

Mercury Class Trophies

There is a lot of "Hardware" to be won by Mercury Skippers and the following list is but a small cross section. We believe a record of past performances will be of interest and the year book is the place to record them. In the time available we have not been able to make this all inclusive but it is a start and with your help we'll expand it next year.

Please let us know of all errors and omissions and we ask that a copy of all regatta results be sent to the year book editor immediately following each regatta.

NUNES CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES TROPHY

This large silver cup was donated by Ernest Nunes, the designer and first builder of the Mercury. At the Championship Series to be held at Huntington Lake this year it will be awarded for the thirtieth time.

We will not list the past winners here as they are covered in the story of the series starting on page 3.

NORCAL REGIONAL TROPHY

Donated by Leonard Delmas to be awarded as the Class sees fit each year in the Northern California region. Originally it started as two races on eight Saturdays, in order to get other fleets to participate in home fleet activities we had two years of a four race series (1972) (1973) in Palo Alto on one week end. In 1974 it was awarded on the basis of participation in other MCYRA events. In 1975 it looks as though we will go back to the original concept of Saturday Regionals.

Year	boat	Skipper
1968	456 Comet	Pax Davis
1969	408 Frenzy Too	Doug Baird
1970	408 Frenzy Too	Doug Baird
1971	408 Frenzy Too	Doug Baird
1972	524 Carrier	Pax Davis
1973	524 Carrier	Pax Davis
1974	542 Swift	Pax Davis
1975	542 Swift	Pax Davis
1976	542 Swift	Pax Davis

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Steve Gould	1971-2
Pat Bradley	1972-3
Chris Gould	1973-4
John Grether	1974-5
Doug Baird	1975-6
Steve Gould	1976-7

SANTA BARBARA MERCURY FLEET INVATIONAL PERPETUAL TROPHY

This trophy shall be retained by the Santa Barbara Yacht Club. Presentation shall be made yearly to the skipper in the Mercury Class who is designated as winner of the Mercury Fleet in the Semana Nautica Regatta.

1965 RADIANT	Jack Nerdrum
1966 MEHTABEL	Steve Gould
1967 TIMELY II	Don Anderson
1968 FRENZY	Doug Baird
1969 FOMF	Doug Baird
1970 BLUE MIST II	Roger Roessler
1971 MELLOW YELLOW A.	Lysight
1972 CONTAGION	Steve Gould
1973 RADIANT	Jack Nerdrum
1974 SWIFT	Paxton Davis
1975 CONTAGION	Steve Gould
1976 CONTAGION	Steve Gould

PERRY CUP - by Kelly Robinson

During the 1950's and early 60's, members of the Stillwater Mercury Fleet often discussed starting a winter racing series on the other side of the hill in Monterey. Many members felt that the limited summer season in Stillwater really wasn't enough. Thomas K. Perry was one of the original advocates of the winter series which now bears his name.

Although the idea of a winter racing schedule came up over and over again, nothing was really done about it until a number of Stillwater sailors decided to create a new fleet in Monterey in 1970. The Monterey Ft., looking for a way to attract new members, yet, also wanting to continue racing at Stillwater during the summer, decided to hold the first winter championship in Monterey. The series was to last all winter, but not wanting to create a series which would drag on, seemingly forever, it was decided that it should be raced only one weekend per month. The first Monterey Winter Championships were won by Tim Condon in 1970-71.

Later that year Tom Perry was killed and his widow Pat offered to donate a perpetual trophy for the series to be named after him. Since then the Perry Cup has been sailed four times having been won by:



One of Santa Barbara's new active skippers, Stillman Chase.