



PACIFIC NORTHWEST THE WET EDGE



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President's Message

You know, I always like to read the guest editor's article before putting pen to paper, or fingers to keyboard in this day and age. Dick Dow has done a marvelous job recapping 2011 activities and has provided a wonderful outline of things to come. The January business meeting promises to have a full agenda as we forge ahead with plans for 2012's activities. I cannot promise that 2012 will be as jam packed as 2011 but, I have every reason to believe that it probably will be. The one thing I can tell you with certainty is that it will only be as good a year as you make it. Our organization has been blessed with members who bring a myriad of skills combined with a large helping of enthusiasm to our meetings and activities that make them just plain fun to be around. In the course of the last year I have not had the opportunity to do the amount of boating I wanted to because of other priorities that required my attention. However, I still took the time to participate in ACBS activities and invite ACBS friends to socialize whenever I could. It turns out that I enjoy the people I have met in ACBS just as much or maybe even more than I enjoy boating!

I encourage everyone to participate, not in everything, just in everything you want to be a

part of. Pay your dues, come to meetings, bring a friend, go to a boat show, read a magazine or a blog, there truly is something for everyone, especially those who have just enough termites blood in them to make being around wooden boats irresistible. After a while, you will probably discover that hanging out with these kindred spirits is a lot of fun and when you are doing it on the water, even more fun.

As I reflect on 2011, I prefer to focus on everything that turned out better than I expected. When I focus on the "good" things that happened, I have come to realize that I almost always have someone else to thank. My involvement in ACBS is no exception. Last year was a great year because our Board and many of our members participated in planning meetings and activities. I have too many people to thank to list them all here. Please join us and make 2012 another great year for ACBS PNW Chapter and for yourself.

Cheers,
Peter

PS What is your "Porthole to Paradise"?

CWB Auction!

For the past several years, ACBS members have participated in the CWB fundraising auction, which is a great event, with really cool stuff to bid on and the always entertaining John Curley running the show. This year, it is on February 18th at the Seattle Design Center. Let's try and get a table or two full of ACBS members again this year. \$100 per person includes hors d'oeuvres, beverages, dinner, parking and the show/auction. The theme this year is "Steer by the Stars" and celestial-themed attire is encouraged -This is too easy...

Father Time is Back in Diapers...

Guest Editor: Richard Dow

It's safe to say we wore the old man out last year! I am continually amazed at the amount of effort the ACBS PNW group puts out on behalf of its members, the hobby and related organizations every year. 2012 promises to be another interesting and active time, one which I hope brings many new experiences and smiles to participating members.

Last year, the usual January lull (hangover if you will) was only allowed for a couple weeks, as we started the year with a terrific meeting at Wicked Fabrication in Auburn, where some incredible automotive restoration and modifications are performed. Then there was a Sweetheart "cruise" planned for mid-February, but due to high winds and other logistical issues no boats showed up and the group had a lovely dinner at Ivar's Salmon house, watching the waves that would have been beating the boats to smithereens break on the dock... Next up was a great meeting and workshop held at Ike's garage in early March, followed by the CWB auction.

Before we knew it Opening Day was upon us, as we celebrated the Salish Sea Treasures theme in custom native headdress designs by Marsha, (No, not Stewart - Marsha Erickson - clearly the more talented of the two!) printed by Warren and his team. And yes, we won again...

June brought the long-anticipated Snake River Odyssey, put together by Ike and Curt and enjoyed by a large group, many of whom had not done an odyssey before. Guess what? It was full of wonderful camaraderie, good adventure, was windy, rough and exciting with the river flowing about four feet over its usual level and most of the people I talked to are already asking when and where the next one will be! Stay tuned, there are several ideas on the table.

Next up: July - Mind you, winter still hadn't given up on the Northwest at this point, but we were pushing forward anyway... The CWB show and Lake Union Fireworks went off on the weekend of the 4th, despite all the issues associated with the neighborhood these days. Then in short order we had the Chris Craft Rendezvous, the Okanogan, Portland



and Sand Point ACBS shows, all of which were (take a breath here) setting the stage for the first ACBS Regional Boat Show, held in Coeur d'Alene August 17-21. PNW supplied the judging team for the event. (...and learned that lesson!) Two weeks later a bunch of us were at Priest Lake for the Dry Rot Festival, then the Mason Lake show, finally "ending" the season in Chelan at the 2nd Annual Mahogany and Merlot gathering the first weekend of October.

The wrap up for the year was a relaxed annual dinner aboard the Virginia V in late October, a venue secured at the aforementioned CWB auction by our tireless treasurer and membership chair Kirk Knapp, who over the course of the summer became an expert in Scripps head gasket replacement, a story that can be told a different day. If you missed the annual dinner, not only did you miss a great time and a real good dinner, you missed hanging out on the V with some cool people and the presentation of the club awards, always an enjoyable part of the evening.

OK, so that is the quick run-down on what the club did last year, but as is so often the case, it's not necessarily all about the boats. Look at what transpired in just a few of the officer and board members lives during the past year: Peter and Barbara restored, remodeled and moved into their new home, "The BroLodgeio", near Maltby. Tim and Brianne have moved "High Seas" to a boathouse in Everett they own. The Magnusson Boathouse sold and Craig has moved to Bellingham and the family compound on Lake Whatcom. Alan and Yvonne Thomle are midway through building their new home near Warm Beach. A few members have new joints. We all have new pains - but I digress...

Last year, Craig and I re-engineered the Tolly v-drives, this year there are some motors to build and many other individual projects going on within the club. Several of us cruised last year, there were countless boat rides and many informal gatherings that occurred around the various things we all seemed to have going on. I can absolutely testify that the best part of this ACBS experience is the help and encouragement, the things accomplished and learned as a

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result of the friendships we have in this group. That is how we get all this stuff done!

The 2012 monthly meetings begin next week and we need members to attend, get involved and help plan the many events we are going to be participating in this year. There will be a Garage Tour, Opening Day, an Odyssey, all the ACBS shows, the CC Rendezvous, Dry Rot, Mahogany and Merlot. We want to add more family fun days and are seeking ideas for other events - Do you have something that you would like to get this group to do? It doesn't have to be just about boats. Cars, planes, wine tasting, potlucks, museum visits - the opportunities are endless! The fun and memories gained - Priceless!

I'm betting on the Mayan calendar being wrong this time. Either way, we still have Opening Day and the "Porthole to Paradise" to figure out... This new kid is going to have a long beard before we know it, so let's make the most of 2012!



Don Vogt's Jennifer II 1938 Chris Craft Custom - Best of Show at Coeur d'Alene ACBS Regional Boat Show



Classifieds:

Chrysler Marine M-44-S Hemi engine, LH rotation, 155hp, 270 cu in., 232 ft lbs. Complete and operational. Direct drive gearbox, 2bbl carb, 12 volt electrical and some spares and maintenance manual. Used for three seasons. Runs strong. \$3,000.00. Tom Carlin, 425 318-2119.

1964 Chris-Craft Cavalier "Custom Ski" 16'. Unique and rare, this boat is water ready, powered by a sweet running 185hp 283 with 415 original hours. Spare prop, period skis, original trailer and cover are part of the package. \$4,000.00. Pictures on request. Bret, 360 679-9151. islandduo@comcast.net

CWB has two donated cruisers for sale, both operational and at their dock: A) 1941 30' Chris Craft Sedan, single M six cylinder flathead, \$3,900.00 OBO. B) 1967 37' Ed Monk Sr. custom flybridge, red cedar on oak, single gas V8, sleeps six, two heads, fully rigged. \$7,900.00 OBO. Call Steve Greaves at 206 371-0486.

1979 Chev C-30 Crew Cab Dually. Unknown miles, but recent transmission rebuild, good tires, new brakes, new battery, great for work, towing or restore it! I've used it for the past 15 years. Someone out there needs this truck! \$2,500.00 OBO. Dick Dow 425 868-0921.

1957 37' Chris-Craft Commander. This boat has been in one family for a long time, has had recent work done but the owner recently passed away and his family is looking for a new home for the boat. Contact Ron Stevenson for more information and pictures. 206 799-1048.

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1964 Chris-Craft Cavalier



CWB 30' Chris Craft



1979 Chev Truck



1957 Chris Craft Commander

The Big Seattle Boat Show!

First up for 2012 - Tim Dies has secured a booth for ACBS-PNW at the Seattle Boat Show this year! We will need to scramble to get membership materials, design a display and recruit members to occupy the booth during the show. Right now, we have a 20' x 10' spot on the main floor, with a possibility of more space at the last minute. We'll have at least one boat there, but may need another to be available on short notice. We have not been in the show since before the Kingdome was imploded. This is really exciting and is a great chance to show the Northwest Marine Trade Association what they have been missing. Other major shows around the U.S. and in Canada have realized significant marketing and attendance advantages by featuring ACBS boats. Let's do it here!

If you can assist or have ideas or materials that will help make up a good display, let us know.

DON'T FORGET THE MONTHLY MEETING!

January 11th at CWB - 6:30pm

We want you at this
month's meeting!

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