

## **OGA Trophies 2023**

### **The Results, as announced at the AGM 2024**

#### **David Cade Memorial Trophy - Robert & Lorna Hill**

A most outstanding contribution to the Association during the Year over and above the call of duty.

Nominated by Paul Masters EC President.

As EC President and Area Secretary, Robert & Lorna made a major contribution leading the team to deliver the final party event of the OGA60 calendar. Organisations such as the OGA rely on volunteers willing to make time in their busy lives to ensure these events large or small happen. The Jubilee Party was a major event on 2 locations with numerous other activities taking place each day, mother nature of course had the last laugh but that is something completely out of the control of the Jubilee Party Committee no matter how many meetings you have! The David Cade Memorial Trophy would also be a fitting recognition of their above the normal call of duty in 2023 and the 9 years that Robert has been EC President and Lorna EC Area Secretary.

#### **ODTAA Cup (One Damn Thing After Another) – Alasdair Simpson**

A contribution to the OGA not covered by any other trophy

Nominated by Kevin Goulding, NW Area President.

Alasdair has only recently, just over 1 year now been in the post of the Secretary North West OGA and has worked tirelessly to support Gaff Rigged boat restoration projects in addition to his role of area secretary. In particular the current professional restoration of a Crossfield Boat Builders (Arnside) of a Royal Mersey Yacht Club - Rivers Class SEVERN which sunk in the river Mersey for many years. The setting up of a new charity 'Morecambe Bay Prawner Trust' for the ongoing restoration and upkeep of these iconic boats. As well as his support to OGA Small Boats during the year with events at Arnside, Lake Windermere and Ullswater. In addition, the organisation of the Crossfield Conferences (now in its third year).

#### **Gaffers Globe Award - Barbara Runnalls**

A major voyage relative to their boat and experience during the year

Nominated by Jo Masters EC OGA.

Sailing Moon River: Barbara had so much fun taking part in RBC 50 she decided to do it all over again. Barbara is something of a celebrity wherever she goes. When we went into Ardfarn in Titch on our West Coast cruise in June with the RBC fleet, the harbour master asked if we knew the older lady sailing on her own in a small gaffer, of course we guessed it had to be Barbara. The staff at Ardfarn marina were full of admiration for Barbara. She is an inspiration to all sailors, male & female, young and old. I wholeheartedly nominate

Barbara for the Gaffers Globe – she is undoubtedly an experienced sailor, but a lady of a certain age sailing round Britain in a 23' gaffer on her own certainly qualifies as a major voyage.

Nominated by David Patuck, SW Area

Barbara is a second time, single-handed circumnavigator, in the process of relocating to the south west and, with her considerable experience, Barbara was a constant inspiration to fellow participants in the OGA60 Round Britain Cruise, if she can do it, then we with fully crewed vessels had no excuse!

### **Grumpy II Cups - Joff & Lily Hudson**

An OGA skipper and young crew for an outstanding sailing achievement during the year

Nominated by Paul Masters EC Area President

Joff & Lily Hudson father and daughter helming Crescent Moon in the 2023 East Coast Race. Those of you who took part in the 2023 EC Race will remember it was a little breezy and quite lively! Crescent Moon is a 1914 gaff cutter sailed on the East Coast by the Hudson family. Dad Joff helmed the first half of the race before Lily took over the helm. The accidental gybe at the first mark (when Joff was helming) must have been exciting for all concerned and probably instigated an interesting 'family' discussion. Those of you who sail with your families will know what I mean. Joff and Lily would be worthy recipients of the Grumpy II Cups – Joff for having the confidence in Lilys ability as a sailor and for Lily helming a heavy gaffer in challenging conditions, finishing the race, and mostly with a big smile on her face..

### **Gaffers Tales Award - Edgar & Else Wagemakers**

The best contribution to the Gaffers Log

Nominated by Paul Masters EC Area President.

Windbreker -Gaffers Log Spring 2023. Edgar & Else Wagemakers are regular visitors to the East Coast and their story is a love story - both with the boat and each other, their lives very much entwined with Windbreker for the last 25 years. The piece in gaffers log is beautifully written by Else and as I read her words, I can hear her voice, Dutch accented in English of course, direct (as is the Dutch way) but always friendly. Edgar and Else have many Gaffer friends in the UK they are wonderful ambassadors for the Dutch OGA, if you are ever invited onboard Windbreker you may even get to sign the tablecloth.... As is often the case with boats the story sails on from one owner to the next, seeking out new horizons, people and adventures this piece encompasses all of this and more.

### **Tales of Sail Award - Nick Phillips**

The best contribution to the Gaffers Log and complementary online content.

Nominated and awarded by Beverley Daley-Yates.

The 'Tales of Sail' trophy is awarded to an OGA member who contributes to our Association communications both online and in print. In 2023, East Coast member, Nick Phillips rose to the communications challenge of the Anniversary year. He was instrumental in preparing two large format full colour printed programmes, local fliers and online maps linked with an excellent online booking and information service for the four-

day Anniversary Celebration held on the River Orwell in August. Since November, he has volunteered as an active member of the EC OGA Online Committee.

### **Jolie Brise Trophy - Peter Thomas**

A significant contribution to Gaff Rig

Nominated by Peter Elliston EC Area Secretary and Vice President.

Peter Thomas – Elder Gaffer & East Coast stalwart who always has the best interests of the wider membership and association at the front of his mind. He stood down from the EC committee in November 2023 after 20 years including a spell as EC President. Pete has an encyclopaedic knowledge of gaffers and especially East Coast working boats. Always willing to help anyone who asks and although he would never admit it is fiercely competitive! He is a fine craftsman, Pete rebuilt Transcur CK365 a Colchester smack in his garden in rural Suffolk and always has some boat related project on the go, including building one of the two Gafflings resident on the East Coast. Peter would be a worthy recipient of the Jolie Brise Trophy.

### **President's Commendation - Penny Jolley**

Certificate(s) presented to any, or a group of, Members to recognise any act, achievement or contribution worthy of note and congratulation

Nominated by David Patuck, SW Area

For many years now, Penny Jolley with Paul's assistance, organises the very successful Brixham Heritage Regatta, based from Brixham YC, in both May and September. The attending vessels, range from Brixham trawlers to junk rigged vessels and gaff rigged boats of all sizes, many from the local OGA areas.

### **Elder Gaffer:-**

Clare Thomas  
Special Mention and Association

### **Thanks: -**

Alison and Julian Cable for special contributions

