



# 2020 ANNUAL REPORT

## Message from Chapter President Alan Hills

Like most of you, I am very happy to put 2020 behind us. It is certainly a year that will not be forgotten any time soon. As far as our chapter is concerned, we did manage to have three outings, grow our membership and win recognition nationally. I'd like to think that there were two main factors involved in our membership achievements; our newsletter and our

"membership guy", Jim Alexander. We also had the support of members taking on leadership roles in planning and executing the activities we were able to put on.

Although 2021 isn't starting out much different than 2020 was, there is promise that we will at some point be able to get back to doing the things

that endear us to this hobby. In the meantime, let's take a look back at 2020 and feel good about the accomplishments we attained. I thank you all for your continued support and wish you all the best.

Best regards,

*Alan*



## WORTH NOTING FOR 2020

- Published 12 copies of Messing About In Boats—our chapter newsletter—Just for Fun in 2020 topic was “How did your boat gets its name.”
- Keep our website current
- 1/29/20 Board meeting in Morrisville
- 2/22/20 Field trip to Budsen Electric Boats in Marshallberg



- March 2020—COVID-19 upended the chapters planned activities for the year
- COVID-19 causes cancellation of boat shows throughout NC and the US for the year
- Jim Alexander, our Scholarship Coordinator reported that scholarships were awarded for the Cape Fear Community College’s Boatbuilding program to Shane Snow and Joshua Kolfroth in early 2020 and to Shane Snow and Cody Murphy in late 2020.



Cody Murphy on the right



Shane Snow



- 4/29/20 Board meeting held via Zoom
- 6/27/20 Let's Get 'Em Wet Outing on Hyco Lake

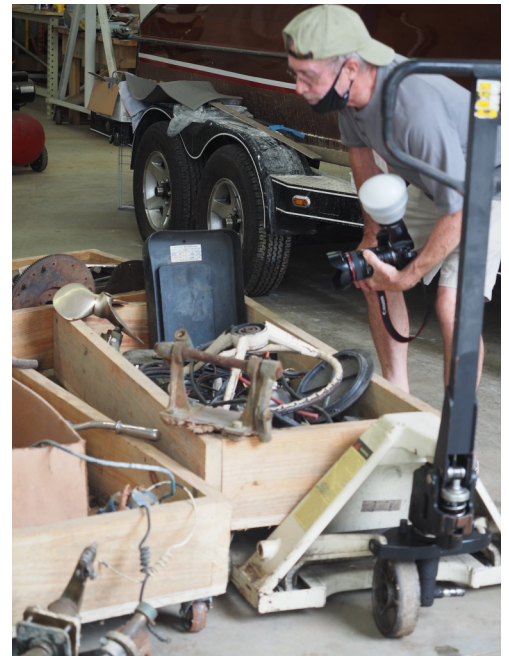




- 7/1/20 Chapter member and Secretary Garfield Karpiak crossed the bar. (Photo below)



- 7/29/20 Board meeting via Zoom
- 8/22/20 Summer Workshop at John Justice's Piglet





- 11/18/20 Board meeting via Zoom
- 12/10/20 Virtual ZOOM Christmas Party



While we were not able to gather in person at the Conley's lovely home, we did the best we could to celebrate our 2020 successes and enjoy the camaraderie of the season with a virtual party. As with all true "old salts" we adapted and adopted. We know that all you need to have fun is a few good friends, some food and drink, and interesting conversation. We even threw in a few games. A marvelous time was had by all!

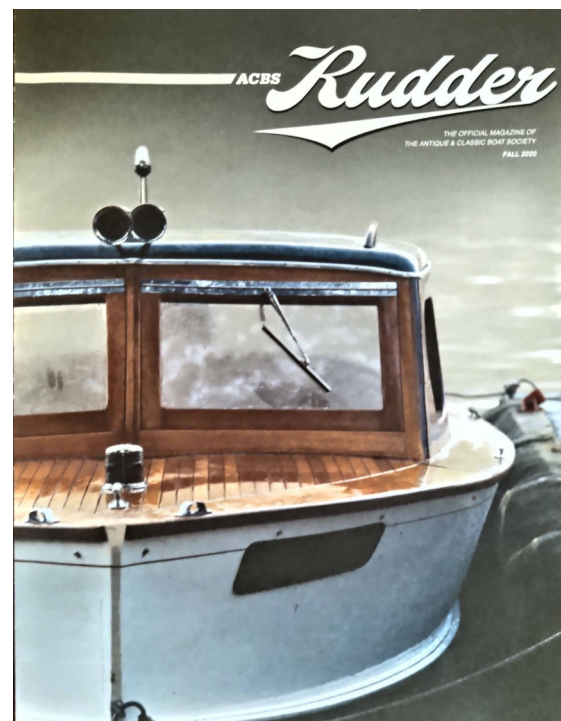


## Chapter in the News

HycO Lake Magazine—Volume Three 2020



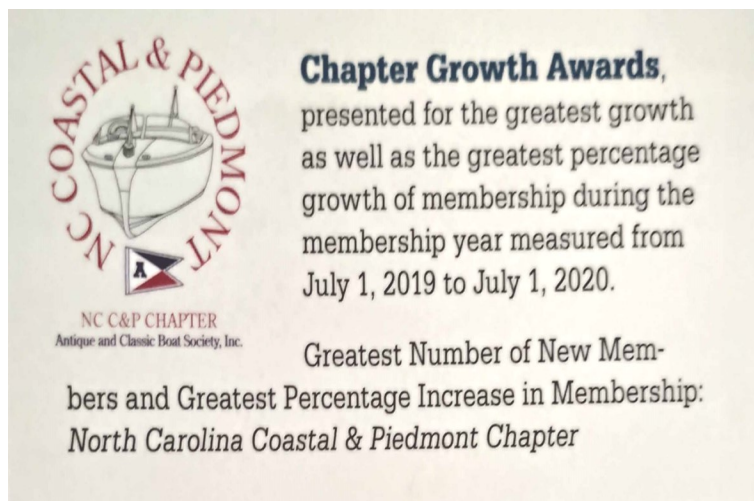
Rudder—Fall 2020



## ACBS AWARDS IN 2020: Chapter Growth

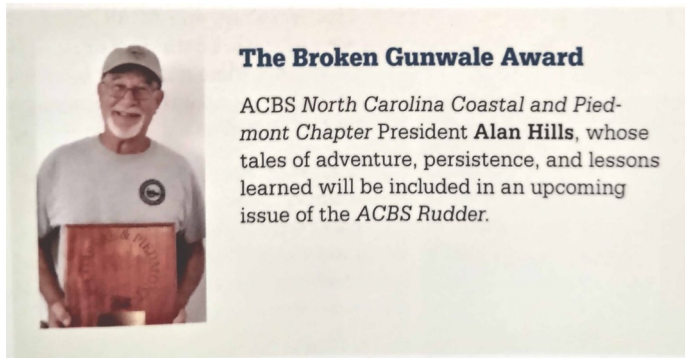
ACBS gives growth awards to recognize chapters with the greatest increase in the number of members during the year. Chapters are grouped by small, medium and large. Our chapter WON! Remember that ACBS is an international organization so we beat out chapters from around the world.

We won two awards: one for "highest number of new members gained" and one for "highest percentage of increase." In the past seven years, only one other chapter has won both awards in the same year. (see photos on the right.) Credit goes to Jim Alexander as Membership Committee Chairman.





## ACBS AWARDS IN 2020: Broken Gunwale



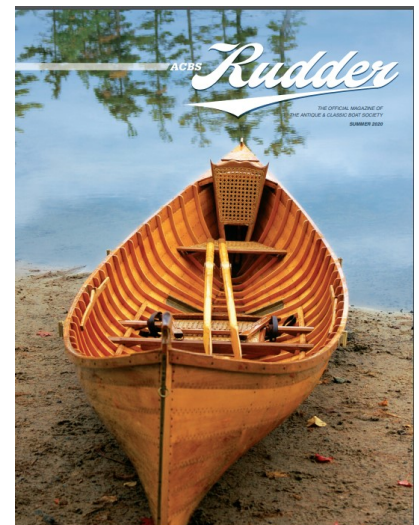
Chapter President Alan Hills also won the 2020 ACBS Broken Gunwale Award. Given in the spirit of fun and good humor, it is presented to any individual or group which has “distinguished” itself in a memorable way while participating in an ACBS cruise or boat show. A perpetual trophy displaying the names of recipients is retained at the ACBS office and is awarded only when an appropriate event or incident deserves “commemoration”. Most of you have heard about the ill-fated Lake James trip in May 2019. See the June 2019 edition of *Messing About in Boats* for the full story. ACBS plans to do an article on Alan’s misadventures in *The Rudder* some time in 2021.



## CHAPTER MEMBERS IN SUMMER 2020 RUDDER

Chapter member Kurt Doherty submitted “The Story of Donzi, a Boat That Almost Wasn’t.” He wrote about his close friend, Ken Skiver, and Ken’s orange Donzi—the passing of an incredible heirloom from one family to another and one very happy man finally getting his dream boat (to paraphrase Kurt).

In “The Art of Taking it Slow” the author Amy Scanlin quoted member and Director Lonnie Sieck, “The ‘lowly Adirondack Guideboat is...one of a handful of designs that has stood the test of time.” Lonnie has been rowing guideboats since childhood.



## CHAPTER AWARDS IN 2020



### CHAPTER PRESENTS AWARD TO THE HILLS

At the November 18, 2020 Chapter Board meeting, the Board surprised President Alan Hills and Secretary Judy Hills with a Leadership award for "Dedication and Outstanding Achievement."

Team Hills is the rudder that keeps the Chapter on course. Their respective skills complement each other's. "A supporting cast of involved Board members and engaged members makes our Chapter strong—and our job easier!" they said.

### 2020 PRESIDENT'S AWARD

At the Chapter's Zoom Christmas Party on December 10th, President Hills gave his wife, Judy, the annual President's Award for her service to the chapter over the past year. Judy is the editor of the newsletter. She maintains and updates the website and in late 2020 she stepped up to fill the Secretary position that was vacant.

Her organizational skills come into play when she helps develop plans for chapter outings. She also submits material to national ACBS on behalf of the chapter.

"Judy is the media engine that keeps us all connected and in the year of COVID-19, her efforts are appreciated!" said husband, Alan.





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## 2020 End-of-Year Financial Report

**Balance (Jan. 1, 2020) \$6,709.47**

### Receipts

Membership Dues \$1,300.00

Misc. Income<sup>1</sup> \$94.00

**Total Receipts \$1,394.00**

### Expenses

#### Operational

Awards \$128.40

Website \$246.17

Name Tags \$59.43

Ship's Store -

#### Boat Show

Venue -

Advertising -

Food & Beverage -

Awards -

Events & Workshops \$238.10

CFCC Scholarships \$1,500.00

**Total Expenses \$2,172.10**

**Balance (Dec. 31, 2020) \$5,931.37**

<sup>1</sup>Reimbursements, Ship's Store

Submitted by Chapter Treasurer Kevin Leiner