



Messing About In Boats

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

November 2019

Another month has gone by. How quickly time seems to fly now that I am getting older. Here we are nearing Thanksgiving, soon to be Christmas and then 2020 will be here before you know it. Before we go flipping our calendars, we have a few more events to finish out 2019. So far, the reservations for the Swap Meet and Picnic at the Blanchard homestead have been disappointing even though we extended invitations to the Blue Ridge and Smith Mountain Lake ACBS Chapters to join us. We also invited the Traditional Small Craft Association's Raleigh Chapter and the Antique Outboard Motor Club—Carolinas Chapter to be a part of the fun. Not much else we can do to try to get a sufficient number of attendees to make the day worthwhile. If we don't get at least 20 attendees (including friends and family), we are going to have to call it off. This would be sad because the venue and the activities planned have so much potential for us to have a good time. The deadline

is November 9th. If we have to call it off, we'll send an e-blast to our members and an email also to those that registered.

The Chapter officially elected our officers and Board for 2020. They are: Pres: Alan Hills; VP: Jeff Martinson; Sec: Garfield Karpiak; Treas: Kevin Leiner; Director (1 year initial): Lonnie Sieck; Director (1 year initial): Bob Banta; Director (2 year): Jim Alexander; Director (2 year): Bill Conley; and Director (2 year): John Justice. This is a solid team and we are looking forward to working together for the good of the organization. Thanks to everyone for stepping up!

We will be preparing our calendar of events for 2020 and really want some input. We thought we had a good selection of activities last year. Some came off well and some did not come off at all and some were just OK. We know that many of us are busy people and have commitments other than just our ACBS Chapter. If you have

some ideas, we'd like to hear them. Please feel free to contact any of the officers or directors to discuss your concerns or ideas. This is YOUR chapter and we want to hear what YOU want.

We are looking for a better centralized restaurant for our quarterly business meetings. Ideally, we'd like to have the type of a room where we can have adequate privacy to be able to hear and to be able to perhaps show a PPT. It would need to hold 20-25 comfortably. If you know of such a restaurant, please send me the address and photos (if possible).

I hope to see you at Robert & Patsy Blanchard's on November 16th, if not I hope to see you at the Chapter Christmas party at the Conley's on December 14th.

Best regards,
Alan

Minutes of the 29 October 2019 Meeting By Secretary Garfield Karpiak

Welcome to those attending by President Hills.

Judy reported: Website being kept up to date, contributions are always welcome. Photos of members boats particularly welcome, as are items for sale/trade. Working on side bar with direct links to various areas of content. Particularly want to thank Joe Peacos and Jim Dean for newsletter contributions.

Finance Report by Bob Banta.
Finances are in very good order.

President's Report

- Club is gaining membership, kudos to Jim Alexander for his work in that regard.
- Workshops have been well attended and received.
- Poker run was fun albeit with limited turnout. Improvements are in the works for another poker run next year.
- Swap Meet and Flea Market event upcoming at the Blanchards. Please sign up for event if interested, slated for November 16. Please bring your own display table if you are planning on bringing significant items.

Committee Reports

Report submitted by Nominating Committee Chair Kevin Leiner. New 2020 Board welcomed. They are: Pres: Alan Hills; VP: Jeff Martinson; Sec: Garfield Karpiak; Treas: Kevin Leiner; Director (1 year initial): Lonnie Sieck; Director (1 year initial): Bob Banta; Director (2 year): Jim Alexander; Director (2 year): Bill Conley; and Director (2 year): John Justice. Thanks for agreeing to serve.

Report submitted by Jim Alexander. Scholarship amount has risen from \$1,000 to \$1,500 to \$2,000 over time. One scholarship that was to have been

\$1,500 was inadvertently made for \$1,000 Another scholarship intended to be \$2,000 only had one qualified applicant and that offering fell through. Ergo there is still \$2,500 outstanding available for scholarships at the Institution. We will await result of this coming scholarship results before continuing future funding of the program.

Old Business

Process to incorporate as a non profit in NC currently in draft form, and expected to be submitted by end of year.

New Business

Always open to suggestions for events and/or activities. Will soon be tentatively scheduling next years activities to give plenty of heads up. Will continue coordinating and working with other ACBS chapters.

Still looking for possible new venue for meetings. Location considerations to include: Private/Semi-private room; Possible availability of facilities for presentations Any suggestions welcomed.

Members Comments

Thanks and appreciation in particular to members for greatly improved and updated newsletters as well as ongoing improvements in membership acquisition and retention.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

11/2: Southport, NC Boat Show

11/16: Flea Market and Picnic at the Blanchards. By all accounts a fascinating location and amazing hosts. Currently limited sign ups for events so if interested please indicate so.

12/14: Christmas Dinner chez Conley's , a legendary event not to be missed.

Help Find A New Home

OK, here is a photo of items your President plans to bring to the Swap Meet. And he doesn't want to take them home again! So please come and help him off-load these "treasures."



Barbour Boat Enthusiasts at Manteo, NC Show



Joe Peacos 2nd from right

Congratulations to Joe Peacos for this well-deserved award at the Roanoke Island Maritime Museum Wooden Boat show! His boat that won this award is pictured below. Perfectionist that he is, Joe is a true craftsman and great spokesman for Barbour boats.



Joe Peacos' Works His Magic (Engines & Barbours)



Before



During



After



Before



After

Photo Credits: Joe Peacos

GEORGETOWN, SC BOAT SHOW

Chapter members Joe Peacos, the Deans, the Tinneys and Grant Caraway (NC Maritime Museum—Beaufort) attended this show on Saturday October 19th. From all accounts it was a washout (literally) because of Tropical Storm Nestor which dumped a lot of rain in the area the day of the show. As soon as the rain started, Joe covered his boat and called it a day. It is always sad when Mother Nature interferes with our best laid plans. Photos below are from Jim Dean.



Joe Peacos' Barbour Boat



ANTIQUE BOAT PARTS & ACCESSORIES SWAP MEET

BLANCHARD HOMESTEAD IN NEW HILL, NC

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 16, 2019 11 AM TO 3 PM



Robert & Patsy Blanchard are hosting this event at their unique family homestead. The above photo is just a peek at the many antique and classic things that you will have the opportunity to see in addition to their classic boats, cars, old travel trailer, and Conestoga Chuck Wagons. We promise you that you will have an enjoyable day. The plan is for those attending to register for the event (Robert is grilling chicken provided by our ACBS Chapter) so we'll have enough food. We are asking everyone attending to bring a side dish or dessert to share: last names A thru L bring side dishes and M thru Z bring desserts or bread. Bring your own beverages and chairs. We'll eat lunch at 1 PM.. The event will be held rain or shine!

If you have antique or classic boating parts, engines, hardware, running gear, other related items (e.g., paint, tools, wood, etc.), or accessories (e.g. Cypress Garden skis, old metal coolers, wicker picnic baskets, etc.) that you wish to sell or trade, bring them. Bring your own table if you need it.

We also plan to have two demonstrations/workshops: one on polishing imperfections from plexiglass by Alan Hills and possibly one other (TBD).

Please wear your name tags as we are inviting members (family, friends and prospective members are welcome) of the Blue Ridge ACBS Chapter, the Smith Mountain Lake ACBS Chapter, the Barbour Boat Enthusiasts, the Antique Outboard Motor Club—Carolinas Chapter and the Raleigh Chapter of the Traditional Small Craft Association to join us. We hope you will take this opportunity to join in the fellowship and maybe find a new home for some items you no longer need or pick up something you could use. Heck, you could even bring a boat!

RSVP to Chapter President Alan Hills at ahills@suddenlink.net by November 9th. Let us know the names of those attending and if you plan on bringing items to sell/swap. We'll send you the address and details.

Questions? Contact Chapter President Alan Hills at ahills@suddenlink.net or 252.514.8525



The 10th Annual Southport Wooden Boat Show will be held on Saturday, November 2, 2019 in and around the historic Old Yacht Basin in Southport from 10 AM until 4 PM. The In-Water event will end at 3:30 p.m. for the Awards Ceremony at 4:00 p.m. at the corner of Caswell & Moore Streets in front of the SWBS Sponsor Board. Their tradition continues with boats On-Land and In-Water, with visitors able to meet and talk with wooden boat makers and owners, and to vote for their favorite boat entrant in the People's Choice Award. With nautical & maritime demonstrations planned along the waterfront, and more vendors expected at this year's show, we're anticipating an even bigger show than last year.

Children Activities will return to this year's show under the tutelage of the NC Maritime Museum of Southport's Nauti-Kids program. The little sailors will be able to build their own boats and test their sea-worthiness, learn rope making, learn to sail in a static display and learn from exhibits by the North Carolina Aquarium and The Ft Fisher Underwater Archeology Branch as part of the day's activities.

Their 2019 Poster and T-shirt are of a local boat again this year, Dean Doshier's Ramona, set against the Lockwood Folly River where he conducts tours. Both will be available at the show from the Ship's Store tent.

Their 2019 Raffle Boat is on display at the North Carolina Maritime Museum at Southport until event day.

Do consider supporting this event!

For Your Edification: Dry Rot

'Dry rot' is an 18th-century term that generally described what is now called [brown rot](#). The term was used because the damage was present in cured or dried timber of ships and buildings and was thought to be caused by internal 'fermentations' rather than water. This contributes to the [Etymological fallacy](#) that dry rot requires less or no water than other species that use the brown rot decay mechanism. According to Wikipedia, the fungi causing rot require an elevated moisture content to initiate the attack on the timber (28-30%). "An explanation of the term dry rot' circles around boatyards periodically. In the age of wooden ships, boats were sometimes hauled for the winter and placed in sheds or dry dock for repair. The boats already had some amount of rot occurring in the wood members, but the wood cellular structure was full of water making it still function structurally. As the wood dried out, the cell walls would crumble. In other words, the wood was already rotten and as the boat dried, the wood collapsed and crumbled, causing the workers in the yard to determine it was 'dry rot', when in fact, the wood had been rotten all along." So there you have it in a nutshell: dry rot is a misnomer.



SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

Jim Alexander coordinates the scholarship awards with Cape Fear Community College. This is his report on the scholarship history and current Status

For several years we have been providing a scholarship for students at the Cape Fear Comm in the Boat Building Program. We established the following criteria:

- minimum grade point average of 3.0
- Applicant shall be considered without regard to race, religion, creed, national origin, age or handicap.
- A recommendation from a faculty member
- Student must be enrolled in a Diploma Wooden Boat Building Program
- Email acknowledgment/Portal access from the recipient to include a photo of the student at work in a repair/renovation class. *(This may come from the CFCC Foundation or from the scholarship recipient)*

It is our intention to fund this scholarship on an every year or every other year basis.

Donors may choose to be part of the scholarship applicant review committee for this scholarship each spring and/or fall cycle.

CFCC Foundation agrees to publicize the NC Coastal & Piedmont Chapter, Antique & Classic Boat Society scholarship award in the appropriate social and news media.

Qualified scholarship applicants to be awarded a minimum of \$1000 with a maxi-

mum award of \$2000. Funds may be split between two qualified applicants as fund availability allows.

We began by providing \$1,000 a year which we subsequently increased to \$1,500 for one year then raised the amount to \$2,000 last year. Our current finances will allow us to provide a donation of \$2,000 if and when we make the decision to do so.

The awards cycle is implemented twice a year. The major cycle begins Oct 1 when student submissions are first accepted and closes Oct 31. Awards are made after grades post in mid-December and paid after the student submits the required thank you letter in January. The

Spring submission period is March 1 thru April 30 and follows a similar review/award pattern. Currently the CFCC has \$2,500 we provided to award during this award cycle...\$500 from the year we gave \$1500 (that year's award was \$1,000) and \$2,000 from last year's gift \$1,000 of which was awarded but not disbursed because the awardee failed to submit a thank you letter (CFCC believes he used his GI bill to pay his tuition.) Only one student met our criteria last year.

For the present, I recommend we monitor the awards made this award cycle and determine if and when we wish to provide our usual \$2,000 donation. It may be reasonable to hold any donations until fall of 2020 considering the funds currently in CFCC's awards program.

We thank Jim for taking the lead on this important project that helps ensure craftsmen that can work on our boats in the future.



Photo Caption Winners for October

Our winner for this month is Jim Hartman's "Hard to port, ship to stern, turn the wheel and watch her turn." Jim said that his Daddy used to say that to him. This photo made him think of his father. We hope that we are making these types of memories with our children and grandchildren. The love of boats, particularly antique and classic ones, is something that is best passed down to future generations. How many times have we been to a show where people stop by to tell stories of wonderful memories of their youth riding in these types of boats. What memories are you helping to make?



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 11/10** Collect your \$10 prize at our next outing. You have to show up to claim your prize!



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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.

Nov 2 Southport Boat Show in Southport, NC

Nov 16 Picnic lunch, workshops & flea market 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.