

# THE Wet Edge 2022 December



Newsletter of the Pacific Northwest Chapter Antique & Classic Boat Society

## NEWSY NOTES FROM NOVEMBER

GUEST EDITOR . . . DON PALMER

**My Goodness this year went by fast! We are soon to be celebrating Christmas!**



The ACBS Annual Dinner was excellent this year at The Tacoma Yacht Club! I have to say that they have the perfect room for our gathering and

the food and service was excellent! It was great to see many faces that we hadn't seen for a while. Some of those faces included Denny and Patty Johnson from Poulsbo. Jodi and I sat at the same table as them and enjoyed reminiscing. Also, Rob Corliss, a former club President attended and enjoyed the evening. Steve and Diane Franchini made it over the pass for the event and were seen enjoying themselves. I believe a good time was had by all!

After dinner, the Seattle Yacht Club Admiralette, Nicole Wilkin, provided a presentation on the Opening Day Theme for 2023 which is "GAME ON". We were all presented pins to wear for this event that the Seattle Yacht Club has put on for many years! Great Job Nicole!



There were two items to be taken care of during the dinner. The first item was the announcement of our new Officers for 2023. Corrine Lucas will be our new President, with Greg Batie our new Vice President.

Rich Halbert will take over the office of Secretary and Kirk Knapp will continue as our Treasurer.

Newly elected Board Members are Ken Waldal, Kyle Bieber, and Ron Wilson.

The second item during the dinner was the presentation of annual awards. The trophies are pictured below.

Steve Franchini won the bilge pump award for his leaky boat after dropping



his boat onto its trailer and damaging the rudder causing a leak. A bad surprise after the long drive from Ellensburg to Renton River Days but all is repaired and ready for next season!

I am quite shocked, but Ike Kielgass, (who could not attend due to a cold) received the Bayliner award for being caught, on film, with a fender out at Mahogany and Merlot. Dick Dow was runner up as there was no photographic evidence of his underway indiscretion!

Craig Magnusson deservingly won the Oops! Award for not one, but two, bent props (among other damages) after tangling with a submerged wreck in Puget Sound. We're happy that Craig, his passengers and Take Off are all OK and appreciate Craig's good humor about the ribbing he's received!

Maria Wilson was awarded the Special Recognition Award for her work to create and administer a new Instagram page for the club. She is doing a great job spreading the word about classic boating for us!

A new award, donated and awarded by Ike Kielgass went to Liz Gregory and Ron Stevenson for creating, maintaining, and managing emails and events for our club through the website. This task represents hours of work truly behind the scenes. The website is a vital hub for our members to meet and be informed. They are tasked with passing on the "Above and Beyond" award to a deserving recipient next year.

Ron Stevenson was awarded the Limelight Award for taking on the unprecedented job of finding, organizing and placing 10 boats in our new and improved Seattle Boat Show space. We have never been asked for such a large display, and in such a short time-frame, but Ron went to work, got it done and really brought a lot of credit to the club, as well as himself! Thank you, Ron and everyone who helped make that the best SBS ever!

Craig Magnusson awarded the President's Cup to Warren and Tracey Olson in recognition of their overland odyssey to Lake Champlain, Vermont and the 2022 ACBS International Boat Show. They carried the Pacific Northwest banner to the northeast and represented well, even leading a group of boaters

to safe harbor. Ask Warren about it, it's a great story!

OK, I want to give some space to the "Classic" side of our Antique and Classic Boat Society now since I currently own a classic, not an antique. I need to give credit to our good friend Jim Giese who inspired me a few years ago. When Jodi and I attended the event on Mason Lake, Jim invited us into his garage to look at his boat. It was a 1993 Mastercraft Stars and Stripes 25th Anniversary Edition. His garage was more of a shrine to this boat with quite a bit of



memorabilia. The poster just to the right of Jodi says: "1968 to 1993" Twenty-Five Years of Leadership and Pulling Farther Ahead.



The next picture has a brochure on the swim step entitled "Come See a Masterpiece."



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He also has a sweatshirt commemorating the boat!

So...In May of 2018, when the 25th anniversary

edition would be 25

years old, I bought one like Jim's, only blue and of course not nearly in as "Mint" condition as Jim's!

And...Here is a picture of Jodi and I as we were traveling up to Stehekin in it a few years ago. It has been a very dependable boat and one that is easy to handle.



## President's Report from Corrine Lucas

It is with gratitude that I assume the responsibilities of President for this club. I

am extremely grateful that so many of us were able to come together for the annual dinner. We had 58 members register, and while there were some last-minute cancellations, it was still a very well attended event. I am humbled by the efforts and commitment of our many committee chairpersons who make all our events possible. The slideshow that ran throughout the event was a joy to create and reminded me how lucky I am to serve such an active and involved organization. I had thought that the slideshow would be around 12-15 slides chronicling our events for 2022 but made the decision to reach back to the pandemic shutdown and 88 slides later. . . It was done. Liz Gregory is working on getting it added to the website for your enjoyment. I look forward to having more people in my photos next year as I get to know our members and attend as many club events as my two busy teenagers and their many social activities will allow.

I was able to participate in the Chapter Roundtable meeting put on by ACBS on 11/17. This meeting, via Zoom, was attended by 38 members from all over the country and presented primarily by Judy Hills from the North Carolina Coastal and Piedmont Chapter. She has many qualifications and shares her goals, successes, challenges and benefits of regular newsletter communications in her

chapter. Other topics were also covered, including: new member "on-boarding", the advantages of YouTube resources, and social media exposure. In this age of information it seems that communication is both easier than it has ever been, and yet inexplicably more difficult. I am particularly passionate about communication within our club and hope to infect others with this passion. If you enjoy our newsletters, but have a yearning for more, find the recording of this meeting on <https://acbs.org/> you must log in to the members area and find the "Resources" page. The video replay can be found under the heading "Chapter Development" and is recorded in the Chapter Roundtable videos. I hope, like me, you will watch and be inspired by this presentation. I will be summarizing the content of Judy's presentation for our board and implementing changes and improvements to our Chapter communications with your help.

Our next board meeting is not really a meeting, but a celebration and I would like to extend the invitation to anyone in the club to attend. It will be a great opportunity to get to know the board, have a boat ride, tour the shops, get a sneak peek at the events calendar and discuss ideas for our club. December 4, from 4 pm and into the evening at my home. Dinner and drinks will be provided, just bring your favorite holiday "sweet". Please call for directions (253) 355-0518 We are about 50 miles south of Seattle in Eatonville, Washington.

The first event for our club in 2023 will be the New Year's MeetUP! in Port Orchard. I encourage you to check it out if you do not have other holiday plans. The town is adorable for shopping and casual dining, moorage is readily available if you have a cruiser, and if not, the Comfort Inn on the Bay is reasonably priced, clean and an easy walk. You will be welcomed aboard and find easy camaraderie and endless conversations about old boats – in old boats. What could be better? Reach out to Karl Hoffman karljhoffman@hotmail.com for details or visit our website to register your boat.

In the new year, the board will convene again to work hard on getting our calendar of events down in ink. My theory is that every month there should be an opportunity to gather somewhere to use these pieces of art that

we humbly call boats. The options should be many and varied so that participation and involvement are increased. If you have an idea for a MeetUP! or a meeting venue near you, please reach out to any of us on the board with your suggestions. Look for the results of this meeting in the February newsletter.

We already know the dates for many of our recurring events and urge you to add these to your calendar so that you will not miss out. Reservations should be made well in advance for Mahogany and Merlot Plus Stehekin, since rooms fill up in these beautiful venues. I look forward to hitting the ground running for a fabulous new year of Boating!

Cheers,  
**Corrine Lucas**  
PNW ACBS President



## **FEBRUARY**

**3rd - 11th – The Big Seattle Boat Show** – Lumen Field Event Center - Seattle, WA  
**8th** – Meeting Location TBD Zoom?

## **MARCH**

**8th** – Meeting at 6 pm  
**Ike's Garage-Mahal, Renton and Engines** presentation by Craig Magnussen

## **APRIL**

**12th** – Meeting Location TBD

## **MAY**

**6th – Opening Day of Boating** "Game On" theme  
**10th** – Meeting Location TBD

## **SEPTEMBER**

**1st - 4th – Dry Rot Boat Show** - Priest Lake, ID - Inland Empire  
**14th -16th – ACBS International Boat Show** - Petoskey, MI

## **OCTOBER**

**5th - 8th – Stehekin, Mahogany and Merlot** - Chelan, WA

*Visit the ACBS website for Up Dates to the Events Calendar.*