



*“Gary’s story is a testament to perseverance, courage, entrepreneurial spirit, and tireless dedication to the sport he loves. He is an inspiration to many... and will be to anyone who reads this book.”*

— George Bodenheimer, President, ESPN



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## Gary Jobson

As a sailor, Gary Jobson has enjoyed a long and successful career in boats small and large. He was twice named **College Sailor of the Year**. He has won many of the world’s offshore races, and he was tactician on the winning America’s Cup yacht, *Courageous*, in 1977, with skipper Ted Turner. He started his career as a sailing coach at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, and later at the U.S. Naval Academy. Since then, Jobson has authored 21 books on sailing, narrated or produced 1,200 television programs and films, has given over 2,700 lectures, and has competed in 5,700 races. His articles appear regularly in **Sailing World** (<http://www.sailingworld.com/find/jobson>) magazine, **Cruising World** (<http://www.cruisingworld.com/find/jobson>) magazine, and **What’s Up Annapolis** (<http://www.whatsupmag.com/search?utf8=✓&q=jobson>).



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Jobson is currently Chair of the **Chesapeake Bay Trust** (<https://cbtrust.org>) and Chair of **Visit Annapolis & Anne Arundel County** (<https://www.visitannapolis.org>).

Jobson spent 31 years with ESPN (<http://search.espn.com/gary-jobson/>) covering nine America’s Cup events and producing many documentaries (/19-productions). He has covered seven Olympics (including the upcoming Tokyo 2021 Olympics) and an America’s Cup for NBC ([http://www.nbcsports.com/search?search\\_api\\_views\\_fulltext=sailing](http://www.nbcsports.com/search?search_api_views_fulltext=sailing)). For his work in television, Jobson has been presented with two Emmys, four Tellys and an ACE Award.

For many years, Jobson has been actively involved with education, environmental issues and healthcare. From 1993-2017 he served as Chair of the **Leukemia Cup Regatta Series** ([https://www.leukemicup.org/what/gary\\_jobson/jobsoncup/](https://www.leukemicup.org/what/gary_jobson/jobsoncup/)), which has raised over \$60 million. Jobson spent 15 years on the Board of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Virginia. In 2012 the **Gary Jobson Professorship of Medical Oncology** (<http://umm.edu/programs/cancer/healthinfo/patientstories/bloodmarrow/gary-jobson>) was established at the University of Maryland Medical School for Dr. Aaron Rapoport



(<http://somvweb.som.umaryland.edu/absolutenm/templates/?a=2034>). (Jobson survived a two-year battle with lymphoma in 2003-04).

Jobson is a Trustee Emeritus at **St. Mary's College of Maryland**, (<http://www.smcm.edu/>) a committee member of the **Friends of St. John's College** (<https://www.sjc.edu/friends>), and serves on the Fales Committee at the U.S. Naval Academy. He is also a past President of **US Sailing** ([/assailing.org](http://assailing.org)), America's governing body of sailing, and Past Vice President of World Sailing.



Jobson was inducted into the **National Sailing Hall of Fame (2011)** ([http://nshof.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=329%3Ajobson-gary-](http://nshof.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=329%3Ajobson-gary-)

[2011-inductee&catid=78&Itemid=124](http://www.herreshoff.org/achof/gary_jobson.html)) and the **America's Cup Hall of Fame (2003)** ([http://www.herreshoff.org/achof/gary\\_jobson.html](http://www.herreshoff.org/achof/gary_jobson.html)) by the Herreshoff Marine Museum. In 1999 he won the **Nathanael G. Herreshoff Trophy** ([http://www.herreshoff.org/achof/gary\\_jobson.html](http://www.herreshoff.org/achof/gary_jobson.html)), US SAILING's most prestigious award.

Jobson is a Graduate of the **State University of New York Maritime College** (<http://www.sunymaritime.edu>). He attended Graduate School at **CW Post College** (<http://www.liu.edu/Post.aspx>) (Political Science) and was awarded a Doctor of Letters from the **State University of New York** (<http://www.albany.edu/academics/honorary.degree.shtml>) in 2005, and a Doctor of Humane Letters by **Lakeland College** (<https://lakeland.edu/Lakeland-News/Page-38>) in 2013.

Gary and his wife, Janice, have three grown daughters and five grand children. The Jobsons have lived in Annapolis, Maryland since 1977. Jobson's hobbies include daysailing Whirlwind, his open cockpit sloop, skiing, flyfishing, reading and taking long walks.

## Gary Jobson Awards

- 2020 Maritime College Alumni Association Lifetime Achievement Award
- 2018 Sailing Industry Distinguished Service Award
- 2017 Telly Award: "The Magic and Mystery of Sable Island"
- 2017 Telly Award: "Pleione: A Star on the New England Coast"
- 2017 Trustee Emeritus St. Mary's College of Maryland
- 2016 State of Maryland Athletic Hall of Fame
- 2015 Helmsman Award (Lauderdale Yacht Club Foundation)
- 2014 Cruising Club of America, Chesapeake Station E. Newbold Smith – Reindeer Trophy
- 2013 Mystic Seaport Museum's America and the Sea Award
- 2013 Telly Award: "Unfurling the World: The Voyages of Irving and Electa Johnson"
- 2013 US Sailing Councilor of Honor
- 2013 Lakeland College Doctor of Humane Letters
- 2013 Hope Funds Award of Excellence for Advocacy
- 2012 The Gary Jobson Professorship in Medical Oncology (University of Maryland)



- 2012 Baltimore Sun Top 175 Maryland Athletes
- 2012 ICSA Hall of Fame Lifetime Service Award
- 2012 Richard S. Nye Trophy (Cruising Club of America)
- 2011 Miles River Yacht Club Foundation Distinguished Service Award
- 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) Go Beyond: The Outward Bound Wilderness Experience
- 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



## Books by Gary Jobson

- 2019 [Legends of American Sailing](#)
- 2019 [New York Yacht Club Historical Book Series](#)
- 2014 [Chasing Roosters: A Century of Sailing on Barnegat Bay.](#)
- 2012 [Nantucket: A Sailing Community.](#)
- 2011 [Gary Jobson: An American Sailing Story with Cynthia Goss](#)
- 2008 [Classic Yachts](#)
- 2005 [A Cats: A Century of Tradition with Roy Wilkins](#)
- 2004 [Championship Sailing](#)
- 2002 [Fighting Finish: Volvo Ocean Race 2001-02](#)
- 1999 [An America's Cup Treasury: The Lost Levick Photographs, 1893 - 1937](#)
- 1997 [The Winner's Guide to Optimist Sailing with Jay Kehoe](#)
- 1990 [Championship Tactics with Tom Whidden and Adam Loory.](#)
- 1987 [World Class Sailing with Martin Luray.](#)
- 1987 [Sailing Fundamentals](#)

1985 [Revised Yachtsman's Pocket Almanac](#)

1985 [Speed Sailing with Mike Toppa](#)

1983 [Storm Sailing](#)

1981 [The Yachtsman's Pocket Almanac](#)

1980 [Gary Jobson's How to Sail](#)

1979 [The Racing Edge with Ted Turner](#)

1978 [U.S.Y.R.U. Sailing Instructor's Manual](#)

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