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Inland Empire Chapter of the Antique & Classic Boat Society

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It's time to DRAG'EM OUT SHINE'EM UP and SHOW'EM OFF

Well, the way this Spring is going you might have to scrape the snow off of your boat first. At any rate it's boating season again and our club has a great line up of boat shows and outings planned. So let's take advantage of our great lakes and venues by getting out there and participating in some of the great fun planned.

The 6th Annual Show and Shine at the Resort Boat Shop May 14th

The Resort Boat Shop has another full day of fun and activities planned for us this year. See flyer on page 6 for more info.

Classic Boat Festival at Sandpoint - Sandpoint ID July 8-10

Friday night from 6 PM to 10PM we have a rare opportunity for a "Night at the Museum" at Jim and Milanie McGoldrick's home approximately 5 miles out of Sandpoint. We will be serving chicken and ribs along with all the goodies. We are working on transportation for anyone who needs it.

Saturday Skippers meeting will be at 9AM with continental breakfast and the show starting at 10AM. Judging available on the registration form. At 3 PM we will take our annual boat parade up Sand Creek. Banquet will be held that evening at the Cedar Street Bridge with Ivanos catering service, the same restaurant that serviced us last year and did such a great job.

Sunday we are looking forward to a poker run to many of the restaurants and cocktail lounges on the water and finishing at Dover Bay for a no host brunch. We are all looking forward to seeing you. So, come early and stay late!!!

For more information contact: Michael Boge 208-661-3857; John Keener 208-818-7050 Keener@mv180.net

Portland ACBS Show July 22-24

The location is Jantzen Bay Marina where we will have adequate dock space and protected water as well as access to the Columbia and Willamette. We will have a cruise on Friday leaving the marina at between 10 and 10:30 AM to have lunch at a place as yet not finalized. A get together and introduction gathering will take place at about 6:00 PM near the docks.

Launch ramps are available at 42nd street in Portland and across the river in Vancouver. Trailer parking is available in a lot at Jantzen Bay Marina where we plan to have security. Docks will accommodate two boats in most slips and should meet with everyone's approval. The registration form can be downloaded at www.cwc-acbs.org. For more information contact: Steve Ellwood ellwood4292@comcast.net; John Tyler tyler223@earthlink.net

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VISIT THE RECENTLY UPDATED INLAND EMPIRE ACBS WEB SITE

www.acbs-inlandempire.org

Thank you Michael Boge for taking on this project. Michael says this is just the beginning and the site will not be static and it will change often. In order to change the site we need your help. Send pictures of your projects and your boats so the pictures can be rotated. New members please send your bio's so they can be included.





2011

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President's Message

Faster than an unlimited hydroplane summer is rushing upon us! Are you ready? Have you got plans made? Attending any boating events? I hope so. There is a full slate of impressive events lined up this summer on so many of our area lakes. Be sure and check out the calendar of events in this current issue of the Scuttlebutt or go online at our new website address at www.acbs-inlandempire.org.

Show support to your boating community and sign up for a show or two you've been thinking about attending. It's quality family time, a great reprieve from work and a chance to make or reacquaint with boating friends. I look forward to seeing you out on the water!

Best, Michael Boge

Our Mission

To bring people together with a common interest in historic, antique and classic boats, sharing fellowship, information, experience and exchange of ideas.

To protect the heritage of boating by promoting, first the preservation and, secondly, the restoration of historic antique and classic boats.

To promote, further and encourage a love and enjoyment of all aspects of historic, antique and classic boating.

To serve as a communication channel for our membership, the public, and any other entities regarding information relating to historic, antique and classic boating. This includes serving as a clearing house and referral service for all information relating to historic, antique, and classic boating.

To serve as the governing body and parent organization for such chapters as shall be formed and created under our auspices; this includes providing support for and communicating with these chapters.

To inspire and support quality boat shows and related events among our chapters; to establish and maintain standards for classifying boats and conducting boat shows.

To educate our membership and the general public concerning safety and protocol as it relates to historic, antique and classic boating.



Welcome new members

The Inland Empire ACBS has added the following members that share our passion for Antique and Classic Boats. Please make them feel welcome by dropping them a note, including them in our activities or offering them a hand when you see them;

Carl & Sharon Thompson; Bill & Jan Ellison; Denny & Sue Hamilton; Mike & Barbara Moen; Doug and Gail Dede

The IEACBS has a total of 85 members.

Carl & Sharon Thompson



About 3 years ago I started looking for a boat to restore or build, I did look at some Sea Skiffs and a couple of other plank haul, sport fishing boats, that needed some restoration. I like small lake fishing and drifting rivers and the large motor boat just did not fit the bill.

A few years back at the Port Townsend Wooden Boat Festival I rowed a wherry built by George Calkins, one of my dad's best fiends, it was a very enjoyable experience. I then found plans for a wherry with a flat keel, 15' long with a 60" beam from Duck Trap Woodworking in Maine, this fit everything I wanted a boat to do, I ordered the plans with a manual.

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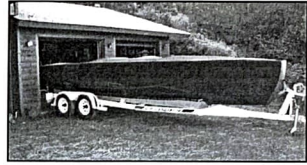
Doug and Gail Dede

Let me introduce the Dede's to the Club. We recently (July 2010) moved from Pennsylvania to Nine Mile Falls to our "other house" on Long Lake - wife Gail is from Spokane, and most of her kids/grandkids live in the area. While it was sad leaving our suburban Philadelphia home and its proximity to the Chesapeake Bay, we're very happy with our decision - something about looking out the front window and seeing very boatable water at our front door has lots to do with our peace of mind.

I have been boating for over 50 years - not so much for Gail. We got into "the old boat thing" when I bought a 1964 21' Lyman, then really went crazy with a 1955 Chris Craft Commander (37') which we owned for several years before selling her in 2008. Somewhere in there I also bought and restored a 15' Cliffe Craft outboard (not a misspelling - they were made in the Thousand Islands area of Ontario for a few years in the 1960's...). Sadly none of these woodies made it over the Rockies with us - but we are constantly

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Denny & Sue Hamilton



Vanna Mae

Our family's revered matriarch was a beloved Grandmother named Vanna Mae. With a great work ethic, adventurous spirit, determined will-power, and demonstrating an unbiased love for her family, Vanna was a very strong role model for all of us. It was decided that this early boat design, bearing such classical 1900's virtues and smooth curvaceous lines, needed an appropriate roaring 20's era woman's name. It therefore seemed only fitting our family's matriarch's name would be across her stern.

The plans for this boat, originally called the "Grayling Jr", were designed by renowned naval architect Geo. Crouch.

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Seafaring Words in Everyday Speech

Three Sheets to the Wind- On a square-rigged sailing ship, a "sheet" is a line attached to the lower corners of a square sail, used for trimming it to the wind. When sheets are allowed to run free, the sails lose their wind and flap and flutter. The ship's forward motion stops, and as she loses steerageway, she becomes impossible to control. A person is said to be "three sheets to the wind" when in an advanced state of inebriation, fluttering and wallowing around out of control.

"Shaking a cloth in the wind" and "being over the bay" are nautical expressions for being only slightly drunk.



From "When a Loose Cannon Flips a Dead Horse There's the Deal to Pay: Seafaring Words in Everyday Speech" by Olivia A. Ili

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Bayview August 6th

At the docks in Bayview Id on Saturday only from 10am to 4pm. Come out and enjoy the beautiful location and a laid back atmosphere. There will be a charitable cause offering no host lunch and of course couple pubs right there within walking distance from the docks. There will not be any judging or prizes but will be plenty of help and some great docks. For more information contact: Jim "Ski" Wilkuski 683-3625

Big Sky ACBS Antique and Classic Boat Show August 6th

Hosted by the Big Sky Chapter located in Lakeside, Montana. Big Sky ACBS Chapter will host the show on fabulous Flathead Lake. Marine flea market for restorers, 50 slips available. Friday night reception at historic Classic Company Boat Works. Sat night dinner. Sunday afternoon boat parade. For more information contact: Alex Berry 406-844-3522 or 406-471-2293 alex.b@montanawoodenboatfoundation.org

THE LAKE TAHOE CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE August 12-14th

More than 75 classic antique boats will arrive at one of the world's most renowned mountain lakes, bringing a sense of old world glory to Carnelian Bay, Calif., for the 39th annual Lake Tahoe Concours d' Elegance Wooden Boat Show. The event is a compilation of the best vintage boats from North America competing in 13 specialized classes for top honors and bragging rights in what is considered to be the premier judged wooden boat show in the nation. The featured Marque Class for 2011: 'Gar Wood - the Gentleman's Runabout.' For more information contact: Neil Horning neil@liquidblueevents.com; Jess Horning jess@liquidblueevents.com

6th Annual Payette Lakes Chapter ACBS Boat Show Aug 12-14th

Hosted by the Payette Lakes Chapter located at the Shore Lodge Resort on Payette Lake in McCall, ID. Boat Parade & Rides/Saturday Banquet dinner with Silent & Live Auction. For more information contact: Glenn Johnston- Boat show Chairman gjohnston9@netzero.net; Patricia Hormaechea pthorm@cablone.net

26th Annual Coeur d'Alene Wooden Boat Show & Inaugural Regional ACBS Chapters Classic Aug 19-21st

Hosted by the Coeur D' Alene Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with all 6 Pacific Northwest ACBS Chapters and the Coeur D' Alene Resort. This first ever Regional Show will offer pre-events to include a symposium on restoration and repair. Come join us at the Coeur D' Alene Resort on beautiful Lake Coeur D' Alene Idaho. For more information contact: The Coeur D' Alene Chamber of Commerce 208-664-3194 or www.cdachamber.com; B.K. Powell bk@xofficetech.com

Dry Rot Boat Show at Priest Lake ID Sept 3-5th

Hosted by the Inland Empire and the Columbia Wilamette ACBS. Start the weekend off with a get-together pot luck dinner Friday night then join us Saturday for another legendary poker run. Show on Sunday at Elkins Resort followed by a parade down the lake to Hills resort for a lunch and Gin Fizz. Monday will be a run up to the picturesque Upper Priest Lake for a picnic lunch on the Beach. For more information contact: Linda Zwarg zpatina@comcast.net

2nd Annual Mahogany and Merlot on Lake Chelan Oct 1-2nd

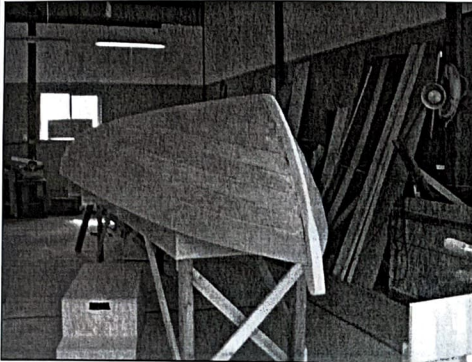
Plans are underway for the '2nd' Mahogany & Merlot on Lake Chelan vintage boat event. As with last year the event will be hosted by the Hydroplane & Raceboat Museum based out of Seattle. 6 vintage unlimiteds are scheduled to run, 15 restored vintage inboard hydroplanes and the invitation is again extended to all Antique & Classic boat owners who want to attend. The location is the Chelan Marina -downtown Chelan. Wine tasting from some of the area's winery's, Friday evening reception party and a Saturday evening dinner. For more information contact: Jon Courtright chelanvintageboats@yahoo.com or www.mahoganyandmerlot.weebly.com



2012 Spokane National Boat Show at the Spokane County Fair and Expo Center Feb 2012

2011 Spokane National Boat Show was a great success for the IEACBS. Next year proves to be even better with big plans in the works. So park your boats so that you can get them out of storage and join the fun. For more information contact: Steve Zwarg zpatina@comcast.net

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This is my first attempt at boat building, I have to say Duck Trap did a very good job with their plans and manual, but I found it to be a very trying project, to say the least. My neighbor told me how nice it looked, my comment was after you do everything 3 times or so, it better look good. The boat is planked 9 mm okoume plywood and the keel is 3 pieces of 12 mm laminated together, the transom is 2" solid mahogany and the bow stem is oak. I used West System Epoxy system for a fastener through out the haul. I also coated the bottom of the keel with 2 heavy coats of epoxy, help with rocks and beaches while on float trips.

John also ask me to give a little bit of a personal resume. Born on the Oregon coast and have lived around boats all of my life. My dad had a boat shop in Toledo, Or., built commercial fishing boats for fishermen in Newport and tug boats for the local mill

(late 40s / early 50s), I was in the early years of grade school at the time and did not learn much from him at this time. I have had numerous boats in my life, from a 14' lake boat, 4 cruising power boats and several sail boats up to 36'. My thinking now if I want a large cruising boat, do a bare boat charter.

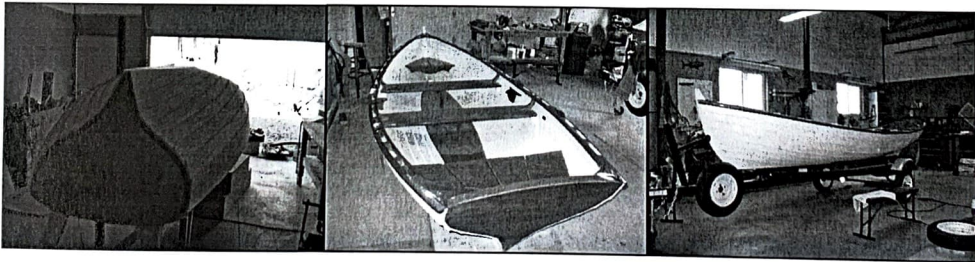
I am married and Sharon is a the best wife in the world and to top it off she is a good sailor, knows how to do bright wood, and yes she is good in the galley.

I have not launched this boat yet, need a nice warm sunny day, it will be nice to see if it holds water.

Carl & Sharon Thompson

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on the lookout for one here in the Northwest.

We are not boatless, however. This fall we bought (in near-perfect condition) a 1976 Century Arabian which I think qualifies us as "fiberclassics" (or is it "classic glassics?") We are looking forward to participating in club activities.

Doug and Gail Dede

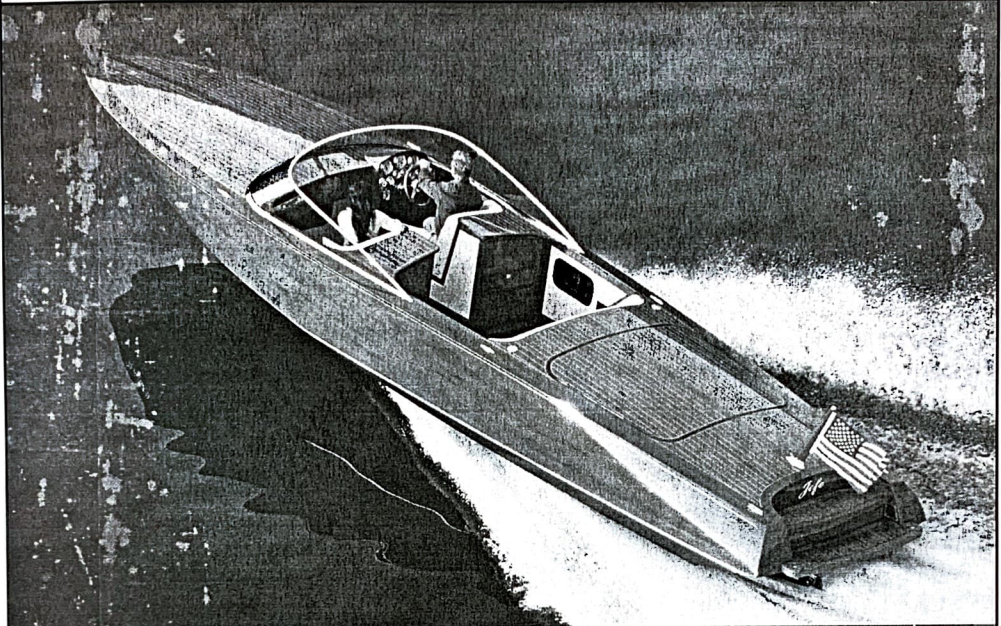
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Coeur d Alene Boat Show 2010

My boat "Dottie", a 1936 Chris Craft was trying her hardest to keep up with the big boy boats and the helicopter!

Submitted by Kathy Fair

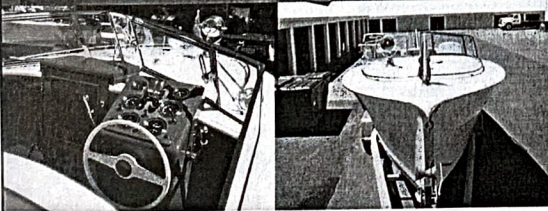


6TH ANNUAL

Show **E** Shine

MAY 14, 2011 9AM - 4PM

SHOWCASING THE
AREA'S CLASSIC
AND ANTIQUE
Woodies AND
AUTOMOBILES.



1947 *Chris-Craft* RED AND WHITE 25 FEET LONG WITH TWIN
CHRIS-CRAFT MODEL "K" ENGINES

REFINISHED IN 2009 • REWORKED ENGINES • REWIRED BOAT • POLISHED AND
RECHROMED ALL HARDWARE • STRIPPED AND REFINISHED ENTIRE BODY • INSTALLED
NEW FLOORING • ADDED BENCH BACKSEAT • NEW UPHOLSTERY THROUGHOUT.

Directions: FROM SELTICE WAY HEAD SOUTH ON SEELEY, RIGHT ON YOUNG AVE.

ACBS GENERAL
Meeting 9:30AM - 10:30AM

Lunch OUTDOOR BBQ
11AM - 2PM

Live Music 11AM-3PM

241 SOUTH YOUNG
AVE., POST FALLS, ID



To Buy or Register your boat for the show,
please contact Eric O'Brien
eobrien@hagadonemarine.com or Tiffany Curtis
tcurtis@hagadonemarine.com or call The Resort
Boat Shop (208) 667-5009





INLAND EMPIRE ACBS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



NAME _____ E-MAIL _____

SPOUSE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____

ZIP _____ PHONES _____

ANNUAL DUES	NATIONAL	\$45
	INLAND EMPIRE	\$25
	TOTAL	\$70

BOAT INFORMATION

BOAT #1NAME _____

YEAR _____ BUILDER _____ MODEL _____ LENGTH _____

HULL# _____ HP _____ ENGINE _____ #CYL _____

BOAT #2NAME _____

YEAR _____ BUILDER _____ MODEL _____ LENGTH _____

HULL# _____ HP _____ ENGINE _____ #CYL _____

MAIL THIS APPLICATION TO
ACBS
422 JAMES STREET
CLAYTON, NY 13624

The strength of ACBS is within each and every chapter. If you can generate new members to join your chapter, welcome them and encourage them to participate, and retain your current members, everyone wins. Hopefully this booklet will help you add to your repertoire of ideas.

Listed below are just a few of the benefits of ACBS membership

Annual ACBS Membership Directory

You will be listed in the "Who's Who" of the antique and classic boating world along with thousands of others who share the same interests.

The *Rudder*, the quarterly publication of ACBS

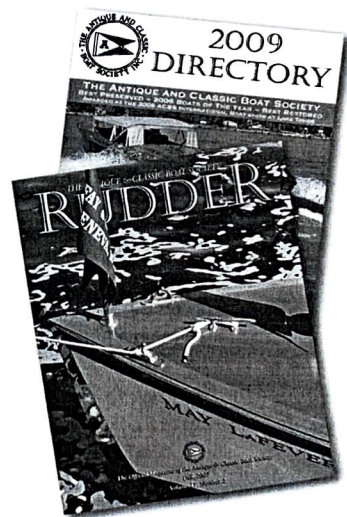
The *Rudder* provides calendar of events, restoration information, spotlights local chapters and their events, profiles historic boats and builders, and every issue includes the Trading Dock, a free forum for ACBS members to list their boats and any other related items they may want to sell.

Meetings, Boat Shows, Symposiums, Picnics

Local chapters as well as the ACBS hold activities where members can enjoy and share their boat as well as meet others who share their passion.

Discounts, Discounts, Discounts

ACBS members are eligible for a 10% premium discount on boats insured through Hagerty Marine Insurance. Many other discounts are available through the ACBS and the local chapters such as BoatUS, West Marine, and Hertz.



Most important, the opportunity to meet new friends.



2011 CALENDER OF EVENTS

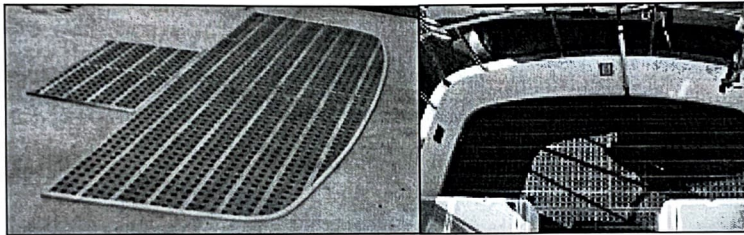
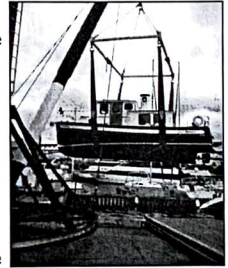
May	14 CHANGED	Show & Shine 11am and General meeting 9:30am Resort Boat Shop Post Falls Idaho	Eric O'Brien	eobrien@hagadonemarine.com 208-667-5009
	19	IEACBS Board Meeting (5PM social Hr Meeting 6PM) Onion Restaurant 302 West Riverside Avenue Spokane	Michael Boge	mountainfever1@frontier.com
June	16	IEACBS Board Meeting (5PM social Hr Meeting 6PM) Crickets Restaurant 424 E. Sherman Avenue Cda	Michael Boge	mountainfever1@frontier.com
July	8-10	Classic Boat Festival at Sandpoint Sandpoint Idaho	John Keener	keener@my180.net
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	22-23	Portland ACBS Show Portland OR	Steve Ellwood	ellwood4292@comcast.net
August	6	Bayview Boat Show Bayview Idaho	Jim Wilkuski	208-683-3625
	6	Big Sky ACBS Antique and Classic Boat Show Lakeside Montana	Alex	alex.b@montanaboatfoundation.org
	12-14	Lake Tahoe Concours d'Elegance Lake Tahoe California		www.laketahoeconcours.com
	12-14	Payette Boat Show McCall Idaho	Glenn Johnston	gjohnston9@netzero.net
	19-21	Regional Pacific Northwest Boat Show Cda Idaho	BK Powell	bk@xofficetech.com
Sept	3-5	Dry Rot Priest Lake Idaho	Linda Zwarg	zpatina1@comcast.net
	15	IEACBS Board Meeting (5PM social Hr Meeting 6PM) Onion Restaurant 302 West Riverside Avenue Spokane	Michael Boge	mountainfever1@frontier.com
Oct	1-2	Mahogany & Merlot Boat Show and Hydroplane Races Lake Chelan Washington	Jon Courtright	chelanvintageboats@yahoo.com
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NEW DECK GRATES FOR HURRAH

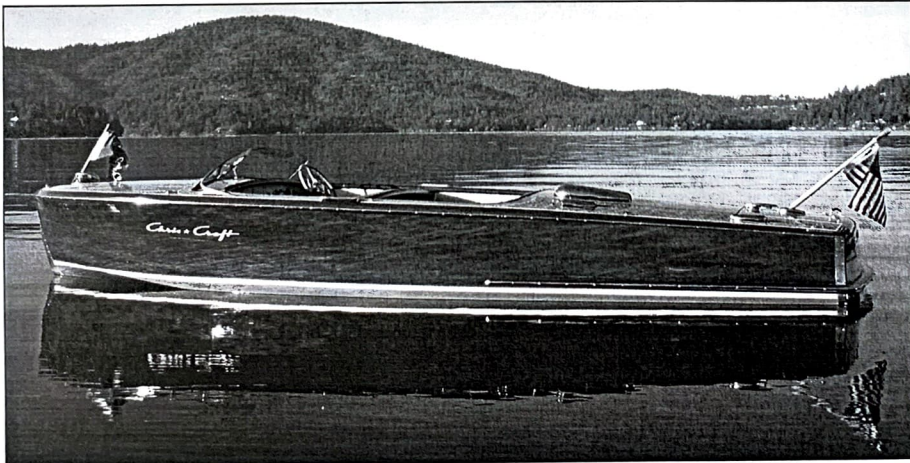
While having the diesel fuel and the fuel tanks on Last Harrah scrubbed, we discovered dry rot in the rear deck. To fix the problem two sections, 1'x1', of the deck must be removed and replaced. Sounds easy but matching the patch to the deck remaining is not as easy. I had not spent all of the kid's inheritance yet so I decided to throw some more money at her.

Some of you may remember the deck grates Jan and I had made for "LITTLE TOOT", I decided Last Harrah should be given the same treatment. I then priced Teak. Sticker shock set in. I was looking at 35 to 40 board feet at \$30 per board foot. I called my old friend Bo at Boworks and was whining about the price of Teak and Bo asked me if I would consider an exotic wood called IPE. He told me the price would be 1/3 of the price of teak and that got my attention. I did some research on a web site, hobbitouse.com, and found that IPE is 3 times stronger than Oak, is fire proof, can be put in the ground without treatment, and it is very pretty. I was sold.

Bo did his magic and the grates are done. The pictures below do not do justice to Bo's excellent work. I can't wait to get them installed. Last Harrah will be the talk on the dock at the Nordic Tug rendezvous in June at Bremerton.



A Picture is Worth 1000 Words



“Nostalgia”

Alan and Roberta Meyers' 1951 Chris Craft Riviera in front of their dock, looking south toward Canfield Butte on Hayden Lake

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Later, about 1929, the blueprints were published in vol.8, of Motor Boating's Ideal Series. Certainly a futuristic designer for his time, Crouch's famous "Baby Bootlegger", the winning boat of the Gold Cup's 1924-25 races, was definitely an inspiration. Although, not built for speed with her rounded displacement type of hull, our "Vanna Mae", was designed specifically for a small 4 cylinder, 18-50 Hp., gasoline powered marine engine. Built with a raised deck crown, curved transom, soft chine, severe concave/convex hull patterns and measuring over 24ft. in length, she has similar classic lines with the extraordinary aesthetics of "Baby Bootlegger".

After lofting the plans, and then building a "strong-back" on the floor of the garage, I began actual construction in October 2010. Using several gallons of West System epoxy in a cold-laminating process, the hull's 3/4" plywood frames were covered with multiple diagonal and alternative laid, 6" wide, 1/8" thick, layers of mahogany veneer. The hull was then flipped over and "sided" with a single layer of 5" wide, longitudinally laid, 5mm thick "planks" of an African mahogany called Sapele.

After the deck frames were built, 2 1/2" wide, 5mm thick, Sapele planks were laminated onto a veneered sub-deck. With no "live" expansion joints, white "sika-flex" was not used in any of the deck seams. Instead, the "white" deck plank seams are 1/8" thin strips of inlaid Alaskan Spruce between each mahogany deck plank. With darker walnut stain being used on the "king plank" and "cover boards", red mahogany stain on the deck planks, and then the thinner lighter colored Spruce strips inlaid between each plank, the deck's overall appearance is an interesting contrasting color pattern.

The Resort Boat Shop's team with Dave Kaschmitter, Jim Brown, Mitch Devore and Eric O'Brien have been very helpful. Their high quality of craftsmanship, expert opinions/advice/suggestions, materials supplied, and even the great prices on all of the epoxy I used, is really appreciated.

Its been a real challenge finding all of the older style brass trim and deck hardware needed. With friends like Steve Swarg, Allen Thomle, and Dave Berg, most of these pieces have been located, fabricated, cast, and/or acquired.

Steve Swarg located an old 4 cylinder Grey Marine engine. After completing an overhaul/restoration, it's the perfect "period" motor for the boat's early design. In Steve's back yard, "Field of Dreams", lay tons of old boat parts. Many "treasures", including a great brass spotlight, rudder, shaft strut, and brass motor hatch adjusters were found. Some, however, like the set of solid brass engine mounts, had to be dug out from under 10" of snow!

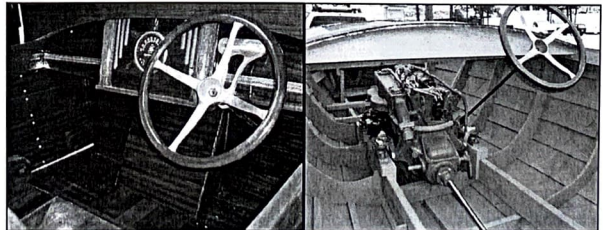
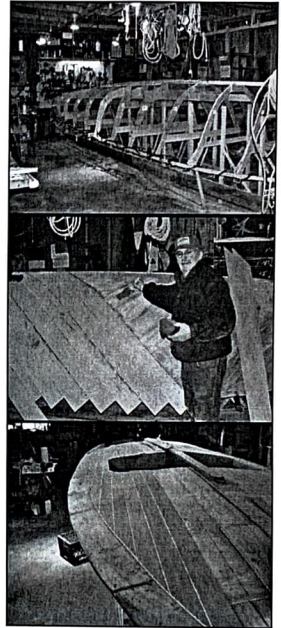
Allen Thomle, with his vast collection of boating hardware, was very helpful too. I acquired many great deck and trim pieces that even included some old motor hatch brass trim Allen had salvaged from his "Greyhound" renovation project. Imagine..... using some of the original brass that will now appropriately, be coming back to Lake Coeur d'Alene, where the "Greyhound" was originally built.....how cool is that !!?!

Being my boat mentor for years, Dave Berg has probably forgotten more about building wooden boats than I could ever hope to learn. He's also been the single greatest influence on this latest "winter" project of mine. He suggested, a few years ago, that I should build a boat from scratch rather than renovate another old Chris Craft. After finally determining the specific boat I wanted to build, Dave sent me a photostat copy of Crouch's "Grayling Jr" blueprints. Many of the wonderful solid brass handmade castings such as the old style mooring line-bow light, clam shell vents, and the steering wheel spider, etc., were rough sand castings molded and cast personally by Dave. His ability to first carve the wooden molds and then cast the resultant brass hardware is definite testimony to his fantastic personal craftsmanship, skill and creative artistic talents. It's just one of the many personal touches that certainly makes his own beautiful handcrafted wood boats even more special and truly unique creations.

With the help from friends like these, an improbable dream has finally come to fruition.....thanks to all of you.

"Never be afraid to start something new. Remember, amateurs built the Ark and it was professionals that built the Titanic"

Denny Hamilton



I was in a local tavern in a time-hidden little coastal town. There sat a crusty old pirate enjoying a grog in the corner. I was curious about his peg leg, eye patch and hook for a hand so I pulled up a chair to share a few drinks. Tell me sir, I said. How did you come by your wooden peg leg? Welllll Maitey - he drawled. Me mates were havin a bit of fun and we were all drunk on deck one night. Before I knew it they threw me overboard to sober me up! As I swam back to the boat I seed a fin break the surface -- and before



me mates could get me back onboard the shark had a piece of me leg! Oh, I said. That must have been terrible. AYE mate, it were! - Then tell me sir, how did you come by your hook? - Arrghhh! he says. That were the time a squall line were blowin in from the North. I's a working the foredeck and bringing in the sheets. Just as me pulled the belayin pin, a big gust of wind come up and blowed out the tall sail. The problem were me hand were caught in the line as the sail blowed out. It ripped her clean off me arm! Well, I replied. Sounds like you've had some hard times. So tell me, how did you come by your eye patch. Well sonny, the old pirate went on, me was swabbin the deck one day when a frigate and lots of seagulls flew over the masts. Me raised up me head to look and - SPLAT! - one of them birds pooped in me eye!

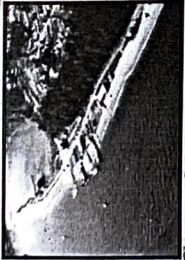
- I paused for a second waiting for more of a story, then asked. But sir, I don't understand. How is it that a little bird poop would cause you to lose your eye! ARRGGHH MAITEY!!! That were

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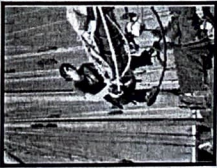
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