussion and agreement at our next meeting on 15 September. Thank you.

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