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Summer 2022 President's Message

The latest updates

The year so far has been very successful regarding meets, with three well attended events already and two more to go. Val's meet at Schrader and Company was a good start, Wells, NY meet at Tim Cantele's camp was terrific and we're already making plans for next year. Tupper Lake, now in its 2nd year was bigger than last.

Upcoming are the Wildlife Museum in Vails Mill, located just north of the city of Amsterdam and just south of the Great Sacandaga Lake. The museum is about 100 vards south of the intersection of routes 30 and 29. If you haven't been to the museum. it is interesting, with their extensive collection of animals, particularly their large number of deer head mounts. Biggest collection in the US. The date is August 13th and starts at 9:00 am until 2:00 pm. We have coffee and donuts available as usual for a free will offering. A nice boat has been donated to the chapter (more on that later) that we will raffle off.



Schroon Lake will be out last scheduled event, on September 25th at the Schroon Lake Town Boat Launch. As in the past, start at 9 am, end at 2 pm with coffee and donuts in the AM and Pizza from DeCesare's for lunch. We can have more events, but I'd need a volunteer to help with it if we do. Five so far is our most aggressive to date, but that works with good help!



The MH Chapter Booth at the Fulton Chain Wooden Boat Rendezvous in Old Forge, NY July 9, 2022.

Old Forge Wooden Boat Show

ACBS Event a great opportunity to promote old outboards

The Saturday after 4th of July is a difficult choice for personal entertainment. I could have participated in the Wooden Boat Rendezvous in Saranac Lake, as I have done many times in recent years, gone to the Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site for the old engine show or even to Edinburgh to join John Fura at the car show and museum day at Fuller's Corners and put up a display of the Chapter. Each place would have worked but I chose instead the Antique and Classic Boat Society's Fulton Chain Wooden Boat Rendezvous in Old Forge.





It was a great decision, even if the others would have been good ones. I met a lot of new folks who didn't know about us, got some leads on a few cool things and I know it was a productive day talking about old iron to any person who would listen because I was hoarse later in the day. If you have access to Facebook, I posted pictures in the Mohawk Hudson Chapter Group page. If you aren't yet a member of the group, consider joining.

The Hudson Valley

Possible New Chapter or a subgroup of ours

As our name implies, we are the Mohawk Hudson Chapter, so named because most of our membership is in the region surrounding the two major rivers, but we have members from many places outside that area, we don't really have borders. The AOMCI board allows folks to belong to more than one chapter, which is great since often we support each other with attendance at meets and many other activities.

I've have had mentioned to me that meets in the lower Hudson Valley region would be nice for those that travel from there to our area. This struck a chord with me since John Fura and I first discussed having a chapter in the 518 based area back around 2004 so we didn't always have to travel long edition, which will be out before too long. distances for a meet. That was our chapter's inception, but how big a region can we support. I'm open to comment.

The Yankee Chapter can support a large geographic area, so it can be done, but it also makes for a busier job on our chapter's leadership (aka ME LOL). I don't mind some additional meets, but would like to have some local contact, it always helps. Tupper Lake is more Brian Sherwood's efforts than mine. Tim Cantele made Wells (Lake Algonquin) what it was, the DeCesares make Schroon Lake and Ballston Lake what they are. I do a lot of the paperwork and communication, but that's part of my skill

One thing I did was write an article for the magazine Boating on the Hudson. That article will be in the September October I know a lot of boaters read that, not only along the Hudson but also into our main area of activity. Watch for it.



Either way we should bring a few more

folks into the fold, which will enhance all

interesting motors and boats from other

collections and barns. I may incorporate

mix, maybe as a location for a meet since

they have some nice facilities. The ACBS

has had a presence there, although I think

it has lessened some.

our meets and maybe bring out some more

the Hudson River Maritime Museum in the

This boat has been donated to the chapter, along with an Evinrude Fastwin. This came from a contact made at the Old Forge Boat Show. The boat is a 1949 Thompson model TVR. The owner claims it is still seaworthy but in need of restoration.

Later in July I might go retrieve them and bring them to the Meet in August to raffle off. Not sure exactly how I want to handle this and am open to suggestions, but the proceeds, if any would go to our chapter's kitty.



Lake George Wooden Boat Rendezvous 2019

The Lake George Wooden **Boat Show 2022**

Every year this event has been held since about 2007 we have participated with a land display. The show exposes the chapter to the general public from a broad area, not just locally and annually return visitors look for us there. This year it would be nice to have a few more members there to discuss the benefits of membership and some of the great resources we provide or have available to us. This year's show will have a focus on the 100th anniversary of Chris Craft, so if someone who has a restored CC motor they could display, it would fit in nicely with the theme of the day. I also would like to have a few more folks so I can help out the ACBS, which I am also a member of, who run the Boat Show each year. An event this size needs many hands.

The show is Saturday, August 27th and runs from about 8:00 am until 4:00 pm. If you don't want to stay all day, that is okay, having a few folks early and a few later would be fine. If I know in advance, I can have name badges made that are provided by the event committee. In addition to all the beautiful wooden boats, there are often many related vendors in attendance as well as some antique cars, so there is plenty to enjoy. We have gotten some nice leads on potential members as well as some motors and parts have turned up, some at the show and some days later. The biggest thing to remember is parking is scarce and used by many others of the general populace, so be prepared to deal with that.



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Schroon Lake Meet 9/25/22

ne 18th Annual Schroon Lake Meet will once again be held at e Town of Schroon Lake boat launch. The facility has an cellent launch and docks, plenty of shore space for boats, cnic facilities, lots of parking for the swap meet and for boat ilers and cars.

eing in the heart of the Adirondack Mountains on one of the emier lakes, the location offers easy access from the New York ate Adirondack Northway. The town can be reached from the uth at exit 27 or the north at exit 28. There are good rest room cilities and plenty of places to stay overnight if you are coming om a distance and need.

This meet attracts a lot of hydroplane owners partly because of the nice layout of the meet area near the water and partly due to the tolerance of the Town for us to convert gas to noise for half a day each year. If the weather is cooperative, it can be a perfect location for a wet meet.

Even when the weather isn't perfect, we still have a great time and look forward to seeing everyone there. The Chapter has been meeting here the longest continuously since we were chartered in 2005 and hope to be here for many years to come.

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