



# THE WET EDGE

NEWSLETTER OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST CHAPTER ANTIQUE & CLASSIC BOAT SOCIETY



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**JANUARY 2015**

## Big Seattle Boat Show Time!

*Guest Editor - Ron Stevenson*

Yes, or well maybe, (mostly yes!) we are invited back to fill an empty spot in the 2015 Seattle Boat Show. Thanks to Frank Gonzales, member at large, who works for the Northwest Marine Trade Association (NMTA) and sponsors the show, we hope to get some booth space this year. At this early stage, it looks like we may get a 10x10 booth on the upper mezzanine level. That begs the question, what do we put into the booth to draw people in to preach our mission of preservation and restoration of old wood boats, and "sell" memberships? There won't be room for a big boat for people to "oh and ah" at. Hopefully we can borrow Cole Franchini's little "Skeeto" boat, that is great for photo shots of kids. Curt Erickson has volunteered his huge Hispano-Suiza boat motor, a work of art in itself. I have a couple hatch covers off the Custom for a display of mahogany with varnish and chrome. We will have the flat screen showing events and Warren's restoration. Will Rick Means make his large burgees available to us? But I think the most

important thing to bring is YOU! And your book showing your restoration. We can bore people talking about our own restorations if they are really curious. If you have additional ideas for display, please let me know!

And if at the last minute we have a large boat sized booth, what shall we put in? I think Ike's "Rowdy" race boat would be a great draw. Do let me know your ideas.

The dates: we will start setting up according to the NMTA schedule, probably the 21<sup>st</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup>. The show is from Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. However, if the Seahawks are in the Super Bowl, Saturday the 31<sup>st</sup> will be the last day.

I will be actively signing up people in the next weeks, so please plan on investing some time at the show for yourself, and for our chapter. Your free admission allows you to see the show before or after your booth time, and we have fun!



## FROM THE SAWDUST PILE

Curt & Marsha Erickson have sold the caretakers rights to their cruiser "Gwendeline". They are spending more and more time on Secret Island in the Gulf Islands, and were using the boat less and less. Next for sale is Gwendoeine's boat house at Tacoma Yacht Club. Gwendeline will have a new home in Seattle.

Bruce Bronson sold his recently finished beautiful triple cockpit, and took in trade an amazing, all original, 20' Chris Craft Custom hull number #90. I'm told this is a time capsule, I gotta go see this!

Dick and Kathy Dow just got back before Christmas from Disneyland with the grand kids, they had a grand time!

Ike Kielgass and BGFE Brenda just got back from warming the marrow of their bones in Hawaii.

Rob & Susan DaPron's daughter Kate is home after graduating from college this fall quarter. His son Will is currently in New Zealand on his around the world adventures. Rob has Rob Corliss's Century in the shop for freshening up.

Tom Cathcart is recovering nicely from his back surgery in December.

Jim Giese has sold his Chris Craft Cobra. One less thing for Jim to worry about getting wet!

Tim Dies is recovering well from his heart attack that he suffered in December. He was back at work before Christmas.

Laura Stevenson was up from San Francisco visiting with her parents for the Holidays.

Ike will start building a 225 class raceboat for his marinized Lycoming engine this new year.

Sadly, Kirk Knapps' folks lost their home and all their belongings last month in a fire at Port Madison.

Keep that shop floor clean, sweep up that sawdust!

Best wishes to all of you for a Happy, Healthy, and prosperous New Year!

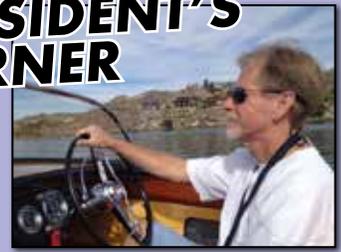
## CHRISTMAS LIGHTED BOAT PARADE

Some of us enjoyed the Chet Gibson Memorial Lighted Parade. Parade sponsored by Queen City Yacht Club. Fancy talk for watching the lighted pleasure craft as they were cruising through from Lake Union out to Lake Washington, Saturday night the 13<sup>th</sup>. We watched about 75 decorated boats cruise by, with some great lighting effects! Sorry, hard to take pictures in the dark!

We had two boats, Karl and Lois brought "Blue Jay" their 1941 34' Chris Craft Sedan Cruiser, and I brought my "new" boat the 1979, 37' North Sea Trawler "SPIRIT BEAR". We met some new to us members Bob and Chris Braaf, they are actually members of the Rocky Mountain Chapter. He is in town for a year or two working for Boeing. They trailered up their 1957 28' Chris Craft Sedan Cruiser with flybridge from Colorado, and are looking forward to doing some cruising while here. Get this, she is the daughter of Chris Smith, and the grand-daughter of Christopher Smith, the founder of a boat company with that name! Also aboard was Bret & Laura Medbury who came down from from Oak Harbor, long time members who need to get out more often! And a brand new member, the whole Flaherty family showed up, bringing the new baby Liam!

By the way, Argosy continues their own boat parade, the finale being December 23<sup>rd</sup>. Their largest vessel leaves from Kirkland with Seattle Girl's Choir aboard. It is at Portage Bay at 8:45-9:05, where it stops for a performance and the Grand Finale is at Gas Works Park 9:45-10:05. This is easily viewed and the choir heard from the shore, and decorated pleasure craft fill both Portage Bay, and the north end of Lake Union. It is quite a spectacle!

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Kudos to Karl Hoffman and Ron Stevenson for providing their Geezer boats for viewing "The Holiday of Lights". Folks brought appetizers' and a little holiday cheer. The weather was cold but dry. There were a lot of boats decorated going back and forth displaying their lights. Afterwards dinner at Ivar's. This is a great outing to put on your must do list in the future.

Christmas is now in the rear view, the New Year is here! We are gearing up for a fun year with lots of activities to choose from. So get out in the garage or shop and get those minor repairs done that happened over the summer outings.

If you're stumped on how to do those repairs or install those new xmas presents on your boat, submit your question(s) to me for "The Round Table of Experts and not so Expert" in February. See the enclosed flyer in this Newsletter for further details.

January is our meet and great meeting to start the New Year off. Dick Dow and Steve Snider will be presenting "How to rename your boat". If you haven't been to a club meeting for awhile or not at all it's time to get off your duff come on down meet some great folks who have similar interest as you.

Happy New Year!

Warren

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**DUE?**

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# Classifieds: Buy - Sell - Trade



**1959 16' Century Resorter**  
Turn key, professionally maintained boat located in Lake Oswego, OR.  
Gray marine V-8 engine, new upholstery, fresh varnish, decent trailer.  
A very nice user boat.  
Asking **\$15,000**  
Call Mike at **503-686-0599**



**60's Owens Flagship 327 225HP** marine engine. Complete engine with all accessories. Doesn't appear to have saltwater damage. Was said to run but did not have good or consistent compression when tested. Asking **\$500**. Located in Portland. Call Mike at **503-686-0599**



Believed to be a **1963 Century 17' Resorter** with trailer. It has a Dave Lobb restoration with a new bottom, engine is a 327, I think, with about 55 hrs. on the most recent rebuild. The boat was in the water last summer.  
Asking price is **\$15,500** or OBO.  
Call Mike at **425-356-7419** More pix are available from Al McEwan - [almcewan@msn.com](mailto:almcewan@msn.com)



**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**



**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**



**For Sale: Lots of stuff in my garage...**

- 1) West Bend 40hp Golden Shark outboard and Chrysler 50hp as a set. The Golden Shark is a very collectable and unusual motor, the Chrysler a newer version of the same block and lower unit. One is short shaft, one has the extension. Between the two of them you can put together a real sweet outboard for your vintage boat. \$250.00 obo.
- 2) Two 1957 18hp, one Evinrude, one Johnson. Both run well. The Evinrude is clean and original and comes with a pressure tank. The Johnson has been converted to work with a standard, non-pressurized tank, is not quite as clean cosmetically. \$250.00 for the Evinrude and tank, \$175.00 for the Johnson. Offers will be entertained.
- 3) Australian built pickle-fork outboard hydroplane, last used on the Slough run about 15 years ago. Will take up to a 50 hp motor, ran great with an old Merc 40! \$400.00.
- 4) I have three Gray Marine/AMC 327 V8 motors, one complete, low-hour LH rotation that has never been apart and two good blocks with all the accessories. Make me an offer for one or all three.

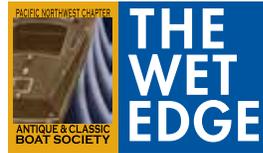


It's time to make some space in here and I have a bunch of stuff that I'll never use - maybe you will! Let's talk. Dick Dow. **425 868-0499**. [Thisuldu@yahoo.com](mailto:Thisuldu@yahoo.com).

## Escape to the Flamingo Las Vegas!

Huh? Why the talk about Las Vegas in our newsletter? Because we have an opportunity to attend a quarterly ACBS board meeting February 12-15. This gives us the chance to have a voice and vote in our organization's future. Your input is invaluable with the events your Board is working on and they want to share the important projects we are involved with as the club moves forward. This is a very important meeting that will help them shape the direction of the Antique and Classic Boat Society. I have been to a couple of these over the years, and it is a great opportunity to make connections with members from all over the country, and there is endless talk about boats! I don't think most of you have ever been to one of these, so I wanted to float the idea of a bunch of us to go. Do not confuse this with the Annual Meeting, there is no boat show! Registration through ACBS is \$223, the event begins Thursday at a 6:00 pm Reception, all day Friday (the 13th) is the meeting, breakfast together on Sat. Then weekend activities will be available. For more information and a registration form call Stacy or Jen at HQ (315) 686-2628, or download from the ACBS site.

To make your hotel reservation call (888) 373-9855 or visit The Flamingo site. The rooms are \$89.00 plus a \$20 "resort fee" which you cannot decline, so really it is \$109 a night, for a double queen. Maybe you could split a room with someone? Maybe you can win your room price back in the casino?



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## 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](mailto:wolson1@msn.com)*

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

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

### More about Classified Ads!

A new, welcome addition to our chapter monthly newsletter, and did you know for a few bucks you can get a national classified ad in the Trading Dock section of the ACBS website?

All on-line ads must be submitted through headquarters. There is NO DEADLINE dates to have to worry about.

There is a flat rate of \$10 to post the ad and the it will run for 90 days, plus add a photo for \$5!

Want even more advertising? For just \$5 more ACBS National will also place your ad on their Facebook for even more exposure!

Just email Jen at [tradingdock@acbs.org](mailto:tradingdock@acbs.org) to get started.