



NC C&P CHAPTER
Antique and Classic Boat Society, Inc.

Messing About In Boats

Monthly newsletter

NC Coastal & Piedmont
Chapter of ACBS

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Hello Fellow members,

Well, here we are celebrating Labor Day weekend, the un-official end of summer in some places. It is also a time of year when the boat shows start ramping up, but first I would like to thank Mike Loch, Jim Dean, and all of you who participated in the International Vintage Boating Day in Wilmington. We enjoyed fine weather, great food, and of course great fellowship.

As you read through the newsletter, you will see announcements of the boat shows taking place near us in September. The month kicks off with the Smith Mountain Lake chapter show on Sept. 12th and 13th. And of course, there is the big ACBS 50th anniversary Vintage Boating Week bash taking place Sept. 15th - 21st in Clayton, NY. There is also our chapter show being held at the Cypress Landing Yacht Club in Chocowinity on Sept. 27th. Please do plan to attend and support your chapter and if you plan to exhibit your boat, please get your registration in to me SOON! There is a bit of site planning we need to do to ensure there are enough slip spaces for us.

Sometime in the near future, we will be holding a "friends and family sale" at the late Bill Baker's shop in Moncure, NC. Bill was a master craftsman in just about any discipline you can name and generously helped a great many of us get through some of the trials and tribulations that our hobby can present to us. He is sorely

missed by those who knew him. Soon I will be sending out a catalogue and some photos of the tools and other shop equipment that are to be sold, with all the proceeds going to our chapter.

Weekly Web Watch editor Amy Scanlin says that the articles and photos our chapter sent on International Vintage Boating Day will be posted to launch on September 11th, so be sure to look for them.

That's all I have for this month and I hope y'all get out on your boats and enjoy the cooler weather.

Yours in classic boating,
Alan Hillo, President



ELECTION OF ACBS INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS WE URGE ALL CHAPTER MEMBERS TO VOTE NOW!!!

This message first appeared in the Weekly Web Watch on August 30th.

Dear ACBS members,

"We will be holding the Annual Membership Meeting, including the election of the ACBS Board of Directors and Officers at Vintage Boat Week in Clayton, New York. The meeting will be held at the 1000 Islands Harbor Hotel on Thursday, September 19th at 10:30 AM. If you cannot attend in person, please fill out the attached ballot and email it to lora@acbs.org by Friday, September 12th."

The ballot is a fillable PDF that is downloaded. You must mark the ballot and then **EMAIL** it to the ACBS Executive Director by September 12, 2025 for it to count. *If you plan to go the Clayton, but don't plan to attend the meetings, be sure to use this ballot and vote by the deadline.. The sample ballot is below. And yes, please vote even though there is only one candidate proposed for each open position.*

The Antique and Classic Boat Society, Inc. September 2025-2026 International Board of Directors – Official *Absentee Ballot*

Office	Term	Candidate (Chapter)	Vote
President	2 yr	Ed Andrews (Mid-Atlantic)	☐ Yes
Vice President	2 yr	Rob Cassell (Southern CA)	☐ Yes
Treasurer	1 yr	Dave Bortner (BSLOL)	☐ Yes
Secretary	1 yr	Kathleen Cross Stout (Thousand Islands)	☐ Yes
Director	3 yr – first term	Robert Shapton (Water Wonderland)	☐ Yes

Write-in Candidate:

This ballot is being cast by (enter your name), , as a current member of the Antique and Classic Boat Society, Inc.

Absentee Ballots must be received (electronically or by mail) at the ACBS Headquarters by September 12th, 2025.
Email: lora@acbs.org Mail: 422 James Street, Clayton, NY 13264

In-person voting will take place at the Annual Meeting in Clayton, New York

International Vintage Boating & Marina Day in Wilmington

Saturday August 16th started off overcast and with a breeze that helped cool us off, but by noon, it had turned into a scorcher. We cooled off by eating very tasty Hawaiian ices from a food truck.

Chapter member **Mike Loch**, who manages the Wilmington Marina Center, was our host. Our Chapter had five boats showing. **John Olsen** brought a boat he is modifying his Tahiti from an I/O to an inboard. He had just removed the interior so the visitors got to see a work in progress. Our beautiful antique and classic boats don't always start out gorgeous, but we hope they end up that way. LOL. **Jim Dean** showed his C-Dory on land and his Cris Craft Cruiser in the water. **Alan Hills** brought his just-completed Chris Craft Cavalier and showed it on the trailer. **John Tin-**

ney brought Duchess his beautiful Elco which we always enjoy seeing.

Also attending from our chapter were: **Alice Dean, Tammy Tinney, Jim & Anne Marie Hartman, Horace Whitfield, John Justice, Neal Keeter, John Dougherty, John Peck, and Judy Hills.** Fifteen is a good showing.

We appreciate that Mike Loch gave us tickets to use at the Mexican Food Truck and at the Hawaiian Ice Truck. He was very appreciative of our help in organizing and promoting this event. We hope it continues to grow.

Thanks to everyone from the Chapter that attended!



Aboard the Duchess: L to R: Tammy Tinney, Judy Hills, John Olsen, Anne Marie Hartman, Neal Keeter, John Tinney, John Justice, John Peck, John Dougherty, Jim Dean, Jim Hartman, and Alan Hills.

International Vintage Boating & Marina Day in Wilmington (Photos)



International Vintage Boating Day at Lake Norman by Rob Weller

On Saturday, August 16, we were able to coordinate a Sea Scouts weekend camping and leadership education event with International Vintage Boating Day. Five captains from the NCC&P and the Blue Ridge Chapters brought their 4 boats to the event on Lake Norman. **Rob Weller** (NCC&P and BRC) came with 1963 21' Lyman, **Tim & Christy Doering** (NCC&P) brought their 1994 27' Grady-White from Lake Wylie, **Jim Barrick** (BRC) came with 1956 18' Shepherd Runabout, and **Randy Vogel** (NCC&P and BRC) brought their 1950 22' Chris Craft U-22.

The Scouts had camped the night before at the private lakefront residence of their hosts, and after the 4 boats arrived and were tied up at the dock on Saturday, the Scouts performed Coast

Guard Vessel Safety checks on all the boats before the cruise (all passed!) The Scout Leaders and Scouts divided up into the 4 boats, and we cruised north on Lake Norman under the Highway 150 bridge, deep into a number of big coves, and then through the Lake Norman State Park before heading back to the dock for lunch. The weather and boating conditions were great, and the scenery was wonderful!

Many of the Scouts had never seen beautiful vintage boats like these, and the rides and the experience were much appreciated by the Scouts and Leaders alike. The event was rewarding and fun for the Captains too, and we hope to be able to plan additional maritime activities with this Sea Scout Ship in the future.



International Vintage Boating Day at Lake Norman (photos)



FAMILY FUN!

Antique & Classic Boat & Auto Show Cypress Landing Marina

100 Marina Dr, Chocowinity, NC 27817

Saturday, September 27, 2025 10 AM to 3 PM

- Antique & Classic Boats
- Antique & Classic Autos
- NC Estuarium
- Food Truck



Chapter Boat Show — Chocowinity, NC September 27, 2025

This year we are trying a new location, a little further west. Chocowinity is on the Pamlico River near Washington, NC. The Cypress Landing Yacht Club is hosting us. They are having a sailing regatta on that day, so there will be lots of activity. The local antique and classic car club is will be displaying their vehicles.

On August 19th we sent out an email to chapter members via the ACBS portal with links to the show flyer, the Frequently Asked Questions, and a fillable PDF form to register a

boat for the show. These links are also available on the [home page of our website](#). A review of those documents should answer all your questions, but if they don't, [contact President Alan Hills](#)

This show takes a lot of effort to organize for YOU! We hope that you will bring a boat and register to attend by September 19th. If you don't have a boat to show, please attend to support the chapter.

Winterizing Your Boat

Given the winter weather predictions of the Old Farmers Almanac, we may need to winterize our boats sooner than usual. Also, some places (like eastern NC) that don't normally have to take this action may need to.

[BoatUS has a Boater's Guide to Winterizing](#) that you can download and follow. [Click here](#) for a step-by-step guide by an expert on the topic. [Click here](#) for a link that lists the tools needed and

includes photographs. And don't forget that your trailer may need winterization, too.

Our chapter might host a weekday workshop where you can bring your trailered boat and we'll help each other winterize the boats and trailers. [Click here](#) to let Alan Hills know if you are interested. If we get enough, we'll schedule it.



Antique Boat Museum Boat Show in Clayton, NY

Jim and Anne Marie Hartman attended this show in August. Jim entered Loon, his 1955 20-foot, Chris Craft Continental for judging and won "Outstanding Chris Craft" award. Congrats!



Sail Away...

Sunday August 3rd was a perfect day to sail on the Neuse River in New Bern. The summer temperature had moderated, there was lots of the main ingredient—wind, and it was partly sunny. Members **Leif Eriksson** and **Austin Lewis** piled into Wiyaka (the Lakota Sioux name for feather), their jointly owned 23-foot Stonehorse, while members **Alan Hills** and **John Peck** took out Dark Side, their jointly owned 22.5-foot 1978 Pierson Ensign. Leif and Austin had a little trou-

ble motoring out of their slip at Blackbeard Sailing Club—their prop was fouled. Luckily a diver was working on some boats nearby so he scraped the barnacles off the prop which did the trick. The guys all said that they had never seen so many sail boats out on the Neuse—must have been due to the weather. It has been way, way too hot to sail these last few week. Guess the sailors needed to scratch that itch! Here are a few pictures of the boats underway.



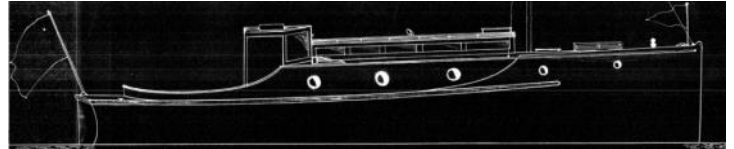
Top L and C: Wiyaka, Top R: Dark Side. Bottom L: Leif at the helm. Bottom R: Dark Side



Check out this New Zealand Woody Site

We stumbled upon this site when reading one of the newsfeeds. Waitemata Woodys is akin to WoodyBoater. They are "Dedicated to the study & appreciation of wooden boats. WaitemataWoodys® was founded upon a desire to tell the stories & a need to archive the history of our classic wooden boats, the craftsman who built them & characters that owned & crewed on them. To share – email your photos, video's & stories to Flora McKenzie at

waitematawoodys@gmail.com – Special thanks to marine author & historian Harold Kidd....WW gets a LOT of emails every day – we like that, but sometimes we just can't answer them all, it's not that we're lazy or rude – just busy working on the next story :-) Alan Houghton – WW founder ©2024." [Click here.](#)



DATES TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, November 8 at 12-3 PM

Regional meeting hosted at by Rob and Elizabeth Weller
5026 Kiser Island Rd. in Terrell, NC (Lake Norman area)

[Click here](#) to reserve as lunch will be served. Members and prospective members welcome.

Saturday, November 15 at 11 AM

Chapter Annual luncheon meeting at The Bistro at Duplin Winery
404 N. Sycamore St. in Rose Hill, NC

[Click here](#) for the menu—pay for your own lunch
They have a big store on site—think holiday gifts!

Saturday December 13 at 1 PM

Chapter Annual Christmas Linner (lunch/dinner) at the Leiners
1505 Wildhurst Lane in Wake Forest

Chapter provides food and non-alcoholic beverages, BYOB

33rd Annual SML Chapter ACBS Antique Boat Festival & Show



Open to the public from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM on Sat, Sep 13, 2025

Open to boat show participants on both Fri, Sep 12 and Sat, Sep 13, 2025

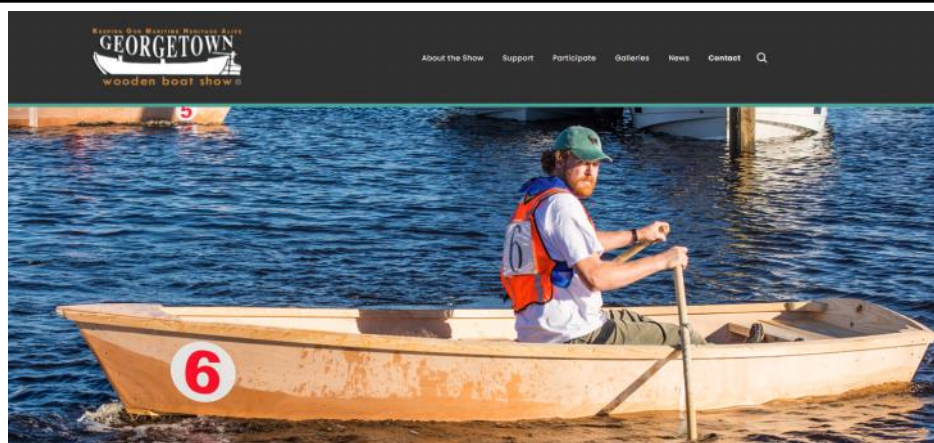
Our 33rd Annual Antique and Classic Boat Show at beautiful Smith Mountain Lake promises to be a fun-filled opportunity to cruise the lake, display your boat, and chat with other antique boat enthusiasts.

Goodhue Boat Company - Blackwater
400 Crazy Horse Drive
Moneta VA 24121
540-719-0620

[2025 Boat Registration Form](#)

[2025 Vendor Registration Form](#)

[2025 Field of Dreams Registration Form](#)



Georgetown, SC Wooden Boat Show

[Click here](#) for the full schedule of events for exhibitors, vendors and visitors. 10/17-19

Spreading Bill Baker's Ashes

That's what John Justice calls our distributing and selling off of items in Bill's workshop.

For those who don't know, Bill was a long-time active member of our chapter who passed away about a year ago. Bill named member John Justice the executor of his will. Bill left the vehicles he owned to the chapter. His intention was to have them sold and the money use provide education on how to fix and upgrade antique and classic boats. The contents of the shop were willed to John. John has taken what he wants and is putting the rest up for sale and plans to give the proceeds (minus any expenses) to the chapter.

John and member Neal Keeter have been working to clean up what they can.

They have hauled a lot of junk to the dump. On Thursday August 28th, members Jeff Gelm, Jim Hartman, Alan and Judy Hills joined John at the workshop. They organized, grouped, catalogued, and tagged items, but only got through a little less than half the items. Another work day is planned the first week in September followed shortly by a "Friends and Family sale" where members will get the first look at the offerings. There are some real deals to be had, but we ask that you be generous in making offers, considering how the proceeds from the sale will be used—to add to Bill's legacy request.



Chapter Burgees

We have three chapter burgees available for sale at \$35 each (\$40 if mailed).

They are 12x18, laser etched, double sided (logo correct on both sides) and made of a durable material. See photo at right for style and colors. If we sell out the first order, we'll place a second order so that we have some on-hand.

Contact Alan Hills to buy a burgee.



EMBROIDERED CHAPTER LOGO SHIRTS

Now available. We have our logo with an embroidery company in New Bern. For \$8 each we can get almost any cloth item embroidered. You pick the shirt or other item. Contact Alan Hills if interested.



Name Tags—Don't have one? The First One is Free!

Please remember to wear your name tags at chapter events so we can get to know you. If you have never received a name tag—the first one is free to those who hold primary membership in our chapter. The chapter pays and will have it shipped directly to you—you just need to ask for it. You may request additional name tags or a name tag for a co-member. Click here to read information on how to order. **We also have chapter logo ball caps for \$30.** Email Alan Hills if you want one.

Members who joined or renewed this past month include:

New:

Welcome!

Renewed: Thomas Hamilton (Henrico, VA), Jeff Martinson (Raleigh), Barry Summey (Stanley, NC), Ian Prince (Concord, NC)

Total Membership: 72 NCC&P Primary Chapter: 60 Not Primary Chapter: 12

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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. On May 23, 2025, the IRS designated our chapter a 501c3 nonprofit.

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.

Please note that dates, the places, and times listed for events may change. Watch your email for updates or check the **home page** of our website. **Newsletter deadline is the 25th of each month.** Please mark these dates on your calendar:

9/12-13 [Smith Mountain Lake ACBS Boat Show](#)

9/15-21 [ACBS International 50th Anniversary](#) Clayton, NY

9/19 International Talk Like a Pirate Day

9/27 Chapter Boat Show in Chocowinity—[email Larry Lettick](#)

10/17-19 [Georgetown SC Wooden Boat Show](#)

10/25 [Roanoke Island Maritime Museum Boat Show](#) at Manteo

10/30 to 11/2 2025 Hilton Head Island, SC [Concours d'Elegance](#)

11/1 [Southport, NC Wooden Boat Show](#)

11/8 Regional meeting at Lake Norman hosted by [Rob Weller](#)

12-3 PM with lunch included.

11/15 Chapter Annual Meeting & Lunch at [The Bistro at Duplin winery in Rose Hill](#) 11 AM booked. Order off menu.

12/13 Chapter Christmas Party (1 PM) at the Leiners in Wake Forest



What are the ACBS Definitions of Antique or Classic Boat?

Historic: Any boat built up to and including 1918

Antique: Any boat built between 1919 and 1942

Classic: Any boat built between 1943 and 1975

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

Contemporary: Any wooden boat built within the last 25 years.

Boats classified as Historic up through Late Classic will be judged separately as Preserved, Restored or Resto-Mod

Resto-Mod: Any historic, antique, classic or late classic boat that has been restored and modified with non-original parts and technology.

For more information [click here](#).