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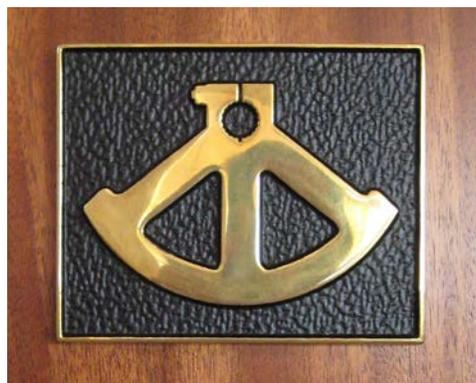
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Ocean Navigator announces 2015 Chuck Husick Marine Technology Award winner

PORTLAND, ME (Dec. 3, 2015) – *Ocean Navigator* magazine, which gives the annual Chuck Husick Marine Technology Award to a product chosen by a panel of judges as the most significant addition to marine technology for voyaging sailors, has awarded the 2015 prize to the **PredictWind** weather forecasting and routing website. After assembling a list of Husick award nominees (see nominee list below), the judges (see judges list below) decided that **PredictWind** was this year’s winner based on the voyaging-oriented weather information and weather routing capability the site provides to voyaging sailors always eager for the latest, most reliable weather data. Husick award judge and sailing voyager John Lewis, who recently circumnavigated on board *Active Transport*, his Tayana 37 pilothouse cutter, said: “My vote goes to the **PredictWind** software tools, which we found very useful, even at high latitudes like Alaska and Tasmania.”

PredictWind, based in New Zealand, will receive a custom commemorative plaque with the brass Chuck Husick award logo hand-cast by The Brass Foundry in West Rockport, Maine.



Full list of 2015 nominees

Furuno TZ Touch2 MFD series — Multifunction displays with a refined graphical user interface using new “Edge Swipe” motion, built-in RezBoost Fish Finder and an internal GPS antenna.

www.furunousa.com

Standard Horizon HX870 — A floating 6-watt hand-held VHF radio with an internal GPS receiver.

standardhorizon.com

Garmin BlueChart Mobile 2.0 — An iPhone and iPad app that allows users to plan and view routes and then wirelessly transfer those routes to a compatible Garmin-networked chartplotter.

www.garmin.com

Simrad HALO radar — A solid-state radar that combines traditional pulse and broadband radar and uses pulse compression technology.

www.simrad-yachting.com

Ocean Signal MOB1 — A personal locating AIS man-overboard device with integrated digital selective calling (DSC).

oceansignal.com

Mantus Anchor Mate — A stainless steel and polyurethane bracket that holds your anchor securely on its bow roller.

mantusanchors.com

PredictWind — A web-based weather forecasting and weather routing service with tracking, departure planning, alerts, etc.

www.predictwind.com

FLIR Ocean Scout — A compact marine thermal hand-held night vision camera.

<http://flir.com/>

Motorola Moto G 2015 edition — An IPX7-rated water-resistant Android smartphone.

www.motorola.com

Marinco/Mastervolt ProInstaller Series Clustering System — Modular assemblies for making the installation of electronic components easier.

www.marinco.com

Winboat folding RIB — A dinghy that folds into a compact package for easier storage.

www.winboat.net/

Crestomer 1152PA — A new structural adhesive for demanding marine applications.

www.scottbader.com

Maretron TSM1330C — A vessel monitoring and control touchscreen.
www.maretron.com

Swell Advantage — A mobile marine app for navigation and social media.
swelladvantage.com

Our 2015 Chuck Husick Marine Technology Award judges:

Ben Ellison — Marine electronics writer, editor and owner of Panbo.com

Roger Hellyar-Brooke — Marine systems expert installer

John Kettlewell — Marine author and editor

Wayne Canning — Marine surveyor, writer and electronics installer

Lawrence Husick — Marine writer and boatowner

Paul Exner — Marine writer, offshore voyaging instructor at Modern Geographic

John Lewis — Marine writer and voyaging circumnavigator

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