

**DEED OF GIFT**  
**OF**  
**THE KEEFE TROPHY**  
**September, 2016**

Know All Men by these presents, that the St. Francis Yacht Club of San Francisco, California, United States of America, for the express purposes of encouraging International Six Metre Rule yachting on an national and international level, especially in friendly contests of sailing and seamanship, does hereby give to the North American International Six Metre Association the silver bowl to be known as the Keefe Trophy.

This Trophy was donated to the North American International Six Metre Association to honor R.C. Keefe, Commodore of the St. Francis Yacht Club in 1975, long time Historian and Curator, Senior Staff Commodore and Honorary Member of the St. Francis Yacht Club. Mr. Keefe's grandfather, John Henry "Boss" Keefe, was a founding member of the Corinthian Yacht Club in San Francisco Bay and was its Port captain for 24 years. Over a span of more than 20 years, R. C. Keefe founded and led a series of successful St. Francis Yacht Club Six Metre campaigns, which competed internationally. The Trophy was deeded in 2016 to the North American International Six Metre Association upon the occasion of the St. Francis Yacht Club hosting the North American Six Metre Championships that year.

The Keefe Trophy is delivered herewith to the North American International Six Metre Association to be held, carried and competed for under the following conditions:

First: The name of the Trophy shall always be the Keefe Trophy.

Second: The Title to the Trophy shall always be in the St Francis Yacht Club. If the St Francis Yacht Club is dissolved, then the title shall revert to its legal successor-in-interests. Should the Club holding the Trophy be dissolved, the Trophy shall be returned at once to the St Francis Yacht Club. It is to be distinctly understood that the Trophy is the property of the St Francis Yacht Club, and not that of the owner of the vessel winning the match or regatta. The yacht club represented by the yacht winning the Trophy may have the right to hold the Trophy for the time and under the conditions hereinafter described.

Third: The owner or owners of any yacht winning the Trophy shall have the right to have engraved on a single silver shield or tab attached to the base of said Trophy, in a neat and plain manner, the name of the yacht, the name of their Club and the date of the race.

Fourth: It is intended that the St. Francis Yacht Club Trophy shall be awarded at the end of racing at the North American International or United States National Six Metre Championships, as applicable, to the highest placed yacht among those first constructed and certificated as a Six Metre between 1966 and 6 September 1979 (the date of the first race of the 1979 International Six Metre World Championships) inclusive, which have had no alteration to their underwater shape other than permitted modifications to the rudder, as determined by the then current officers of the North American International Six Metre Association. Owners will be expected to make a declaration that their boats comply with this requirement. Should any rudder modification have been carried out, then the rudder shall have a maximum thickness (athwartship dimension) of no more than 95mm. To be eligible to race, a yacht must also carry a valid and current measurement certificate. The measurement certificate must be issued in accordance with the Measurement Rules of the International 6 Metre Class. If the certificate is not current and valid, a letter must accompany it from a recognized measurer certifying that the yacht, its sails and spars measure in all

respects. Such yachts without a current measurement certificate will be allowed to compete at the discretion of the regatta organizing authority.

Fifth: The management of races for the Keefe Trophy shall be under the direction of the Race Committee of the match or regatta at which the races are being held.

Sixth: There shall be two or more consecutive days of racing at the North American International or United States National Six Metre Championships, as applicable, for sloops of the International Six Metre Class under the auspices of the North American International Six Metre Association or such other association as the Keefe Trophy Committee shall approve. In the case of a postponement of a match or regatta, it shall be sailed the following days, or two or more races may be sailed in one day with the consent of the majority of the competing yachts. The number of races, courses and time limits for the races shall be reasonable and fairly determined by the Race Committee of the match or regatta. The foregoing requirements may be modified by the race committee of the match or regatta at which races are being held, to fit into the general match or regatta program or because of weather or other circumstances. The series shall consist of three or more completed races. If four or more races are completed, the race committee of the match or regatta may allow competing yachts to discard one race. The winner shall be determined by either the highest or lowest number of points scored, as the race committee of the match or regatta at which races are being held deems best, so as to fit into the general regatta program.

In the event of a tie, the tied scores shall be resolved by the methods outlined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, Appendix A - Scoring - to determine the winning yacht. If the result remains a tie, the trophy shall be held jointly and each yacht will have the right to engrave their name on a plaque.

Seventh: The Club in which the winning boat is enrolled shall have the right to hold the Trophy until the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the calendar month prior to the regatta in which the Trophy is to be contested for the North American International or United States National Six Metre Championships, as applicable, for sloops of the International 6 Metre Class. The Commodore of the Club holding the Trophy shall be responsible for its safekeeping at all times and for its safe return to the North American International Six Metre Association for the following North American International or United States National Six Metre Championships, as applicable, for sloops of the International Six Metre Class. The North American International Six Metre Association or the race committee of the match or regatta may award individual trophies or medallions to the winning skipper and crew of the Keefe Trophy at their discretion and leisure.

The winning Yacht Club's right to hold the Trophy is subject to the following provisions, which must be met to the satisfaction of the Keefe Trophy Committee:

- (a) The Trophy shall be shipped under the auspices of a professional, licensed and bonded shipping agent or company with attached insurance coverage for any damage to the Trophy and for the full, independently assessed value of the Trophy or hand-carried by the skipper of the winning boat. These expenses are to be paid for by the winning Club.
- (b) Except for the purpose of brief, supervised exhibition, the Trophy shall reside at all times in a secure area of the Club under lock and key for no longer than the time prescribed by this Deed.
- (c) The winning Club shall provide written proof of insurance, or proof of a bond which covers any damage to or loss of the Trophy. Such proof must be reviewed and approved by the Keefe Trophy Committee.

Eighth: Race courses shall be selected by the club and race committee holding the match or regatta, subject to the approval of the Keefe Trophy Committee. The Keefe Trophy Committee shall be comprised of the then current officers of the North American International Six Metre Association.

Ninth: Whenever future conditions may require it, the Keefe Trophy Committee of the North American International Six Metre Association, or if dissolved, the St Francis Yacht Club, shall have the power of modifying this Deed of Gift with a view of furthering sportsmanlike yacht racing as intended by this Deed of Gift, excepting Articles one, two, and three thereof. In case of such modifications, reasonable public published notice thereof shall be given to all reasonable interested parties.

Tenth: The Keefe Trophy Committee shall notify associations and clubs known to have International Six Metre yachts enrolled of the dates and locations of the next trophy races as soon as such are determined and approved.

Eleventh: Yachts eligible and desiring to compete for this Trophy shall apply for and file official entries as required, with the race committee of the match or regatta appointed by the North American International Six Metre Association to hold the match or regatta. Official entry must be accompanied by a certificate of measurement or facsimile copy thereof, accompanied by such other certifications of eligibility as may be required under the Fourth Paragraph. The owner of any boat entered must be a member of a duly recognized yacht club and both the owner and each crew member must be a member of both the North American International Six Metre Association and International Six Metre Association. This membership requirement, in whole or in part, may be waived by the Race Committee.

Twelfth: The sailing rules and rules of the road as designated by the race committee in charge of the match or regatta shall govern all races for the Keefe Trophy, except where they may conflict with the expressed provisions of this Deed of Gift.