



Performance Award Archives

The Performance Award category was introduced in 1994 and since this time many great achievements in the sport of yachting have been recognised.

The category was previously known as the Merit Award, in 2010 the category was renamed the Performance Award.

Year	Awardees	Details
2025	2.0 Racing Team	2 nd World Sailing Woman's Match Racing 2 nd Jeddah World's 2024
	Emirates Team New Zealand	1 st Louis Vuitton 37 th America's Cup
	George Gautrey	2 nd European championships
	Sean Herbert	1 st US Wingfoil championships 1 st Triple Crown and Hawaii State 3 rd Formula Wing World championships
	Knots Racing	2 nd World Match Racing 2024 2 nd Macao Match Cup 2025 3 rd Bermuda Gold Cup 2024
	Isaac McHardie & William McKenzie	6 th 49er World championships
	Seb Menzies & George Lee Rush	1 st Europe championships 1 st Palm Beach Motor Yachts trans-Tasman 49er series
	Anna Merchant & Aaron Hume-Merry	5 th Offshore Double Handed World championships
	Callisto and Caro	5 th Admiral's Cup 2025
	Veerle ten Have	10 th iQFoil world championships
2024	Sam Street	WASZP world champion Hartley 16 national champion Foiling Male Sailor of the Year 3 rd NZ Moth national championships
	Megan Thomson	3 rd World Match Racing Tour final 1 st Women's Match Racing championships
	Micah Wilkinson & Erica Dawson	3 rd Nacra 17 at Paris 2024 Olympic Games
	Eli Liefing	3 rd iQFOiL under-23 world championship
	Josh Armit	Top 10 results (iQFOiL) at Princess Sofia Regatta & French Olympic week

		4 th iQFOiL at Paris 2024 Olympic Games
	Francesco Kayrouz & Hamish McLaren	2 nd 49er junior world championship
	Jo Aleh & Molly Meech	3 rd 49erFX at French Olympic week 7 th 49er FX at Paris 2024 Olympic Games
	Thomas Saunders	5 th at ILCA 7 world championships 7 th ILCA 7 at Paris 2024 Olympic Games
	Veerle ten Have	10 th iQFOiL at Paris 2024 Olympic Games
	Isaac McHardie & William McKenzie	2 nd 49er at Paris 2024 Paris Olympic Games
2023	Jo Aleh & Molly Meech	6 th 49erFX world championship
	Josh Armit	4 th IQFoil Princess Sofia Regatta 9 th IQFoil Olympic test event 7 th IQFoil European championship 7 th IQFoil sailing world championship
	Logan Dunning Beck & Oscar Gunn	1 st 49er Princess Sofia Regatta 2 nd 49er Lanzarote International Regatta
	George Gautrey	2 nd ILCA 7 Princess Sofia Regatta 3 rd ILCA 7 sailing world championship 4 th ILCA 7 Olympic test event
	George Lane	1 st ILCA 6 world championship
	Isaac McHardie & William McKenzie	3 rd 49er Princess Sofia Regatta 4 th 49er French Olympic Week 4 th 49er Olympic test event 4 th 49er sailing world championship
	Knots Racing	3 rd Congressional Cup
	Veerle ten Have	3 rd IQFoil Palma 6 th IQFoil Olympic test event
	Micah Wilkinson & Erica Dawson	3 rd Nacra 17 Lanzarote 5 th Nacra 17 Olympic test event
	Edge Women's Match	1 st Casa Vela Cup 2 nd Santa Maria Cup 2 nd Women's World Match Racing 3 rd Normandie Match Cup
2022	Elise Beavis	WASZP world champion
	Logan Dunning Beck and Oscar Gunn	7 th 49er world championship
	Isaac McHardie and Will McKenzie	4 th 49er world championship
	Alex Maloney and Olivia Hobbs	8 th 49erFX world championship
	Sam Morgan & Pat Morgan	3 rd 49er junior world championships
	New Zealand SailGP Team	Winning two events back-to-back in the series and finishing second in another. The team are currently second behind the Aussies with four rounds remaining and are also leading the Impact League for their environmental efforts.

	Thomas Saunders	2021 ILCA 7 world champion 4 th ILCA 7 world championship 2022
	Sam Street	WASZP world champion
	Veerle ten Have	12 th IQFoil European championships 7 th IQFoil Princess Sofia Regatta 5 th IQFoil Olympic Week
	Micah Wilkinson & Erica Dawson	2 nd Nacra 17 European championships 9 th Nacra World Championship
2021	Jo Aleh	2 nd Moth worlds
	Peter Burling & Blair Tuke	Silver 49er Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games
	Erica Dawson	Selected for the New Zealand SailGP Team
	Emirates Team New Zealand	Winners of the 2021 America's Cup
	Alastair Gifford, Max South, Frankie Dair	Winners of the 2021 US Grand Slam
	Josh Junior	5 th Finn Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games 3 rd Finn Gold Cup 2021
	Knots Racing: Nick Egnot-Johnson, Sam Barnett, Bradley McLaughlin & Zak Merton	1 st 2021 Theland New Zealand Open National Keelboat Championships, 2021 Harken Youth International Match Racing Championships 2 nd 2020 Harken New Zealand Match Racing Championships
	Liv Mackay	Selected for the New Zealand SailGP Team
	Andy Maloney	1 st Finn Gold Cup 2021
	Sam Meech	10 th Laser Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games
	Paul Snow-Hansen and Daniel Willcox	4 th 470 Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games 1 st 470 European Championships
	Lukas Walton-Keim	1 st Kite foiling national championships and Foil Bay of Islands to the King of the Waitemata
2020	Peter Burling & Blair Tuke	1 st 49er World Championships 2019 & 2020
	Logan Dunning Beck & Oscar Gunn	5 th 49er World Championships 2019
	Honda Marine - David McDiarmid, Matt Steven & Brad Collins	1st JJ Giltinan Trophy for 3 rd consecutive year
	Josh Junior	1 st Finn Gold Cup 2020 (World Championships)
	Knots Racing - Nick Egnot-Johnson, Sam Barnett, Bradley McLaughlin & Zak Merton	2 nd World Sailing Match Race Rankings 2020
	Scott Leith	1 st Laser World Masters 2020
	Alex Maloney & Molly Meech	1 st 49erFX Oceania Championship 2019 2 nd 49erFX Oceania Championship 2020 2 nd World Cup Series Enoshima 2019
	Andy Maloney	6 th Finn Gold Cup 2020 (World Championships)
	Sam Meech	8 th Laser World Championships 2020
	Lukas Walton-Keim & Justina Kitchen	3 rd Mixed Formula Kite European Championships 2019

	Micah Wilkinson & Erica Dawson	7 th Nacra17 World Championships 2020
2019	Peter Burling & Blair Tuke	1 st 49er European Championships 2019 1 st 49er Olympic Test Event 2019
	Logan Dunning Beck & Oscar Gunn	1 st 49er Kiel Week 2019
	George Gautrey	3 rd place Laser Worlds 2019
	Knots Racing: Nick Egnot-Johnson, Sam Barnett, Bradley McLaughlin, Zak Merton & Tim Snedden	1 st Grade 1 Match Race Germany 2019 1 st New Zealand Match Racing Nationals 2019 3 rd World Sailing Match Race Rankings 2019
	David McDiarmid, Matt Steven & Bradley Collins	1 st JJ Giltinan Trophy for 2 consecutive years 2019
	Alex Maloney & Molly Meech	2 nd World Cup Series Regatta Miami 2019 2 nd World Cup Series Regatta Enoshima 2019 2 nd World Cup Series Regatta Princess Sofia 2019
	Andy Maloney	1 st World Cup Series Final Marseille 2019 2 nd Finn European Championship 2019
	Sam Meech	2 nd World Cup Series Miami 2019 2 nd Laser European Championships 2019
	Phil Robertson	1 st World Match Racing Tour World Title 2019
	Dave Shaw	2 nd place A-Class World Championships 2019
	Dan Slater	1 st OK Dinghy World Championships 2019
2018	Stuart Bannatyne	1 st Volvo Ocean Race 2017/18 (Dongfeng Race Team)
	Logan Dunning Beck & Oscar Gunn	Podium placings at 49er World Cup 2017/18 regattas
	Anthony Leighs	International campaign of keelboat Crusader 35
	David McDiarmid, Matthew Steven, Bradley Collins	1 st JJ Giltinan Trophy
	Sam Meech	1 st Laser World Cup Regatta, Gamagori 2018
	Josh Porebski, Jack Simpson, David Hazard	22 nd JJ Giltinan Trophy
	Phil Robertson, William Tiller, Stewart Dodson	1 st MC32 World Championships 2018
	Daryl Wislang	1 st Volvo Ocean Race 2017/18 (Dongfeng Race Team)
2017	George Anyon, Taylor Balogh & Matthew Hughes	3 rd World Match Racing Championships 2017
	Peter Burling	2 nd Moth Worlds 2017 America's Cup 2017 winning helmsman
	Conrad Colman	Vendee Globe 2017
	Emirates Team New Zealand	America's Cup 2017
	Giacomo, Jim Delegat & crew	2016 Sydney-Hobart Tattersall's Cup winner
	Alex Maloney & Molly Meech	3 rd 49erFX World Championships 2017

	David McDiarmid, Matt Steven & Bradley Collins	1 st 18ft Skiff European Championships 2017
	NZL Sailing Youth America's Cup Team	2 nd Youth America's Cup 2017
	Phil Robertson, William Tiller & Stewart Dodson	2017 wins at World Match Racing Tour & Extreme Sailing Series
2016	Jo Aleh & Polly Powrie	Silver in 470 Women's Rio Olympics 2016
	Richard Dodson, Chris Sharp & Andrew May	4 th Sonar Rio Paralympics 2016
	Peter Burling & Blair Tuke	Gold in 49er Rio Olympics 2016
	Sarah Duncckley	1 st Hansa Liberty Class World Championships 2016
	Gemma Jones & Jason Saunders	4 th Nacra 17 Rio Olympics 2016
	Josh Junior	7 th Finn class Rio Olympics 2016
	Alex Maloney & Molly Meech	Silver 49erFX Rio Olympics 2016
	David McDiarmid, Matthew Steven & Bradley Collins	2 nd JJ Giltinan 18ft Skiff Championships 2016
	Sam Meech	Bronze Laser Men's class Rio Olympics 2016
	Phil Robertson, Stuart Dodson & William Tiller	1 st World Match Racing Tour 2016
	Paul Snow-Hansen & Daniel Willcox	10 th 470 Men's Rio Olympics 2016
2015	Jo Aleh and Polly Powrie	1 st ISAF Sailing World Cup 2015
	Peter Burling and Blair Tuke	2015 49er World Champions
	Gemma Jones and Jason Saunders	4 th Nacra World Championships 2015
	Scott Leith	1 st World Laser Radial Championships 2015
	Grant Loretz	1 st TP52 Super Series 2015
	Alexandra Maloney and Molly Meech	1 st ISAF Sailing World Cup 2014
	Dave Shaw	1 st Paper Tiger International Championships 2015
	Luke O'Connell	1 st NZ OK Dinghy Nationals 2015
	Matt Stechmann	1 st OK Dinghy World Championships 2014
	Daryl Wislang	1 st Volvo Ocean Race 2014/15
2014	Jo Aleh and Polly Powrie	Silver in the 470 at the 2014 ISAF Sailing World Championships
	Mark Bond	Winner of the 34 Stewart Championships
	Peter Burling and Blair Tuke	2014 49er World Champions
	Gemma Jones and Jason Saunders	5th in the Nacra at the 2014 ISAF Sailing World Championships

	Josh Junior	5th in the Finn at the 2014 ISAF Sailing World Championships
	Scott Leith	2013 World Apprentice Master Laser Champion
	Alexandra Maloney and Molly Meech	Consistent podium finishes throughout the year in the 49erFX
	Sam Meech	9th in the Laser at the 2014 ISAF Sailing World Championships
	Andrew Murdoch	6th in the Finn at the 2014 ISAF Sailing World Championships
	Waka Racing	Winners of the 2013 Monsoon Cup and 3rd overall in the 2013 Alpari World Match Racing Tour
2013	Jo Aleh and Polly Powrie	2013 Women's 470 World Champions
	Peter Burling and Blair Tuke	2013 49er World Champions
	Emirates Team New Zealand	Winners of the 2013 Louis Vuitton Trophy
	Full Metal Jacket Racing	2 nd at the Red Bull Youth America's Cup
	Marcus Hansen and Josh Porebski	Silver at the 2013 49er World Championship
	Gemma Jones and Jason Saunders	9 th at the 2013 Nacra 17 World Championships
	Josh Junior	9 th at the 2013 Finn Gold Cup
	Alexandra Maloney and Molly Meech	2013 49erFX World Champions
	NZL Sailing Team with ETNZ	Winners of the Red Bull Youth America's Cup
	Paul Snow-Hansen and Dan Willcox	7 th at the 2013 Men's 470 World Championships
2012	Jo Aleh & Olivia Powrie	Gold in the Women's 470 at the 2012 London Olympic Games
	Peter Burling & Blair Tuke	Silver in the Men's 49er at the 2012 London Olympic Games
	Mike Keeton	Gold medal at the Laser Masters World Championships – Radial Grand Master
	Andy Maloney	Bronze medal at the 2012 Laser Standard Senior Men's World Championships
	Brad Marsh	Groupama Bowman, winning the 2011-2012 Volvo Ocean Race
	Andrew Murdoch	5th Laser at the 2012 London Olympic Games
	Hamish Pepper & Jim Turner	5th Star at the 2012 London Olympic Games
	Paul Snow-Hansen & Jason Saunders	5th Men's 470 at the 2012 London Olympic Games
	Jon-Paul Tobin	Bronze medal at the 2012 RSX Men's World Championships
	Alex Vallings & Crew	Winner of the 2012 18FT Skiff International Regatta
2011	Jon-Paul Tobin	Silver in the RSX at 2011 Skandia Sail For Gold Regatta, 4th RSX at the 2011 Olympic Test Event
	Sara Winther	Gold in the Laser Radial at the 2011 Trofeo Princesa Sofia MAPRE and the 2011 Semaine Olympique Francaise

	Andrew Murdoch	Silver in the Laser at 2011 Skandia Sail For Gold Regatta, 4th Laser at the 2011 Olympic Test Event
	Sam Meech	2011 Laser Junior World Champion
	Jo Aleh and Olivia Powrie	Gold in the 470 at the 2011 Skandia Sail for Gold, 4th at the 2011 Olympic Test Event
	Peter Burling and Blair Tuke	Bronze medal in the 49er at the 2011 Olympic Test Event
	Scott Leith	2011 Laser Radial Apprentice Master World Champion
	Waka Racing	4th at the Bermuda Gold Cup on the 2011 World Match Racing Tour
	Taylor Burn	2011 Splash World Champion
	Bianca Barbarich-Bacher	Gold in the 470 at the 2011 Trofeo Princesa Sofia MAPRE
	Laurie Jury, Michael Edmonds, Logan Fraser	Winners of the 2011 ISAF Nations Cup Grand Final
2010	Jo Aleh & Olivia Powrie	Silver at 2010 470 Womens World Championships
	Blackmatch Racing	2009 World Match Racing Tour Champions
	Peter Burling & Blair Tuke	Gold at 2010 North American 49er Championships and Silver at 2010 Delta Lloyd ISAF World Cup Regatta
	Neville Crichton	Ocean Racing including line honours in the 2009/10 Sydney Hobart Race
	Scott Leith	2010 Laser Radial Apprentice Masters World Champion
	Andrew Murdoch	Bronze at 2010 Laser World Championships
	Karl Purdie	2010 OK Dinghy World Champion and Interdominion OK Champion
	Thomas Saunders	Gold in Laser Radial at 2010 ISAF Youth Worlds Sailing Championships
	Chris Steele	2010 Splash World Sailing Champion
	Sara Winther	Bronze in Laser Radial at 2010 Skandia Sail for Gold Regatta
2009	Michael Bullot	Second at 2009 Laser Standard World Championships
	Emirates Team New Zealand	Won the inaugural Louis Vuitton Pacific Series
	NZB2 Blind Sailing Crew	Gold at B2 division 2009 IFDS World Blind Sailing Championships
	Roger Pagani & Crew	First at BMW Sailing Cup World Championships
	Reuben Corbett & Crew	Bronze at Open Teams Tacing World Championships
	Thomas Saunders	First at Starling Nationals & Starling Match Racing
	Buckland's Beach Yacht Club Team Racing Team	Silver at World under 21 ISAF Youth Teams Racing Championships
	NZ 420 Worlds Team	Winners of Francis Mouvet Trophy
	NZ Splash Worlds Team	Winners of the Nations Cup
	Blair Tuke	2009 29er World Champion
	Sam Meech	First Single Handed Boys Dinghy at 2009 ISAF Youth Worlds Sailing Championships
	Adam Minoprio	Black Match Racing – Winners of the 2009 World Match Racing event in Marseilles
	Brad Jackson & Stu Bannatyne	Ericsson 4 Watch Captains, winning 2008-09 Volvo Ocean Race (Brad & Stu's third win)
	Mark Perrow	2009 OK Dinghy national & Interdominion Champion
	Bianca Barbarich-Bacher & Alex Maloney	2009 Womens & Junior 420 World Champions
	Declan Burn	2009 Splash World Champion

	Finn Drummond & Francisco Lardies	Silver at 2009 Open 420 World Championships
	Paul Snow-Hansen & Jason Saunders	Fourteenth at 2009 470 World Championships, beating 2008 World Champ & 2008 Silver & Bronze Olympic medallists
	Hamish Pepper & Craig Monk	Silver at 2009 Star World Championships
	Tony Mutter	Ericsson 4 Helmsman/Trimmer, winning 2008-09 Volvo Ocean Race (Tony's second win)
	David Endean	Ericsson 4 Pitman, winning 2008-09 Volvo Ocean Race (David's second win)
	Phil Jameson	Ericsson 4 Bowman, winning 2008-09 Volvo Ocean Race
	Karl Purdie	Ranked No. 1 in OK Dinghy Sailing
	Neville Crichton	Alfa Romeo Skipper setting new records in 2009 in the TransPac and HSBC Coastal Classic Races
2008	NZL Yachting Trust Youth Team	Bronze medal in the boys and girls Laser Class, second in the Volvo Team Trophy
	NZL Splash Worlds Team	Overall Team Trophy
	Blackmatch Racing	World ranking of eighth, first Sopot Match Cup, & Blurimini Match Race
	University Match Racing Team	World University Match Racing champions
	Thomas Ashley	RS:X Mens World Champion & Gold medal at Beijing Olympics
	Grant Beck	Coach to Tom Ashley at the 2008 Olympic games
	Cushla Hume-Merry	Silver medal Laser Class at ISAF Youth World Championships
	Barbara Kendall	Silver Medal at RS:X Womens World Championships
	Ben Lutze	2008 Splash World Champion
	Andy Maloney	Laser Radial Youth World Champion & first youth NZ Laser National Championships
	Dave and Owen MacKay	Boat building
	Sam Meech	Bronze medal Laser Class at ISAF Youth World Championships, second youth NZ Laser National Championships
	John Morgan	Coach to New Zealand Splash Team
	Andrew Murdoch	Fifth Laser Class at the 2008 Olymppic games
	Mark Orams	Laser Radial Master's World Champion
	Karl Purdie	OK Dinghy World Champion
	Daniel Slater	Silver Medal at 2008 Finn Gold Cup
2007	Jo Aleh & Olivia Powrie	Women's 420 World Champions
	Tom Ashley	Gold Medal Qingdao Pre-Olympics Regatta, Gold Medal Semaine Olympique Francaise & Gold Medal Princess Sofia Regatta
	Carl Evans & Peter Burling	Open 420 World Champions & acceptance into the YNZ Olympic Squad in the 470 class
	Emirates Team New Zealand	Winners of the Louis Vuitton Cup
	Barbara Kendall	Silver Medal RS:X World Championships, Gold Medal Princess Sofia Regatta & Inducted to ISAF Sailing Hall of Fame
	Andrew Murdoch	Silver Medal Laser World Championships, Silver Medal Princess Sofia Regatta & Bronze Medal Semaine Olympic Francaise
	NZ International 420 Worlds Team	Clean sweep of Gold, silver and bronze in both the Open and Women's World Championships
	NZ Optimist Worlds Team	Overall Team Trophy, top individual and top female who also placed third overall

	NZL Yachting Trust Youth Team	Silver medals in the boy's 49er and the Laser classes, third in the Volvo Team Trophy
	Mark Page	Gold Medal Laser Radial Apprentice Master World Championships
	Chris Steele -	New Zealand's first-ever Optimist World Champion
	Andrew Wills	Coach to the NZ Optimist Team and Etchell World Champion sailing with skipper Judd Smith
2006	The New Zealand Sailors of ABN Amro One	Including Mike Sanderson (skipper), Brad Jackson (Watch Captain), Mark Christensen (Watch Captain), David Endean (Trimmer/Pitman), Tony Mutter (Helmsman/Trimmer),
	Jo Aleh	Laser Radial, Silver Medal Qingdao International Regatta 2006 (Pre-pre Olympics)
	Tom Ashley	Silver Medal RS:X World Championships 2006
	Simon Cooke & Matt Brown	Coaches of the New Zealand 420 team to the World Championships 2006
	Mark Christensen	First person to win three Volvo/Whitbread Races
	Carl Evans, Peter Burling & Richard Burling	420 World Champions 2006 & coach
	Rohan Lord & Miles Addy	6th at Star World Championships 2006
	Cushla Hume-Merry	Female Laser Radial Youth World Champion 2005
	Anatole Masfen	Local, Coastal and Offshore Keelboat Sailing
	Blair McLay	Laser Radial Youth World Champion 2005
	Andrew Murdoch	Laser, Bronze Medal Qingdao International Regatta 2006 (Pre-pre Olympics)
	New Zealand B2 Blind Sailing Crew including Paulien Eitjies, Dick Lancaster, Gary Smith & Scott Burling	Gold Medal IFDS Blind Sailing World Championships 2006
	Hamish Pepper & Carl Williams	Star World Champions 2006
	Richard & John Power	470 Masters World Champions 2006
	Blair Tuke	Splash World Champion 2006
	Erle Williams	25 years of Volvo/Whitbread sailing
2005	Charles St Clair Brown and Bill Buckley	(RNZYS) - Maximus
	Andrew Murdoch	Bronze Medal Laser World Championships 2005
	Dr Mark Orams	Laser Radial Apprentice Master World Champion 2005
	NZ Optimist Team to the World Championships 2005	
	Team Inspiration	Sharon Ferris, Raynor Smeal, Ashley Holtum and Bruce Kendall (Coach) - Silver Medal Yngling World Championships 2005
	Murray Thom	Laser Masters World Champion 2005
2004	Andrew Murdoch	Kerikeri Cruising Club
	Dorothy Kestila	Port Chamlmers Yacht Club
	Daniel Wilcox	Murrays Bay Sailing Club & NZIODA
	Hamish Wilcox & Matt Davies	Murrays Bay Sailing Club and NZIODA
	Paul Snow-Hansen	Wakatere Boating Club & NZIODA
	Stewart Thwaites	Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club

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2001/2002	Ron Brittain	Gulf Harbour Yacht Club)
	Chris Sayer (Short Handed Sailing Association	
	Greg Wilcox	Worser Bay Boating Club
	Yachting New Zealand Youth Team	
2000/2001	Jim Murdoch & Derry Godbert	Kerikeri Cruising Club
	Mike Quilter	Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron
1999/2000	Grant Beck	
1998	Tim Bartlett	
1997	Laurie Davidson	Yachting & Yacht Design
1996	Grant Beck	
1995	No Service Awards bestowed this year	
1994	John Taylor, Ron Archer, Bruce Douglas and Fred Hoogveld	Gulf Harbour Yacht Club