

2021 CYPB VINCENT J. PETRELLA CHAIRMAN'S AWARD

Recipient: Gary Smith, CPYB, Owner of Sarasota Yacht and Ship, Sarasota, Florida.

Gary Smith, owner of Sarasota Yacht and Ship in Sarasota, Florida, is a certified professional yacht broker who exemplifies a true leader in the yachting profession. He is a dedicated volunteer to the needs of the community.

Gary is a past member of the Certification Advisory Council, a current member of the Yacht Brokers Association of America (YBAA), and a long-term board member and past president of IYBA. He is a humanitarian whose efforts include flying personal aircraft for relief missions to the Bahamas and the Caribbean and enlisting the help of the aviation community to fly their planes for relief efforts. He is also supporter of the K1 Britannia Foundation,

Gary is a thoughtful leader who instigated the enhanced working relationship between sister organizations YBAA and IYBA, and a leader, mentor, and great friend to the yacht brokerage industry.

The Plaque reads:

In recognition of exceptional service and support in the promotion of the profession and the CPYB program.

