



2021 ANNUAL REPORT

Message from Chapter President Alan Hills

Hello All,

As I turn the reins over to our new president, Jeff Martinson, I look back on 2021 with fond memories. Despite having to deal with the pandemic, I am proud of how we continued to carry on and not allow this to put a total damper on our ability to function. On the contrary, I feel we experienced great success in all aspects of chapter viability.

The high points that have pleased me most are these:

- We had a boat show
- Our membership has stayed steady

- We had several workshops
- We had several on water activities
- We had wonderful fellowship at our events, including spouses
- We have a strong leadership group

That said, I wish to thank our officers and directors for their work this past year. Without these fine folks, I wouldn't have much good news to share with you. I would like to challenge our members who have not been very active to come out and join in the festivities this year; we have a lot

fun and interesting activities planned for you. I also encourage you to step up and be of service to the chapter. It's not that hard and it is very rewarding.

I thank you all for the support you have given me the last three years and I am grateful to be able to serve as your vice president this year. I hope to see a whole lot of you in 2022!

Best regards,

Alan



WORTH NOTING FOR 2021

For most of 2021 we were all still under COVID-19 and its Delta variant mandates. Many ACBS and other boat shows were cancelled for 2021.

We published 12 copies of *Messing About In Boats*—our chapter newsletter—Just for Fun in 2021 topic was “Tall Tales” that included parodies and other funny material. The chapter newsletter won the 2021 ACBS Chapter Publication Award for Small Size Chapter Membership.”

We kept our website current and added a significant number of vendors of “services and products” to the resource page.

1/27/21 Zoom Board meeting

1/29/21 Member Jeff Hamilton had an article posted on the ACBS Blog about his 23-foot 1960 Lyman Runabout.

4/17/21 Chapter workshop at John’s Justice’s Piglet in Pittsboro. We sold old logo items and added \$125 to the coffers. Had a BBQ pit fire—easily extinguished. Great lunch and fun time!



4/28/21 Chapter Zoom meeting.

5/9/21 Jon Homeister’s photo made the home page of Woody Boater website on Mothers Day

5/15/21 Was to have been our chapter outing—Hyco Lake Get “Em Wet event—but (who knew!) there was a shortage of gasoline due to ransomware attack on the Colonial Pipeline and there was concern that members who had to travel a distance might not be able to find gas to fill their tank to return home. And it was a gorgeous weekend that we missed.

May Jim Alexander had a letter to the editor published in *The Rudder* about the Cape Fear Community College boat building program and our chapter’s support of it though the awarding of scholarships.

6/12/21 Several members exhibited their boats at the 3rd Annual Carolina Christian Academy T-Ville Vintage Power Show in Thomasville, NC.



7/17/21 Chapter Boat Show at Blackbeard Sailing Club in New Bern. 27 boats registered, of which five were sailboats. Seven chapter members displayed boats. We did not judge entries—this was just to attract new members. Good location and turnout.



7/28/21 Chapter zoom meeting.

8/21/21 The Chapter held a "Housewarming" Party for Bill Conley's new workshop at the Conleys' home in Raleigh. The guys talked "shop" and the gals played a game of phones. We had a nice lunch and enjoyed the unseasonably cooler August weather.



9/25/21 Boat Barn Band, Beer & BBQ Bash at Jim Moores' Boat Barn in Beaufort.. Jim offered his location and footed the cost of the event (free food, beer and wine) to help our chapter recruit members. While we did gain exposure (100 attendees), we were able to attribute six new members to the event. We owe Jim and his wife Margaret big-time for hosting.



10/9/21 Chapter Fall Fun Run at Lake Gaston organized by Jim Alexander. We had a beautiful day with 12 people and four boats and NO breakdowns!



11/3/21 Chapter Annual Meeting and Elections. Here are the 2022 Chapter officers: Jeff Martinson, President; Alan Hills, VP; Judy Hills, Sec; Kevin Leiner, Treas. Here are the 2022 Chapter Directors: Jim Alexander, Bob Banta, Bill Conley, John Justice and Lonnie Sieck. All nominees were elected via acclamation.



11/13/21 Chapter outing to Wrightsville Beach. Ride on Jim Dean's 42-ft. Chris Craft Sport Yacht and John Tinney's 50-ft. Elco Flat Top. They had lunch on Jim Dean's dock. It was a beautiful day and the group had a most enjoyable outing.



12/11/21 And to top off the year, the chapter had its annual Christmas party once again at Sharon and Bill Conley's home in Raleigh. We shared lively discussions, ate a wonderful meal, played some games with interesting prizes, and had our Christmas portraits taken by Joe Peacos. President Hills gave out the following awards:

- ◆ President's Cup Award—to John Justice in recognition of all the invaluable help he gives willingly to our members.
- ◆ Special Recognition—Sharon and Bill Conley for so graciously hosting our Chapter's Christmas party for so many years.
- ◆ Rookie Award—conferred for the first time to new member Dan Bixler for immersing himself in the chapter by attending events, sometimes travelling long distances to do so.
- ◆ The Broken Cable award is given to a member who may have experienced an unfortunate occurrence at one of our events. And the winner is Dan Bixler, who had a near sinking event of his boat at our Chapter Show in July. This same boat was also damaged when it was holed by a car. We wish him better luck in 2022.
- ◆ While not "official" awards,
 - ◆ President Hills presented Jeff Gelm with his very own fire extinguisher in memory of the grill fire at the March workshop.
 - ◆ Joe Peacos received a movie clap board to use when producing his wonderful boating videos.

- ♦ A “patience & perseverance” award of an hourglass went to Jared Smith whose boat has been in Gary Lowell’s shop for several years.
- ♦ The “Best Actress in a Supporting Role and Fashionista Extraordinaire” Oscar was awarded to Bev Peacos—a real trooper who supports her husband Joe in his endeavors while looking like a fashion model.
- ♦ “Nuts & bolts” awards were given by President Hills to those who have been essential in holding our chapter together in 2021. Recipients were John Justice, Kevin Leiner, Bill Conley, and Jim Alexander.
- ♦ John Justice gave outgoing President Alan Hills a “token” of the club’s appreciation for his leadership the past several years. The token was sausage from Alan’s favorite butcher shop—Ray’s.

And so we close out another successful year as we lay plans for the coming year. We thank all the members who supported the chapter, especially those who participated in the many events and meetings. Hope to see you in 2022!

2021 Cape Fear Community College Boat Building Scholarship

In 2021 our chapter awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to Tom Bisson who is studying in the Boat Manufacturing and Service program. Tom was the only applicant who met our established criteria in this award cycle. Tom can be seen working in the picture here. The balance of \$1,000 we provided to CFCC will be carried forward and awarded in the next award cycle. Chapter Director Jim Alexander coordinates the Scholarship program.



Chapter Wins 2021 ACBS Publications Award



Our chapter’s newsletter, “Messing About in Boats” won the 2021 ACBS Small Chapter Publications Award. Editor (and Chapter Secretary) Judy Hills religiously publishes the newsletter each month. Members are invited to contribute articles and photographs. The theme for member content for 2021 was “Tall Tales.”



Dear Fellow Members,
You are receiving the newsletter a little earlier this month due to the editor's pending cat-act surgery later this month.
We all have endured hardships of one sort or other this year. I know most, if not all of us are ready to send 2020 on its way and welcome the new year with hopes of a return to normalcy in many aspects of our lives.
In spite of these hardships, as a chapter, we were able to hold our own to some

degree. We did manage to hold a few events while maintaining COVID-19 protocols, we were recognized for chapter growth and member retention and had our newsletter in the running for recognition as well. Of course, none of this would have been possible without you, our members. The chapter has long been supported by a core group and I am pleased to see some new blood start to assume some of the duties and hope-fully become your future lead-ers. This being said, we would

welcome more of you to get involved in all aspects of the chapter's activities, in front of or behind the scenes; workshops, on wa-ter tours, attending neigh-boring chapter boat shows, submissions for the newsletter, website con-tent support, and so on. In closing, I wish you all health and happiness for the holiday season and 2021!
Best regards,
Alan



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2021 End-of-Year Financial Report

Balance (Jan 1, 2021)		\$5,931.37
Receipts		ACTUAL
	Membership Dues	\$1,260.00
	Ship's Store	\$420.00
	Reimbursements	\$163.00
	Donations	\$1,000.00
	Total Receipts	\$2,843.00
Expenses		
	Operational	
	Awards	\$0.00
	Website	\$21.17
	Name Tags	\$0.00
	Ship's Store	\$0.00
	Boat Show	
	Venue	\$163.00
	Advertising	\$164.55
	Food & Beverage	\$133.00
	Awards	\$0.00
	Events & Workshops	\$125.00
	CFCC Sponsorships	\$2,000.00
	Total Expenses	\$2,606.72
Balance (Dec 31, 2021)		\$6,167.65
	Trend:	\$236.28
	Validation:	\$6,167.65
Balance based on accrual of all 2021 expenses not yet cleared (\$120.03) = \$6047.62		

Submitted by Chapter Treasurer Kevin Leiner