

Messing About In Boats

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

November 2020

Hello Fellow Members,

The unmistakable signs of autumn are upon us; falling leaves, crisp morning temperatures, shorter days, and so on. I hope a bunch of you got out on the water this year. Now as the holidays are approaching, we will probably be doing things a little differently. Longstanding traditions are sure to be disrupted, including the chapter holiday party and awards presentation. I will have a virtual awards presentation via the newsletter next month although there won't be as many as usual because of the low level of activity we had to endure this year. I'm hoping we can get back to doing more of what we usually do (fun outings) next year.

In past newsletters I have mentioned how well our chapter

has been doing with gaining new members and retaining the ones we have. This has also been noticed by ACBS



Headquarters, who has recognized us by awarding our chapter for having the highest number of new members AND the highest percentage of new members for 2020. I feel these

awards are something we can be proud of and build upon next year and beyond. A chapter member was also recognized and given an award that I will elaborate on in a side article in the newsletter.

It's election time! No, not THAT election, its time to vote for your chapter officers and board of directors. Thanks to Jeff Martinson for doing the arm twisting and putting together the list of candidates for 2021. There is a link you can use to vote online for the candidate of your choice (LOL) on page 4.

Best regards,

Alan



CHAPTER WINS ACBS GROWTH AWARDS

Chapter Growth Award: This award is given to recognize the chapters with the greatest increase in the number of members during the year. Chapters are grouped by small, medium, and large. And our chapter WON! Remember ACBS is an international organization so we beat out chapters from around the world. That is quite an accomplishment for the Piedmont and Coastal area of North Carolina! This award is for our members who both joined and renewed memberships. So pat yourselves on the back!

You might look at the two photos below and think that they are the same, but they are not. One is for “highest number of new members gained” and the other is for “highest percentage of increase.” In the past seven years, only one other chapter has won both awards in the same year (2018 Toronto). [History of Chapter Growth Awards](#)

It is unfortunate that we don't have a clubhouse where we can display these trophies. Maybe we should assign them to The Piglet. What do you think?



CHAPTER PRESIDENT WINS ACBS BROKEN GUNWALE AWARD

The ACBS Broken Gunwale Award is donated by the Finger Lakes Chapter. This award is given in the spirit of fun and good humor and 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”.

[History of Broken Gunwale Award Winners](#)

Judy Hills nominated Chapter President Alan for the ill-fated Lake James excursion which was chronicled in the June 2019 edition of Messing About in Boats. Apparently no other ACBS member had a taller tale to tell related to participating in an ACBS cruise or boat show. While Alan certainly deserves accolades for his Presidency of this chapter, this is NOT an award that he is particularly proud of—but accepts it in the spirit in which it was given!



SOUTHPORT, NC VIRTUAL BOAT SHOW

Due to Covid-19, the annual wooden boat show in Southport had to be cancelled (surprise, surprise!). Well, taking a hint from Lake Tahoe, among some others, they will be having a virtual boat show that will be going “live” at 10:00AM on Saturday, November 7th. This has always been a neat little show held in one of my favorite places and I’m happy to see them taking this approach to give us a little bit of what we have been missing in our hobby this year. Members Joe Peacos and John Tinney has shown their boats there in the past and hopefully more of us will support their effort in the future. Here is the link to the show and remember, it doesn’t start until 10:00 AM!

<https://southportwoodenboatshow.com/>



CHAPTER SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2021

We thank VP Jeff Martinson for his work in pulling together this slate of officers for 2021. And to those who volunteers to take office, if elected. We welcome other nominations—and you can nominate yourself—so don't be shy if you are interested in serving. New blood is welcome! The following is from our current bylaws:

The Annual Meeting of the Chapter shall be held in September or October upon at least 30 days-notice of time, date, and place to the general membership, at which a quorum shall consist of those in attendance who are eligible voting members. (NOTE: Due to COVID-19 our schedule is a little off this year.)

1. Directors: Directors shall be elected to a term of two years, with two directors being elected one year and three directors being elected in the subsequent year (staggered terms). Directors may serve unlimited number of terms.
2. President: The President shall be elected annually for a term of one year and shall not serve more than three consecutive terms as President.
3. Vice President: The Vice President shall be elected annually for a term of one year, and shall not serve more than three consecutive terms as Vice President.
4. Secretary and Treasurer: The Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected annually for a term of one year with unlimited successive terms.

Here is the proposed slate to be voted on electronically. [Click on this link to cast your vote](#) by the **deadline of NOVEMBER 14th at 5 PM..** Remember that spouses are considered members and as such are eligible to vote and hold office! Write in candidates are encouraged, but they must agree to serve if elected.

President: Alan Hills

Vice President: Jeff Martinson

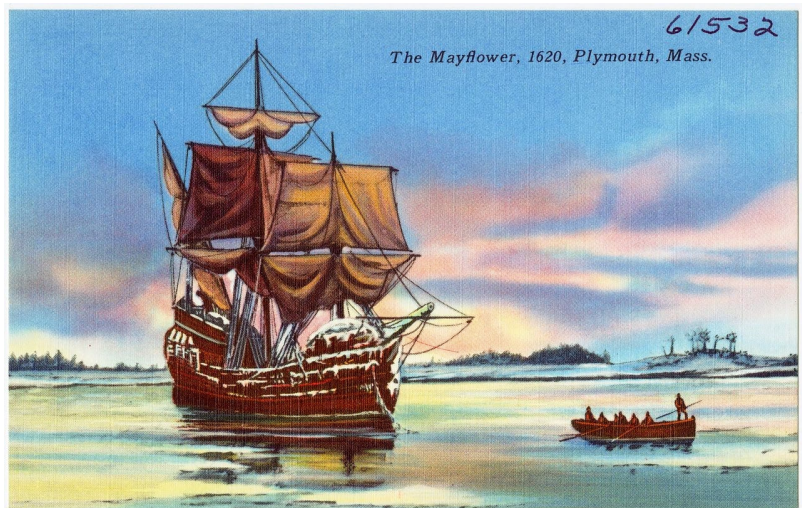
Secretary: Judy Hills

Treasurer: Kevin Leiner

Board Members (vote for two):

Bob Banta

Lonnie Sieck



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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 business meeting dates, the places, dates and times listed for events are tentative. Watch your email for updates. Please add these dates to your calendar and participate as much as you can! Support the boat shows listed and others. Chapter-sponsored events are in bold. **NOTE: Many events have either been cancelled or rescheduled due to the coronavirus.**

11/14 Chapter outing—Phillips Plating in New Bern HAS BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19.

No planned meeting or event in December due to COVID-19.

MEMBER TRADING DOCK

Items currently on this page include: FREE Barbour Boat & Trailer. [Click here](#) to view.

New Forum on Facebook for ACBS Members

Have a question about your project? Not sure how to fix an engine issue? Join the ACBS Members Group on Facebook! [Click Here.](#)



Request to Join

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 1942 inclusive

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

Late Classic: A boat built 1976 to 25 years prior to the current year.

Boats classified as Historic up through Late Classic will be judged separately as Preserved or Restored boats. For more information [click here.](#)