



# Inland Scuttlebutt



## Inland Empire Chapter

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### November General Meeting

Well, another year has gone by and another set of elections and another Presidents cup was awarded. On November 16 at the Idaho Parks & Recreation Department the Inland Empire Chapter ACBS held their General Meeting and Elections. The turnout was small but a good time was had by all. We discussed the upcoming year and the events that people would like to see and even had a number of volunteers to head the projects. The Elections were held and your president for the 2004 year will continue to be Chris Knapton. Your secretary is again Linda Zwarg and the new Treasurer is Mariette Deems. The New board members are BK Powell, Terry Deems, Jim Kerr, and Michael Boge. Ken Johnson was re-elected for another 3 year term. Our new membership person is now Jan Love. We also discussed the donations we will be providing this holiday season. We have already donated \$500 to the Rotary of Sandpoint for the continuing construction of the stairway at the end of the boardwalk along Sand Creek. Also, we will be donating to the Toys for Tots Campaign in Sandpoint as well. Also, Chris Knapton presented the Pac Four plaques to our primary members who attended 2 or more boat shows in 2003. (The Gold Award is for attending all 4, Silver for 3 and Bronze for 2.) The Pac Four was started 3 years ago and we hope the tradition continues with the 4 Northwest Chapters participating in each others shows. The four Chapters are Portland, Seattle, and Okanogan as well as the Inland Empire Chapter.

Also during our meeting the annual Presidents Cup Award was given to Steve & Linda Zwarg. The Presidents Cup is given by the chapter president to someone who has gone above and beyond what is needed for the good of the Chapter. Linda has organized the food for the past 2 general Meeting, been the Secretary for the Past year, ran the Ship's Store for the Sandpoint Show and attended every meeting in Sandpoint this past year concerning the show. Steve is on the board and has also been there for the Chapter at every turn. These



two are a great benefit for our Chapter and the recognition that received is long over due. Thanks to Both of them for their help and support. There are so many people within our Chapter that help with making us complete that the decision for the President is not an easy task.

*Thanks to all of you that have stepped up to help this chapter and to make it successful.  
Without the volunteers and members this chapter would not exist.*



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**Gary Hammond  
 Winner of the Silver Pac Four Award 2003**

**MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

As of November 2003 our current paid membership stands at 81 members. Any new members and all renewals received by headquarters as of September 1, 2003 will automatically become 2004 members. You will be receiving your 2004 renewal notices in the mail anytime now. I encourage you to get your payment in by February, 2004 to be included in the 2004 ACBS directory.

When you are an ACBS member you will receive the ACBS Directory, The Rudder Magazine and a special discount with Hagerty Insurance. From the Inland Empire Chapter you receive our Inland Scuttlebutt Newsletter and the opportunity to gather and share fellowship, information, experiences, and ideas with other members. Visit our website for current news, information or a membership application.

Happy Holidays,  
 Mariette Deems  
 Membership Chairman

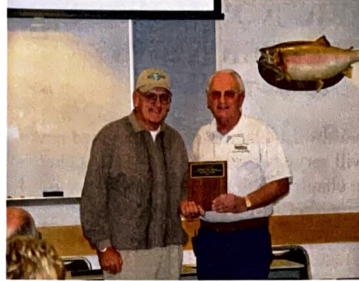
## Inland Empire Chapter Boat Show 2004!

Yep, you just got the boat winterized and/or plans for what projects you are going to tackle this winter. Well It's not too early to start thinking and planning for the Inland Empire chapter's second Boat show at Sandpoint! The dates are July 9<sup>th</sup> through the 11<sup>th</sup>. So mark those calendars and make plans to get all that sanding & varnishing done by then. This year expect it to be bigger & better than last year. The committee has already started the planning and getting all the "ducks in a line". Of course the real success of any boat show is a direct result of you, the participants. You helped make last year's event an unqualified success and we know that with your support 2004's show will also be a great event.

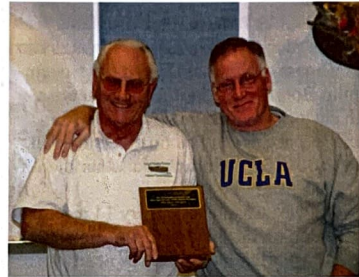
Look for more information and details in your mailbox after the first of the year. If you would like to join a fun group of people putting this show together, we are looking for volunteers.

You can contact either  
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We hope to see you in Sandpoint on the boardwalk, so keep the dates of July 9<sup>th</sup> - July 11<sup>th</sup> open.



Gary Ballew  
Winner  
of a  
Bronze  
Pac Four  
Award



BK Powell  
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of a  
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Mariette Deems  
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Bob Ickes  
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**Pac Four Award Winners  
2003**

## PACIFIC NORTHWEST CHAPTER NEWS

*By Marty Loken*

The Pacific Northwest Chapter recently elected new officers, who will serve two-year terms. Marty Loken is President of the chapter, with Kirk Knapp as Vice President and Membership Chair; Craig Magnusson as Secretary and Joan Knapp as Treasurer. Newly elected to the Board of Directors is Warren Olson, who will serve as co-chair of the 2004 Classic Speedboat Show, along with Dick Kasperson.

Marty indicates he'd like to have more programs "or other entertainments" during club meetings--in addition to covering the business of the chapter. For the November meeting, Philip Borgnes of Maritime Productions, showed a 'rough cut' of the video he shot of last summer's Classic Speedboat Show. (The final version will be made available to ACBS members in another month or so. For details, ask Marty.)

The Pacific Northwest Chapter's January 14 meeting will feature a slide talk on the history and recent restoration of the classic yacht Malibu, which was nearly lost 18 months ago when it went on the rocks in the San Juan Islands. The yacht was fully restored at a cost of \$2.4 million--far more than the insurance company would agree to cover--and was given the chapter's "Restoration of the Year" award for 2003.

The February 11 chapter meeting will be held aboard the historic schooner Zodiac, berthed at the north end of Lake Union. A "schooner dinner" of spaghetti, salad, garlic bread and brownies will be served by the Zodiac's crew.

Saturday, March 20 the chapter will host its annual Shop Tour, this time at the renovated Jensen Motorboat Company on Portage Bay. Jensen is a third-generation company that has built (and rebuilt) hundreds of classic powerboats, launches, hydroplanes and sailboats over the decades. The tour will include a peek at Jensen's recently-organized archives, showcasing almost all of the boats build over the years.

Saturday, May 1 is the annual Opening Day Parade in Seattle. This year's theme will be "The Games of Summer," and the Pacific Northwest Chapter will be out in force, as usual.

Many new on-the-water events are planned by the chapter for 2004, including a big Poker Run on Lake Washington in late June. (Stay tuned...)

The Classic Speedboat Show will be held July 17-18 at South Lake Union Park, in Seattle.

For details on these or other Pacific Northwest Chapter events, please contact Marty Loken at (360) 321-6404, or by e-mail at [MLoken@Whidbey.com](mailto:MLoken@Whidbey.com)

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## Winter and your Boat

*By Dave Crettol*

With great reluctance most of us have put our boats away for the winter.

Hopefully before the boat went into hibernation you removed those loose items like PFD's (Personnel Floatation Devices), hand held radio, lines, First Aid kits and all other safety items too.

Winter is the very best time to take a good look at all of your safety items and make sure that they are in the very best condition, or plan to replace those items that have out lived the usefulness.

Should any of your safety equipment need replacing now is when to add those items to your Christmas list. Keep in mind that Christmas comes twice each year for boaters here in this area. Once in December and again in late January early February in the form of the Spokane Boat show. So be sure that you have your list up to date and displayed on the refrigerator in plain sight so St. Nick's helpers can see it.

Additionally now is the time to sit down and list all of those tasks that you want to do, or have done, before you get the boat out of storage next spring. If it requires having that task done by one of our local boat shops you may want to give them a call and get on their calendar. For those tasks that you want to take on make a list of the items that will be required to get the task and put it on your calendar too.

Keep in mind that spring has a bad habit of getting here before we know it and we want to be ready to begin enjoying our boats as soon as we can. So don't wait till the last minute to get all of those tasks done, do them now while you have the time.

I'll see you at the BOAT SHOW.

## Spokane Boat Show

Even though your boats may already be down for a long winters nap and they may not feel like emerging into the cold depths of winter in January and early February...Imagine the reaction from the people of the Spokane and North Idaho area to be able to see the beauty and classic lines of YOUR wooden boat. You don't have to un-winterized because they will only be on the trailer. A perfect opportunity for our chapter to gain new members and to help with the continuing education of the magnificent thrill of owning a classic wooden boat. Also to engage new people who might be interested in joining the Inland Empire Chapter ACBS. I am of course speaking of the Spokane Boat Show that is sponsored by our friends at the Spokane Yacht Club. The dates of the show are January 30 thru February 8 at the Spokane Interstate Fairgrounds. An admittance fee will not be charged to those bringing a boat to the show. Scott Thompson of the Spokane Yacht Club is asking us to bring up to a dozen boats to be displayed in the show. This is a continuation of the Show and Shine that we had at the Yacht Club this past summer and we will have another Showing the summer of 2004. Steve Zwarg and BK Powell are the gentlemen that are heading the collaboration for the show so if you are interested in bringing one or two of your boats please give them a call. Lets show the Spokane Area the joy of seeing the classics on display.

Steve's number is 509. 468.7236

BK can be reached at 509.755.8326.

**SEE YOU AT THE SHOW !!!!**

### **SPokane NAT'L BOAT SHOW**

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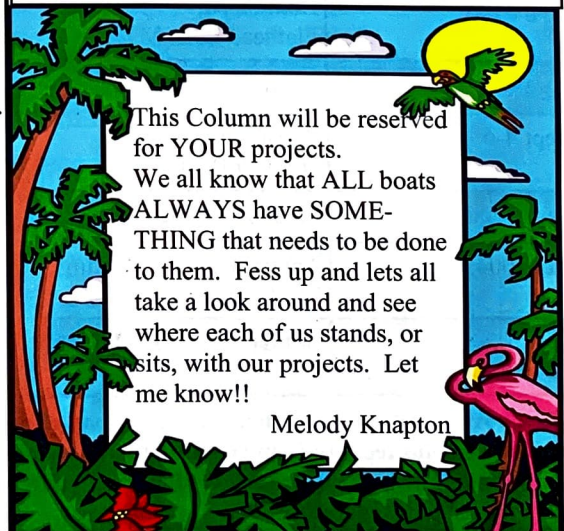


#### **Bob Ickes is working on:**

1916 16' tender for motor yacht Hopestill.  
Built by Julius Petersen in Nyack, NY. Status is "a standby state of readiness" meaning that I may get back to it some day! At the Seattle boatshow the folks at the Wooden Boat Center said don't give up; there aren't many of those old launches left.

1948 30' Chris-Craft sedan cruiser. Actively working on this, but speed is not one of my attributes. Transom has been replaced, rear cockpit decking is going back in, but the inside's still a shell and coming apart and the hull exterior has yet to be sealed, caulked and painted. Top and deck still need to be replaced.  
May be ready this next year, but I kind of doubt it.

Besides, then what would I have to work on?



Melody Knapton



# Tentative Calendar for 2004



Date	Event	Coordinator	
Jan 2004	Club Social	Mariette Deems	208.667.5023
Jan 2004	Board Meeting	Chris Knapton	208.687.4244
Jan 30—Feb 8	Spokane Boat Show Spokane Fairgrounds Boats on Display	Steve Zwarg BK Powell	509.468.7236 509.755.8326
March 2004	Board Meeting	Chris Knapton	208.687.4244
April 2004	General Meeting		
May 2004	Board Meeting Shop Tour & BBQ	Steve Zwarg	509.468.7236
June 2004	Show & Shine Spokane Yacht Club	John Lenhart	208.664.1749
June 26	Portland Chapter Boat Show		
July 9—11	Sandpoint Boat Show Inland Empire Chapter	Larry O'Leary	208.762.9228
July 16-18	Seattle Chapter Show	Marty Loken	360.321.6404
July 23-25	Okanogan Boat Show Kelowna, BC	Bruce Middleton	250.861.7822
Aug 2004	Boat Show Flathead Lake MT	Pam Morton	406.837.0711
Aug 2004	Board Meeting	Chris Knapton	208.687.4244
Sept 4-6	Priest Lake Dry Rot Boat Show	Linda Zwarg	509.768.7236
Sept 2004	Season Closing Event	Bill Coyle	509.893.9870
Oct 2004	Annual General Meeting Elections	Linda Zwarg	509.768.7236
Dec 2004/ Jan 2005	Holiday Gathering	Terry Deems	208.667.5023

The above listed dates are tentative and may change. Also, we are still in need of volunteers to help coordinate a meeting and to help with the Sandpoint show. Please consider donating your precious time to help the chapter pull together another terrific show.

Thank you!



*(Continuation from September 2003 Newsletter)*

**Good Things come in Small Packages by Marty Loken**

**Hornet**

**125 to 151 Class step hydroplane**

John Hacker, designer

At first we were reluctant to display Restless alongside Hornet, since their side profiles are similar. We decided to go ahead, realizing that the two boats are actually very different.

While basic dimensions are close, Hornet displays a lower profile and racier, more radical underside with its planing step, under-the-bow rudder and transom-mounted shaft strut, extending the prop 12 inches behind Hornet's stern.

Built for the 125 racing class with a 47-horse motor and overall weight of 750 pounds (boat, engine and everything), the designer of Hornet claimed a speed of 40 mph.

Plans and building instructions for Hornet appear in the 1934 book by Edwin Monk, *How to Build Wooden Boats*, reprinted in 1992 by Dover Publications and still widely available.

**FLYER**

**15-foot step hydroplane**

Bruce Crandall, designer

Crandall designed a stunning collection of raceboats for *Motor Boating* magazine, many of them bearing the *Flyer* name, and this 1936 model is our all-time favorite.

At 15'-2" overall, Crandall's 135 Class step hydro is a few inches longer than the other runabouts featured herein--but at speed it's really another 14-footer since *Flyer* has a transom step that shortens on-the-water length.

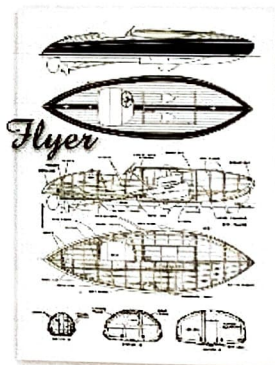
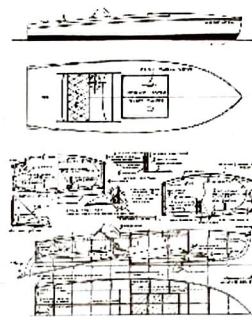
*Flyer* is a classic streamliner, designed to carry most of her weight on the foreplane so that a wide afterplane is not necessary. (Good thing, because the planing surface narrows to only 16 inches at the transom!)

While the boat looks like a bear to plank, it's not bad if you consider the pointed stern as nothing more than an upside-down bow....which is exactly what you're dealing with.

If you plan to take a companion out in *Flyer*, be sure they're a *close* friend--this is a small boat with a very cozy cockpit.

The original engine suggested for the 135 cubic-inch class was a Universal *Blue Jacket Racer*, a flathead four. Assuming you don't have a *Blue Jacket Racer* in the basement, you might consider a modern four-cylinder marine engine or, for the ultimate power-to-weight ratio, Rotary Power Marine Corporation's super-compact 175-hp engine, which would produce speeds to match the breathtaking appeal of this little boat.

We may build a few *Flyers* this winter for customers—including a stretched 18-1/2-foot version of the Crandall boat. (If you're curious, get in touch and we'll let you know how they turn out.)



# MUCHO GUSTO

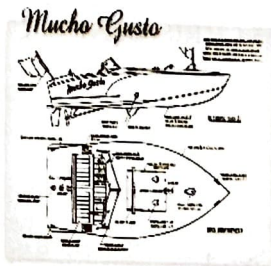
14-foot runabout

David D. Beach,  
designer

After showcasing several little boats from the 1930's, we shift to the early 1950's to review *Mucho Gusto*, a flashy hot-rod designed around the Crosley four-cylinder inboard, which was used extensively in the 48 cubic-inch three-point hydro class. Stock Crosley engines developed only 25 hp, but could easily be hopped-up to produce about 40 hp, burning normal fuel. These were light-weight little powerplants, turned at about 4,800 rpm. They were fairly simple to acquire and rebuild, so they appealed to many amateur boatbuilders. The basic Crosley later appeared inside the cowl of a Fageol outboard engine. Still later, it was beefed up and used in the Homelite outboard, rated at 55 hp. (We have two of the Crosley-Fageol blocks, and have thought about using one in a boat such as *Mucho Gusto*.)

The biggest difference between *Mucho Gusto* and the other pint-sized runabouts is its construction. While the earlier designs feature traditional plank-on-frame, *Mucho Gusto* is built with 1/4-inch marine plywood over sawn frames. She's also several inches beamier than the 1930's boats, with non-rip chines and a beautiful reverse sheer that nearly drops into the water at the stern. *Mucho Gusto* appeared in *Sports Afield* magazine's *Boatbuilding Annual*. We haven't run into the design elsewhere, and certainly haven't seen one of the boats on the water, but it would be a terrific performer and great-looking boat, employing the most compact four-cylinder engine you could come up with...or the rotary powerplant mentioned above. So there you have it--five delightful little runabouts, designed to offer maximum pleasure in minimum packages. Take your pick, and get to work!

*Marty's Note:* Drawings and building details on the runabouts are available from the author, Marty Loken at Island Boatshop, Box 1248, Langley, WA 98260; (360) 321-6404, or e-mail MLoken@Whidbey.com.



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With so many visitors seeing our material, wouldn't you like to have your work published too? We are looking for talented woodworkers, mechanics, electricians and navigators to send us their tips on keeping these beauties on the water. Not ME you're thinking. Well, unless you've recently purchased a brand new wooden boat in factory condition, then you've probably done something to keep you and your craft on the water, and you ARE the experienced woodworker, mechanic, electrician or navigator that we're looking for!

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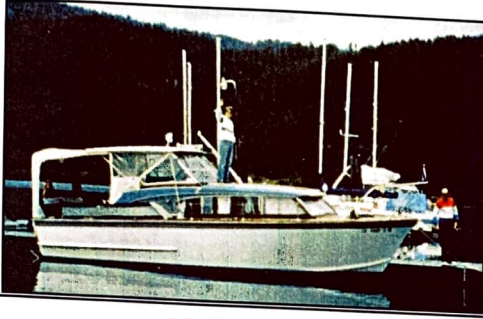


**Seasons Greetings**

**FOR SALE**

Rare 1932 Chris-Craft Model 300, 15-1/2' double-cockpit runabout. Have most hardware, running gear and parts/pieces, but no engine. Trailer optional. Also have Builder's Sheet on the hull from the Mariner's Museum--the boat was sold originally to a party in Spokane. Deck planking has been removed, but it appears to be all there for patterns. Could be a very good project, but I've just acquired another small Chris that makes this redundant, unfortunately. \$1,600 firm. Photo below is a 1932 Chris-Craft advertising photo--not this boat! Have one shot of this one "as-is" that I could scan and e-mail. Marty Loken, (360) 321-6404, or MLoKen@Whidbey.com



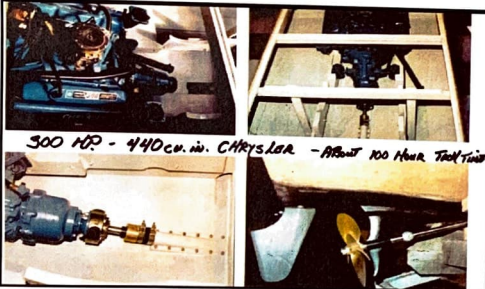


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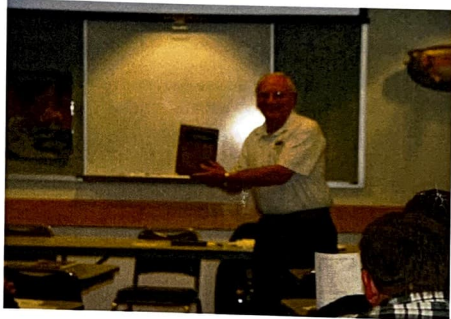
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John Lenhart ,  
 Winner of a Bronze Pac Four Award 2003  
 Chris Knaption



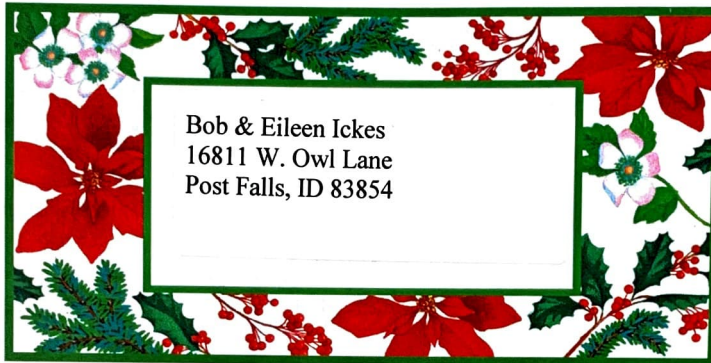
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## Presidents Notes

Well once again I am looking forward to being the President of your Chapter for another year and hope we can continue to grow and develop new and better programs and events.

I would challenge every member to continue to recruit new members so we can top the 100 mark and I would sincerely like to hear from any and ALL members with their ideas on what the chapter can do to help increase the attendance at meetings and events and/or what type of events you would like.

The slate of officers, Directors and Committee Chairs show a lot of strength and I am looking forward to working with them during the coming year.

I want to wish each and everyone of you and your families a wonderful and safe holiday season and I look forward to talking to everyone and seeing you at meetings and events during the up and coming year.

Don't Forget to send in your Membership Renewals ASAP so that you are included in the 2004 Directory.

See you on the water!  
Chris Knapton

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