



2022 ANNUAL REPORT

Message from Chapter President Jeff Martinson

Greetings friends!

This past year has been an excellent one for the Antique and Classic Boat Society NC Coastal & Piedmont Chapter. We've held numerous on- and off-the-water events, have strengthened our organizational structure, and have grown our membership. These accomplishments are due to the work of our dedicated members and chapter leaders whose contributions make them happen. In particular, we have been led by an outstanding group of officers and directors who have taken the chapter in new directions in terms of event locations and

themes, outside group partnerships and marketing and media. All of this to say: we're open to new ideas and your, the reader's, suggestions, too!

So, in conclusion, if you're a member of the chapter, I hope you enjoy this recap of our achievements this past year. Or, if you're a visitor, I hope you're inspired to investigate us further, participating in one or more of our activities, and considering joining yourself.

Cheers,

Jeff



2022 in Review

Officers for 2022 include: Jeff Martinson, President; Alan Hills, VP; Kevin Leiner, Treasurer; and Judy Hills, Secretary. Directors included: Jim Alexander, Bob Banta, Bill Conley, John Justice, and Lonnie Sieck.

Committee Chairs: Jim Alexander-Scholarship and Membership; Judy Hills—Web Master and Newsletter Editor.

On August 24th our Chapter was officially incorporated as a nonprofit with the State of North Carolina.

January 12th Board Meeting via Zoom. We approved the 2022 Budget and set a calendar of events for 2022.

February 19th we had a workshop and tour of Gary Lowell's Boat Shop in Greensboro.



March 5th there was a chapter workshop at John Justice's Piglet—to do a bottom job on Jeff Gel's Sweet Pea. Several members of the Smith Mountain Lake ACBS Chapter joined us.



March 5th—While the guys were working at the Piglet, the gals went on a tour of Pittsboro establishments and had lunch at The Plant.



March 25th Cape Fear Community College Boat Show. Five chapter members entered six boats in the show. Joe Peacos showed his 15-foot Lyman Runabout and his 15-foot Barbour Vacationer; Alan Hills showed his 16-foot Barbour Silver Clipper; Jim Dean brought his Chris Craft; John Dougherty showed his 14-foot Wagemaker Wolverine; and John Tinney showed his 1930 45-foot Elco Flat Top Cruiser in the water.



In March we also acknowledged the passing of member Dick Fontaine. Dick was a long-time friend of Alan Hills, but only a chapter member for a short time. Dick lived in New Bern, but lived the last few years of his life in a care facility in Ohio. Dick generously gave \$1,000 to our scholarship fund in 2021 and in his obituary it said that memorial donations may be made to NC Coastal & Piedmont Chapter of the ACBS Scholarship Fund.



The Oriental, NC Boat Show was held April 8-10. Member Alan Hills represented our chapter and displayed his boat in that show.

The Chapter had scheduled a run on the Trent River with lunch at a restaurant, but that event was cancelled.

On April 23rd, our chapter was invited to the Smith Mountain Lake ACBS Chapter's spring workshop in Wirtz, VA. Our member, John Justice, did a hands-on demo of rebuilding and maintaining a Borg-Warner Velvet Drive transmission.

The Chapter held a Zoom business meeting on April 27th.

Our chapter hosted a tour of Jarrett Bay Marine Park in Beaufort on May 6th as a prelude to the NC Maritime Museum's Boat Show in Beaufort on May 7th. In the early evening on May 6th the chapter members planning to attend the show were invited to a pre-show party at member Jim Moore's home and boat shop in Beaufort.

Members who displayed their boats included: Bill & Sharon Conley, John Tinney (in water), John Dougherty, Dave and Deb Mahoney, Julian and Beth Arrington, and Joe Peacos. Joe won an award for "Best Classic Outboard Power." Bill won "Best Sail." John Tinney won the "Captains' Choice" award.



On May 21st, the Blue Ridge ACBS Chapter hosted their annual Lake Lure Spring Classic Boat and Auto Show in Lake Lure, NC—the site where the movie “Dirty Dancing” was filmed. Alan and Judy Hills brought their boat to this show.



Saturday June 25th our chapter held a workshop at member Robert & Patsy Blanchard's homestead in New Hill. We were to have Steve Filarsky do a gold leaf demo, but he was ill. In keeping with the adage, “roll with the punches,” we substituted a short session on boat judging. Denny Cole from the AOMCI joined us and he set up a display of miniature motors.



July 16th the chapter members met at the DIY Community workshop, Shop Class, in New Bern to hear member Dave Mahoney demonstrate his miniature motors. The gals were to have had an outing in New Bern, but that did not come off as planned.



August 18th was a Thursday. Chapter members met up at Jordan Lake in the late afternoon for a picnic and run. The outing was organized by Chapter Director John Justice. President Jeff Martinson and two of his three teen daughters; VP Alan Hills and Secretary Judy Hills; Director Jim Alexander; Director Bill Conley and his wife Sharon; member Mike Triplett; and our newest members Neal and Denise Keeter attended.



September 16-17 was the Smith Mountain Lake ACBS Chapter Show in Moneta, VA. This was the first year that the show was held at the Crazy Horse Marina. Chapter members Alan and Judy Hills and Dan Bixler brought boats to the show. The SML folks are great hosts.



Alan Hills giving Dan directions



On October 13th, two of our members took their motor yachts down to the show at Georgetown, SC. M/V "About Time II," member Jim Dean's 42' Chris Craft, departed the dock at Wrightsville Beach shortly after 9AM on Oct 13th. On board were the fearless crew: member Jim Hartmann, Stan Thorpe of Wilmington and member John Dougherty. Member John Tinney's 45' Elco Flat Top Cruiser was entered in the show.



Friday October 21st the chapter held a pre-boat show cruise to New Bern and a welcome event on the deck of Blackbeard Sailing Club in Fairfield Harbour. There were four boats that participated: Hunky Dory (Hills—Chris Craft Dory), Blue Tango (Conley—Chris Craft Special Runabout), Debbie Ann (Mahoney—Thompson Sea Coaster), and Boo Boo (Hartman—Chris Craft Continental)



Saturday October 22nd the chapter held a boat show at Blackbeard Sailing Club. We had 24 boats displayed by 18 owners. Awards included:

- Best Non-Wood: Jason Batcha (Orange Crate—Zbranak speed skiff)
- Best Non-Power: Ted Clark (Feather—Edey & Duff sail boat)
- Best Sail: Steve Clayton (Grace—48' Hinkley sailing vessel)
- Best Wood Inboard: Bill Conley (Blue Tango—Chris Craft Special Runabout)
- Best Wood Outboard: Joe Peacos (Lyman Runabout)
- Best Staging: Alan Hills (Clippin' Along—Barbour Silver Clipper Deluxe)
- People's Choice: Dan Bixler (Brown Sugar—Chris Craft Capri)

Everyone was pleased with the pre-show events and with the show itself. The show made a profit.



October 26th Annual Chapter Meeting was held in-person at a restaurant in Clayton. 2023 elections were held. The current officers were re-elected for another term: President Jeff Martinson; VP Alan Hills; Treasurer Kevin Leiner; and Secretary, Judy Hills. Two directors retired from their positions: Bob Banta and Lonnie Sieck. New Directors elected included John Dougherty and Dan Bixler. John Justice, Jim Alexander, and Bill Conley have one more year to serve on their terms of office.



While not a chapter-sponsored event, the chapter members were invited to member Robert & Patsy Blanchard's Homestead for a special heritage event. Members Alan & Judy Hills, Dan Bixler, John Justice, Bill Baker, and John Dougherty attended. There were many demonstrations: roping, cane syrup making, blacksmithing, hay baling (miniature), making grits/cornmeal, pumping water, grinding corn for feed, old west gunfighting, to name just a few. And lots of old stuff to look at—cars, tractors, farm equipment, travel trailers, and, of course, boats.



November 12th was the Fall Fun Run at Lake Gaston. There were eleven us on three boats. Jim Alexander led with his Century Coronado. He has a house on the lake so he knows it well. Jeff Martinson and Jeff's twin daughters rode with him. Bill and Sharon Conley were in Blue Tango. John Justice and Bill Hartman rode along. Alan and Judy Hills brought their Barbour, Clippin' Along. Neil Keeter rode with them. It was a marvelous day and a good time was had by all.



And to finish off the year, the chapter had its Christmas Party and Awards dinner at the home of Sharon & Bill Conley in Raleigh on December 10th. There were ten couples and three guys for a total of 23 people who attended. They included: The Bantas (Bob & Molly), the Baringers (John and Nancy), Leif Eriksson, Dan Bixler, the Justices (John & Pam), the Leiners (Kevin & Jen), the Keeters (Neal & Denise), the Lewis' (Austin & Amy), the Peacos' (Joe & Bev), the Martinsons (Jeff & Alice), the Hills' (Alan & Judy) and of course Sharon & Bill Conley.

We topped off the evening with the wine exchange and Jeff Martinson gave out the 2022 Chapter Awards. Rookie of the Year went to John Dougherty, who unfortunately was not able to attend due to an out of town trip. John has engaged himself with the chapter—attending events and helping when asked. He even agreed to serve as a Chapter Director for 2023. The Broken Cable Award went to John Justice. As Jeff said, "This requires some explanation but John is the king of broken boats. Honestly, who owns or has taken under his wing more basket cases than John? This includes mechanical, electrical, structural and cosmetic issues on both boats and trailers. His individual broken cables are maybe not the most dramatic and story-worthy, but taken together they represent a voluminous tome of such tales. Sort of a "Lifetime Achievement of Broken Cables." As the President's Choice Award was presented to Sharon Conley for all the support she has given to Bill and to the Chapter over the years.



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2022 End-of-Year Financial Report

Balance (Jan 1, 2022)

\$6,167.65

Receipts

Membership Dues

ACTUAL
\$1,240.00

BUDGET
\$1,160.00

Ship's Store

\$1,470.00

\$150.00

Reimbursements

\$15.00

Donations

\$25.00

Total Receipts

\$2,750.00

\$1,310.00

Expenses

Operational

\$71.88

Awards

\$0.00

\$150.00

Website

\$20.99

\$25.00

Name Tags

\$101.59

\$75.00

Ship's Store

\$248.64

\$120.00

Boat Show

Ven-

ue

\$0.00

Advertising

\$0.00

Food & Bever-

age

\$564.12

\$500.00

Awards

\$37.54

Events & Workshops

\$379.18

\$500.00

CFCC Scholarships

\$0.00

\$1,025.00

Total Expenses

\$1,423.94

\$2,395.00

Balance (Dec 31, 2022)

\$7,493.71

Trend:

\$1,326.06

\$ (1,085.00)

End Bank

Balance

\$7,493.71

Submitted by Chapter Treasurer Kevin Leiner