

# TCN/FRASER SHORT STORY COMPETITION 2020 – 'When Life is Your Short Story'

## RULES & REGULATIONS

Please read all Rules & Regulations carefully before submitting your entry.

Please note that the only email address from which individual queries will be answered is [tcnshortstory@fraseryachts.com](mailto:tcnshortstory@fraseryachts.com). We will respond where possible, but we are sorry that we cannot guarantee a response to all emails. Emails sent to any other address found on the [TCN](#) or [FRASER](#) websites will not receive a response. All relevant updates will be posted on the TCN and FRASER websites and in social media posts for both companies.

Please note that unsuccessful entrants will not be contacted individually.

Submission of an entry is taken as your acceptance of all the Rules and Regulations of entry.

Incomplete Submission Forms and short stories not submitted in accordance with these Rules & Regulations will not be eligible for consideration.

Note: Proof of any of the following conditions of eligibility may be requested from entrants at any time and will be checked at the shortlist stage.

### 1) ELIGIBILITY

**Open to:** Yacht Captains and Crew currently working on board vessels over 24m (79') anywhere in the world.

Entries will not be eligible where the author is a member of the judging panel, is a shore-based employee of TCN or FRASER or is a close family relative of any such person.

**Theme:** Should be Yachting related and can be written in any literary genre

**Language:** Entries must be submitted in English, proof-read and spell-checked before submission.

**Entries:** Entries are limited to one entry per person and must not have been previously published or broadcast in any way.

## 2) ENTRY

- 1) Entries may only be submitted online via the specific Submission Form on the [TCN](#) and [FRASER](#) websites. Entries submitted in any other form will not be accepted.
- 2) Although the entries will be assessed anonymously, they must be submitted in the author's own name.
- 3) No more than one story per author may be submitted. It is the responsibility of the author to ensure that no more than one of his/her stories is submitted in total. If more than one story is submitted, only the first story received will be considered.
- 4) The story submitted must be (and by submission of the Submission Form is warranted by the author and accepted by TCN/FRASER to be) original, fictional, and entirely the author's own work. **Real or actual names of people or yachts should not be used in any part of the story.** It must not infringe the copyright or any other rights of any third party and not be libelous, unlawful or defamatory of any living person, yacht or corporate body. Any content deemed by the jury to not meet these criteria will not be considered for entry. In addition, the author agrees to be held entirely responsible for any potential copyright or other legal issues in his/her story.
- 5) Entries must be submitted on or before FRIDAY 4th SEPTEMBER 2020. Submission of entries will be acknowledged automatically with an on-screen message when the Submit Story button has been pressed. There will be no separate acknowledgement by email.

## 3) THE SHORT STORY

- 1) The Story must not exceed 2,000 words
- 2) The theme of the story must be Yachting related and can be written in any literary genre
- 3) The submission format of the story should adhere to the following:
  - i. PDF Format
  - ii. Typed in ARIAL 12 pt black font
  - iii. Double spaced
  - iv. No indentations of paragraphs and no page numbers
  - v. **The name of the author must not appear anywhere within the story or the PDF**
  - vi. The name of the story and word count to be included within the header on every page.

#### 4) JUDGING

- 1) Entries will be judged anonymously - the name of the author will not be linked to the story or made available to either the initial readers or the judges
- 2) The judges of the TCN/FRASER SHORT STORY COMPETITION 2020 will be looking for what they think is the best entry on the basis of quality and originality of prose, narrative voice and storyline.
- 3) The judges will then decide and agree between themselves which short stories should win the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> Prizes.
- 4) The identity of the authors of the three winning stories will be announced after voting has closed and all winners will be contacted by the TCN/FRASER SHORT STORY COMPETITION Management Team before any announcement is made.
- 5) The Winner and two runners-up will be announced on FRIDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020.
- 6) The Winner will receive the first prize of a year's subscription to MASTERCLASS online courses together with a signed copy of Mark Duncan's book "Smart Yacht Marketing 101". The author in 2<sup>nd</sup> place will receive a collection of environmentally sustainable cleaning and personal care products donated by EcoStore and the 3<sup>rd</sup> place author will receive a Leatherman donated by our Sponsor MSOS. All winners will also receive a Fraser eco-friendly insulated 1l water bottle.
- 7) The judging will be fair and independent. The judging panel will be shown on the TCN and FRASER websites. The decisions of the judges are final. Neither discussion nor correspondence concerning any decision will be entered into.

#### 5) WINNERS

- 1) All three shortlisted writers will be contacted personally by email or by telephone using the details provided at the time of entry. Unsuccessful entrants will NOT be contacted.
- 2) All three shortlisted writers will have their winning stories published by TCN/FRASER on the respective TCN and FRASER social media platforms, on both websites and within the FRASER NEWSLETTER shortly after the winners are announced on FRIDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020.
- 3) Prizes can either be picked up in TCN/FRASER offices or be sent to the winners based on the details they include at the time of entry and any subsequent information supplied when they are contacted by the competition organisers to inform them of their win.

- 4) It is a condition of entry that the winning authors agree to give an interview with the competition organisers and supply a photograph of themselves for all publicity and promotions opportunities surrounding the competition.

## 6) COPYRIGHT & TERMS OF USE

- 1) Entrants retain the copyright in their entries, but by submitting a story into the TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition 2020, entrants acknowledge and agree that each shortlisted entrant:
  - i. grants to TCN/FRASER, their affiliates, licensees, successors and assigns a worldwide sub-licensable, perpetual, transferable, non-exclusive royalty-free licence to use in any way whatsoever including but not limited to, public performance, public display, publishing, reproduction, broadcasting, amendment or modification of the entry or any part of the entry on and through the websites [www.crewnetwork.com](http://www.crewnetwork.com) and [www.fraseryachts.com](http://www.fraseryachts.com) or any website associated with TCN or FRASER in their different present and future forms - for example newsprint, Braille, talking book, podcast, audio download, electronic databases, epaper, mobile device application, electronic media or website including mobile form or any other facsimile or derivative versions in any medium; and
  - ii. without prejudice to the above, grants TCN and FRASER a non-exclusive, perpetual, royalty-free license to publish the winning entries on the TCN and FRASER websites ([www.crewnetwork.com](http://www.crewnetwork.com) and [www.fraseryachts.com](http://www.fraseryachts.com)).
- 2) All entrants will be deemed to have granted the rights for publication and distribution in paper, e-paper, e-Book, downloadable format, talking book, podcast, mobile device application, electronic media or website including mobile form or in any other present or future form of publication, and they will clear the necessary rights for such publication and distribution. The rights for publication will be non-exclusive, with no bar on publication rights elsewhere.

## 7) ADMINISTRATION

- 1) The competition will be administered by the TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition Management team.
- 2) All announcements in relation to the TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition will be published on the TCN and FRASER websites and on TCN & FRASER social media platforms.
- 3) Entrants must provide their name, email address, telephone number and postal address on the Submission Form. TCN and FRASER will make use of this data, and

other information we may collect about you, for the purposes of administering the TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition and promoting the TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition. For more information on how we use your data, and your rights, please see our privacy policy at <https://www.fraseryachts.com/en/privacy-policy/>.

- 4) Entrants must supply full details as required above and comply with all rules to be eligible for the Award. Ineligible, obscene or fraudulent entries will be automatically disqualified.
- 5) The TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition Management team reserves the right to refuse any entry for any reason at its absolute discretion and reserves the right to vary the Rules and Conditions of Entry, and alter the published programme, as may be deemed necessary to ensure the proper administration and integrity of the TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition and where required for reasons beyond its control. Any amendments will be published on the TCN and FRASER websites.
- 6) The TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition Management team reserves the right to cancel, modify or supersede the TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition (including altering prizes) at any stage, if deemed necessary in its opinion to ensure the proper administration and integrity of the TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition, or if circumstances arise outside of its control.
- 7) By entering, all eligible entrants will be deemed to have accepted these rules and to agree to be bound by each and all of these Rules and regulations. TCN and FRASER reserve the right to exclude entrants and withhold prizes for violating any of these terms and conditions.
- 8) All entrants will indemnify and hold harmless TCN and FRASER and the TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition Management from and against all liabilities, costs, expenses, damages and losses (including but not limited to any legal costs or expenses and any compensation costs and disbursements paid by TCN and/or FRASER and the TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition Management team on the advice of legal counsel to compromise or settle any claim) directly or indirectly arising out of, or caused or occasioned howsoever by TCN and/or FRASER and the TCN/FRASER YACHTS Short Story Competition Management, unless the same liabilities, costs, expenses, damages and losses arise out of TCN and/or FRASER and the TCN/FRASER YACHTS Short Story Competition Management's gross negligence and willful misconduct, in which case TCN and/or FRASER and the TCN/FRASER YACHTS Short Story Competition Management's liability arising out of the same act(s) of gross negligence or willful misconduct shall never exceed a total of EUR 200 (200 Euros) per incident or per series of incidents. All entrants will indemnify and hold harmless TCN and FRASER and the TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition

Management from and against all liabilities, costs, losses and damages occasioned to TCN and/or FRASER and the TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition Management team in consequence of any breach of these terms and conditions by the entrant or arising out of any claim alleging that the submitted entry constitutes an infringement of copyright or contains libelous, obscene, defamatory or otherwise unlawful matter.

- 9) There is no alternative to the prizes stated and the prizes are not transferable, and no part or parts of any prize may be substituted for other benefits, items or additions.
- 10) TCN and FRASER and the TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition Management team will not be liable for any failure of receipt of entries.
- 11) TCN and FRASER and the TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition Management team have no responsibility for any entries which are lost, delayed, illegible, damaged, incomplete or otherwise invalid. If the TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition Management team is unable to contact a shortlisted author despite making reasonable attempts to do so, the judges will be entitled to shortlist another entry.
- 12) The promoter of this award is FRASER WORLDWIDE S.A.M., Le Coronado, 20 Avenue de Fontvieille, MC 98000, Monaco.
- 13) These terms and conditions are governed and construed in accordance with the laws of England and Wales. The Courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any disputes, controversy or claims arising out of, or in connection with, the TCN/FRASER Short Story Competition.

**Now if your short story is ready, complete the Submission Form and send over your entry.**

**Wishing you every success.**