

Smith Mountain Lake Chapter Antique & Classic Boat Society

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Web Site: www.woodenboats.net

2015 Annual Calendar of Events

Chapter Meetings:

2nd Wednesday of each month **Moneta Library** 7 pm

April 8 **Chapter Meeting**

Spring Workshop May

> Power Squadron Picnic Carl & Barbara Hellinger

13 Chapter Meeting

25 Memorial Day (traditional)

Spring Cruise June 6

10 Chapter Meeting

13 Annual Picnic Mike & Delores Mutchler

20 Spring Boat Show Parrot Cove

July Independence Day

SML Fireworks Parkway Marina Evening 4th of July Cruise TBA

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Chapter Meeting

12 Chapter Meeting Aug

> 21 Summer Cruise – Support Services of VA. 3 PM

Sept Press Day and Luncheon

Labor Day Weekend

Chapter Meeting

11-13, 25th Annual SML

ANTIQUE BOAT SHOW & **FESTIVAL**

TBA Camron Charity Walk

14 Chapter Meeting Oct.

17 Fall Workshop

24 Fall Cruise

Nov. 11 Chapter Meeting

ANNUAL MEETING Dec. 4 CHRISTMAS PARTY New Officers & Directors: back row-George Blosser, Roger Smith, Chuck Breen, George Curnow, Mike Mutchler, Susan Locke, Jerry Barnes, and Carol Clement; front row-Ron Root, Alan Frederick, Art Cournoyer, Bill Hughes





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PASSING OF THE **GAVEL**

GEORGE BLOSSER TO **GEORGE CURNOW**



Smith Mountain Lake Chapter, ACBS January 14, 2015 Meeting

Attendees: George & Marlyn Curnow, Dave Olson, Tony Gowen, Bill Gould, Don Smith, Ron & Joyce Root, Alan & Jean Frederick, Jerry Barnes, Larry Tarves, Bill Garrrecht, John Rieth, Randy Cummins, Steven Ford, Les Khn, Leigh Conrad, Charlie & Susan Locke, George & Joan Blosser, Ken Taylor, John & Katharina Torok. (**25 attendees**)

Welcome to visitor: KenTaylor, 1165 Ascend Lane, Huddleston 24104, kentaylorcontractor@gmail.com New Address: Susan & Charlie Locke, 246 Blarney Stone Court H2, Huddleston, 24104 Roger & Sybil unable to attend – Sybil's bother-in-law passed away. Remember John Schaible – Passed 1-5-15.

Curnow's Opening Remarks

George Blosser sent letter to Library thanking them for their help; he changed address and emails as needed to make the transition easier. It was suggested that all drop in a Chamber Offices to see the renovations. Doug Schwartz to convert info on web site. George & George are contracting with Mariners Landing for Boat Show.

Publicity-Boat Show announcements and Press Reseases as needed with the continued help of George Blosser in this role.

George announced that Bill Hughes was unavailable to attend due to the arrival a new grandchild. George read November Minutes, which were approved as read. December-minutes were read and approved as read. **Membership** - 70 members to date.

Ron Root Treasurer's Report: Balance in the account is \$11,171.36

Dave Olson – Confirmed the Valentines Dinner at the Blackwater Café 2/12

Alan Frederick discussed the Roanoke Boat Show 2/20-22 – All under control

Boat Show September 11-13, 2015 – Alan has been contacting many boat clubs to persuade them to attend and is having some success.

Marlyn Curnow is interested in getting some ideas from members for a raffle quilt for the boat show in September. She shared some thoughts – vintage boat pictures and how they could be incorporated into the quilt. Focal point of the quilt – the celebrating of our SILVER ANNIVERSARY AS A CENTER BLOCK. George's PowerPoint showed several boats for sale on the lake and he shared his thoughts on initiatives for 2015 including:

- Focus on making the next two boat shows special: The 25th Silver Anniversary of our Chapter; and the 50th Golden Anniversary of the birth of Smith Mountain Lake.
- Focus on involving more members in our boat cruises.
- Be certain that potential non-members know they don't need an ACBS qualifying boat to belong to the Chapter
- Investigate the use of social media (for example, Skype) to involve more members in monthly meetings.
- Define our Chapter's position on endorsing the ACBS initiative of including fiberglass boats that are 25+ years old.

Members shared what they are working on.

Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting-Valentines Dinner 2/12 March Meeting on the 11th at Moneta Library at 7 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Marlyn Curnow

ALAN FREDERICK REFURBISHED HIS HALL SCOTT ENGINE











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THE TURNING OF JOHN RIETH'S CENTURY "BANSHEE" AT BILL GARRECHT'S WORK SHOP





A Hearty **THANK YOU** to all of you club members that helped with this years boat show. The weather was less than ideal and the crowds reflected that. We certainly had some exposure, which is always good for the club, and it couldn't have happened without our volunteers. The star of the show was Roger and Sybil's hydro too. Thanks for displaying it because I know it's a commitment, especially this time of year.

Thanks, Alan Frederick Boat Show Chairman

ANY MEMBER WHO WOULD LIKE A CHAPTER BUSINESS CARD PLEASE CONTACT MARLYN CURNOW AT marlynquilts2@gmail.com or 488-2617. The sample shows what is needed to complete your personal business card.



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1949 Neal "F" Hydroplane Raceboat

This single-step hydroplane raceboat was built in 1949 by famed racer Dick Neal, who opened a shop in Kansas City, Missouri in the 1930's and built award-winning outboard raceboats. One of Dick Neal's boats set the world's record Five Mile "F" class speed record of 65.8 m.p.h. in 1954.

This boat was campaigned in the 1950's by well-known East Coast racer Buddy Streat of Richmond, Virginia. The late Mr. Streat was a very popular competitor in the "F" hydro class, which was comprised of motors from 50 to 60 cubic inch displacement.

This boat and was found in a warehouse in Richmond in 1999. It was in very poor condition. It took over 14 years of restoration by its owners to bring it to its current condition.

Over seventy per cent of the wood was replaced, following exactly the original construction methods. New aircraft fabric was installed on the front deck, and all the original hardware was duplicated or refurbished.

A 1946 Evinrude 60 cubic inch outboard motor powers this raceboat. It has been highly modified using components developed by the late "Pep" Hubbell of South El Monte, California who was a leader in modifying stock outboards into successful racing machines in the 1940s and '50s.

Renowned outboard expert Bill Salisbury of Lake Anna, Virginia rebuilt the motor in 2001. With special thanks to Bill Salisbury, Phil Jones, Fred Truntz, Scott Wahlberg, Mike Caleo and Zachary Smith for their invaluable support and assistance.

This boat won the "Best Owner Restoration" award at the 2014 Smith Mountain Lake Antique and Classic Boat Show.

Owned by Roger and Sybil Smith of Smith Mountain Lake, Virginia