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Thank you for electing me as Commodore of Glacier Lakes! I am honored and excited to serve as commodore of such a great group!

I have been obsessed with the water and boating ever since I was a kid. My first boat came to me when I was 16 years old, a Chrysler tri hull with a Evinrude outboard. That boat started my addiction to boating. I've owned many boats, eventually leading me to antique and classics. My collection of boats has changed and grown throughout the years. It currently consists of a 1954 24' Chris craft Holiday and a 1961 Cruisers Inc. I have three fiberglass classics; a Century '72Mk 11, a Century '72 Arabian, and a Century '80 Coronodo. We also have a GW Invader (for the kids). I genuinely enjoy hunting for antique and classics as well and always having a boat or two in my shop that I'm working on.

My main focus as your Commodore is to get us all together. We have all been kept apart for far too long and I believe it's time to start planning to get together again. There are many great boat shows in the state of Wisconsin and we plan to support each one. I hope to see you on the dock!

Keep an eye out for emails! I plan to utilize group emails to keep everyone current with updates and plans.

Want to volunteer? Want to get involved? Have some great ideas or want to put on a workshop? Please don't hesitate to reach out. I'm always available to talk.

### Dan Holdmann Commodore, Dan Holdmann

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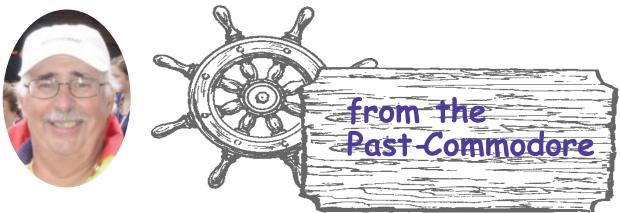
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### GLACIER LAKES CHAPTER OF THE ACBS OUR MISSION:

To promote the preservation and enjoyment of antique, classic and special interest watercraft of all types, both powered and non powered by:

- To bring people together with a common interest in historic, antique and classic boats, sharing fellowship, information and experience.
- To protect the heritage of boating by promoting 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 membership, the public, and other entities regarding information relating to historic, antique and classic boating.
- To serve 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; including
- 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.



Hello All,

As I assume my role of Past Commodore I would like to thank all that I have worked with that makes this chapter as great as it is.

We have all been through a lot these past couple of years with the pandemic and all. The chapter had to adapt to many changes in the way that we went about our activities. We saw the advent of Zoom meetings to facilitate our gatherings, we saw the Pewaukee Boat Show go away and the sale of the pier, and many other changes. Through all this we remain solvent going forward and look forward to the future.

We welcome Dan Holdmann as our new leader. He has been on the board and will do a great job going forward. I remain on the board and will be part of the Events Committee looking at facilitating events for us to enjoy next year and going forward. Please feel free to bring any ideas to me or any of the board members going forward.

Again, thanks for all your support in the past as we all look to the future.

### Past-Commodore Bob

Bob Stoltz



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## Breakfast Meeting Sunday January 9, 2022 DELAFIELD BREWHAUS

### Business Meeting 10:00AM Downstairs Banquet Room Coffee, water, juices LUNCH 11AM UPSTAIRS 3832 Hillside Dr., Delafield, WI 53018 Directions: From Milwaukee: I-94 west and exit on Hwy. 83 in Delafield. meet in the downstairs banquet room VINTAGE BOATS-ENGINES-OUTBOARD MOTORS-CANOES ARE NEEDED For The Milwaukee Boat Show at State Fair Park, January 21-30, 2022. Exhibitors Badges will be available for the members who are staffing the booth.

Information will be available for picking up the badges on Sunday January 3th **PLEASE CALL \* John Baumann 262-966-3373** \* **Charlie Shong (262) 443-6737** with the times that you can staff the booth Email John Baumann at: john@bestengllc.com **OR** Email Charlie Shong lcshong@milwpc.com Call if you have a boat, motor, outboard engine or canoe that would be available for display

Move in time will be Thursday after 12 noon January 20, 2022 NOTE: MEANS THAT THE SHOW ISN'T OPEN DURING THESE TIMES

Sign up sheet for staffing the booth at the MILWAUKEE BOAT SHOW at State Fair Grounds EXPO January 21-30 (show closed Mon, Jan 24 & Tue Jan, 25) Show opens again Jan 26-30 There should be at least 2 people per time slot as the booth has to be staffed at all times

DAY	10AM	NOON	ЗРМ	6PM TO CLOSE		
Friday January 21 show hrs 3-9:30						
Satuday Jan 22 show hrs 10-8						
Sun Jan 23 show hrs 10-5						
Mon Jan 24 SHOW CLOSED	SHOW CLOSED TODAY ALL DAY - SHOW CLOSED TODAY ALL DAY					
Tue Jan 25 SHOW CLOSED	SHOW CLOSED TODAY ALL DAY - SHOW CLOSED TODAY ALL DAY					
Wed Jan 26 show hrs 3-9:30PM						
Thur Jan 27 show hrs 3-9:30PM						
Fri Jan 28 show hrs 12-9:30PM						
Sat Jan 29 show hrs 10-8PM						
Sun Jan 30 show hrs 10-5PM						



### Welcome New Glacier Lakes Members, 2021

### Gayle Ritter-Membership Chairperson-Membership Committee Linda Allen & Sue Schroeder MEMBERSHIP AS OF November 10, 2021 185 Households

Bill Nimke......President/Founder All Hands Boatworks Christine and Kevin Konkol....Menomonee Falls......Join Date11/5/2021......1942 Chris Craft Sportsman 18ft Jeff and Trish Kempkes.....Phillips, WI....Joined 10/25/21.....1962 Riva 20ft Andrew and Louise Green..... Pewaukee, WI ... Join Date 8/30/21.....2021 Contemporary Home Built 12ft skiff Julie and Mike Jankowski......Green Lake, WI....Joined 8/11/21.....1950 Chris Craft Sportsman Utility 22ft Mark Hawkins..... Green Bay, WI.....Join Date 7/23/21......1949 Classic Lyman 18ft Islander Larry and Sandra Stover......Hartland, WI. ..... Joined 7/19/21.....1952 Chris Craft Special Runabout 17ft Clint Kavanagh......Sturgeon Bay, WI.....Joined 5/18/21.....1947 Chris-Craft 23ft Express Cruiser Bernard Bergen......Fond du Lac, WI Joined 5/10/21 1987......Switzer Craft 20ft 200Hp Mercury Jerry Van Ness......Naperville, IL ...... Joined 4/30/21.....1960 Chris Craft Sea Skiff 23ft Chev V8 350HP Chuck and Suzanne Perry......Pewaukee, WI.....Joined 3/10/21.....No Boat identified John Shabino......Bloomfield Hills, MI.....Joined 1/23/21.....1954 Chris Craft 20ft Sportsman Dorothy Boxhorn......Mukwonago, WI.....Joined 1/23/21.....1951 Classic Larson Speed Runabout 14ft Todd and Ellen Utter.......Madison, WI.....Joined 1/10/21.....1974 Classic Correct Craft Mustang 17ft Lee and Nancy Wanie.....Juneau, WI. ...Joined 12/30/20...1910 Historic Brooks 20ft Tim Hoffmann......East Troy, WI .....Joined 12/5/20.....1956 Classic Cadillac 15ft

Kurt and Carol Rothe Moved back from Tavares, FL to Omro, WI. and rejoined the chapter. Kurt was Editor of The Sheerline and won many ACBS Awards over the years

## **PRESIDENT'S CUP PRESENTATION**

Commodore Bob Stoltz announced the recipient of The President's Cup at the Annual Glacier Lakes Chapter Meeting Wednesday October 20, 2021.

Based on circumstances, the meeting was held as a zoom event. Bob announced that Gayle Ritter was the 2021 recipient. Everyone participating at the meeting was enthusiastic about Gayle's selection by Bob.

Gayle has been Membership Chairperson since 2009. Gayle and Rob have been a major part of The Pewaukee Boat Show starting in 2010.

Along with being involved with the International Planning Committee, Gayle was in charge of the nightly banquet decorations for The International ACBS Meeting and Boat Show in Racine, WI., September 2017. Gayle also worked along with Amy Zea creating the unique "one of a kind" goodie bags made from pre-owned yacht club sails.

Gayle conveys that welcoming friendly spirit that potential members feel when they are approached to join the chapter. Gayle's enthusiastic smile and outgoing personality always makes everyone comfortable. She always has a kind word to share, whoever it is.



Bob Stoltz presents President's Cup to Gayle Ritter



Threatening weather and high temperatures scared many boaters from participating in the Milwaukee River Cruise on July 24th. The good news, it turned out to be a fun cruise day. A special thank you to Captain Scott Bruesewitz for putting together the cruise. Special thank you to Jane Larson for capturing many great pictures. Thank you to Nicole Eckert for helping Grampa taking additional pictures. Boaters put in at South Shore Yacht Club, did lunch on the river and returned to South Shore Yacht Club to replinish vital fluids.











### Some Rain Didn't Spoil the Fun gathering at The Pewaukee Yacht Club Saturday August 21, 2021

Bob Stoltz Judy Kearnas Craig Parker Gary and Sue Rechcygl Andrew and Louise Green Wil and Mary Vidal Ted and Cindy Cartner Jeff and Linda Allen Scott Reid and Karen Roback Roberta and Rich Hegy

## **ATTENDEES**

Howard Schneider Chuck and Suzanne Perry Sue Schroeder Jill Edwards Brian Irwin Lisa Evens Dan Johnson Tom Sellhausen John Nugent John and Pam Baas David and Sherri Perrigo David and Jidapa Buckley Rob and Gayle Ritter Brian Kramer Pete Feichtmeier Peter and Edit Harken Eugene O'Kelly/Mary Sazama Jane Larson and Gary Berg Tim Fredman Curtis Larson Ron Reinert and Christine Murr Tim and Pam Rohs



## Pewaukee Yacht Club Gathering August 21, 2021



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### Pike's Pine Isle Presents A VINTAGE BOAT RENDEZVOUS Captains and Mates Given Special Treatment



Friday night August 27, owner **Josh Pike** sponsored a Captain's cocktail party at the American Legion Hall in downtown Three Lakes. Josh also hosted delicious appetizers including shore-lunch style fried bluegill along with a cash bar. Upon registration on Saturday, the captains were given a \$10.00 cash card for the bar courtesy of **Josh Pike**. Then, **John Baumann** provided a surprise free lunch for all the Glacier Lakes attendees.

NAME	CITY	YEAR	MAKE	MODEL YEAR	
Mark and Mary Willis	Brookfield, WI	1969	Century	Arabian 20'	
Don Derus	Eagle River, WI	1946	Higgins	Dual Cockpit Deluxe Runabout 19'	
Julie and Mike Jankowski	Green Lake, WI	1950	Chris Craft	Sportsman Utility 22'	
Jeff Davey	Berlin, WI	1949	Higgins	Convertible 23'	
Bob Bergl	Kimball, WI	1956	Chris Craft	Sea Skiff 22'	
John Baumann	Hartland, WI	1953	Chris Craft	Rivera 18'	
Bruce and Judy Renquist	Three Lakes, WI	1903	Racine Boat Co	Navajo Canoe 17'	
Ceci and Pat Keifer	Three Lakes, WI	1940	Chris Craft	Deluxe Runabout 15.5'	
Jeff Heeren	Lac du Flambeau, WI	1947	Chris Craft	Sportsman Utility 22'	
Wil and Mary Vidal	Pewaukee, WI	1940	Chris Craft	Utility/Sportsman 22'	
Jim Staib	Three Lakes, WI	1946	Pen Yar	Cartopper 12'	
Mark Walters	Madison, WI	1948	Chris Craft	Deluxe Runabout 17'	
Randy and Judy Wagner	Mukwonogo, WI	1949	Higgins	Sport Speedster 17'	
Alan Roman	LaGrange Park, IL	1972	Century	Resorter 18'	
Scott Bruesewicz	Milwaukee, WI	1955	PermaCraft	Day Cruiser 26'	
Pete Brainard	Three Lakes, WI	1954	Correct Craft	Delux Atom Skier 14'	
Tom Schendt	Three Lakes, WI	1941	Chris Craft	Utility 30'	
Tom Schendt	Three Lakes, WI	1939	Homemade	Runabout 19'	
Jim and Janet Ruwaldt	Lodi, WI	1957	North American	Marine 15'	
Ronald Reinert/Christine Murr	Elm Grove, WI	1957	Yellow Jacket	Catalina 17'	
Todd Schultz	Milwaukee, WI	1938	Chris Craft	Deluxe Runabout 16'	
Karl Koenig	Three Lakes, WI	1946	Higgins	SportSpeedster 16'	
Mike Erstad	Eagle River, WI	1956	Century	Resorter 18'	
Ken Zanon	Three Lakes, WI	1957	Chris Craft	Sportsman 17'	
Ed Brown	Birnamwood, WI	1940's	Custom	Runabout 14'	
Tim Mason	Suamico, WI	1939	Century	Deluxe Sedan 18'	
Ron Urban	N/A	1933	Grandcraft	Triple Cockpit 27'	
Mike Apple	Eagle River, WI	2003	Homemade	Steam Boat 21'	
Rob Ritter	Wauwatosa, WI	1947	Century	Seamaid 17'	
Bela Ballo	Green Bay, WI	1947	Chris Craft	Runabout 20'	
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### **Pike's Pine Isle Presents** EZVOUS GE BOAT REND

































Pike's Pine Isle Presents









































# Coeur d'Alene Adventure



The Glacier Lakes Chapter had a great contingency at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho International Meeting and Boat Show for 2021. They included: David and Sherri Perrigo, Rob and Gayle Ritter, Roberta and Rich Hegy, Wil and Mary Vidal. There was a surprise visit from Glen and Carla Schubert. They were on a Yellowstone hiking trip and stopped by for an Inland Empire Chapter picnic and visit friends participating in the event. A number of chapter members did preevents that included Priest Lake.

There were 87 boats registered, attended by 376 ACBS members. The show on Friday had sunny weather, good visitor turnout. Saturday was chilly and rainy.

One of the many ACBS International Boat Show preevents was the Spokane River Cruise and Poker Run. There were seven stops sponsored by The Inland Empire Chapter. Participants needing rides gathered at the mouth of the Spokane River at Cedars floating Restaurant and were provided coffee and danish provided by Hagadone Marine Group. Attendees were then provided rides. The first stop was for a breakfast burrito and gift of wooden coasters from StanCraft. The nine mile cruise made its way to Post Falls with card stops at Inland Empire Chapter member homes. Stops and goodies included: bottles of water, cinnamon buns, breakfast bars, goodie bags, mimosas, bags of snacks that included M&M's, candy bars and crackers. The eighth and last stop was at the home of Daryl and Carolyn Reynolds to turn in the card sheet and enjoy more sweets before the event culminated at McEuen Park for a BBQ. Mary and I were fortunate to be with Poker Run organizer Daryl Reynolds on his boat. After he had connected attendees needing rides, we jumped in his boat and we were off. Many of the other experiences are detailed in the fall Rudder. This was our 3rd visit to Coeur d'Alene, 2002 and 2008.



LR Rob and Gayle Ritter, Wil and Mary Vidal, Roberta and Rich Hegy, David and Sherri Perrigo



Gayle and Rob Ritter



David and Sherri Perrigo







LR Mary Vidal, Dave Bortner, Michelle DeMist, Rob and Gayle Ritter

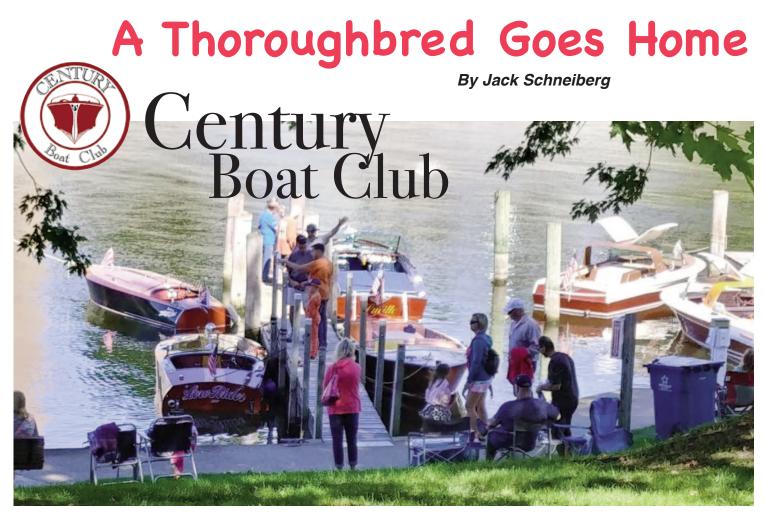


Glen and Carla Schubert





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September 15th, 2021 at 6:00 AM found me leaving West Bend and heading to Okauchee Lake to meet up with Ron Johns and his 1938 Century Thunderbolt. After an extensive preservation, Ron was set to take the Thoroughbred back to Manistee, Michigan where it was first manufactured some 83 years ago. Ron's dad – Karl – purchased this boat in 1987 and preservation efforts began in 2017.

This was actually the second trip back home. We had taken the Thunderbolt to Manistee in 2019 to seek out the experts (read the Miklos brothers) on final details we needed to finish the boat. Original plans to return in 2020 were stifled by COVID-19.

Since the early 1950's Century has used the trademark "Thoroughbred" in their promotional material to describe their boats.....and I would concur that this term certainly applies to the Thunderbolt. The Thunderbolt line was first introduced by Century in 1931. It is (was) a 14' boat designed to be raced in the 225 class and sported a 4-cylinder engine. It was quite successful. In 1938 Century redesigned the boat. It was stretched to 15'6" and was now available with two different 6-cylinder engines. Ron's boat has the Gray Marine 103 hp and sports twin Zenith Updraft carbure-tors.

This Thunderbolt has been actually taken apart and put back together again. Much of the original wood and components have been cleaned, sealed, and re-installed with new screws and 3M-5200. I'll spare you all the minor details. After the boat left my shop, Ron handled all the finishing work. This

included the finish coats of hull-side Black, building up to 15 coats of varnish and installing the interior. The interior – by the way – was made anew by A & A Marine Manufacturing in Manistee and sewn up by the sisters whose father probably did the original. Ron also had to come up with a throttle arrangement that would work with his artificial leg.

The engine was gone through by Mark Willis of Custom Boat Service. After Mark pronounced it "fit for service" his research provided the proper color blue paint for that vintage and finished it off beautifully.

So why go home? Well, the Century Boat Club traditionally holds its Thoroughbred Roundup in September in Manistee at the Manistee Municipal Marina. It's the perfect setting directly across the river banks from the location of the original Century Boat Company. This year the Club added a Thursday group of events in Onekama, Michigan – just up the lakeshore from Manistee. First up was a morning of boating on Portage Lake This is the lake that Century used to photograph much of their promotional material over the years. Records are sketchy for 2nd gen Thunderbolt production. Best guess is there were approximately 40 of the 15"6' boats made and currently besides Ron's, there are only 3 others of these hulls accounted for. As Ron can attest – these are certainly not practical boats.

The boating was a success. After a few trial runs on Okauchee Lake, Ron still had to make a few minor adjustments to the running gear on the boat. First and foremost was **CONTINUED ON PAGE 21** 

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### By Jack Schneiberg A Thoroughbred Goes Home

that upon acceleration, the boat would slip out of gear. There was also an overheating issue and getting the boat to idle had proven troublesome. Portage Lake would be the first launch after the clutch adjustments had been made to take care of the forward progress problem.

After a test start on at the launch ramp, the launch was successful and Ron and I headed out on Portage Lake. Throttle up and.....success! The boat settles very nicely on plane and we were off on the wavetops. It is pretty hard to describe what it feels like after several years of work to make that first run at speed which makes it worth it all. While the bow does take a few seconds to settle down, once on plane it rides nicely at speed.

Some issues still remain. After discussion with all the Century experts, Ron went in search of some new (old) water pump grease. The grease in the water pump was breaking down after some run time and this was the cause for the overheating issue. Some work still needs to be done on the throttle linkage to get the idle where it should be. And, there is the "one leak" that has to be traced down to make things watertight. But the boat was launched Friday morning and weathered an overnight at the docks and we do know the bilge pump works just fine.

Thursday afternoon we enjoyed a picnic held by the Club at the Green Buoy Resort, Friday found us back in Manistee for registration and at 4 in the afternoon a guided tour boat left with many of the club members aboard to take a spin around the Manistee River and Lake Michigan lakefront. The Manistee River runs from Lake Michigan through downtown Manistee and into Lake Manistee. The river itself is able to handle Lake Michigan ship traffic. The Municipal Marina is home to many great lake's fishermen all year long. Downtown Manistee is constantly being refurbished. Friday evening, we were rewarded with a fish fry at the Elk's Club

just a few steps from the docks on the Riverwalk,

Early Saturday morning, Erik and Bobby Miklos were handed the keys to the Thunderbolt and told to go make it fast. How Bobby fit himself in the engine compartment is still a topic of conversation. They did a "power tune" and were very much impressed with how the boat handled. GPS clocks things at 31 mph and this combination should reach 45 mph according to factory specifications. It seems a prop change is in order. Although, I can attest that 31 mph in the back of this 2-seater is fast enough for me. It's also wet.

Saturday dawned bright and warm. Crowds turned out to view the boats. There has never been one of these Thunderbolts for folks to look at before. We were pleased to hear the comments on all the Century Boats and it is always fun and educational to chat with all the enthusiasts who stop by to look at the 35 boats gathered on this beautiful September Saturday.

The day ended at the Blue Fin Restaurant. Time for the judges to announce the choices for this year's show. The Thunderbolt took two: Best Antique Century and best of all - People's Choice. Makes a fella feel good to know that the attendees liked his boat best.

Sunday the ride home was almost uneventful. Almost that is until a bearing on the trailer took a dump just short of the Wisconsin State line. Nothing like lying on one's back trying to strap up the front axle whilst traffic is whizzing by at 80 mph on the tollway. Ron managed to strap it up and we limped back to Okauchee Lake. Some launch and retrieval antics suggest to Ron that he may be in market for a new trailer. In the meantime, the offseason beckons a fix in several minor other areas. Is a boat ever really done?





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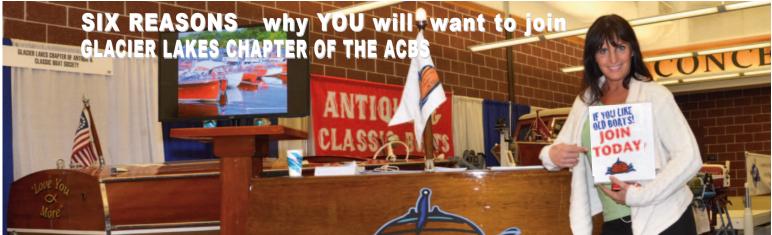
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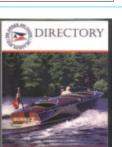
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