

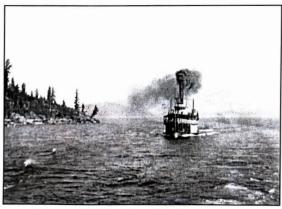
#### "Old Friend" on the Lake in Peril?

John V. Wood Philomath, Oregon

(Editors note: I read this wonderful bit of Coeur d'Alene Lake history in the Museum of Northern Idaho Newsletter a couple of years ago. I thought that you'd enjoy it so I contacted the author. He has given me permission to share it with you. Get your GPS out, pack yourself a picnic and see if you can find John's "Old Friend".)

There is an "old friend" on the Lake that I had not seen for several years, but in the summer of 2003 I had the privilege to once again take a boat out on *The Lake* (as I will always think of Lake Coeur d'Alene) and I headed south for the west side of The Channel - searching. This old friend was not just a "friend" of mine, but had been an acquaintance of our family since my great-grandfather arrived in 1889. You might well wonder how this friend was so long-lived, and to me it is a miracle as well. The "friend" to which I refer is not human, but is a unique tree that is very alive to this day and stands as a sentinel and marker for one of the historic sites on the Lake – Three-Mile Point (also known as 3 Mile Point).

However in 2003 finding this "friend" was a real chore, for the site has changed drastically. Three-Mile Point was never a great prominence like Tubbs Point or Arrow Point, but was rather a rocky outcropping that only thrust itself a short distance into the water, and it has been the tree that signaled one had arrived at the Point; but by 2003 a development of docks on the north side of the point projected out into the water further than the Point and obscured a view of the old tree. It wasn't until I headed back north toward Coeur d'Alene that the view of the tree was again obvious — and there it proudly stood! While I was greatly relieved to see it, all the new activity at the site made me start to fear for its future survival. Oh, not that the development of docks in itself was to blame, but just the numbers of people that would now come in contact with the tree from the shore and not knowing its significance might unknowingly destroy or injure it. What to do?



"Georgie Oakes" rounding 3 Mile Point heading south down The Channel to Harrison ca. 1910
The 3 Mile Point tree is clearly visible leaning toward the lake, and right behind it Tubbs Hill.

For those that are new to the area, those too young to have heard, or even those that grew up here but were not well acquainted with the Lake; the first task would be to inform. While the tree itself is certainly quite old and its form is unusual (as a young tree growing out of the rocky area on the bank the trunk was forced to lean downhill toward the water, but then continued to grow and gradually curved back toward vertical) it is not the tree in itself that is significant, but rather its connection to the Point – just as the Mullan Tree as a tree gained significance with its connection with history. And Three-Mile Point came to be meaningful with the very start of steamboating on the Lake in 1880.

From the *Amelia Wheaton* onward steamboats found that in leaving Coeur d'Alene and heading south (up-lake) it was necessary to change their plotted course at several places on the Lake, and the first of these from Coeur d'Alene was Three-Mile Point. Not only was it significant for that reason, but the fact it was exactly three miles from Coeur d'Alene made it possible for those navigating to determine their speed and calculate when their next course correction would come; and for night navigation, or navigation in fog this was invaluable. And even beyond the steamboating era, other boating used this feature as well, i.e. sailboat

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#### 2016

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## President's Message



Summer is finally here and with that comes the time to mark your calendars for this seasons' shows! In July we have the Sandpoint Antique & Classic Boat Show, The Coeur d' Alene Classic Boat Festival in August and Dry Rot on Priest Lake over Labor Day weekend. This will mark the end of what is sure to be a great few months! As we all know successful events like these don't just happen. Many hours of time are donated to put on these events and make them enjoyable for not only our club members but the public as well. This year we have had many new individuals attending our club meetings and volunteering wherever they are needed. This is in addition to the already solid core of our members who have helped year after year. I wanted to use my message this newsletter to thank all those involved with producing these events! These events contribute to bringing us some of our closest friendships and fondest memories! Your time and imagination is extremely valuable to the club and the future growth of our society. So now it is up to you, our great general membership, to get out and enjoy these events with your friends and family! Have a great summer and I am sure to see you on the water!

Cheers Sheena

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#### 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.

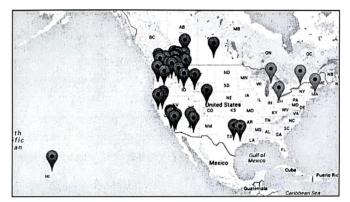
To inspire and support quality boat shows and related events among our chapters; to establish and maintain standards for classifying boats and conducting boat shows.

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

## Membership Report and Highlights

The Inland Empire ACBS would like to highlight the following members who share our passion for Antique and Classic Boats. Please make our new members feel welcome by dropping them a note, including them in our activities or offering them a hand when you see them. We would also like to acknowledge our long standing antique and classic members for their hard work and dedication to our club. The IEACBS currently has a total of 112 members.

The IEACBS is currently looking to fill the Membership Chairman position. John Lenhart has held this position for many years and done an outstanding job. He resigned his position last fall leaving some big shoes to fill. If you are interested in helping your club out by filling this position please contact our president Sheena Kerfoot. Her contact info can be found on page two.



IEACBS membership reaches far and wide. This is a screen shot from the ACBS Website that show a Google Map where of all of the IEACBS members live. Must be kind of lonely over there in Hawaii all by yourselves Nevin and Elizabeth Bryant.

#### New Member Profile: Patrick and Maria Santy

Maria and I currently live in Torrance, CA where we raised our two daughters, Madeline (24) and Eva (20). Several years ago, as we sent our youngest



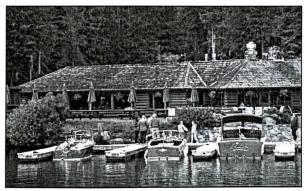
Maria, Patrick, Madeline and Eva Santy (Photo from Patrick

off to college, we began our second life when we purchased land on the east side of Lake Coeur d'Alene. Since that time, we have been visiting monthly to see friends and check out the construction progress of our home. Our goal is to see Eva graduate in 2018 and begin planning my retirement and ultimate move to Coeur d'Alene.

As Maria and I spend time in northern Idaho, we find ourselves getting more and more involved in local activities. Over the last year, several of my friends suggested we buy a classic boat, join the IEACBS, and meet all the great people. Little did we know what this would entail! In the spring of 2015, we became the proud owners of Robusto- a 1960 23' Chris Craft Sea Skiff Ranger. We chose this lapstrake utility boat because it is a great all around, sturdy, general purpose boat. Robusto is probably familiar to many locals, as it was previously owned by IEACBS members Murray Danzig, and then Ken Gimbel. Over the last several months, Robusto has been in the hands of Andy Kerfoot for some changes and refinishing, while Terry Deems has been busy with the motor work. We are very excited to get her out on the water this summer and show her off!



Robusto (Photo from Patrick Santy)



Robusto in the boat show line up at Priest Lake 2015 (Photo from Wes Yandt)

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racing and motorboat "log racing" (the water equivalent of a car rally where the boater predicts the time it will take to get from point to point on a designated course).

So throughout the steamboating era and until today the tree has been there to mark the way. I recall my grandmother, Margaret Thomson Wood, talking about seeing the tree as a child (she was one-year old in 1890 when her mother followed her father bringing the rest of the family to Coeur d'Alene), and Margaret was a frequent rider on the steamboats as her mother homesteaded Aberdeen Lodge Bay at the south end of the Lake. And my father, Dr. William T. Wood, who was a life-time resident of Coeur d'Alene commented on Three-Mile Point and its tree nearly every time we passed it while boating on the Lake – and Dad always had boats until the last few years of his life.

Lastly, Three-Mile Point has the dubious distinction of being the location of the "steamboat graveyard" according to Ruby Hult in her Steamboats in the Timber. She listed the boats Kootenai, Harrison, Samson, St. Maries, and Bonanza as being interned there — although clearly the St. Maries was beached and later burned on the shore at North Cape. In any case, it seems to me that the point and its sentinel tree deserve recognition, and the tree should be preserved; but can that be done, and if so, how?

Would it be possible for the tree and point to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places? And if they were what would be the ramifications? I desire to neither impinge on the rights of the property owners nor inconvenience the people there; but I DO wish for them to understand the unique nature of the tree and point, and to value them as I do. If you also feel as I, please let your wishes be known locally as I no longer live in the area.

Here are my best wishes to an "old friend." May your future years be many.

## **HAYDEN LAKE CLASSIC BOAT SHOW**& NAUTICAL BENEFIT HAPPY HOUR

Saturday, June 25 Don Vogt (206) 473-9583 donivogt@gmail.com

The third annual Hayden Lake Classic Boat Show will take place Saturday June 25, 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm, at the Hayden Lake Marina docks. An informal gathering and public display organized by Hayden Lake wood boat owners, the show will feature a variety of vessels from rare antiques to current classics. The event is free and open to the public.

The show gives visitors the opportunity to see these boats up close and chat with boat owners. Vessels range in sizes and makes, and will span from the 1930's to current wood models made locally in the Coeur d'Alene area.

In collaboration with the show, Hayden Lake Yacht Club and the Northwest chapter of DIFFA (Design Industries Foundation Fighting AIDS) have partnered to present a nautical themed Happy Hour, from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm at The Boathouse Restaurant, featuring vintage-inspired cocktail specials, a raffle, and silent auction of custom-made designer picnic baskets. No entry fee; donations welcome. Proceeds benefit DIFFA. At the event, a \$5000 grant award will be presented to North Idaho AIDS Coalition, local beneficiary of DIFFA funds. For more information, visit <a href="http://diffanorthwest.org">http://diffanorthwest.org</a>.

Hayden Lake Classic Boat Show Saturday, June 25, 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

HLYC Happy Hour & DIFFA 'Picnic by Design' Auction 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

The Boathouse | Hayden Lake Marina 3830 E. Hayden Lake Rd. (208) 772-5057 http://haydenlakemarina.com







2015 Hayden Lake Classic Boat Show (photos by Don Vogt)

#### Coeur d'Alene Classic Boat Festival Coeur d'Alene Resort Boardwalk

August 26-28, 2016

Jan Keener at keener@my180.net or 208-661-0530.

Friday, August 26

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Launching Assistance, Blackwell Island Marina

4:00 p.m.

Welcoming wine tasting and music on the Boardwalk

Saturday, August 27

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Boat Show on the Boardwalk

6:00 p.m.

Festival Dinner at the Resort Boat Shop (\$30)

Sunday, August 28

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Boat Show on the Boardwalk



Please sign up by August 20, 2016. Check the IEACBS website for registration form and other details.

For any other questions, please contact Jan Keener at keener@my180.net or 208-661-0530.

See you there!





#### What's in a

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Why do we name our boats what we do? Sometimes the meanings are very deep and well thought out and other times the name is simple and comes easy. Whatever it is and however we came up with it, they are all unique and help to define our boats.

"Me Too!" 14' 1958 Brendella Outboard Runabout

The story of our 1958 plywood boat is just like the Alan Jackson song "Drive!"

My dad purchased the boat in 1964 as a project, so his boys (Daryl, Doug and Dale) could learn to water ski. We boys thought that we would be water skiing in a month. However, my dad (who was a perfectionist) decided to rebuild the boat. We worked on this project every evening and on

the weekends for eight months. We removed all hull wood, copper nails and brass screws. Finally, in the spring of 1965 we were able to use the boat. My brother waxed the hull to get every ounce of speed out of the 65HP Mercury.

In 1999, my youngest brother could no longer store the boat and asked if I wanted it. When I saw it for the first time since 1970 I was disappointed to discover what poor condition it was in. With the advice of Syd Young (StanCraft Boats), we decided to replace all the wood and use the old boat parts as a pattern. In 2006, the Resort Boat Shop in Post Falls, Idaho completed the restoration. That year we were rewarded for our efforts and received the Chairman's award from BK Powell during the Coeur d'Alene wooden boat show. The boat looks and runs great. The water skis and life jackets are the originals that my brothers and I learned to water ski on back in 1966.



"Me Too" 2013 Sandpoint show (photo by Wes Yandt)

Since we live on the Spokane River, just down from Lake Coeur d'Alene, you will occasionally see my wife and me with our Cocker Spaniel Oliver heading down to the Cedars floating restaurant for dinner in our plywood boat!

Why the name "Me Too!" you ask? Those three young brothers always wanted to be involved in everything that each other did and everything their father and mother were doing. If one of the other brothers was doing something or our parents were discussing going somewhere, we would all chime in with "Me Too!" So that's why we named the boat "Me Too!" - to remember the good old days of our youth and our parents.

#### Seafaring Words in Everyday Speech

#### High and dry (Stranded, without help or hope of recovery)

This term originally referred to ships that were beached. The 'dry' implies that, not only were they out of the water, but had been for some time and could be expected to remain so. It was used in a 'Ship News' column in The [London] Times, August 1796: "The Russian frigate Archipelago, yesterday got aground below the Nore at high water, which; when the tide had ebbed, left her nearly high and dry."

From www.phrases.org.uk



## 2016 Inland Empire Chapter Antique and Classic Boat Show

Sunday's "Boat Fun Day" RALLY

"Adventure is adversity told later in comfort."

As part of the 2016 Sandpoint Boat Show, the second annual Classic Boat Show Rally will be held on Sunday, July 10<sup>th</sup>. Start time from the Sandpoint Boardwalk will be at 9:30 am with the rally concluding at the Bottle Bay Marina at 2:00 pm.

This is an excellent way to have fun, use your boat, abuse your crew and see the wonders of the big lake of Pend Oreille and North Idaho. The rally is set up with multiple ways to win OR you can just pick off bonuses to visit places and provide your crew destinations to visit. It is not about who has the fastest boat but instead who can put together a winning combination of points and destinations.

Last year's rally had over 45 pages of bonuses such as:

#### **41 SOUTH RESTAURANT**

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With big views of Sandpoint, Lake Pend Oreille and the Selkirk Mountains, 41 South has those big romantic views in their lodge type of setting. Take a photo of your boat docked at 41 South's dock with the restaurant behind.

Participants can rally whether they have a boat or not. Combinations of bonuses can be put together for folks without a boat or with a boat. You can even put combination of bonuses together on land and on the water.

HOW DO I ENTER? Simple! Sign up to be part of the 2016 Sandpoint Boat Show Rally at <a href="www.inlandempireacbs.net">www.inlandempireacbs.net</a>. Go to the "Sandpoint Boat Show" tab and hit enter; under "Use Your Boat Event," check "yes." There is no cost for this event, although packets will be available 12 hours early at the banquet dinner the night before for the very reasonable sum of \$20.00.



Making sure the rally flag is in the photo! (photo by Michael Boge

If you have additional questions or comments about this event, feel free to contact Michael Boge at: <a href="mountainfeverl@frontier.com">mountainfeverl@frontier.com</a> or cell at 208-661-3857.

For additional show information contact Show Chair BK Powell at: 509-755-8326, bk@officetechusa.com or Chapter President, Sheena Kerfoot at 208-704-2171; woodboatendeayor@gmail.com



Trophy winners & hard luck stories (photo by Michael Boge)

### "What's happening in the shop"

Tell us what is going on in your shop. Send us a very brief story (paragraph) or not so brief, and a few photos if you have them, explaining what classic boat project you are working on. It can be as big or small of a project as you wish. You can be sure that people will find it interesting even if it is simply polishing out a scratch. You can also mention in your story if you'd like/need some help or if you welcome visitors (include contact information).

#### Tim and Deb Salt by Tim Salt

1951 15' Lyman Fisherman outboard "Glacier Chaser". Here is the latest from the GC blog. Interior is stripped, patterns nearly complete, should be flipping to strip bottom soon. I don't know if you have experienced this or not but it seems the deeper you go the more you find that needs to be done??? Huh, wonder why no one mentioned that? Looks like we have a new transom in our future as well.



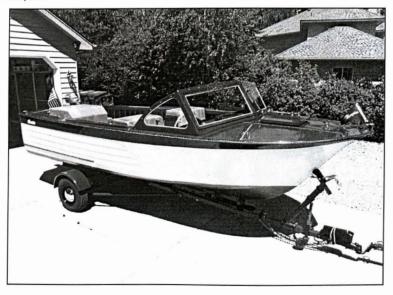
"Glacier Chaser" ready for the big flip (photo by Tim Salt)

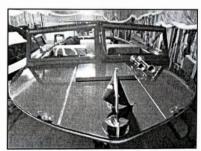
#### Mitch and Tracy Johnson by Mitch Johnson

#### **READY TO LAUNCH!**

We are pretty excited that this will be the year we will debut our 1967 Thompson at the 2016 Sandpoint Boat Show. The project took five years to complete and is finally done. There are some very minor details to complete, but she is basically finished. The boat has not been in the water for over 20 years so we still need a water test before the show, but so far everything is testing OK. (We probably should find a shallow lake for the test... just in case!)

Since my father purchased the boat new and it has always been in the family, we are putting together a complete history book on the boat that we hope to have finished before the show. Here are some sneak-peek pictures, but you will have to go to the show to see the rest. See you all in Sandpoint,







READY TO LAUNCH (photos by Mitch Johnson)

## 2016 IEACBS Ship Store

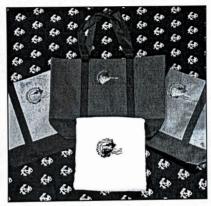
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Official 2016 Sandpoint Antique & Classic Tee shirt – Men's L, XL, 2XL and 3XL. Women's L, XL and 2XL \$15 for L and XL \$17 for 2XL and 3XL. Preorder now and have available at the Sandpoint Ship Store.

Men's or women's Coeur d'Alene polo shirt - turquoise blue must be ordered by August 1st \$30 for small, medium, large, extra-large and 2XL \$35

Men's IEACBS polo shirt - blue (pictured) or in white \$25 Women's IEACBS Polo shirts white (pictured) or in blue \$25 Shirts can be ordered in 2 & 3 XL price is \$35.

White ACBS visor - \$10

White IEACBS Ball cap - \$10

IEACBS Coffee cup - \$15 limited quantity

IEACBS unisex hooded zippered sweat shirts - sizes medium, large, and extra-large \$30 2 XL \$35

Wooden sunglasses - \$35 limited (quantities)

IEACBS canvas beach bags - three colors blue, green or orange \$15

IEACBS white beach towel - \$10

IEACBS umbrella - not pictured \$10

IEACBS burgee - White or green \$25

IEACBS carry cooler - Blue \$10 (without the beer wine and glasses)

Wooden sunglasses - limited quantities \$35

IEACBS rose wood laser engraved ball point pen - \$10







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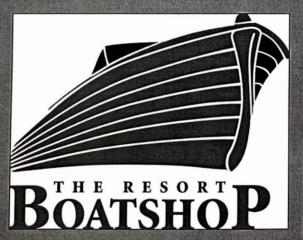


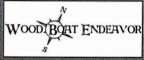




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1955 16' TollyCraft Roustabout. It was last licensed in 1982. The boat has been stored in a barn in Genesee, Idaho and the wood is in good condition. The boat comes with a trailer and two motors. One is a 30-35HP and the other is an old trolling motor. Both appear to be the original motors that came with the boat. \$3,000 Contact Becky Wick <a href="mailto:bkwick3@gmail.com">bkwick3@gmail.com</a>



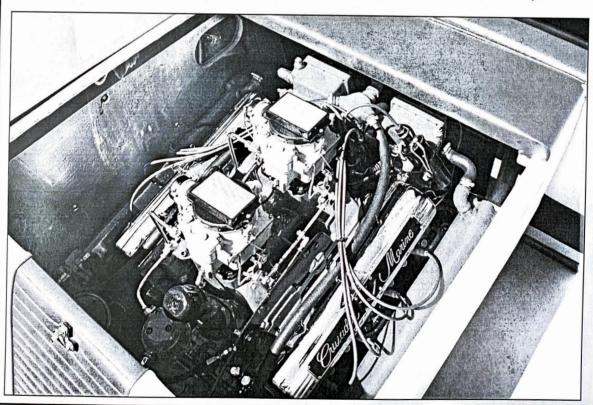






## A Picture is Worth 1,000 Words

Brett and Jodie Sargent's 1957 Century Coronado's <u>Cal Connell 300 HP Cadillac Crusader</u> on display at the 2015 Whitefish Woodie Weekend IV. Recently detailed to an amazing level of authenticity by Brett and The Resort Boat Shop.



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