

EDWARD N. VAIL PERPETUAL TROPHY

Donated in 1961 by Ed and Vi Vail to be competed for during Semana Nautica. Yachts representing Clubs with SCYA membership, and holding valid Ocean Racing Certificates, shall be eligible to compete in the sailing race from Santa Barbara Harbor to Santa Cruz Island and return.

Re-dedicated in 1992 to; last race of the Wilson Series.

Re-dedicated in 1998 to CHRF Goleta Race

To: Commodore Kenneth M. Clements
From: Wayne M. Harris Trophy Chairman

Date: November 8, 2002

Subject: Edward N. Vail Trophy

In May 1996 Chris Gabriel spoke with Mr. Al Vail, nephew of Edward and Vi Vail about rededicating the Vail Trophy. Mr. Vail indicated that neither he nor any other family members would have any objection to such a change. He felt they have no authority over any such changes, and anything the Club wishes to do with the Trophy is alright with him.

Chris recommended that the Board resolve that the Vail Race be held as a race back from Santa Cruz in conjunction with the Wilson Race to the Island On June 16, 1996.

I have not been able to find the signed rededications in any of the club records, however it appears the Island Race was held 1996 and possible in 1997. Attached is a copy of Chris Gabriel's letter to Commodore Llew Goodfield, concerning the Edward N. Vail Trophy.

In 1998 Chris and I discussed both the Vail and the Wiman Trophies as being eligible for rededication to the Goleta Beach Race in August each year, since the interest for an Island Race had decreased. It was decided that 2 rededications would be written one for the Wiman for PHRF and one for the Vail for CHRF. Since 1998 the Vail and Wiman trophies have been awarded for the Goleta Beach Race.

I recommend that the Board of Directors of Santa Barbara Yacht Club approve the attached Rededication of the Vail trophy.

Please ask the Secretary to send me a copy of the Rededication when it is approved, for inclusion in the Trophy History Books and the office Trophy File.

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VAIL TROPHY

Whereas there is no Deed of Gift for the Vail Trophy, and,

Whereas the current use of the Vail Trophy is awarded to the winner of the Club Handicap Racing Fleet (CHRF) Goleta Beach Race

The Board of Directors of Santa Barbara Yacht Club hereby designates the Vail Trophy as a sailing trophy as follows:

1. The trophy shall be awarded annually to the winner of the Club Handicap Racing Fleet (CHRF) Goleta Beach Race.
2. The rededication is retroactive to the 1998-racing year.

Approved by the Board of Directors on _____

John C. Bishop, Jr.
Secretary

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To: SBYC Commodore Llew Goodfield
From: Chris Gabriel, Island Race Chairman *CH*
Date: May 14, 1996
Subject: Edward N. Vail Trophy

I spoke with Mr. Al Vail (805/682-7645), nephew of Edward and Vi Vail, on May 10, 1996. The purpose of my call was to discuss the possibility of the Board scheduling the Vail Race and selecting the course. I explained that the Vail Race had traditionally been held during Semana Nautica and sailed to Santa Cruz Island and back. I hoped to make the deed of gift more flexible in terms of course and date to attract the greatest number of competitors.

Mr. Vail indicated that neither he nor any other family members would have any objection to such a change. He felt they have no authority over any such changes, and anything the Club wishes to do with the Trophy is alright with him.

The Vail Trophy was donated to the Club in 1961 to be competed for during Semana Nautica. Yachts representing Clubs with SCYA membership, and holding valid Ocean Racing Certificates, were to be eligible to compete in a sailing race from Santa Barbara Harbor to Santa Cruz Island and return.

The Vail Trophy is inscribed with "Island Race." Therefore, in 1996, I recommend that the Board resolve that the Vail Race be held on June 16, 1996 as a race from Santa Cruz Island to Santa Barbara following the Wilson Race ending at Santa Cruz Island the day before.