

Classic Boat
Awards
2018

THE Winners

You have cast your votes and the results are in. Here are the winners of the Classic Boat Awards, your choice of the best new builds and restorations launched over the past year



It was obvious the teak deck was finished, as was the deckhouse and hatches. The maststep was rusted out and the keel needed replacing. Virtually all her frames were broken. We decided on a traditional approach

ROSS GANNON

KATHY MANSFIELD

RESTORATION OF THE YEAR OVER 40FT MAH JONG

It's been quite a comeback year for this ocean-going yawl, which after a three-year project at Gannon & Benjamin won a restoration award at Mystic Seaport and now, thanks to you, has a CB Award to her name too. Sixty-one years ago, her shakedown cruise was from Hong Kong to New England, demonstrating ably the class of her build, and now her voyaging continues, with a trip to Maine last year, and the Caribbean ahead. *Designed S&S, built Cheoy Lee Shipyard, 1957, LOD 52ft 2in (15.9m), rig bermudan yawl*

RESTORATION OF THE YEAR UNDER 40FT BESSIE

Clearly we weren't the only ones who fell for *Bessie's* charm with her unusual rig and curvaceous workboat form. Her 1,859-hour restoration by the Nyhamns Sâg & Bâtbyggeri yard included two months of tramping the land to find the perfect natural crooks for the framing. It was one of the most closely fought categories and *Bessie* was only three votes ahead of runner-up *Glendhu*. But it was enough. *Modelled and built by Per Persson, 1909, LOD 25ft (7.6m), rig spritsail sloop*

LARS JANSSON



Bessie can now be used for fishing for at least another century by the Wallin brothers, who first learned to fish on her

MATHIAS RAVANIS,
BOATBUILDER