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The Summer Fun Issue

Seeing favorable weather, the hearty seafarers had a leisurely lunch at Roosters restaurant at Hells Canyon Resort and Marina before setting out. No sense rushing a beautiful day!! Lunch took a little longer than planned and the wind picked up.

Transiting a BIG lock – well, almost!

On a rather humid and windless Saturday morning, thirteen members of the Inland Empire ACBS gathered in Clarkston, Washington on the Snake River for a day trip to the Lower Granite Dam and Lock, transit the dam down and up and return to Clarkston. Conditions looked good. Four boats were ready with eager crews. It was Saturday, June 9th and the first outing for the Chapter. Obviously, being the first outing, some boats were more ready for the journey than others.

Lower Granite is located 31 miles west of Clarkston, downstream on the Snake River. It's the tallest lock on the navigable portion of the Columbia and Snake rivers (excluding Grand Coulee, not on the navigable portion) with a maximum lift of 105 feet. Boats are lowered or raised the full height in about 15 minutes. Transiting the lock is safe, but river conditions can be squirrely depending upon weather.

Nothing stops adventurous souls in search of knowledge (another name for fun). The fleet of four classic craft, some with a few mechanical and leaking problems set out bravely for the 31 mile journey to the lock.

The Snake River is exactly what its name suggests - it snakes its way to the west. At one moment you are motoring west and another, north. Hills and mountains flank both banks. As we all know, our winds come predominantly from the west. As the fleet headed down the Snake River, winds picked up - all part of a mild low front which had been predicted.

While one stretch was relatively calm, the next brewed moderate waves as the wind funneled between the river banks. Our crews were getting wet. On top of the spray from waves, we experienced mild and occasional rain. Our speed slowed due to the waves. Our speed slowed due to other problems.

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Chapter News

Your Board of Directors Report - 10/23/07

The IEC/ACBS Board of Directors last met June 27 and will next meet October 26, 2007.

According to treasurer Mariette Deems, current balance is \$11,406.87. The board awarded a \$1000 scholarship for the Wood Construction Center at Seattle Community College. The board has underwritten a calendar project that is currently underway (more on that later).

Doubling as our membership chair, Mariette reports 106 paid members.

The chapter's Constitution and By-Laws, which were revised and updated and approved by membership, have been sent to national for final approval.

A committee has been working on the '08 International ACBS show and meeting which will take place September 2008 at the Coeur d' Alene Resort. As the hosting chapter we are responsible for planning pre-event functions. To date we have identified at least 10 possible events from which National will choose. You will be hearing more about the details. Volunteers needed!!

The General Membership meeting, to be held November 17th at the Spokane Club, will include a short business meeting and the election of open positions for officers and board members. The nominating committee is still looking for members to run for secretary. If you are interested or would like to nominate another member for these positions or for open board positions, please call John Lenhart at 208-664-1749 or Larry O' Leary at 208-762-9228.

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^ Sandpoint Boat Show—Larry & Margaret O'Leary and friends.

^ Thanks to Lorelei Silverthorne for providing many of the photos in this issue.

Know your nautical terminology....

The Bitter End

Submitted by Chris Knapton

The origins of *the bitter end* surprised me quite a bit. For me, the expression always conjured up an image of tasting something terribly unpleasant - like drinking the nasty dregs at the bottom of a wine barrel or cup after cup of coffee that wasn't good to the last drop.

I suppose I must have made some kind of mental connection between the sayings *fight to the bitter end* and the *bitter taste of defeat*. But the bitter in *the bitter end* has nothing to do with taste - it has to do with sailing.

For centuries the strong wooden - and later metal - posts that came in pairs on a ship's deck have been called bitts. The bitts held the rope of the chain that was put overboard for various purposes, like mooring or anchoring the vessel. A turn of the rope around the bitts was called a bitter, and the end of the rope that was tied to the bitts was known as the bitter end. When a line was played out to the bitter end - especially if it was the anchor chain - the ship was in a very precarious position. At best, it was a situation in which options were extremely limited.

Today when we talk about fighting to the bitter end, we usually mean we will go on until we are out of hope, just as a sailor would let out the anchor and hope he hit bottom before he ran out of rope!

By the end of the 1800's the term was being used ashore much as it is today. Around the middle of that century, however, it took an interesting side-trip when it became associated with the union movement. Strikers who refused to give in, even in the face of hopeless opposition, became known as *bitter-enders*. Later this type of die-hard idealism in general came to be known as *Bitterenderism*. This ridiculous tongue-twister actually flourished for a while near the end of the nineteenth century, but I think we can all be glad it didn't make it to the bitter end!

Copied from *Scuttlebutt... And Other Expressions of Nautical Origin* by Teri Degler

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Boat Show in Beautiful Penticton, BC

July 20th–22nd 2007

Cross the border at Osoyuss, about 200 miles from Spokane, and follow the road north along the shores of the lakes of the Okanagan valley. It is a land of plenty, the country side is filled with vineyards and orchards. Roadside fruit stands hawk local produce, advertising raspberries, cherries, apricots, hazelnuts, honey and wines. Host city for the 18th Okanagan Antique & Classic Boat Show, Penticton occupies the space between two of the lakes that stretch over 100 miles from north to south in this beautiful valley.

A resort town that attracts visitors from across Canada and the northwest, Penticton features a walkable small town feel - with shops and restaurants right down the block from the Lakeside Resort and Casino where this year's Boat Show was held. Although there is a Starbucks, the local coffee roasters Fibonacci's provides a great space for "contemplation and libation." Many hours could be spent poking around in the aisles of overstuffed local store "The Book Shop."

With multiple patios overlooking the marina, the resort provides an attractive and hospitable venue for the Show. If big hotels with a disco and gambling are not to your liking, a string of small motels like the Ogoopogo (named for the lake monster said to reside in Lake Okanagan), the Black Sea and the Tiki Shores can be found just blocks down Lakeshore Drive from the marina. Fronting this section of the lake are parks and beaches with a wide paved sidewalk that make it ideal for strolling. Numerous activities are available for visitors: floating the river channel between the two lakes, winery tours and tastings, mini golf, bicycle and scooter rentals. Several blocks of Main Street are closed every Saturday to hold a Farmers

Market. Featuring locally grown produce, vendors had beautiful displays of fresh fruits and vegetables, flowers, alpaca fur (for those who want to do their own spinning and weaving), ostrich eggs (for mega-omelets), and several baked goods stands with fresh apricot galottes & peach pies, organic multi grain breads and oven fresh croissants. A drumming circle beat out a rhythm as folks lined up at the free range bison bratwurst stand, the local organic coffee roaster, and craft booths.

The laid back tone of the boat show was relaxing and friendly. Club President Rob Mellalieu and volunteers put on a welcoming event. An interesting selection of boats were on view including a steam boat (Protection Belle) and lake launch Inlet Belle. Chris and Jen Casparis showed the SeaSonic. Also on display: a Grenfell, Grevette, and Miss Dixie - a nearly all original 1958 Chris owned by Beth and Jerry Scherle. Bruce Middleton showed his Krall boat imported from Turkey. After the Friday cocktail party, exhibitors were invited to attend a show at the S.S. Sicamous - a historic sternwheeler that for many years plied the waters of Okanagan Lake. Now a Museum, the local club has raised funds to support its restoration and operation. Saturday's events included a ceremonial drive by and "dipping of the flag" for the honorary Commodore. The Saturday night dinner honored the "Founders" of the Club.

After Sunday brunch at the resort, a tour of historic Tug 6 was an option. Although she sat derelict for over 20 years she was rescued by the City of Penticton. For the sum of \$1, the tug was purchased and then towed to a mooring in Penticton with an OACB escort. Some of the proceeds of Saturday night's Auction went to help fund this restoration.

With Penticton's Centennial Celebration coming up in 2008, next years show promises more of the same. Our Canadian friends extend a warm welcome - put this Show on your schedule for next summer. It's well worth the drive!

By Julie Olsen



Transiting a BIG lock

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Three boats made it the entire distance to the lock! We were a bit wet, but exuberant. Our exuberance dampened a little when we found we had missed the scheduled "locking down" by about five minutes. Next lock down was not to happen for more than three hours.

We had achieved one primary goal - reach the lock. Locking through couldn't be achieved that time, but what the heck, now we had something to achieve next time. We also learned we must allow more time for the journey to the lock from Clarkston.

Motoring back to Clarkston was more comfortable and fast with the wind at our backs.

Back at Hells Canyon Resort and at Roosters, we had a great social hour followed by dinner at Roosters topped off with live music.

This first outing of 2007 was deemed to have been a resounding success. The overall goal of the group was to have fun, and fun is what we had. The group felt another visit to Clarkston should be made either in September, or again in early June. Another goal must be achieved - transit the tallest of the locks - all in the name of knowledge and fun.

A special thanks to the Chapter for promoting the event. Don and Emily Robson opened up their motor home to the group for a social hour, and of course, the crew at Roosters restaurant provided fantastic atmosphere and food. Thanks to all who helped!

By Kent & Becky Wick



Bruce Reynolds, winner of multiple "Best Engine Compartment" awards and restoration expert answers our readers' questions...

Q: What should I do to winterize my boat?

A: Make sure all water drain plugs are pulled.

Including:

- Water pump drain
- Exhaust manifold drain
- Engine block drains
- Any oil cooler drains

It's a good idea to take a air hose and back blow the system and all hoses to make sure you don't have any water left in it.

Q: How do I winterize the engine?

A: Change the oil before it sits for the winter. Add a fuel stabilizer to the gas tank. Follow the instructions on the bottle for the right amount to mix with fuel.



Pendicton Boat Show



^ Conga line - Welcome Aboard Party



Sue & Linda



Michael & Chris

Sandpoint
IEC Boat Show
 July 13th-15th

**Great Turnout,
 Great Times,
 Great Success!**

Thanks to:
**Show Chairs Pierre Bordenave
 and Kathleen Hyde**
Dock Master—John Lenhart
Ships Store—Margaret O'Leary
Music—Terry Deems
Registration—Bob Ickes
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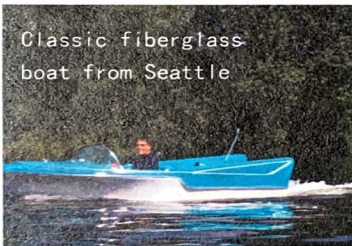
Pirates landing @
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Anna



Nice umbrella, Russ!



Classic fiberglass
boat from Seattle



Brandon & Jennifer in
Emotional Rescue



^ Becky



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Boat Parade down Sand Creek



Coeur D'Alene Wooden Boat Show August 18—19

Sponsored by the CdA Chamber of Commerce, this Event featured a wide array of wooden boats. The Opening Reception served up delicious hors d'oeuvres and entertainment. Was that really Gilligan and the Skipper on an island singing?

The tropical hat contest winner was crowned at the Saturday night banquet—it was hard to pick a winner from among the many creative entries.

Thanks to the many IEC volunteers who put in hours working the show: especially Mariette, Kelly, Julie, BK, Terry, Margaret and Linda.



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Boat Parade



Show at Elkins Resort



"Come on in, the water is warm"



Love your hat!

Dry Rot Boat Show Priest Lake

Labor Day Weekend
Aug 31- Sept 3rd

Planned and organized by Linda Zwarg and her volunteers, the Dry Rot Show is a great end of summer event. The weather was good, the lake beautiful and the company excellent!

Thanks to Hutch and Carol for the Poker Run and Dick and Louise Werner for their willingness to put on a BBQ for 100 guests.

Terry "Bone Daddy" Deems not only provided music, his multi media presentation showing many past Chapter events and many Club members was a great tribute to boating and the wonderful friends in the Club.



Poker Run
Glue



Calendar Of Events

Month	Project	Schedule	Notes to Self
November	Gala Dinner at Spokane Club	Saturday, Nov 17th Send in RSVP card!	Good excuse to buy new outfit for wife. May need her help for winter projects.
December	Strip old varnish,	M-F after work, all day Saturday and Sunday	Remember—use only pull type scrapers, make sure they are sharp. Have band-aids ready.
January	Sand	Every day, except Super Bowl Sunday.	Rope anybody I can into helping, except inept brother-in-law. Buy beer, call Boat Club friends to come over and help?
February	Stain	Weekends, tape off into sections	It's faster with helpers who know what they are doing... Assign sloppy helpers to fetch snacks and more beer.
March	Varnish	1st 3 coats, 3 successive days, coats 7-10, every other day	Do not hold cat before varnishing, Only call over helpers who can actually work while they talk.

*The season of ships is here
 The west wind and the swallows;
 Flowers in the fields appear,
 And the ocean of hills and hollows
 Has calmed its waves and is clear.
 Free that anchor and chain!
 Set your full canvas flying,
 O men in the harbor lane:
 It is I, Priapus, crying.
 Sail out on your trades again!*

~ Leonidas of Tarentum

It's been a summer to remember
 Thanks for being a part of it.....

In Remembrance

Our deepest condolences go to Jerry Wood of Pend Oreille Lake. His wife, Anne, passed away on October 1st which would have been their 47th wedding anniversary.

May the memories be a blessing to all who knew her.

President's Message



"Fun in the Sun—
Wood, Water and
Rum

Straight on till dawn
and no we're not
done!"

As we settle in for our long winter nap, we need to have our warm milk and cookies. Our pre-nap snacks can be found at the General Meeting on November 17th at the Spokane Club. Information on the meeting is posted on our web page and contained within this publication. The meeting will include dinner, a business meeting and elections. Fun stuff will be presented by our very own "Doctor of Dance" and "Maker of Mirth", Mr. Bone Daddy aka Terry Deems. If you plan on attending - mail in your RSVP by November 5th as we have limited space. The ever popular "gift exchange" will again be a highlight, so bring a "tasteful" (what ever that means) gift not to exceed \$10.00 and take part in this free wheeling, steal from thy neighbor fun event.

The 2008 ACBS International Show and Meeting will be coming to our area next September. Our Chapter will be the Host Chapter and ACBS is counting on us to provide idea's for pre-event functions and to lend a hand with such things as boat launching and placement. If you would like to volunteer please contact me. We are planning a virtual "cornucopia" of events prior to the Show. Our plan is to show case this beautiful area we call home with such offerings as the "Three Lake Tour" which entails a trip to Priest Lake, Lake Pend Oreille and Lake Coeur d' Alene, a bike tour of the Hiawatha Trail, a jet boat trip up Hells Canyon, and a Historical Guided Tour of Spokane and the Silver Valley. More detailed information regarding these events is forthcoming.



Blue Star

Jerry Lebsack Photo

The 2007 boating season was another one for the record books, the 5th Annual Sandpoint Show set attendance records, the 2nd Annual Show and Shine at the Resort Boat Shop was alive with enthusiasm, the "Haul Ass to Harrison" was perfect both in weather and attendance and The Dry Rot was outstanding. For some of us it's hard to let go, but let go we must. So, remember to winterize those classic beauties, put another log on the fire and I'll see all of you in 2008, either on the water or damn close to it!

BK

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Membership Committee News

The Inland Empire Chapter of ACBS is reporting over 100 members. This should be no surprise as the events this summer were great and the turnout fantastic. Welcome to all the new members!

National dues went up \$10.00 for next year. They will be mailing out info in November.

The First Day of Issue Antique Boating Stamps Pictorial cancellation was a big success! The IEC Booth was set up next to the USPS Booth where we sold postcards featuring local wooden boats (of course). That made us \$1293.00 extra with the Postcards and Ship Store sales. Everyone attending the November meeting will be getting one—so get your reservations in early.

Mariette Deems, Membership Committee Chair

Membership Application

Name: _____ Spouse Name: _____
 Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____
 Mail Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

BOAT INFORMATION

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 Boat Name: _____
 Year: _____ Builder: _____
 Model: _____ Overall Length: _____
 Hull#: _____ HP: _____ Engine Make: _____ #Cyl: _____

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 Boat Name: _____
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 Model: _____ Overall Length: _____
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DUES SCHEDULE

Annual Membership \$35.00
 Chapter Membership \$25.00
 Total Dues \$60.00

Mall Application To:

ACBS International Headquarters
 ATTN: Membership
 422 James St., Clayton, NY 13624

Coeur d'Alene Boat Show



Mariette Deems, Postmaster of Priest River and IEC Treasurer, signs one of hundreds of autographs for customers at the United States Postal Service booth set up to sell 1st day of issue classic boating stamps. It was a big success!

You may have thought the USPS slogan "Neither sleet nor snow nor rain will keep us from our appointed rounds" was passé. Well, on the 2nd day of the Show, the Postal crew showed their determination and proved it's not.

Despite the gloomy weather (it was rainy and cloudy) and the sparse crowds (there were only a few folks on the boardwalk looking at the boats), the volunteers from the Postal Service kept their booth open until the bitter end, finally packing up around 4:00 pm!

To the rescue... None other than our own

Jim Thorpe!

Anonymous tipsters have informed the editor that Jim was involved in a boat rescue the weekend of June 30th. Jim was the rescuer—not the rescuee. You will have to call him yourself to get all the details.

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Miss Dixie



Cruisin' at CdA



An Arabian from Oregon



Beach—Upper Priest Lake

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