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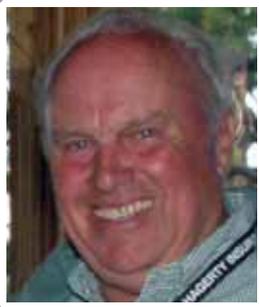


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Message From Our New President—Herb Hall



Your board of directors held the annual planning meeting at Marti Feletto's Sacramento home Jan 6th. The all day meeting reviewed last year's events and planned the 17 events for 2007. We are looking forward to an exciting fun year.

This is your board; they are responsible to your wishes, concerns, ideas, and comments. When there is something you want to see happen, or to do, contact any board member. They will be open and responsive to your comments and ideas. They are there to serve you. All of the Board members have been involved with the chapter, are concerned with its growth and well being, and most of all enjoy the fun of wood boating.

Last years fun events went smoothly, from the Great Northern Boat Show to the Delta Cruise. The International meeting and Boat Show was the largest and best attended ACBS event ever. Everyone went home happy, talking about our beautiful lake its clean water, the fun pre-event cruises, the seamless operation, and best of all the loads of good comments on the friendly welcome our members provided. We have received many thank you notes and letters. Hats off to all the chapter members who gave freely of their time to make the event "The Best Ever".

Looking ahead, our 2007 will also be "The Best Ever". Look at our line up of 2007 events and cruises. All will be well attended, it is a good idea to give some thought to which events you want to participate in and sign up soon. Western Wood has the dates for our events and also the International ACBS quarterly meetings. These are fun trips, our chapter members who have attended come back with fond memories of new friends and outstanding places.

Kathy and I will be at the spring and summer meetings. Spring meeting will be at Mystic Seaport Conn. This meeting will be a symposium and Marque Club summit all in one . . . fun and interesting. Dates are April 13-14-15. The summer meeting is hosted by the ACBS New England chapter and is in conjunction with the Lake Winnepesaukee Boat Show. Dates are July 26-27-28-29. The fall International meeting is to be held at Lake George NY, September 26-27-28-29. The Hudson river cruise will precede this event. Some of our chapter members have already made reservations and plans. Both Lake Winnepesaukee and Lake George are spectacular lakes and fun to visit.

I am proud to announce a new and special relationship between the Tahoe Yacht Club Foundation and our ACBS chapter. At the Jan 6th board meeting Kirk Pumphrey (past chapter president) proposed the following changes to the Concourse. This year the show will start on Thursday noon with VIP day, tickets are proposed at \$100.00. Each VIP will have an open invitation to the show with all food, drinks, gifts, and boat rides. Our chapter will provide people, help, judges, etc on Thursday and will participate in the net profits. Sunday will be our ACBS "Tuesday" and will include a great cruise ending with our "picnic at Sugar Pine Point. Look for more info and announcements in Western Wood.

This will be an exciting and fun filled year,
Norm Kitching





Message From Our Out going President—Herb Hall



What a year we've had! It has been a pleasure and a privilege to serve as president of this great organization. We had over 20 events this year and every one was an unqualified success thanks to the hard work and dedication of some very talented board members and the people who helped them. The club has made and effort to hold events in

a large variety of locations and I hope all our members got a chance to participate in at least one event.

August 4 and 5 brought the Tahoe Yacht Club's Concours d'Elegance and with it the overwhelming participation of our chapter. Along with many member boats entered our members volunteered as dock workers and assisted with all aspects of the show. In addition let's not forget the expertise of the judges led by ACBS past President Barry Ludwig. Organizing and manning the ACBS booth this year was Rich Fisher, who did an excellent job with our display and the merchandising of ACBS related goods. On Tuesday the 8th, John Lahti put together a great picnic at Meeks Bay, attended by over 150 people.

Clear Lake is becoming a serious ACBS location, thanks to an active group of wooden boat aficionado's. For the second year, Jim Robello organized a well attended Woodie Whoopie on Sept 9th. Jim hopes to add more Whoopies next year. It's good to see our chapter growing in multiple locations.

The highlight of the year was our chapters hosting of the ACBS International Meeting and Show. This event moves from chapter to chapter each year and the last time our chapter hosted it was in 1991. Chapter members, Tom O'Rourke, Bob Bush and Jeff Peterson were in charge of organizing this event and they did an outstanding job. Including the show, there were actually 6 different events requiring separate organization and oversight. In addition to those already mentioned, thanks goes to the following event organizers. Iren and Ted Jenny for the Lobster Feed and Barbara Walker with Chuck Kelley for the Thunderbird event.

Over 400 people from all over the country and Canada descended on Lake Tahoe for seven days of boating activities and a two day show. We are still receiving letters of thank you from out of towners who came to enjoy Lake Tahoe. They were truly bowled over by our hospitality and the quality of our events. Tom O'Rourke writes more about

it in this newsletter. We have expanded the number of color pages in this issue to accommodate a plethora of pictures from the week.

Wrapping up our year was my favorite event, the Delta Cruise. We had excellent weather and a record number of boats and people attending. More on this event will be in the next issue.

November 4th is our Chapter Annual Meeting and Dinner at the Sutter Club. Along with the election of new Officers and Directors, I get to pass the gavel to incoming president, Norm Kitching. Norm is one of the most active members of our chapter and along with his wife Kathy, will make an outstanding president this coming year.

In closing, I must thank my wife Barb, who lovingly supported me throughout the year and kept my head screwed on straight. So as I move on from my presidency, I leave you with one of my favorite quotes from Kenneth Grahame's Wind in the Willows. "there is *nothing* -- absolute nothing - half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats." (Toad to Mole)



Jim Keil

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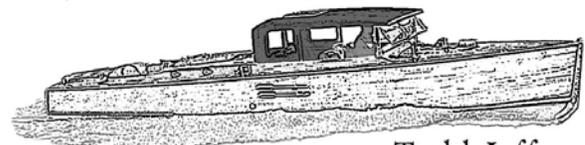
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2006 Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Contact
Jan 5 to 14	Great Northern California Boat Show Alameda County Fairgrounds, Pleasanton, CA.	Tim Bush mailto:gnboatshow@acbs-tahoe.org
Mar 3-4	Boat Restoration Clinic- Northwest Classic Boats Auburn, CA	Preston Smith mailto:boatclinic@acbs-tahoe.org
Mar 30-31 April 1	Spring Fling-- Aptos, CA. Stay at Seascape Resort, Crab Feed, Wine tasting and more. Bring your old car.	Greg Joseph, mailto:springfling@acbs-tahoe.org
Board meeting April 1		
May 18-20	Bass Lake--Ducy's Resort - Annual rendezvous with Southern California chapter. In water boat show. Over the bottom regatta. Always a fun event, don't miss it!	Cary Winslow mailto:basslake@acbs-tahoe.org
June 1-3	Wood and Glory--Konocti Harbor, Clear Lake. Make hotel reservations now.	Jim Robello, Ralph Wallen mailto:woodnglory@acbs-tahoe.org
June 15	Woodie Woopie-at McKinney Shores, Homewood [Tex Mex]. Hank and Joan Upton	mailto:woodiewoopie@acbs-tahoe.org
June 16	Crossing of the Chris Crafts-- Obexers Marina, Homewood--Come even if you don't have a Chris Craft!	Dave & Tami Lyon mailto:crossing@acbs-tahoe.org
June TBA	Boat Handling and Safety clinic--Obexer's Marina, Homewood--	Herb Hall, Chuck Kelley mailto:boatclinic@acbs-tahoe.org
July 7	Woodie Woopie-at Rubicon Bay, CA, [Italian night]	Kirk and Julie Pumphrey mailto:woodiewoopie@acbs-tahoe.org
July 7	Tahoe Keys Show--Tahoe Keys Marina, -- South Lake Tahoe	Greg Joseph mailto:keysshow@acbs-tahoe.org
July 8	Sunday Brunch and Awards --Garwoods, Carnelian Bay - Morning after Keys show.	Norm Kitching mailto:keysshow@acbs-tahoe.org
Board meeting July 8		
July 20	Woodie Woopie-at Olympic Beach, Tahoe City, CA [Caribbean]	Sally and Jim Subject mailto:woodiewoopie@acbs-tahoe.org
August 3	Woodie Woopie-at Bernie & Carol Atkinsons, Carnelian Bay, CA [Irish night]	Tom & Marie O'Rourke Bernie Atkinson mailto:woodiewoopie@acbs-tahoe.org
August 9-11 Ship's store	TYC Concours d'Elegance -- Sierra Boat Co, Carnelian Bay	TBA
August TBA	ACBS Wooden Boat Week Picnic-- Location TBA A nice day at the beach at Tahoe.	John Lahti mailto:boatweek@acbs-tahoe.org
August 24	Woodie Woopie-at Howard & Kay Turner's, Homedwood, CA [New England Clambake	Tom & Marie O'Rourke mailto:woodiewoopie@acbs-tahoe.org
Sept 8	Woodie Woopie at Clear Lake -- Buckingham Homeowner's Clubhouse, Kelseyville, CA	Jim Robello Ralph Wallen
Sept 26-29	ACBS International Meeting and Boat Show -- Lake George New York -Fort William Henry Hotel	Hosted by Adirondack Chapter
Oct 5-7	Delta Cruise -- B&W Resort, Brannan Island Road, Isleton -- Our annual cruise on the Delta.	Preston and Joy Smith mailto:deltacruise@acbs-tahoe.org
Board meeting Oct 7		
Nov 3	Chapter Annual Meeting-- The Sutter Club, Sacramento	Norm Kitching mailto:annual@acbs-tahoe.org



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Norm Kitching receiving his Int'l ACBS Directors

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Wayne Mooers

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Gerald Turney

Past Presidents

1983	Charter Received	1998	Bob Bush
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1990	Bette Shutt	2005	Chuck Kelley
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One of our New Board Members

Stan Oppegard

I was born and raised on a farm in northern Minnesota. I did my undergraduate work at St Olaf College and after graduation, I spent 4 years as an officer in the Navy. After leaving the service, I attended UCLA and received a Masters in Hospital Administration.

On the first day of school, I met Suzanne and we were married a year later. We just celebrated our 39th anniversary.

Following graduation from UCLA, I worked at South Coast Hospital in Laguna Beach. Our two sons, Greg and David were born there. We moved to Sacramento in 1972 and I became the CEO of Methodist Hospital. After working there for 27 years, I retired and now enjoy doing occasional short term interim CEO jobs and buying and selling real estate at Tahoe.

We live in Granite Bay but spend most of our time at Tahoe.

We are blessed to have two beautiful granddaughters. Amanda is our 3 year old and went on her first boat ride at Clear Lake when she was a year old.

We have been members of ACBS for about 4 years and finally found our perfect wooden boat. In April we purchased a 23 ft Chris Craft Continental Sedan and we look forward to many years of boating with ACBS.



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Plan on Attending the 7th Annual ACBS Restoration Clinic

**March 3rd and 4th at the Facilities of Northwest Classic Boats,
2870 Ayres Holmes Road, in beautiful Auburn, CA. 530-888-1100**

For those of you that would like to see and learn first hand from several of Northern California's premier restoration professionals now is the time to attend. **Northwest Classic Boats** has agreed to host this informational hands-on clinic in there newly constructed 8000 square foot facility. A solid team of professionals will be on hand to answer all your difficult questions.

Have you ever replaced an epoxy bottom? Have you ever rolled a boat? Do you want to learn how to varnish? These are just several of the key subjects that will be covered with hands on. What about final sanding, caulking of deck seams, build up varnish, and striping? The list goes on.

Please plan on attending this informational Clinic on March 3rd and 4th. The clinic will start promptly on Saturday Morning March 3rd and end after Lunch on Sunday. We promise that you will take enough information home to evaluate your next wooden boat project effectively.

Professional Instructors attending include, Todd Jeffery, Tony Brown, Curt Bauman, Herb Hall, Dave Lobb, Greg Rudloff (Rudy)

Cost: \$130.00 Per Applicant, Includes instructional materials and lunch both days.

Sign up is limited for this hand on experience please reserve your spot, first come first serve.

Last Day to register is February 23rd, 2006. For more information, contact Preston Smith at

916-434-6222, Preston@Fieldhaven.com or

Herb Hall at 530-546-2551.



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SPRING FLING 2007

Come to Monterey Bay with us and help kick off the new season by spending a weekend living “on the edge”. Our base of operations will be the Seascape Resort which sits high on the bluffs overlooking the bay. ACBS has a special rate on a block of 50 rooms which they will honor until March 10th. Bring your classic/sports cars (inside secure parking available). The accommodations and food at the resort are first class.

We'll start off with Chuck Kelly's renowned **Crab Feast Friday Night** at a new community swim center in Capitola. Bring your own alcohol and appetite, everything else will be provided. The center is about a 15 minute drive from the resort, so if you don't plan on consuming any alcohol and would like to be a designated driver, let us know how many your car can accommodate.

Because of such a wide variety of activities available, we're going to turn you loose on **Saturday**. If you never leave the resort you can swim, sauna, work out at the sport club, (and a day spa to pamper the ladies). Other activities around the county include: **60 wineries, whale watching on a 70 ft. sailboat, a tour through the redwoods on a narrow gauge railroad, the spectacular Monterey Bay Aquarium, Santa Cruz Boardwalk/Arcade, & Municipal Wharf and four golf courses.** Once you have sent in your registration, follow up information will be sent to you detailing all the costs, times, contact information and directions for all the activities on Saturday. If you are able to receive them by e-mail, please note it so we can save the money on mailing.

Saturday Night we will have a banquet dinner in the big ballroom at the resort. 6:00 cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, 7:00 dinner.

Sunday at 8:30 is the Board meeting. The restaurant at the resort, Sanderlings, has a wonderful Sunday Brunch for just under \$30 from 10:00 until 2:00. Make reservations early as it is very popular and does book out.

Please contact me if you are willing and able to help out at the Crab Feed. Greg Joseph, Event chair (831) 688-5295 or (831) 334-5783

Itinerary

Friday, March 30

Check-in @ Seascape Resort	3 PM
Crab Feed @ Live Oak Community Center	5-10 PM

Saturday, March 31 (Pick your own daytime event)

Whale Watch Cruise 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM

On the '70 sloop Chardonnay II—Includes champagne and continental breakfast

Santa Cruz Mountain Wine Tour (self guided) - Choose from 60 wineries

Santa Cruz Boardwalk/Municipal Wharf

Roaring Camp Railroad (1 ½ Hour) tour through the redwoods on a narrow gauge steam train 11:00 AM
12:30 PM or 2:00 PM

Monterey Bay Aquarium—(45 Min. drive from Resort) Opens 10:00 AM

No host cocktails @ Seascape Room 6:00 – 7:00 PM

Dinner @ Seascape Room 7:00 – 10:00 PM

Sunday, April 1

Board meeting – Palo Alto room 8:30 – 10:00 AM

Sanderlings, at the resort has a great Sunday Brunch from 10 AM until 2 PM for just under \$30. It is popular, so make reservations early if you wish to stay for brunch.



What is the Philanthropy Committee Doing?

by Steve Caplan

As the Director of the Philanthropy Committee, I would like tell you what we've been doing over the last couple of years.

In 2004, the Philanthropy Committee was formed. Since that time, we have worked to create a Charter which fulfills the Mission of our ACBS Chapter. The Charter was approved by the Board of Directors in July last year. \$25,000 of our Chapter's funds have been earmarked for the Endowment. That money, by the Charter specifications, is to be invested in a safe, conservative vehicle and the income from the corpus of this investment will be used, per our Mission statement, "To help fund the non-profit charities that assist with our various events throughout the year in support of our purpose; sharing knowledge and education of our core endeavor, that of retaining the heritage of antique and classic boats and boating in Northern California." The Charter is available on the Chapter Website.

This year we have been working on an exciting educational project that involves young people and gives them the opportunity to build a boat from the bottom up. Funds from the NC/LT ACBS Philanthropy Committee fund raising will purchase a 14' Zephyr Kit Boat to be assembled and finished with the assistance of local professional restorers, interested ACBS members and the Tahoe Maritime Museum. This first endeavor will require \$2,500. As we are successful with this first endeavor, we hope to expand this educational experience to other regions of Northern California.

Our first fund raiser of the NC/LT ACBS Philanthropy Committee will be an Auction held at our Annual Meeting on November 4th. The first \$2,500 will fund the above Kit Boat project and any funds raised over \$2,500. will enhance the NC/LT ACBS endowment. The income from the endowment, in the future, will support this and other initiatives that NC/LT ACBS wishes to fund. As a 501C3 Charitable entity, NC/LT ACBS Chapter fund raising efforts are tax deductible as the law allows. We hope you will find this project as exciting as we do!

The NC/LT ACBS Philanthropy Committee - Steve Caplan, Chair, Barry Ludwig, Kirk Pumphrey, Jared Hein, and Ralph Wallen

2006 Int'l Boat Show Winners

Boat of the Year - Preserved	Oh Danny Boy	Bernie & Carol Atkinson	1929 - 26' Chris Craft Runabout
Boat of the Year - Restored	Miss Lulu II	Jaren Hein	1956 - 21' Chris Craft Capri
Most Original/Best Preserved	Lil Duck	William & Nancy Kehoe	1948 - 17' Chris Craft Runabout
People's Choice	Ollag	Brent & Benet Terry	1923 - 26' 7" Matheson Launch
Best Antique Runabout >22'	Mountain Lyon	Lee & Sandy Chase	1930 - 28' Sea Lyon
Runner Up Antique Runabout > 22'	Steinway	Jeff & Linda Peterson	1929 - 26' Chris Craft Runabout
Best Antique Runabout < 22'	Crackerbarrel	John & Mary Lahti	1941 -19' Chris Craft Runabout
Runner Up Antique Runabout < 22'	Madera	Roland & Dianne Clark	1933 - 18' Chris Craft Runabout
Best Antique Launch	Seneca	Steve Lapkin	1921 - 40' Fay and Bowen Launch
Best Antique Utility	Faster Faster	Dave & Shauna Triano	1933 - 16' Dodge Utlity
Best Classis Runabout > 22'	Alcazar II	Dirk & Jan Reed	1965 - 26' 3" Riva Aquarama
Runner Up Classic Runabout > 22'	Quattro	Ron Nichols & Cheryl Shields	1963 - 28' Riva Aquarama
Best Classic Runabout < 22'	Sassy	Paul & Jackie Mehus	1955 - 18' Chris Craft Cobra
Runner Up Classic Runabout < 22'	Barracuda	Dan & Kathleen Arena	1955 - 19' 6" Dan Arena Sportser
Best Classic Utility > 20'	Monique	Bruce & Nicki Sauer	1947 - Chris Craft U-22
Runner Up Classic Utility > 20'	Elchalo V	Charles & Sandra Eldridge	1949 - 22" Chris Craft
Best Classic Utility < 20'	Quiver	Ralph & Bonnie Wallen	1959 - 19' Chris Craft Silver Arrow
Runner Up Classic Utility < 20'	Fireball	Bob & Carol Coates	1957 - 16' 4" Century Resorter
Best Race Boat	Orange Crate	Ted & Iran Jenny	1964 - 21' Besotes
Best Outboard	Tivioli	Bryan Fenwick	1956 - 16' Glasspar Del Mar
Best Contemporary	Nine Lives	Wes & Janet Selvidge	2006 - 23' Gentlemen's Racer
Runner Up Contemporary	Shye Anne	Keith & Anne Young	1998 - 34' Clarion Launch
Best Century	PG & Me	Don & Sylvia Leutz	1959 - 19' Century Resorter
Best Chris Craft	Solitude	Ted & Ellen Graves	1939 - 22' Chris Craft Runabout
Best Dodge	Faster Faster	Dave & Shauna Triano	1933 - 16' Dodge Utlity



The Antique and Classic Boat Society, Inc. 31st Annual Meeting and 5th International Boat Show -2006

The 2006 Annual Meeting Pre-Events started with a Sunday brunch at the home of Jeff and Linda Peterson in San Rafael. The attendance was evenly divided between out of state members and our Northern Calif. members. In attendance was past International President Dick Sherwood and his family. The Sherwood's were enthusiastic about what a wonderful start this was to the week's festivities.

Monday, the Tahoe Maritime Museum warehouse in Truckee was in all its glory. The collection was displayed in an eye catching manner and had ACBS members all abuzz. Cameras were seen in every hand, capturing the boating images to bring home to show friends and family. A lovely light lunch was provided by the Museum members, and then it was off to the Squaw Valley tram for breathtaking vistas. Jim and Marilyn Conner of Tulsa, OK., said the views were something they will never forget coupled with the incredible tram ride to the top. At 5 PM, over 200 ACBS members gathered at the lakeside home of Bernie and Carol Atkinson for a barbecue, Woodie Whoopie style, but with Custom Gear, Bob and Arlene Bush's company, providing the food for the event. Wine importers, *Racke USA Sonoma Ca.* provided the wine which was GOLDEN KAN from South Africa. Their Merlot and Sauvignon Blanc was enjoyed by all.

On Tuesday morning, boats departed Sierra Boat Company en route to Obexers to rendezvous with the rest of the fleet, pick up a "bag lunch", and then proceeded to Emerald Bay. I understand the sight of all those woodies tied up in front of Vikings Home was a flash back to years gone by. While our guests were treated to that ultimate Tahoe experience, the crew of volunteers, assembled and directed by Iren Jenny, was busy setting up the Lobster Feed at Obexers Red Barn. The old barn was given a complete power wash by Obexer's staff and just sparkled. When the boaters arrived at Obexers, they were greeted by a combo band and *CHATEAU POTELLE* Winery from the Napa Valley. *CHATEAU POTELLE* was pouring one of their finest Cabernet Sauvignons and a wonderful Sauvignon Blanc. At 3 PM, the "lobster feed" began. The first comments to be heard were, "I've never seen so many lobsters being cooked at one time". There were 500 pounds of lobster in the pots that were quickly transferred to the tables in the barn. Those from the East Coast commented they had never seen such an extravaganza. This was truly an experience to be remembered. This segment saw *HUSCH WINERY* supplying their Chardonnay, at a deep discount to the club, and was a perfect compliment to the lobster.

Wednesday, boaters departed Sierra Boat Company for their luncheon at The Thunderbird Lodge. It required two sittings to accommodate the 250 members who signed up. Deborah and Paul Selak catered the event and *IRONSTONE WINERY* was there pouring a variety of some of their great wines. The sight of all those woodies anchored in the cove was glorious. The guests were treated to a tour of the Lodge and the boat house. Of course, the weather was truly the star of these three days. Guests seated on the lawn in that brilliant sunshine, looking out on that flat water as the woodies came and went, experienced a sight that will stay in memories for a lifetime.

Thursday saw a weather front move in bringing high winds and white caps to the lake, showing visitors how quickly the weather can change at this high altitude, Lake of the Skies. Those of us who were at the annual meeting watched the weather and could only wonder how the members and their boats were coping at Sierra Boat.

Friday morning we were greeted with still another change --blustery weather, light snow, and a need for a sense of humor and warm parkas. Saturday found snow and frost covering our boats and the Sierra Boat crew chopping ice off the docks. Sweat shirts and heavy jackets were morning attire, and everyone prayed for sunshine. And sunshine was what greeted us as Saturday evolved. Our guests from out of state just marveled at the sudden changes of weather.

The boats that were on display were without a doubt among the best variety of boats ever seen at Sierra Boat Company. The winners of the BEST OF SHOW awards were Jared Hein with "Miss Lu Lu", a 1956 Chris Craft Capri, and Bernie Atkinson with "Oh Danny Boy", a 1929 26 foot Chris Craft. In addition to a great collection of boats, there were over 20 fine vintage autos, Mercedes Gull-wings, and sports cars on display.

Members from Canada, who will be hosting the 2008 meeting, said we have raised the bar to almost impossible heights, and they worry everything from this day forward will be compared to the 2006 Annual Meeting. We set a record hosting over 250 members at our daily pre events, thus encouraging our members to travel to other parts of the USA and Canada. These types of pre-events draw our members to participate and expand their base of friendships and boating fellowship. Our members should be proud of the efforts of our committees and volunteers in producing the most successful Annual Meeting ever.

Tom O'Rourke, Chairman
2006 International ACBS Annual Meeting



Int'l Boat Show

Lake Tahoe 2006 - Photographs by Tia Gemmell and Lee Chase



Miss Lulu-Boat of the Year, Restored. Jared Hein with Philip Hein



Oh Danny Boy-Boat of the Year, Preserved. Bernie and Carol Atkinson



Lil Duck- Most Original/Best Preserved. William and Nancy Kehoe



Olag-Peoples Choice. Brent and Benet Terry



Sassy-Best Classic Runabout under 22 ft. Paul and Jackie Mehus



Friday Morning brought snowy boats—Then the sun shined.



Best Classis Runabout > 22'-Alcazar II Dirk & Jan Reed



Mountain Lyon-Best Antique Runabout >22'. Lee and Sandy Chase



Cracker Barrel-Best Antique Runabout <22'. John and Mary Lahti



Faster Faster-Best Antique Utility. Dave and Shauna Triano . Bob Bush presenting award to Dave's son



Quiver- Best Classic Utility <22'/ Ralph and Bonnie Wallen



Monique-Best Classic Utility >22'. Bruce and Niki Sauer/



Shye Anne-Best Contemporary. Keith and Anne Young.



Orange Crate- Best Race Boat. Ted and Iren Jenny



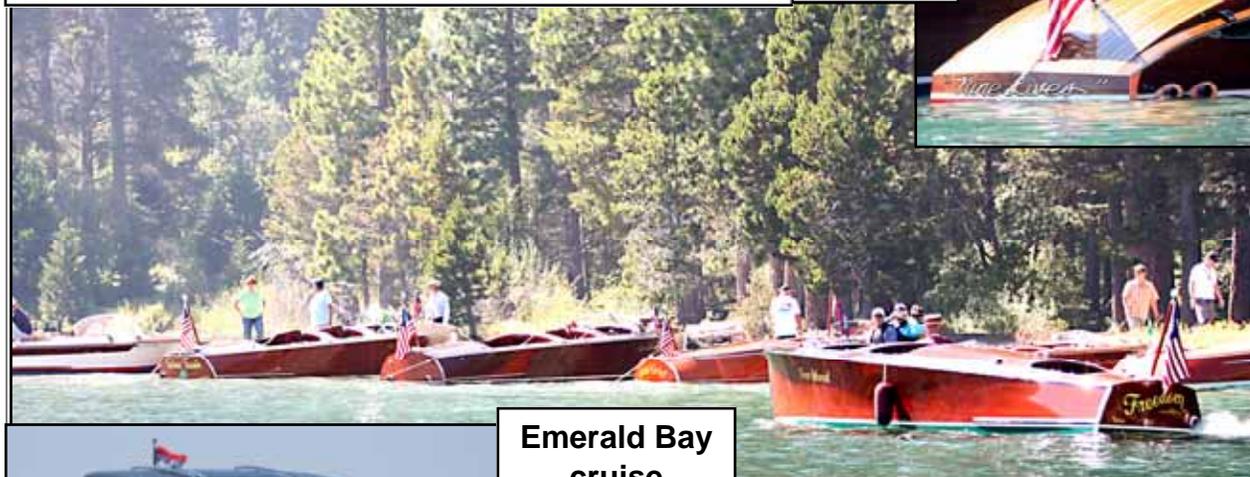
PG & Me- Best Century. Don and Sylvia Leutz



Woodie Whoopie at Bernie and Carol Atkins.



Tom O'Rourke (below) Nine Lives



Emerald Bay cruise

Iren Jenny, Barbara



Ken Shutt, Jim Gordon and Jack Bingham



Cary Winslow attacks killer lobster



Hank and Joan Upton, and Les and Linda Schwoob



**Pictures from the
*ACBS International
Meeting***

Tia Gemmell Photographer



**Boats arrive for
the lobster feed
at Obexer's**



**Bernie Atkins in
You Bet**



**Bob Bush begins as ACBS
International President.**

The Thunderbird



Thunderbird Lodge lagoon





wood and Glory 2006

Woodies at Clear Lake.—Pictures by Joel Castro, Gerald Turney & John Todd



Larry and Ann Walters and friends enjoy Victory at Clear Lake

Jack Bingham and Preston Smith contemplate why you need a spare tire on a trailer.





Kindered spirits to our wooden boats are the Woodie Wagons

Nancy Fentress at the grill



Dick Hartung polishing Miss Daisy



Rich Fischer taste tests the wine. (Shouldn't you put it in a glass first?)



Meghan Meeks (L) and Morgan Todd



Ken Shutt discusses the advantages of not owning a wooden boat with Jim Thompson



Barbara Walker demonstrates how to build a wooden boat from scratch



Chapter President Herb Hall wins the bag of garbage while Jared Hein MCs and Jack Bingham looks on.



Jim and Gail Robello helped organize Wood and Glory.



Cat on a hot wood boat



Band stand at Lakeport picnic



Barbara Walker spends big at the ships store while Preston Smith smirks on.



Looking Astern - Wood and Glory 2006

Wood & Glory VIII was another successful weekend at Clear Lake. This all began at Jim & Gail Robello's home Thursday evening where all the final knots are tied to be sure nothing is over looked. A short meeting was finalized by your Wood & Glory Team and then we sat back and relaxed for a lovely lakeside sunset and dinner.

The next day was a busy one for the team and volunteers as tables and chairs were loaded onto trailers and moved to John & Mary Lahti's home for the Friday night Woodie Whoopee at lakeside. While tables were being decorated, registration was going on at the Kohnocti Harbor Resort, and the gorgeous wood boats were launched and parked in their slips.....when registration was complete we all convened at Lahti's for the woody whoopie..This year we had five of Lake Counties vendors sponsor the event and we all had a chance to sample the fine wines of Lake County while enjoying old friends and new friends. The sun finally set and the Lake County Sea Scouts helped those who boated over back into their boats and disappeared into the night.

Saturday was a special day in that the weather was great ,,The temperature was about 80 degrees and little or no wind. Your Wood and Glory Team was at it early with the Sea Scouts helping Load and move all the table and chairs from Lahti's to the Library park for our Saturday Bar-B-Q.....A boat cruise left the Hotel at 10AM picking up more woodies that stayed at Ferndale's and crossed the lake to Library Park in Lakeport.. The Boats were on display for the Public for three hours while we all enjoyed another wonderful Bar-B-Q.... Bob Maher who owns Maharaja Ski Co is also a sponsor of this event. This was the third year he has donated a ski to be raffled and all the money goes to the Sea Scouts....Many tickets were sold at this event. When 2pm arrived the Sea Scouts helped us load our boats and get under way, some just cruising some to the casino to try their luck and some head for Ceago, Jim Fetzer's new winery for tasting and selection. Jim Fetzer was also a sponsor of our event this year.

Saturday evening was on us very quickly and we were on our way to dinner at the Kohnocti Resort and Hotel. Dinner this year was at the pool side and the weather was great. The ski raffle was at \$875 and we wanted to reach a thousand dollars. Jack Bingham spotted the first \$20 and ten minutes later we had reached \$1,000.00 all to go to the sea scouts who worked all weekend with us to make a safe boating time and to enhance the Sea Scouts boat handling skills...

Sunday this Great weekend is coming to a close but not until one more gathering at the Buckingham Homeowners association for our farewell picnic. Wood and Glory had a great turn out....Friday we had 180 at Lahti's and 188 at Lakeport Bar-B-Q, and 130 for Saturday night dinner and 120 for our farewell picnic....

The Konochti Harbor resort will again be our central meeting place and Ferndale's is very nice place also for those who like a smaller place ,,The launch and docks are very good with trailer parking in the maintenance yard...Our room rates will be the same as they have been for the last six years, make your reservations now for JUNE 1,2,3 2007...Looking forward to seeing all next year.....Your Wood and Glory Team .

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Delta Cruise'n

By Jane Bane

Organized and run by Norm and Kathy Kitching for the seventh year running, this year's Delta Cruise hosted a record 46 boats on the October 7th weekend. We kicked off the weekend with a no host bar-be-que at B & W Resort in Sleton on Friday night with about 140 people attending.

Saturday morning began with a 9:30 rendezvous of 38 boats on the water in front of B & W Resort to follow lead boat, *Encore*, piloted by the Tim Stapleton Family. The Stapletons lead us through a previously planned excursion to Delta Yacht Club Island where we were welcomed with bar-be-ques ready for a luncheon feast. Each year we have traveled to the Delta Yacht Club we've noticed improvements in the facilities they offer: kitchen and restroom facilities as well as a new lunch deck, a putting green, lawn games and a swimming pool. Thankfully the morning fog lifted and we were able to enjoy Delta Yacht club in the autumn sunshine.

"This is one of the nicest end-of-season events where you really get a chance to boat to a pleasant destination and boat home, a true boating experience," commented Todd Jeffrey of Jeffrey Restorations in Grass Valley. Nine in all, the Jeffrey Family road along with the Jeff Peterson Family on Skip and Lynn Stahmer's triple cockpit Garwood...families riding together is a typical sight on the Delta Cruise.

On Saturday evening we were served a ribs and chicken feast catered by The Point Waterfront Restaurant where we did more of what the weekend was all about – talked, laughed, and enjoyed being together. We also had a Sunday brunch served at Tower Park by Sunset Bar and Grill where several unique boats/yachts were docked for viewing pleasure. Sharing the brunch with members of Classic Yachting Association topped off a great weekend.

Besides having a terrific time, "It was interesting to see the inner workings of an event like this," mentioned Jim Gordon as he and helpers covered the tables in preparation for dinner. Not many realize how much work goes into this and other events: setting dates with B & W and Delta Yacht Club, hiring caterers, stuffing individual packets, making name tags, purchasing all accoutrements for serving and setting dinner, collecting funds from everyone and being sure payments are made, over-seeing clean-up each day. Norm and Kathy Kitching are going to be giving up this event as Norm moves into our presidency, so next time you see them give them a give hug and tell them how much you appreciate their efforts. You can also acknowledge Preston and Joy Smith who will be taking over the reigns for this very popular fall activity. Who knows? They might need your help as well.

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Wood and Glory 2007

Save the dates . . . June 1 to 3 2007

Imagine if you will...having endured a long week and then you escape to Clear Lake with your family and join fellow classic wood boat lovers to enjoy a fine Woody Whoopie cook-out at the lovely lakeside home of John and Mary Lahti.

Seated under the stately oaks you are enjoying a fine glass of Lake County wine, your entree is on the grill and you are at once struck by the location. As the full moon rises over the water, the balmy summer evening lends itself perfectly for visiting with old and new friends alike and you privately wish there could be more evenings just like this. If it gets any better than this, you don't want to know. A great weekend adventure has just started...

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, June 1 Arrive, check-in and put your boat in the water for a little cruise. Potential destination spots include Watercolor Restaurant at Ferndale Resort in Soda Bay; Richmond Park Restaurant Marina in Konocti Bay; the Pine Dell Grocery & Deli, or just cruise the lake.

3-5:00 pm Registration in hotel lobby, Agoodie bags@ , & event instructions

5:30 pm Woody Whoopie BBQ at the Lahti=s lakeside home. Bring your own entree and a dish to share. Garlic bread, green salad, and wine is provided. The Lahti=s home can be easily reached by boat or car.

BY BOAT: Head west along the shore 2 to 3 miles. The Sea Scouts will assist in docking and mooring. For navigation home, we have ordered a full moon rise at 8:43 p.m. BY CAR: Head west out of the hotel parking lot for 1.2 miles to the first right hand turn (Crystal Dr./Buckingham). Turn right and follow the road (Eastlake) along the shoreline until it ends at Braito= Marina. Turn right on Palace Dr. to the Lahti=s home.

Saturday, June 2

9:30-10:30 Final Registration at Konocti Harbor Inn

11:00 am Cruise by boat (or car) to Lakeport=s Library Park for a Boat Show & Shine for the public. Lakeport will welcome us with live music playing from the gazebo, a first class BBQ lunch, and wonderful views of the lake (and our boats).

2:00 pm Cruise time - check out the lake with a cruise to a winery, Soda Bay, a casino, Braito=s Marina, the Maherajah Water Ski factory, Rattlesnake Island, or any other destination that tickles your fancy.

7-9:00 pm Catered dinner at the Buckingham Homeowners= beach and club house.

Sunday, June 3

9-11:00 am Boat Show & Shine at Konocti Harbor Resort & Spa

11:30 am Final weekend gathering for a picnic at the Buckingham Home Owners= beach. Bring your best picnic fixings and refreshments (water & cold drinks will be provided). Come by car or boat.

NOTES

If attending the Friday night Woody Whoopie BBQ and your last name begins with A-M, bring an appetizer or salad to share. If your name begins with N-Z, bring a dessert to share. Plus (of course) your meat to grill - water, cold drinks, & wine supplied.

For lodging, our primary venue is once again Konocti Harbor Resort & Spa where we have rooms held with rates from \$99 to \$270. You should make reservations directly by calling 1 (800) 662-5253, ext. 2. Mention that you are with the ACBS Group Reservation.

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17th Annual Bass Lake Rendezvous

Mark your calendar for this year's 17th Annual Bass Lake Rendezvous to be held May 18 – 20 at the famous Bass Lake Pines Resort. This always fun event is hosted by the No. Cal/Lake Tahoe Chapter and co-hosted by the Southern California ACBS Chapter. It is the first in-water event of 2007 at the beautiful pine tree surrounded mountain lake. The boat show is sponsored by the Lion's Club of Bass Lake with gate proceeds going to charity.

Arrive on Friday or before. Launch your boat at the Ducey's launch ramp. Use any slip designated for our use. Chapter members will be present to assist you. Enjoy beautiful Bass Lake.

Friday, May 18, 2007 - 6:00 p.m. The Southern California Chapter's Annual Hot Dog and self BBQ at Miller's Landing. Bring your beverage of choice and hor d'oeuvres or a salad if your last name begins with A-M or a dessert if your last name begins with N-Z. Your boat show packets may be picked up at this time. See Cary S. Winslow, Joe Deleonardi, or Lion's Club representative.

Saturday, May 19, 2007 - 7:30 a.m. Join us dockside for complimentary ACBS coffee, Danish rolls, and fruit.

8:00 am. Lion's Club Boat Show registration on the lower deck at Ducey's. Boats will be on display until 4:30 p.m. in the marina, but you may go boating on the lake as you wish. If you haven't already, pick up your boat show packets from Cary, Joe, or a Lion's Club representative.

5:00 p.m. No Host cocktails at Pines Resort location (bring your racket and dancing shoes).

6:00 p.m. Buffet dinner at Pines Resort tennis location.

Sunday, May 29, 2007 - 9:00 a.m. The infamous Chuck Kelly Poker Run will start dockside at Ducey's. See Chuck or Cary for Poker Run packets.

10:30 a.m. Poolside champagne brunch and awards.

After brunch load your boats and return home safely.

Sign up sheets included in this issue and on the website.

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Please Join ACBS before buying a Boat!

While searching on Craig's list I found this story. I have since talked with the owner and it is a true story. It made for a comical read and asked him if I could share it with you. Enjoy the read. - Jon Fletscher (This article is rated PG13 for strong language)

You guys lie. You always said the best two days of boating is when you buy it and when you sell it. Well I had at least three other boats that never got into the water. Hell, I never even got in the water. A life changing moment happened while talking to the local wharf rat when he mumbles his cute little saying, "that there are boat builders and sailors but the two shall never meet". That kind of pissed me off because I got a big boat that must be at least a year away from getting in the water with it needing a complete repower, wiring, hull work, and my brain transplant. The only quick way to the water, I figured, would be no more project boats and to buy a little ski boat for the family before they loose interest in boating. I am a classical kind of guy so I find a restored 40 year old Chris Craft super sport runabout that looked go enough to go to a car show behind someone's 57 Chevy. The seller hooked me when he started up the engine in his driveway with a rumble that tingled to the very core of my gonads. I loved that boat's manly voice! Proudly, it got a home and promptly named "Daddy's Girl" as I started the engine numerous times impressing all the neighbors with great rumbling sounds. Oh, before I forget, thanks guys, for NOT telling me that by racing the engine for short spells in the driveway with no water input means that the impeller pumps SELF DISTRUCT but I figured that out latter and all by my very own expensive self!

Back to your lies... There was no way I would just become a project boat idiot so I grabbed a daughter (son would not leave video game) and headed to the lake to become a real boater. It was not so hard getting to the water. That morning I did take the advice of the seller to fill the boat up with water to swell the planking on the bottom. It was a lot of Boat Captain like fun turning the bilge pump on and off while watching it squirt out the little hole on the side my ship. It would have been real helpful if past owner told me it would take a few days of soaking for the hull to get water tight enough and to take ALL the water out BEFORE I launched the boat! I use to be a fast learner so I watched a few people launch thier boats to learn the system and it was not that difficult looking so I got it floated off the trailer real fine and we sweetly rumbled to the "no wake" zone. Not being on a boat before it seemed to me like the engine ran really hot (remember no impeller pump at this point) and soon the engine stalled. I lifted up the hatch cover to find the engine unbearably hot with a lot of water almost to the floor boards. You could see the wakes of water coming up between the seams. Well, to make this story quick, the darn boat seemed to be sinking. The engine got going again but while leaning over the side to see if the bilge was pumping that beautiful little boat ran aground, but don't worry, it only scrapped most of the paint off the bottom and the prop is kind of shinny now from spinning in the rocky sand. After we were free floating again from being grounded the cool fin like things on the side of the boat (my daughter calls them the swooshes) start going under the water. I wasn't too worried till my daughter (the real Daddy's girl) held my hand and looked me straight in the eye as she asked "Daddy ,are you going to make me swim home?" It was then that the bilge pump hole slid below the water. As the whole thing went under it made a sad little bubbly sound. Somehow the boat got back to the ramp, mostly because I never got past the first marker. When the two of us got out on the dock the bilge pump hole came above the surface and kept the boat from taking a full dump. Engine stopped, would not even turn and latter found to be full of water. Guess water went up the exhaust pipes when they went under water which I thought was kind of normal. Getting the boat back on the trailer was a lot harder. The boat was almost awash so I had to keep backing in the water till the car was almost lost in the water. When I did get the boat ready to go, my tires just spun in the water as the water filled boat tried to drag my van out to sea. I just waited as the water pumped out and drove forward another inch or two up the ramp until freed. The boat drained for a good half hour. So all told, in my first 45 minutes of boating on the water I ran aground, sunk, fried the engine and almost lost my van.

So, about you lairs. How was this a best day? The first time I heard about the two best days Michael Jackson was still black and it seems maybe something changed. About the only thing that did not happen was a fire.... you know what? Now that I wrote all of this out...It WAS a best day! I do however feel a little bad about the guy who restored the boat. He put a lot of love in it! I made him a little gift and wrote a note to say I was pretty sorry I sunk the boat and that I did save the flag for him.

Oh, before I forget, when you just have to "out" me as some kind of local boat demon you can just kiss my water soaked lake rash bottom. PS- Family took all of this rather well. They suggested I should stay in boating but might have gotten the wrong kind of boat. Mom and the kids thought I would do much better with a submarine!



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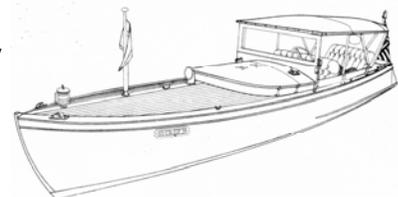
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Dear Fellow ACBS Members,

A special THANKS to the following people for supplying me with pictures: Bob Griffin, John Todd, Joel Castro, Gerald Turney, Bonnie Wallen, Donna Wallrich, Lee Chase and Tia Gemmell. Without all of you this publication would not have the wonderful pictures. We are such an active group that it is difficult for one person to be able to attend all the events so it is absolutely essential that we have dedicated people to send in their pictures. A very special THANKS to those of you that went the extra mile to identify the people and boats in the pictures

This will be my last issue of Western Wood. I have really enjoyed doing this, but my tendonitis is getting the better of me and I need to take a break from the computer. I will still work on the chapter directory as soon as we get enough advertisers to pay for the cost of printing and mailing. Bette Shutt will be taking of the Editor responsibilities and Gerald Turney will be handling advertising. Please give them your support. Speaking of ads, those of you who would like to continue advertising is the Western Wood you will need to renew your ads with Gerald for the next issue. Rates will be \$200 for Business Card and \$600 for ¼ page ads. His e-mail address is: wyl-dry-des@hotmail.com

Lee will still be doing the website, so you can still send pictures to Lee or I so we can put them up on the website. Speaking of Lee, he helped me with this issue, specifically the captions on some of the pictures in the Wood and Glory section. Unfortunately we have not had the opportunity to go to Wood and Glory so we aren't familiar with all the happenings. Lee felt some of the pictures needed captions, so he improvised. I hope you enjoy his sense of humor, I do I was also able to add 2 extra pages of color pictures this issue. Enjoy!!

Thank you again for all our you support and kind words.

Regards, Sandy Chase, Editor

