



Falmouth Harbour
Commissioners

MEDIA RELEASE

Falmouth Harbour Commissioners present FHC Award

Falmouth Harbour Commissioners (FHC) has presented the much coveted annual FHC Award to well-know local sailor, Walter Amos for his outstanding contribution to the management of sailing races.

The award is presented to people who have contributed significantly to success of the Harbour over the course of the year.

Mr Amos received the award during the Annual Safety Meeting on Friday 18th December, for his longstanding contribution to the Port of Falmouth Sailing Association (POFSA). Through POFSA, Mr. Amos has been one of the key organisers and race officers for Falmouth Week for several years.

In order to win the award nominees are first put forward by the FHC Consultative Committee, which is made up of commercial and leisure harbour users, and the winner is then selected by the FHC Board. This year it was a unanimous vote by both the Board and the Consultative Committee in favour of Mr Amos in respect of his commitment to Falmouth and the harbour area, as well as POFSA and Falmouth Week.

Collecting his award Mr Amos said he was delighted to receive the accolade. “I am absolutely thrilled.” he said, “It gives me great pleasure to have been able to contribute to local racing, particularly when I see what a success Falmouth Week has become.

“With increasing congestion on the water, safety has to come higher on the agenda. The FHC Award recognises our achievements in ensuring safety on the water, without taking away from the enjoyment of racing.”

Peter Morgan, Falmouth Harbour Commissioner presented the award to Mr Amos, he said: “Walter Amos has always gone above and beyond the call of duty in his role at POFSA. His long-standing service has made local racing what it is today, and his expertise and enthusiasm are beyond compare. He really is a very worthy candidate for the award.”

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Pictures:

fhc 221209 sb01: Captain Mark Sansom Falmouth Harbour Master, Walter Amos, Peter Morgan, Harbour Commissioner

fhc 221209 sb03: Walter Amos with members of the Annual Safety Meeting

Notes to Editors:

Falmouth Harbour, including the Carrick Roads, is reputed to be the third deepest natural harbour in the world. Falmouth Harbour Commissioners is a statutory port authority with responsibility for the Inner Harbour at Falmouth (excluding Falmouth Docks), the Penryn River up as far as Boyers Cellars, the southern part of the Carrick Roads and a large part of Falmouth Bay. As well as providing regulation of its Harbour Area the Commissioners provide small craft facilities for residents and visitors.

Falmouth Harbour Commissioners is a statutory port undertaking created by an act of parliament in 1870. It operates as a trust port and has a board of eight commissioners who act as trustees. Falmouth Harbour Commissioners are committed to operating the harbour in an open and accountable manner and welcome feedback from harbour users.