



THE BRASS BINNACLE

Newsletter of the Manotick Classic Boat Club - A Chapter of the Antique & Classic Boat Society

Best Ever Canal Adventure

As Spring continued to imitate Winter, a group of boating enthusiasts met in the Manotick Legion to share a cruise through the English countryside on a 72-foot, steel canal boat. The Goulds, the Jelleys and the Scherbs checked this adventure off their "bucket list" last September. Murray's narration to Ron's slide show brought many a chuckle from the crowd. Wilma and Sarah, acting as the "backseat drivers", punched up the narrative with colourful anecdotes. Anyone who missed this social, must ask the presenters about steering, braking, locking through and stopping the challenging craft. Along the way, the troupe made a point of checking out the local country pubs and toured Bath, Stonehenge and Jane Austen sites. Following this wonderful exposé, we devoured a pile of pizza and downed our libations from the friendly bar. Then, President Ray Saunders held an uncharacteristically short meeting and Alan Goodwright treated us to a humorous discussion about his yet-to-be published book. Good food. Good drink. Great friends sharing!



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List of M.C.B.C. Events - 2013

Saturday, February 16	Hardwater Cruise Night - Marlborough Pub	Dinah Scholfield
Saturday, March 16	Canal Boat Adventure - Manotick Legion	Jelleys/Goulds
Saturday, April 27	Shop Tour	Carman Keyes
Saturday, May 4	Hardwater Cruise Night at Wylliedome	Dinah Scholfield/ Susan Richardson
Wednesdays May 22 to September 4	Rotating Cruise Nights	Dinah Scholfield
Saturday, June 1	Dickinson Days - Manotick	Rod Corbett
Saturday, July 13	St Lawrence Rendezvous and BBQ - Brockville	Ray & Judy Saunders
Sunday, August 4 to Friday, August 9	Rideau River Cruise	Ron Jelley
Saturday, August 10	39th Annual Boat Show, Long Island Locks	Ray Saunders
Sunday, September 22	Burritt's Rapids Run	Ron & Wilma Jelley
Saturday, October 19	Fall Workshop	
Saturday, October 19	Fall Social	Susan Richardson
Saturday, November 2	Annual General Meeting - Manderley on the Green	Susan Richardson

Other Events of Interest

March 20 to 24	ACBS Winter Board Meeting, Howie-in-the-Hills, FL	www.acbs.org
March 21 to 24	Sunnyland Antique & Classic Boat Festival, Tavares, FL	www.acbs-sunnyland.org
June 20 to 23	ACBS Summer Board Meeting, Lake Hopatcong, NJ	www.acbs.org
August 2 to 4	Antique Boat Museum Show & Auction, Clayton, NY	www.abm.org
September 18 to 22	ACBS International Annual Meeting - Coeur d'Alene, ID	www.acbs.org

President's Message Spring 2013

By Ray Saunders

Spring has sprung and summer is almost here: ladies and gentlemen, please start your engines! Yes it is that time of year again, time to get out the cob webs out of the boat; the motor running and verify that everything is in ship shape. Those of you who were at the Sunnyland Show should already have your juices running hot from the great boats there (see the separate Binnacle article). To help kickstart the sun-challenged, we have a wonderful year of boating planned, including a few special events – the pre-show River Run up the Rideau from Kingston being organized by Ron Jelley and Jim Watt; and a planned mid-July afternoon of boating around the Brockville Islands with a BBQ afterwards on Tallships owners' balcony, complete with a tour of the Saunders' new apartment. I hope you can attend all of our great boating activities, starting with the April 5th & 6th Antique Boat America's Wooden Boat Symposium in Kingston, quickly followed by our Annual Shop Tour on April 27th.

On March 22nd I had a meeting with the new Rideau Canal Northern Manager with regard to our Annual Boat Show, Burritt's Run and fee changes in general. It was a very positive meeting in most aspects, with Parks expressing strong support for our Show. However, there will be several “behind the scene” changes that will have to be handled by your Boat Show Committee, none of which are “show stoppers”. Please see the “2013 Boat Show & Parks Canada Update” article for further details.

At this point in time, we urgently need Boat Show volunteers - for managing Boat Show Awards (and Judges Gifts), Site Preparation/Setup and Takedown (2 people), and an Announcer. Your committee is stretched thin, thus filling these positions is critical for producing a successful show. If you can help, please contact me asap at rjsaunders@sympatico.ca or 613-749-4396.

2013 Boat Show & Parks Canada Update

By Ray Saunders

With regard to the Annual Ottawa International Antique and Classic Boat Show on August 10th, I was able to confirm during my March 22nd meeting with Scott Tweedie, Rideau Canal Northern Sector Manager, that Parks and their Canal staff still fully support our Show as it fits well with their mandate. However, we will have a few new challenges to manage due to the new Parks Canada policies and regulations. For this year, these changes will be ably handled by your Boat Show Committee to avoid additional efforts or costs to the participant boaters. (For example, charges for day and/or overnight mooring.) We will also have to fill out a Site-Use Application; provide “proof of insurance” (ACBS insures us) and provide an acceptable Safety Plan.

As per our existing Boat Show Agreement with Parks, the Club will pay \$1,000 (an annual fee, if we hold a show) for “dock maintenance”. It is expected this will “replace” any other Parks Event fees, such as those for day mooring. This will be good news if approved, as our “annual fee” would directly assist our Show via dock improvements, (instead of using Club revenues to pay for day mooring charges that would normally go into Parks' General Revenues). Another bit of good news is that Parks will continue to provide and cut the grass for the front parking field in time for the Boat Show (saves us several hundred dollars). They will also set up the docks as per last year, and they are looking to improve the overall docking layout for future Shows.

Parks' new day docking and event policies will also impact the Burritt's Picnic run in September, (probably day mooring fees will be charged plus we will have to fill out a Site-use Application!) However, the Board may propose to pick up any event-associated costs as part of our service to our members. Full speed ahead with this very popular event.

With regard to the Canal's new hours of operation, locking fees, etc., my Friday meeting indicated that any submission (letter) we send as a Club would have very little impact on these decisions. The only good news is that others being impacted, such as the Mayors of the local communities, have been very vocal and certainly have a lot more clout than we have. It is great news that they are fully engaged on this file and hopefully more user-positive changes will be forthcoming from Parks. For a fully listing of Parks new rules and charges, please see their website.

Parks Canada Fees

By Ray Saunders

Please note that the proposed fee structure for the Canal and all National Parks is available at <http://www.pc.gc.ca/eng/agen/tarifs-fees/consultation/ann-app3.aspx#canal>.



Joan Collins passed away quietly at her home in Clayton, NY on February 16, 2013. Joan leaves her daughter, Robin Colello, of Watertown, N.Y. and her grandchildren, Isabella, Nina and Charlie, as well as her brothers and their families and her cousins. Her husband Bo, and her granddaughter, Lucy Colello whom she adored, predeceased her. She was blessed with many caring friends whose companionship she cherished. Joan, who grew up in Gananoque, ON was an avid boater. She and her late husband Bo, were ACBS members, members of the Thousand Island Chapter of the ACBS and of the Manotick Chapter. They attended many Manotick boat shows and Bo was a respected judge of antique boats. Joan was an avid conservationist and proud member of the Nature Conservancy of Northern New York and director of the Minna Anthony Nature Centre where she volunteered many hours. Joan loved her farm on Grenadier Island where she gardened, raised llamas and played with her beloved dogs. She welcomed all and was generous with her time and concern of preserving the nature of the island. Her knowledge of the island and its' history was well respected. She was a true "River Rat" and was awarded that title by the Thousand Island Chapter. She will be sadly missed by many who knew her.



GORD MCVEETY (Retired Lock Master, Narrows Lock, Rideau Canal) Gord McVeety passed away in Perth at the age of 78 years on January 11, 2013. He was the much loved father of Cathy McVeety (Rob) Marshall of Houston, Texas, Steven (Mary), McVeety of Perth, and Marcy McVeety (Philip) Whitney of Hinton, Alberta. Gord was the cherished brother of Lois (Bob) Leishman of Wolfeville, NS. Gord will be greatly missed by his grandchildren, Sarah and Rebecca Marshall, Graham and Amara McVeety, Chelsea, Isaac and John Whitney. Gord will be remembered for his love of the Big Rideau Lake. Living just down the road from his ancestral home on the Rideau where he was born, his life was spent living, working and playing in what he called "the greatest place on earth". He would say some of his best years were those working as a Lock Master on the Rideau Canal. He was a kind and generous man, who was happy to share whatever he had and do whatever he could to help others. He combined that love and passion to help sick children, hosting barbecues and dinner dances, Gord raised more than \$ 50,000 for CHEO. He will be sorely missed.



Member Ron Jelley, unwilling to wait for Spring, plowed a runway in front of the Richardson cottage for his winter-craft, remotely operated helicopter and airplanes.

The Restoration of Tinker Tu

By John Richardson

This is the third of three articles (the first two can be found in the previous two editions of the Brass Binnacle) on John's restoration of Tinker Tu, a 1966 Greavette runabout Inboard/Outboard (I/O), powered by a 1966 Mercruiser 110 HP engine owned by his cousin Dave Peden. She sat unused in one storage area or another for many years.

Before applying varnish coats 6 to 9 on Tinker Tu, I wanted to get all the dirty work done in the shop. This meant sanding the bottom in preparation for three coats of copper paint (a quart of which cost \$89.00 at Aylings). Starting at the bow, I didn't get beyond the stem before finding more rot. It was caused by two ferrous bolts (top picture on the right) used by Greavette to fasten the knee to the stem at this point.

It still amazes me that Greavette used anything but bronze fastenings in such crucial places. They put nice bronze nuts on the bolt ends inside the boat and painted the bolt ends a bronze colour to make us all think they used bronze bolts - shame on them! The lower picture on the right shows some of the bigger chunks of Tinker's stem.

I determined the extent of the damage; marked the points at which good wood prevailed and then sawed out a section of the stem approximately 4 inches beyond my marks, fore and aft. This ensured that a white oak scarf would have good solid wood against which to bond. I then dug out any remaining rot penetrating the inner stem and used Clear Penetrating Epoxy - Smiths (CPES) to consolidate the cracked wood (as seen in the third picture right)

Using aluminum tape to seal off the damaged area, I poured CPES down the empty bolt holes until it was thoroughly saturated. Once this had dried I applied "Fillit" filler to the damaged area and sanded it fair to create a solid bed for the new white oak scarf.

I then crafted the scarf to rebuild the stem and secured it in place with screws. I drilled the bolt holes through the scarf from inside the boat and then removed it for gluing up.

I could now carry on sanding the boat bottom. No further problems were found during the sanding and poking-around process.

Some of the work going on while waiting for things to dry included the repair of the splash rails, cleaning and refinishing the interior of the boat, and replacing the flooring

With four coats of varnish on the sides, it was time to paint the registration numbers on the forward bows. The old decals had been stripped off with the old finish. I hired a professional sign painter, Heather Moodie, to restore Tinker's numbers in classic style.

She uses a Mahl stick to rest her painting hand to keep it steady. Heather is an amazing talent and only charged \$100 to do the job. I'll be putting five coats of varnish over the numbers so that the next time the varnish is renewed, the numbers won't be damaged by a light sanding.

The old stem band that was 3/8" strip of aluminum had decayed and crumbled on removal. This new one (shown in the picture to the right) is 1/2" stainless steel and wraps right around the stem to overlap the keel. It will provide the bow with excellent protection.



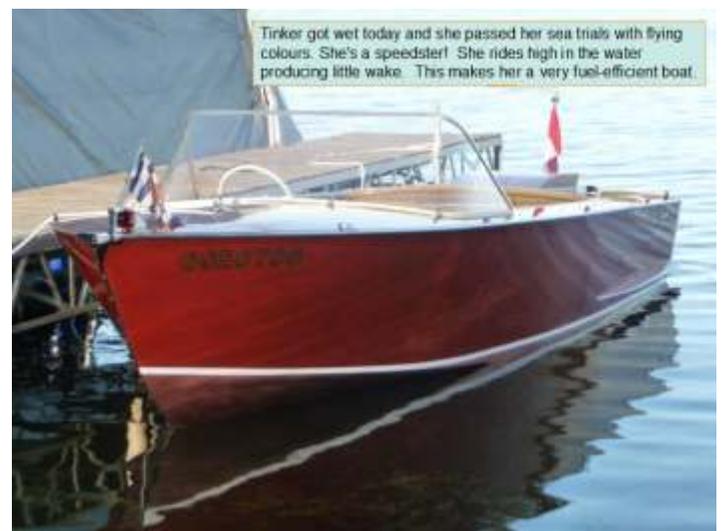
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Tinker's restoration was now complete with all repairs done, 9 coats of varnish, 3 coats of copper paint on the bottom and 3 coats of Interlux boot-top paint on the waterline, a repainted Out/Drive, steering wheel and control box, new flooring and refinished interior.

On October 6th, the day of sea trials, Dale and I could not get the engine started. I installed a new marine battery and new plugs but she still would not light up. We were about to give up when Don Segall arrived to see how things were going. He did some masterful troubleshooting and found a short in the tachometer wire attached to the distributor. Dale replaced the offending wire and she started like a dream.



Thanks to Don Segall, sea trials progressed as scheduled. Tinker Tu performed admirably at speed and at idle, admitting not a drop of water into her bilge. Ergo, I did not have the opportunity to check the operation of her bilge pump.



Cousin Dave and friend Marie showed up on Friday afternoon, October 7th to inspect and take Tinker Tu home. I was sad to see her go but so happy at Dave's joy and excitement.

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On July 26, 2012, our family attended the official launch ceremony at Lake of Bays. It was a glorious family reunion hosted by cousin Dave Peden and starring Tinker Tu.



Lake of Bays, Muskoka



A lovely view of Tinker's home as she pulls away at a slow cruise.

A FaceBook testimonial from a satisfied customer.



Alison Peden
July 21
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Doug Vallery Looks very familiar 😊
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Cousin Alison, daughter of Dave Peden, declares her satisfaction with Tinker Tu's restoration. I don't know if there could possibly be a higher compliment paid.

MARLY NIGHT IN NORTH GOWER

by Susan Richardson



Club members met for a post-Valentine social on February 16th at the Marlborough Pub in North Gower. Established in 1910 as the Bide-A-Wee Restaurant the pub has been under new ownership and management as of May, 2007. Jason Moore, a native of North Gower, and Steve Moffatt of Kars, re-opened the historic restaurant in July 2007.

The evening was chilly, but the pub warmed us all quickly. Service was excellent, except that Master James Potter's Arctic Char platter was delayed, but he received a free tankard to sip while waiting. The food -- this time we can call it cuisine -- was marvelous and plentiful. The Charr was flaky and monstrous. The fish and chips: way more fish than batter. Chicken parm was a popular taste delight. And Richardson's liver was an enormous organ donation.

As the water is truly hard this year, it was a jovial bunch who got together for the first time in months. However, all missed our friends who were absent...Dinah and David and Joanie...Judy and Debra and Ian and more.



Taken March 7, 2013 by John Richardson, the Bytown Museum and Locks with the Brigantine, if only there were sound added to this photo. The water was really rumbling under all this ice at the beginning of the Rideau Canal where the Bytown Brigantine lies awaiting Spring.

MCBC Cruise Night South

By Don Segall

March 22nd marked the sixth of these popular recurring annual social events, hosted by the Tilley's of MCBC and the Ronca's of Sunnyland Chapter. It is held Thursday evening each year during the Sunnyland Wooden Boat Festival. This memorable gathering takes place at "The Barn" on Caroline Street E in Tavares, Florida. Conveniently located just blocks from the show site at Wooton Park, a normally busy workshop is transformed for several hours into *the* place to be seen on the City's social circuit.

Visitors began arriving shortly past 7:00 PM. By all accounts, the 2013 edition was probably the best attended ever, boasting an eclectic assortment of guests. Weather was cooperative and the mood throughout the evening was most festive.



SCAMPY Drawing 2013



The Sunnyland Chapter of ACBS a 501(c)(3) organization's SCAMPY program (Sunnyland Chapter Apprentice Mentoring Program for Youth) is pleased to offer a drawing for "Mayflower Madam", a 23' 1962 Chris-Craft Sea Skiff donated to the Sunnyland Chapter of ACBS youth program by Judy Alden. A survey of this boat is available. The drawing will offer 600 tickets for a suggested minimum donation of \$50 per ticket with the drawing taking place at the Sunnyland Annual General Meeting in Central Florida in November. No purchase or contribution is necessary. For more information or to buy a ticket, contact Lou Ronca at 407-493-8553 or email lgronca@gmail.com.



Sunnyland Chapter's 26th Annual Wooden Boat Festival March 21-24th, 2013 Tavares, Florida

By Don Segall



Wooton Park was once again host to Sunnyland Chapter's Wooden Boat Festival. The site has benefitted from ongoing municipal developmental improvements which have boosted the caliber of this venue. Conveniently located in the downtown waterfront, Wooton Park's seaplane terminal has put Tavares on the map as America's Seaplane City. For several days in late March however, it was not the seaplanes which were attracting crowds, but rather the numerous land and water displays of antique and classic boats. Several years back, the site was redeveloped and a number of improvements implemented; resulting in an ideal venue for boats.



The show was well attended by exhibitors and spectators alike. A number of fascinating exhibits and an interesting range of vendors made for a fun place to visit and explore.



Sunnyland's highly successful SCAMPY youth mentoring program maintained a large exhibit, complete with several youth-constructed boats and their builders. An in-water demonstration also occurred on Saturday.



The mix of exhibits was well balanced and there were some highly unique items on display. This is a must-do for any enthusiasts considering warmer climates in late March.



Market Place

Market Place is a service provided to MCBC members free of charge. To place an ad in the next issue of the newsletter, email the communications committee at communicationsMCBC@gmail.com.



Wykes

“One of 3” s a very rare boat. She is one of fifteen boats of this design built by Frank Wykes of Wykes Boat Works of Harlem, Ontario in the late 1960s. Built in 1968 this boat is one of only three known to currently exist, she is a beautiful clinker built boat with a magnificent bow flare, a rakish windshield and lounge seating. Powered by a 1989 Johnson 90 HP engine she is offered for sale on a 2007 Cradle-Ride trailer for only \$9,900, call Dave at 352-459-1225 or email dave.yknot@gmail.com for more information.

Higgins

1962 17' Higgins Port Royal utility. This Higgins has been beautifully and correctly restored. All wood below the waterline has been replaced along with the transom and dash. A strong and Original 327 Gray Marine engine has been rebuilt and runs well. All original gauges and hardware are present. Shows well and ready to go on a single axle trailer! \$8,500. Contact Mark @ 315-608-0551



Chris-Craft

1950 Chris Craft Riviera 18 foot -131HP original Hercules KBL engine. This boat has been fully restored with new bottom, bottom frames, chines and keel. Sides and deck are all new planking laid over plywood and bedded in epoxy. Engine rebuilt 2 years ago. Excellent condition. Located in Mt Dora, Fl. Priced at \$28,000. Contact Lou Ronca 407 493 8553 or email Lgronca@gmail.com

Carver

“Y-Knot” is a 1968 Carver Holiday 1970 cruiser powered by a 1978 175 HP Mercury motor. She was one of the last outboard cruisers Carver Boat Corporation (still in business) ever built. 19' 4" in length with a beam of 7' 10" she is clinker built and very fast. Offered with a 2005 Cradle-Ride trailer for \$9,900, call Dave at 352-459-1225 or email dave.yknot@gmail.com for more information.



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The Swan on the Rideau



Coming Events

Spring Boat Shop Tour Saturday, April 27, 2013



Come join us for the spring view of this winter's projects. This is always a fun and informative tour of the boat shops in our area.

Just get your carpool ready and go.

St Lawrence Rendezvous and BBQ Brockville July 13, 2013

On July 13, Ray and Judy Saunders will lead an afternoon tour/run of Brockville's nearby islands followed by a BBQ on the large, west facing "owners patio" at the Tall Ships development. Tours of their condo unit will be included. Further details to follow.

Rideau Canal Run August 4 to 10, 2013

This year in conjunction with the Trent-Severn Antique & Classic Boat Club, we are planning to run the Rideau Canal System from Kingston to Manotick. At this time we think there will be three groups arriving in Manotick on Aug 8th, 9th and 10th. The details are being firmed up and an announcement with those details will come out in the next month or so. Anyone interested in going on this cruise, send Ron Jelley an email at jelleys@sympatico.ca to get on the list.



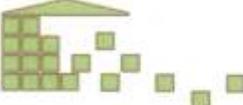
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Bring your own Cruise Night specialty nibble, your own beverage and chair.

For those unable to attend the event and wishing to share a Wyllie-ism, a story or a note, please send them along. We hope for a history in pictures and words.

Contact Dinah Scholfield (dinahanddavid@rogers.com) 613-489-4277 or
Susan Richardson (richasu44@yahoo.ca) 613-692-2496
Please pass along the invite to others not on our email lists.

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW!



Coming Events



(Clayton, NY) - Antique Boat America/ Antique Boat Canada announced they will be hosting the 2013 Wooden Boat Expo and Seminar Series. The first installment of the event will be held in Kingston, Ontario, Canada on April 5th and 6th 2013 on the shores of beautiful Lake Ontario and will be co-hosted at the Maritime Museum and the Steam Pump Museums in Kingston. The Expo will bring together the most notable guest speakers in the wooden boat market today. "This event has established itself as a foundation of education and industry partnership and these factors continue to drive its growth. We expect these 2 days to be informative, educational and invigorating" said Peter Mellon, President of Antique Boat America.

A first class educational line up will be the key feature of the Expo and will include a full slate of educational sessions and presentations. Of special interest will be stream of Canadian themed presentations which include but will not be limited to the following, Dream Boats of Muskoka, the Boatbuilders of Muskoka, the Boatbuilders of the 1000 Islands and will include the history of Barnes, Canadian, Ditchburn, Greavette, Hutchinson, Minett, Minett-Shields, Peterborough and Shepherd Boats.

The City of Kingston, Ontario shall serve as the perfect backdrop and the Maritime Museum and Steam Museum has graciously offered to host this event and open their doors to their facilities and exhibits. The Four Points Sheraton Hotel in Kingston, Ontario will be our host hotel providing accommodations as well as hosting the evening activities. When making reservations please use the code "Wooden Boat Expo" for the special rate by calling 613-544-4434.

To register, email info@antiqueboatamerica.com, call 800-675-4089 or check it out at www.woodenboatsymposium.com.