



Owners Association

2012 Loren Hart Trophy

awarded to

Sally W.

September 12, 2012

Allan and Sally Seymour
1500 US Route 5
East Dummerston, VT 05346

Dear Allan and Sally,

The Loren Hart trophy, named in honor of the creator of our tugs, is awarded annually by the Lord Nelson Victory Tug Owners Association in recognition of an extraordinary cruise. It gives us great pleasure to inform you that Sally W. and her crew have been unanimously selected as the 2012 winners.

Sally W. started the Mini-Loop 30 May on the Connecticut River and completed her journey on 29 August, some 1855 miles later, in Camden, Maine. A lot happened in the intervening days and it's wonderfully documented in your blog. From day one's VacuFlush problems, where 'Justa keepa go' was adopted as the crew's mantra, to Allan proudly standing at the bow, in French-speaking Quebec, receiving compliments and all the while pretending to understand the language.

Yours was a journey of more than just miles, it was journey through the LNVT owners roster too. You sought out and met 13 tug owners, that's more than half of the northeast fleet. It was your vision that led to the Lake Champlain Rendezvous. The success of which was evidenced by the camaraderie of the attendees. Clearly this was also a journey of personal growth for the Sally W. crew. Your blog's closing words capture beautifully some of the principals espoused by the Loren Hart Trophy .

Life aboard has changed us. It is simpler and richer. We don't have a microwave or television. We cook fresh food and enjoy good books and conversation. Why this change? It's the intangible luxury of time. We're not in a hurry. We don't have to jump out of bed, hop in the shower, and wolf down breakfast. Rather than face the day, we embrace the day. -- From the blog of Sally W., 29 August 2012

Thank you for being great ambassadors for the LNVT fleet and for sharing the story of your journey. It's been a delight following your adventures and we look forward to seeing what the future has in store for Sally W. It is with great pleasure that we present you with the 2012 Loren Hart Trophy.

Dave Howell
President, LNVT Owners Association

Lani Hart
Co-Founder, Lord Nelson Yachts, Ltd.