

Gary Jobson

Gary Jobson is a world class sailor, television commentator and author based in Annapolis, Maryland. He is President of US SAILING, the National Governing Body of Sailing. Gary has authored 17 sailing books and is Editor at Large of Sailing World and Cruising World magazines.



Jobson has been ESPN's sailing commentator since 1985. He won an A.C.E. (Award for Cable Excellence) for the 1987 America's Cup. In 1988 Jobson won an Emmy for his production of sailing at the Olympic Games in South Korea and won an Emmy for the 2006 Volvo Ocean Race on PBS. He has covered the Olympics five times for NBC.

Gary Jobson has won four Southam Awards and one Telly Award. His newest book is Gary Jobson: An American Sailing Story. Jobson has produced a new film, Energy on Trial (www.energyontrial.com).

He has won many championships in one design classes, the America's Cup with Ted Turner, the infamous Fastnet Race and many of the world's ocean races. In College at SUNY Maritime he was an All American sailor three times and was twice named College Sailor of the Year.

In October 2003 Gary was inducted into the America's Cup Hall of Fame by the Herreshoff Marine Museum. In 1999 Jobson won the Nathanael G. Herreshoff Trophy, US SAILING's most prestigious award. This trophy is awarded annually to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the sport of sailing in the United States. Gary has been the National Chairman of The Leukemia Cup Regatta, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's sailing program, since 1994. These events have raised over \$35 million to date. Jobson was awarded a Doctor of Letters from the State University of New York Maritime College in 2005.

Over the past thirty-five years Gary has given over 2000 lectures throughout the world. He started his career as a sailing coach at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and the U.S. Naval Academy.

Gary is also an active cruising sailor. He has led ambitious expeditions to the Arctic, Antarctica and Cape Horn. He currently races a Swan 42, *Mustang*, and an Etchells, *Whirlwind*.

Gary and his wife, Janice, have three grown daughters, Kristi, Ashleigh and Brooke.

Gary Jobson Awards

- 2011 National Sailing Hall of Fame Inductee
- 2011 Robert Tiedemann Award for Courage - Hope Funds for Cancer Research
- 2011 George Hinman Award - Manhasset Bay Yacht Club
- 2011 Charles M. Leighton Award for Outstanding Service - U.S. Olympic Sailing
- 2010 Storm Trysail Foundation Award - 1979 Fastnet Race
- 2010 The Hugh Kilmer Trophy - Storm Trysail Club
- 2009 New York Yacht Club Medal
- 2009 State University of New York Maritime College - Alumni Service Award
- 2008 Telly Award (Recognizes distinction in creative work in broadcast/non-broadcast video productions)
- 2007 John Southam Award (2006 Broadcast Category) Awarded by Sail America
- 2007 John Southam Award (2006 Lecture Series) Awarded by Sail America
- 2006 National Capital Chesapeake Bay Emmy Awards

- 2006 CINE Golden Eagle Award - MPT - Volvo Ocean Race Up the Chesapeake
- 2006 National Maritime Historical Society - Distinguished Service Award
- 2006 Anne Arundel County Sports Hall of Fame
- 2006 Steward of the 12-Metre Yacht Club - Newport Station
- 2005 Admiral of the Chesapeake Bay - State of Maryland
- 2005 Arnold C. Gay Award - Annapolis Yacht Club
- 2005 SUNY Maritime College Degree of Doctorate of Letters
- 2005 Annapolis and Anne Arundel County Chamber of Commerce Business Hall of Fame
- 2005 Burgee of Merit - Newport Harbor Yacht Club
- 2005 James M. Webster Perpetual Trophy - Southern California Yachting Association
- 2004 John Southam Award (2004 Yachting Olympics) - NBC Coverage - Awarded by Sail America
- 2004 State University of New York Maritime College "Outstanding Graduate" inducted into Heritage Hall
- 2004 The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Spiral of Life Award
- 2004 Barnegat Bay Sailing Hall of Fame
- 2004 Lifetime Achievement Award by Annapolis/Anne Arundel County Chamber of Commerce
- 2004 Named a Paul Harris Fellow by the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International
- 2003 Herreshoff Museum America's Cup Hall of Fame
- 2003 Best Sports Book of 2002 (Fighting Finish) Awarded by Independent Publisher Book Awards in America
- 2002 Clarion Award for Best Book 2002 (Fighting Finish)
- 2002 Jersey Shore Sports Hall of Fame
- 2002 John Southam Award (Expedition to the Arctic) Awarded by Sail America
- 2000 City of Annapolis Maritime Heritage Hall of Fame
- 1999 Nathaniel G. Herreshoff Award - US SAILING
- 1997 Joe Prosser Award for Excellence in Sailing Instruction - US SAILING
- 1996 State University of New York: Honor Roll
- 1996 Milwaukee Sailor of the Year
- 1995 Charles R. Smith Jr. Trophy - Annapolis Yacht Club
- 1990 Toms River Regional School's Hall of Fame
- 1988 Emmy Award - 1988 Olympic Games - Yachting
- 1988 National Marine Manufacturers Director's Award
- 1987 Cable Ace Awards - 1987 America's Cup
- 1983 S.U.N.Y. Maritime College Athletic Hall of Fame
- 1982 Sailing World Hall of Fame
- 1977 America's Cup Winning Tactician
- 1973 SUNY Maritime Parent's Association for the Cadet who contributed the most to the College
- 1973 SUNY Maritime College's Athletic Association to the Outstanding Athlete
- 1972, 1973 Intercollegiate Sailor of the Year
- 1971, 1972, 1973 All America Intercollegiate Sailing Team
- 1966 Powell Trophy - Outstanding Junior Sailor - Barnegat Bay