

Messing About In Boats

Monthly newsletter of the NC Coastal & Piedmont Chapter of the ACBS

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Hey everyone,

As I write this, we are finally being given a break from the sweltering summer temperatures. Don't know how long it will last, but I'm going to enjoy it while it does.

Normally we don't have many big issues facing the chapter, however, the July 30th meeting agenda addressed a number of changes. Because we changed the name of our chapter, this necessitated that we review our Constitution and Bylaws. Since the chapter is a loose knit organization, we rarely have need of consulting these documents, so it came as a surprise to see just how dated they were. These source documents guide how we should function and members generally only look at them when there is some issue to which they take exception. This is why they need to be clear on key points. So, we did research into Constitutions and Bylaws of other ACBS chapters and consulted with the ACBS Executive Director. Our Consti-

tution and Bylaws were cleaned up presented for review and approval at the meeting. Those present voted to accept the new Constitution and Bylaws as presented.

At the October 29th meeting we will hold Chapter elections. Since we have a new set of Bylaws that address term limits, we are going to elect the four officers (President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer) and five at-large Board members—three of which will serve initial terms of three years, and two of which will serve initial terms of two years so that in future years there will always be at least two seasoned Board members. I have asked Kevin Leiner to chair the Nominating Committee. If you are contacted by the Nominating Committee, please consider serving! Read the Constitution and Bylaws which address the roles of the officers and at-large Board members. We are especially in need of someone with a finan-

cial background to serve as Treasurer as Bob Banta is resigning at the end of his term.

We have the new website up and running now. Same URL (www.vintageboat.org) but a whole new look. I hope you will all check it out and help us get more photos to put up. I would REALLY like ALL of you to send in a photo(s) of your boat so we can populate the member boats section under the media center tab. A lot of work has gone into reworking our site, so please help us out here by submitting your photos to webmaster Judy Hills at jahnbnc@gmail.com

So that's all the news for now. Hope to see a number of you at the Smith Mountain Lake Boat Show in September!

Best regards,

Alan

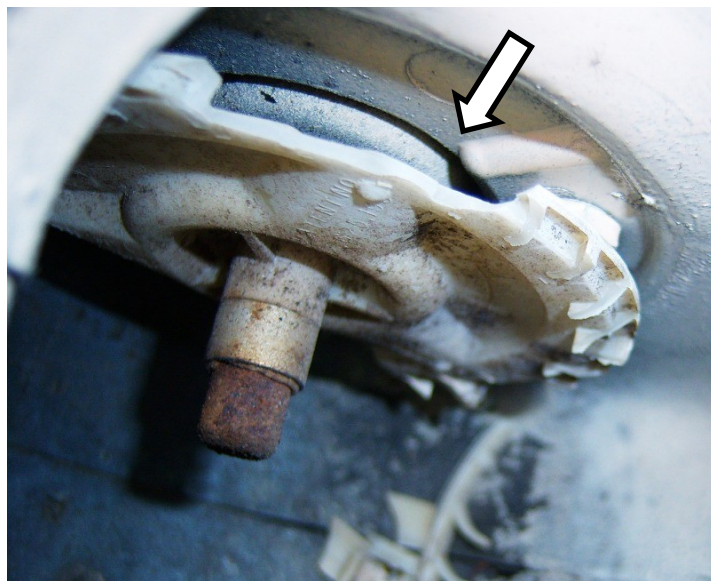
Safety Tip: Blowers & Noses May Prevent a Catastrophe

In case you did not hear, on July 21st at the Wine Country Classic Boat Show on Keuka Lake in Hammondsport, NY a 1955 Century Coronado blew up injuring the two occupants. They were forced into the water after fumes began to amass in the boat's bilge causing an explosion. The man was treated and released, but the female sustained severe burns to her lower extremities.

This is a wake up call for all of us that have inboard motors to ALWAYS, ALWAYS, raise the engine hatch cover, sniff the bilge for gas fumes, run the blower for several minutes and then start the engine with the hatch cover open. When fueling the boat, on the water, close the hatches, portholes and companionway and shut off electric devices. When done fueling, open everything up and run the blower for five minutes before starting the engine.

Some other tips on the blower: Make sure your blower tubes are attached to the blower, that they are not clogged and that the tubes are pliable. The tubes need to be routed to the low spot in the bilge. The blower is ineffective if not in the lowest part of the bilge. Normally these tubes are run past the hot spots in the engine and this causes them to get brittle fast.

The picture on top right shows the blower hose properly placed in the bottom of a bilge. The photo below that shows broken blades on a bilge blower. The bottom photo shows a break in the blower hose. So how sure are you that your blower system is shipshape? When is the last time you checked the entire system including the blower itself? Better safe than sorry!



Best Way to Display Information on Boat at a Show

(Submitted by Bill Conley)

I used to have a loose leaf book with pictures showing the boat building or boat restoration process, but I found that very few people would look at more than the first couple of pictures. They just didn't want to stand there and look through the whole book. Then, at one of the shows, I saw a board with just the pictures on it so that they were clearly displayed. The viewer could see them all in just a few seconds. Sharon and I thought this was a great idea, so we copied it and did a board for each of our boats. I think this adds so much to what the spectators get from the show - they not only see the finished product, but get a quick view of what it took the owner to get it there.

Here are pictures to go with my Chris Craft restoration, Blue Tango and Penobscott sailboat build Little Blues. I once had a board for my Endeavor and Venture kayak builds, but I got rid of those after I sold the Kayaks which are now plying the waters of northern Wisconsin.





You're Invited To

"The Jewel of the Blue Ridge"

**The 29th Annual Smith Mountain Lake Antique and Classic Boat Festival
SEPTEMBER 13 & 14, 2019**

**Mariners Landing Conference Center
1217 Graves Harbor Trail
Huddleston, Virginia 24104**

Excellent food, interesting vendors and friendly people will welcome you to this spectacular location on Smith Mountain Lake! This great resort, with first class accommodations, docking, dining, and ambience promises to make this one of the best shows yet! Come and enjoy antique and classic boats with other enthusiasts.

On Friday, you'll have time to cruise beautiful Smith Mountain Lake and have a catered buffet lunch at The Pointe with other classic boaters, then wind down at an evening social to share your antique boating tales with other enthusiasts.

On Saturday, it's show day and time to showcase your boat for the public. Throughout the day, we will have entertainment, vendors and crafts. As always, we will have souvenir shirts, antique boat merchandise and other items on sale at our ship's store. For the kids, we will have our annual Youth Judging Event. In the evening, following a delicious banquet dinner in the ballroom at Mariners Landing Conference Center, the day's events will be reviewed and awards presented.

On Sunday, you'll have time to enjoy the Lake and visit with friends. Guided tour of the lake will be available for those interested. Be at the docks, ready to depart @ 10:00 AM. Boat launching assistance available from 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

We will continue our local judging format that will eliminate multiple awards for the same boat and recognize excellence in many categories. We welcome antique and classic boats of all types, interests and conditions.

Mariners Landing Hospitality will be offering special rates for lodging. To take advantage of this offer, indicate that you are with the Smith Mountain Lake Antique and Classic Boat Show. Please contact the Mariners Landing reservation desk at 1-540-297-4100 ext. 1.

Youth Judging Event, please see page 4 of this form for details on our very popular Youth Judging Event.

For more show information, call Alan Frederick @ (540) 352-8653 or email jeanandalan588@msn.com. You can also visit our web site at www.woodenboats.net or email us at info@woodenboats.net.

Schedule of Events (No outside alcoholic beverages at food events)

Friday, Sept. 13, 2019

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Launch Boats and Check-in at Registration Table
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Buffet Lunch: Blackwater Room @ <i>Mariners Landing</i>
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Guided cruise on Smith Mountain Lake
5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Social: Blackwater Room @ <i>Mariners Landing</i> (cash bar and heavy hors d'oeuvres)

Saturday, Sept. 14, 2019

8:00 - 9:30 a.m.	Launch boats and prepare for the show
8:00 - 11:00 am.	Check-in at Registration Table
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Boat Show (Open to the public)
10:30 a.m.	Youth Judging (meet at the registration tent)
4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Boat Retrieval Assistance
6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.	Boat Show Awards Dinner at <i>The Pointe at Mariners Landing</i> (cash bar)

Please note: All boats must be in place prior to 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, and we request boats remain docked between 10 and 4 p.m. except for scheduled showcase runs. No "For Sale" signs will be permitted on boats in the water. Because of the limited dock spaces available, boats will be entered on a first come basis so get your forms in the mail early.



Directions to the Boat Show:

FROM LYNCHBURG & BEDFORD, VA. Take 460 West to Bedford. Take Route 122 South. Turn left on route 608 (White House Road). Follow 608 until it intersects with route 626 (about 5-6 miles) at Smith Mtn. Lake Parkway. Turn right onto 626. Follow 626 for .8 of a mile and turn left into Mariners Landing.

FROM ROANOKE, VA. From 581 south, take the exit for route 24 (Elm Avenue). At top of ramp turn left and follow 24 through Vinton, and continue on 24 for about 15 miles. At the traffic light make a right onto Route 122 South. Follow Bedford directions.

FROM MARTINSVILLE, VA. Take 220 North to Rocky Mount, and then follow signs for route 122 north. Follow 122 to route and make a right turn on 608 in Moneta (a few miles after crossing the bridge at the lake). Follow route 608. Refer to Bedford Directions from 608.

For information on additional lodging and lake activities - www.visitsmithmountainlake.com

INTERNATIONAL BOAT SHOW



Gerald G. Hill

ALEXANDRIA BAY, NY.

Sept. 20th 9AM-5PM
Sept. 21st 9AM-4PM

Photo Caption Winners for July

Well this month we are having fun at John Justice's expense. Some of you may remember this Lake Gaston photo.. President Alan Hills selected "Antique man doing Tai-Chi in an antique boat" submitted by **Jeff Gelm** as this month's winner. Other clever entries include "Look kids, I have no more candy to throw out!" by **Robert Blanchard** and "I'm the King of the World" also by Jeff Gelm. So Jeff if you show up at the August meeting, you'll get \$10 toward your dinner. We also owe Sharon Conley and Leif Eriksson for their entries in June and May, respectively. So do come and collect! Don't forget that we invite you to submit your photos for the caption contest—the funkier the better as long as it relates in some way.



Just for Fun: Caption for Photograph

On the right is a photo—send us your best caption. Judging will be done by President Alan Hills. We'll keep your names secret from him so he won't be prejudiced. We'll print the captions entries next month and the winner will receive \$10 towards lunch or dinner if he or she shows up at the very next chapter meeting or outing after the winning entry is selected—we'll email the winner. Email your caption or captions (submit as many as you like) to newsletter editor Judy Hills at jahnbnc@gmail.com. You are also welcome to submit photos for this column to Judy. This is all part of the "let's have some fun in 2019" initiative. **Captions due by 8/10** Collect your \$10 prize at our next outing. You have to show up to claim your prize!



Photo credit: Joe Peacos

BOAT NAME PUNS

The boating and nautical area of word play has a strong history, perhaps mostly because of the tradition of naming a boat or ship with a pun. On top of this, there are so many sub-categories of boat word play: sailing puns, anchor puns, rowing puns, naval puns, ship puns, fishing puns, and it even has a decent overlap with the infamous ocean puns category – one of the more popular categories of puns. So in this Punpedia entry we've done our best to create and collect as many examples of maritime word play as we could. [Click here](#) to read them all.

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The Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill Triangle Chapter of the Antique and Classic Boat Society, Inc. was officially formed on January 15, 2005 to provide a means through which individuals sharing a common interest in antique and classic boats can meet, share experiences and information, exchange ideas, and generate enthusiasm for all aspects of these unique boats. On March 21, 2019, the chapter officially changed its name to NC Coastal & Piedmont Chapter.

We promote and sponsor classic boating events, as well as educate our membership and the general public about these great craft. We partner with other clubs and organizations to promote awareness and appreciation for the history, research, repair, and restoration of these grand old boats to preserve them for future generations.

Calendar of Events & Meetings

Please note that with the exception of the boat show dates, the places, dates and times listed for club events are tentative. Watch your email for updates. Please add these dates to your calendar and participate as much as you can! Chapter-sponsored events are in bold.

Aug 24 **Plating Workshop** **CANCELLED—No meeting/No event**

Sep 13-14 Smith Mountain Lake Boat Show in Huddleston, VA

Sep 15-21 ACBS International Boat Show in Alexandria Bay, NY

Sep 28 **Meetup at Lake Gaston coordinated by Jim Alexander**

Oct 19-20 Georgetown Boat Show in Georgetown, SC

Oct 29 Annual NCC&P Chapter meeting and Elections at Trali Irish Pub
3107 Grace Park Dr. in Morrisville 6:30 to 8:30 PM

Nov 2 Southport Boat Show in Southport, NC

Nov 16 Workshop & flea market & pot luck at Robert & Patsy Blanchard's property in New Hill. Coordinated by Robert & Patsy Blanchard.

Dec 14 Chapter Christmas Party at Bill & Sharon Conley's home in Raleigh

What are the ACBS Definitions of Antique or Classic Boat?

Historic: A boat built up to and including 1918

Antique: A boat built between 1919 and 1941 inclusive

Classic: A boat built between 1943 and 1975 (any material)

Late Classic: A boat built 1977 to 25 years prior to the current year. This classification is not eligible for "best of show" awards and is neither restored or preserved

Production Contemporary: A production wooden boat built 1969 to present

Custom Contemporary: A modified or one-of-a-kind wooden boat built 1969 to present

Replica: A boat built in a non-production manner, intended to be a one-of-a-kind and usually an exact copy or duplicate of a boat previously built or manufactured.