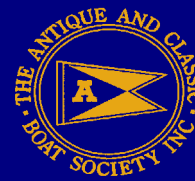




THE WET EDGE

NEWSLETTER OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST CHAPTER ANTIQUE & CLASSIC BOAT SOCIETY



Antique and Classic Boat Society
Pacific NW Chapter
8704 State Route 530 NE
Arlington, WA 98223

www.acbs.org
www.acbs-pnw.org

ACBS PNW
Officers and
Board of Directors

Officers

President
Warren Olson
Vice President
Steve Snider

Secretary
Craig Magnusson

Treasurer
Kirk Knapp

Board of Directors

Ingvar Carlson
Tom Cathcart
Tom Cunningham
Linda Cunningham
Brian Flaherty
Brian Franchini
Steve Franchini
Frank Gonzales
Don Palmer
Greg Price
Steve Snider

Advisors to the Board

Rob DaPron
Dick Dow
Ike Kielgass
Ron Stevenson

At Large Positions

Social Chair
Don & Jodi Palmer

Cruiser Class
Karl Hoffman

Historian
Rob DaPron

Chief Judge
Alan Thomle

Membership
Kirk Knapp

Newsletter Production
Warren Olson -
GOS Printing
Corporation

Webmaster
Pat Ford

Youth Representative
Cole Franchini

Safety Officer
Tim Dies

Compass Point
Representatives

North - Dick Montage,
South - Jim Giesey
& Rick Means
East - Jon Courtright
West - Open

So Much to be Thankful for...

DECEMBER 2014

Guest Editor - Steve Snider

Thanksgiving has just passed and as a club there are many things that we can be thankful for. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge people in our chapter that have contributed over the last year to make the PNWACBS a vibrant and exciting club. Highlighting all the events and contributors is also a great way to summarize the year's activities.

Rob daPron - Rob has just finished up his 2 year term as the president of our chapter. It is quite a bit of work to keep our unruly crew on task but he has done a fantastic job over the past 2 years. He has brought some variety to our monthly meetings encouraging events away from the Center for Wooden Boats. He has also pushed to make Mahogany and Merlot our big show of the year which has been successful with a growing event every year. Thank you Rob!



The Seattle Boat Show display in January: Thanks to **Frank Gonzales** for helping us to get this space and also bringing an unrestored Capri to put on display. Juxtaposition to the unrestored Capri was **Warren Olson's** freshly completed Capri "Blondie." This was a fantastic display and truly showed what kind of work members of the club can do. **Brian Franchini** also brought his fiberglass jet boat as well as **Cole's** Skeeto boat. Last but not least big thank you to **Ron Stevenson** for being the Boat Show Chairman, getting things set up, manning the both and being there nearly every day.

February Garage Tour: Big thank you to **Ike Kielgass** and **Brenda Chrystie** for hosting our monthly meeting at his monster garage. In addition to hosting the event Ike spearheaded a fundraising effort for the Center for Wooden Boats. As a result of his efforts and donations from our club members we have successfully raised \$25,000 to go towards the building of the Wagner Educational Center at the Center for Wooden Boats.

April Symposium: Unfortunately I was not able to attend this event but heard it was fantastic. Held at **Curt and Marsha Erickson's** house on Lake Tanwax near Eatonville. There were many that contributed to make this event happen. Speakers: **Tim Robinson, Craig Magnusson, John Flaherty, Tom Horn, and Karl Hoffman.** **Rob DaPron, Dick Dow, Kirk Knapp, Warren Olson, and Steve Franchini** all donated their time for logistics and setup.



Opening Day in May: Big thanks to **Curt and Marsha Erickson** for our wind up keys for the boat. Marsha came up with the idea and Curt built all the keys, what a great team. **Brian Franchini** organized the Friday night dinner and **George and Peggy Corley** put on our Saturday breakfast.

(So Much to be Thankful for... cont.)

May Garage meeting: As he has in the past **Brad Green** hosted our May monthly meeting at his under house classic car storage complex.

July Family Fun Day on Lake Tapps: I believe this was the second annual Lake Tapps event. **Scott Mason** hosted the first leg of the event and it ended at **Don Palmer's** house. **Brian Franchini** organized a poker run.

September meeting at HARM: Ike Kielgass came thru again and set us up at the Hydroplane and Raceboat Museum for our monthly meeting. BTW Kirk Knapp is still missing his bottle opener from this event if you happened to have found it.



My bottle opener has been found...yippee! (It's the little things)



September Family Fun Day at Mason Lake/Keels and Wheels: This might have been the 2nd biggest event of the year for the club with a good number of classic wood boats as well as classic cars and fiberglasses on display. Shout out to **Jim Giesy** and **Rick Means** for making this happen.

Mahogany and Merlot in October: Getting better and better every year, thanks to **Rob DaPron** for continuing to push this event. **Greg Price** hosted the Thursday night dinner at his in-laws house.

Annual Dinner in November: This was the second year having the annual dinner at the Tacoma Yacht Club which is a very nice venue for this event. Thanks to **Jim Giesy** for sponsoring the event as a member of the club and **Don Palmer** for putting the event together. Thanks to **Barbara and Ed Tronca** for stepping up and bridging the gap in our fundraising effort for the Education Center at the CWB, we hadn't quite hit \$25K until they did that.



Kirk Knapp - Our treasurer and beer supplier, need I say more?

Warren Olson - Our in-house printer making the newsletter happen, fantastic idea of the ACBS personalized business card, and now our chapter president!

I apologize for anyone I left out (I am sure there are a couple) but there are so many events and activities going on throughout the year it is hard to keep track of who does what and how it happens. That is what makes our club so much fun to be a member of and participate with. A round of applause for all the contributing members over the last year!

In case you missed the Annual Dinner here are the award winners:

Oops Award: Brian Flaherty for is line in the prop incident at Opening Day.

Leaky Bilge Award: Scott Mason - Two incidents, one involved a newly purchased Shepherd with caulked seams. (Don't Ask)

Bayliner Award: Jim Giesy for fenders flying while underway at Keels and Wheels. (Be sure to ask him about this)

Lime Light Award: Bob Wheeler for his articles in The Rudder covering the restoration of his Chris Craft Deluxe.

President's Award: Ike Kielgass for his efforts to raise \$25,000 toward the Center for Wooden Boats Education center.



TECHNICAL TIPS & HELPFUL HINTS

Winter Layup – Gas tank full or empty?

At a recent meeting I heard a couple members discussing this topic of whether it is better to store your boat for the winter with the gas tank full or empty. Since I was eavesdropping I didn't hear the full conversation and decided I should do my own research.

There is a bit of debate on full or empty but most published reputable sources support a full gas tank for winter storage with fuel stabilizer added and here is why:

The school of thought on filling a fuel tank prior to the winterization is that there will be less space in the tank for condensation to form as a result of climate changes during storage. When condensation occurs water can form inside the tank. Adding to the issue is the presence of ethanol in the most easily available gasoline. Ethanol can attract and absorb water, more so than regular gasoline. Over time the ethanol can allow water that's in gasoline to separate from the fuel and sink to the bottom of the tank. This is called "phase separation." This can, for the most part, be prevented by using fuel additives or you could source ethanol free gas: <http://pure-gas.org/index.jsp?stateprov=WA>



All of this is especially important in boats like ours that might have an older galvanized gas tank. The water collecting in the tank can lead to rust, sediment, gas leaks, etc. Best advice is to keep the tank nearly full, reducing the volume of moist air that can enter the tank via the fuel tank vent. Regardless of what type of fuel you use, a fuel stabilizer will help keep it fresh during a lay-up.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



BBRRRR... it seems like it went from summer to winter. By now you have the pride and joy winterized washed and looking it over before you put it away. Maybe it's time to do a little repair.

The varnish has a few extra scrapes or dock dings from this summer's outings. The engine is getting tired needs a rebuild or has a few leaks. The wheel bearings on the trailer should be serviced. You ask, can I do these chores myself? Well maybe you can with a little help from the Experts.

We will be haranguing a few of the Experts and few that don't think of themselves as experts to do a round table discussion on these very topics. So Mr. Wants to be self sufficient now is your chance to ask the Experts their secrets to that fine furniture finish or how do I fix an electrical problem. It can be anything you want. So start preparing your questions now and be ready for this opportunity coming the February 11th meeting.

Happy holidays to all, wishing you and yours the very best.
—Warren

SAFETY TIPS

SAFE BOATING QUIZ: Do you have what it takes to be a safe boater? Test your safe boating IQ with our boater safety quiz! These simple true or false questions below are a handy review of some key safe boating rules.

1. True or False: If my boat doesn't contain any fire hazards from the motor or fuel system, then according to Federal requirements, I don't need to bring a fire extinguisher along.
2. True or False: Children younger than 13 years old should wear a Lifejacket while underway.
3. True or False: If someone falls overboard, the first thing you should do is jump in right away to assist them.
4. True or False: A dock or slip should be always approached at clutch speed.
5. True or False: 25% of all boating accidents involve a personal watercraft that was borrowed.
6. True or False: Boats that are 16 feet and

- over must also carry one USCG-approved throwable Lifejacket (Type IV).
7. True or False: If a boat is overturned or swamped, abandon the boat and use your Lifejacket for flotation.
8. True or False: I have family visiting and we will be going over recommended capacity by just one person. This shouldn't be a problem for safe boating, right?
9. True or False: It's okay if others drink when onboard, as long as there is one responsible safe boater onboard to safely handle the watercraft.
10. The S.A.F.E. Boating principles stand for: Sober Boating, Alertness, Fasten Lifejackets, and Education.



QUIZ ANSWERS

1 - True 2 - True 3 - False 4 - True 5 - False 6 - True 7 - False 8 - False 9 - False 10 - True



Classifieds: Buy - Sell - Trade

Looking for a Chris Craft Hatch

Contact Steve Snider if you have one you are willing to part with:

206-714-2404



25' Chris Craft 1966 Sea Skiff

Original classic mahogany hull in good condition plus:

- ✓ Well-maintained 350 V-8 with new manifolds & risers
- ✓ Solid state ignition + New DC panels
- ✓ Raymarine i40 with S/D/T thru-hull transducer
- ✓ Convertible top & 2 custom covers
- ✓ In covered moorage on Salmon Bay

Offered at **\$17,500**

Contact Ron Flynn at **206-612-5719**

6 volt

Chrysler generator

believed to be from a Crown. It does need to be rebuilt. **FREE**

Contact Al McEwan:

almcewan@msn.com



'55 Chrysler HEMI

Marine M-445

270 CU. IN.
150 HP 231 FTLBS
LH Rotation 1:1 Gearbox
Original Bore
12 Volt 2BBL Carter Carb
Spare Parts
Maintenance Manual
Complete operational unit

Contact: Tom Carlin

425-318-2119

hemi273fjc@yahoo.com

Best Offer



16' 1941 Chris Craft Deluxe Runabout

Professionally restored in 2013.

New 5200 bottom, new decks, sides and frames.

Restored engine. Custom trailer included.

\$32,000

253-468-2314



Vintage O'BRIEN water ski **\$75**

Vintage water skiing set, Pair of wood skis, line reel, and belt floatation. **\$150**



Cool green old boat cushion, use as a compass!
\$75



Chris Craft gauge set in original dash
\$200

Contact Ron Stevenson: **206-799-1048**

Advertising Space Available! email Warren at wolson1@msn.com

MONTHLY MEETINGS & UP-COMING EVENTS

January 14th Meeting
at the Center for Wooden Boats
Program - Renaming Your Boat
Dick Dow and Steve Snider

February 11th Meeting
at the Center for Wooden Boats
Program - Roundtable with the experts
& not so experts. Please submit your
questions in advance to Warren at
wolson1@msn.com

March 11th Meeting
at Ike Kielgass Monster Garage
Program - More info to come

**We want you at this
month's meeting!**