

# THE GOPHER GAZETTE

## AOMCI - MINNESOTA GOPHER CHAPTER

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### A Note From Your Editor

If you have submitted classified ads for the past few newsletters, please review you submissions and let me know which are still active.

Thank you,

Casey Wyman

### FISHING MUSEUM MEET

On Saturday, April 8th approximately 50 club members gathered for Bruce and Mary Anne Reischl's 8th annual meet at the fishing museum in Little Falls, MN. It was a partly cloudy and cool day in the mid-50's, but that didn't stop anyone from enjoying the day's events! A few highlights for those who missed out included raffle drawings, awards, a moment of silence in honor of Gene Church, Chris Owen, and Tim Olson, and a delicious lunch of pulled turkey sandwiches, potato salad, baked beans, and cookies. Raffle items included a 1937 1.5 HP Evinrude (a motor that the museum received in

pieces and Bruce put back together), a 3 HP late 50's

model Evinrude (donated by Bruce), three carved wooden birds and a wooden plaque (donated by Mark Lodge), and a sign and decal (donated by Dixie Hamack). Proceeds for all raffle items went to the club with the exception of the 1937 Evinrude (proceeds went to the museum). As for the awards, Phil Gatzow took home Oldest Motor, Best Restored, and People's Choice. Ed Sheldon received Best Boat/Motor Combo, and Murray Langer won Best Original.





## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

*Say hello to Mark Tompkins of Bloomington, MN, your spotlight member for July!*

Mark (age 63) has been a member of the AOMCI and Minnesota Gopher Chapter since the mid-1990's. When asked what sparked his interest in antique outboard motors, Mark recalled purchasing a 1956 Crestliner Commander from Ron Melick and felt that an age appropriate outboard was the way to go! Mark had purchased a 1957 7.5 HP Johnson years before and decided to try it on the boat. According to Mark, "it looked great but was under powered." He then progressed to a 1957 18 HP Johnson that still didn't have enough power! Finally, he bought a 1957 35 HP Johnson from Twin City Outboard with a good paint job and the belief that it would run perfect. "Ha! It took all spring to get it to run!" And, the rest is history!

Marks's favorite motor is his 1958 18 HP Johnson which powers his 1954 Alumacraft Model R. Why you might ask? Because it has good power, better mileage than his 35 HP's and has a factory electric start. His current project is a radio controlled model of Edsel Ford's Typhoon. He denied having any new projects planned at this time "but you never know when the restoration bug will bite again!."

When asked if there was anything people should know about him, Mark said "I appreciate all types of motors and the people who collect and restore them."

## BALD EAGLE MEET

Over 100 people made an appearance at the 25th annual Bald Eagle meet on Saturday, May 6th in White Bear Lake, MN. The event, hosted by Bob Peterson, included beautiful weather, sloppy Joe's, and some "interesting sales." Bob wanted to extend his gratitude to all those who brought a dish to pass, those who showed up early to help set up, and to Rick Magnuson for bringing nine tables and eighty-five chairs! When asked for a quote on the day's events, Bob's friend Peg asked to share a few words: "It was my first meet. I met so many interesting and knowledgeable people- men and women. And, I was so impressed by how welcoming everyone was to a beginner. I highly recommend attending this meet particularly if you are new to the club and to this area of interest." Thanks for your feedback, Peg!





**MEMBERSHIP & TREASURER'S REPORT: Updated June 2017***BY MURRAY LANGER*

The membership is at 82 paid up members for 2017. In order to increase the membership, an incentive is now in place. If you bring in a new member to the club, you will get next years dues free. So invite a friend to the meets, it can save you money. **The Dues have been increased to \$15.00 a year.** This is due to the web site monthly fees and the increased cost of printing and mailing the newsletter. These dues are for the local chapter only. The dues for the national club are separate from the local chapter. We are collecting for the **2017** season. **Please look at your label on your newsletter. You will see a date in the upper right corner.** This is the month and year that you have last paid your dues. **Your dues will be up for renewal one year after this date. "If your label is blank, your dues need to be paid". Also a note on membership, to be a member of a local chapter, you must be a member of the national club.** Thank you to all who have paid the 2017 dues so far!

2016 Dues	\$864.00
Money for Stamps, Meet Expenses, Etc.	(\$275.92)
Money for Web Site	(\$423.50)
Money from 50/50 raffles	\$197.00
Money from Ben Dittmar motor raffle	\$129.00
Money from Dan Wyman Raffle	\$136.00
Money from Tom Murray motor raffle	\$92.00
Money from 50/50 raffle "Dick Kojetin"	\$45.00
Money from Haynes motor raffle	\$50.00
Money from Russ Felt motor	\$20.00
Total for 2016 so far	\$2,172.52

2017 Dues so far	\$627.00
Money for Stamps, Meet Expenses, Etc.	(\$20.41)
Flyers	(\$100.00)
Money from 50/50 raffles	\$114.00
Money from Little Falls (Bob P.) motor raffle	\$90.00
Money from Little Falls motor raffle	\$72.00
Donation from Gordon Katke	\$20.00
Money from Ron Melick motor raffle	\$42.00
Bank fees	(\$20.00)
Total for 2017 so far	\$2,997.11

2018 Dues so far	\$75.00
Total for 2018 so far	\$3,072.11



**PLEASE NOTE: If you change your address, phone number, E-Mail address, etc. please let me know. For those who still need to pay, please mail your checks to the address provided below.**

**Murray Langer**

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## CLASSIFIED ADS

**WTB:** I am looking for a Mercury 25XS. - Tate Haynes

**FOR SALE:** 1950 Martin 60-\$60; 1956 Mercury Mk-25 for parts-\$100; Mercury MK-20 for parts-\$100; 1960 Mercury MK-15A-\$200; 1964 Wankel MAC-10 10hp- \$200. I also have a 1957 14' Crestliner Viking runabout with split seats- double cockpit., for sale-\$950.00 and a 1960-61 Johnson 18hp for parts-\$100. Please call Ron Melick for details: 7415-410-0193 or email: [rjm1945@att.net](mailto:rjm1945@att.net).

**FOR SALE:** The last of my motors, and some excellent tanks and parts, including: 195? Champion 15½. Completely rebuilt (under the tutelage of Tom Moulder). Mechanically as new. Runs perfect. Have all parts. You will not find a mechanically better Champion than this. \$500; Two OMC 18HP that need L/U repair. I have plenty of parts, including the gearsets. The 1959 Johnson ran perfectly prior to the L/U problems. The 1957 Evinrude is a low hour, exceptionally pretty motor. \$100 ea, including everything you should need to repair the L/U; 1954 Johnson 10 that has extremely low hours. Very pretty, and runs perfectly. \$400 Jim Judkins, Dresser, WI; [715-294-2940](tel:7152942940) (evenings & weekends); [oldoutboardjim@hotmail.com](mailto:oldoutboardjim@hotmail.com)

**FOR SALE:** Motors: OA-60 Johnson, KB-3 Mercury, Johnson 300, Chris Craft Challenger 5 hp, Mercury Mark 20, Mercury WWII navy motor 6 hp , Mercury 1941 KB-4, Johnson LS-38, Mercury KD-3, Mercury K-2 1940, Johnson PO-15, Mercury KF-5, Mercury Mark 5, Mercury KG-4 Hurricane 7.5hp, 1924 Evinrude Model N, Johnson TD-15 5 hp 1940 with cast aluminum tank( very rare motor)exhaust parts for Johnson K-35, K-40, K-45 (inner muffler, muffler box, manifolds), Johnson TN 26, 1936 Champion single and twin, and a 1940 Mercury K-5 Deluxe. Call Mark #763-232-4250 or email [mrl52@comcast.net](mailto:mrl52@comcast.net).

**FOR SALE:** Selling many motors from my collection in order to thin it out. Many Mercury's, Johnson's, and rare Champions. Prices are reasonable, especially for club members. Call me at 763-232-4250 or email at [mrl52@comcast.net](mailto:mrl52@comcast.net) to discuss. Will send pictures of the motors. -Mark Lodge

**FOR SALE:** 130+ motors, Johnson, Evinrude, Champion, Mercury, & more 1920-1959. National champion racing equipment, hydroplanes, runabouts, race trailer, motors & props. Call Ron Johnson #218-927-2353.

**VINAL DECALS:** High Quality Automotive Grade Decals with Protective Over Laminate. Johnson, Evinrude, Mercury, Wizard, Elto, Champion, Chris Craft, Neptune, Scott Atwater, Sea King, Phil Rite and many others. Also decals for remote fuel tanks. Over 125 different sets available. Call or email Dixie Hamack at #763-421-5346 or [oldoutboarddecals@gmail.com](mailto:oldoutboarddecals@gmail.com).

**FOR SALE:** Vintage water ski coat racks. Many styles and colors available. Large racks \$100 and small racks \$75. Contact Dan Wyman #218-464-8050 or [wymanboats@gmail.com](mailto:wymanboats@gmail.com).



**CUSTOM WINDSHIELDS:** Wyman Boathouse & Restoration now offers custom built windshields starting at \$300. Sold as assembly kit or individual parts. Contact Nick Wyman #218-206-4060 or [wymanboats@gmail.com](mailto:wymanboats@gmail.com).



## **OPEN HOUSE / MEET**

**When:** SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2017

**Where:** Hassis Paintworks Facility

1792 Greeley Street South

Stillwater, MN 55082

**Time:** TBD



Jana Hassis is the MN Gopher Chapter Web Designer. Her husband, Chris, and her also have a collision repair facility for cars and boats in Stillwater. Chris and Jana are asking to host a Gopher Chapter Meet at their facility in Stillwater and would like to invite the public on August 19, 2017.

The meet would consist of boats that the Gopher Chapter brings (this would be the highlight of the event) and then Chris and Jana would also try to line up a couple hot rods and a couple fiberglass boats showing their work, and food trucks to help make the event successful. Hassis Paintworks would be allowing people to walk through their facility and learn about the services offered by them. And J & J Remodelers (co-tenant in building) would also have their showroom open as well. We would encourage the Gopher Chapter to bring any marketing information about the chapter to handout to potential and interested individuals.

Hassis Paintworks will take care of Marketing for this event. Hassis Paintworks will put an ad in the paper, handout flyers at Lumber Jack Days, do personal invites, and have a sign promoting the event by the road... but we will encourage everyone to invite anyone they know! The more that attend the better!

### **OFFICERS**

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### JULY

**Event:** Center City Meet

**Date:** July 15, 2017

**Time:** 9:00 AM

**Location:** 227 N. Lake St. Center City, MN 55012

**Host(s):** Steve & Carol Nelson

**Contact:** (651) 303-5599 or [nelsonkatiemol@gmail.com](mailto:nelsonkatiemol@gmail.com)

**Event:** Rivertown Days Powerboat Races

**Date:** July 21, 2017 @ 8:00 AM and July 22, 2017 @ 5:00 PM

**Location:** 420 Lock & Dam Road Hastings, MN 55033

**Host(s):** TCPBA; Dick Kojetin & Bruce Pederson

**Contact:** Bruce Pederson (330) 393-7141 or [goldjavan@jetup.net](mailto:goldjavan@jetup.net)

**Event:** Crosby Powerboat Races

**Date:** July 29, 2017 @ 10:00 AM and July 30, 2017 @ 5:00 PM

**Location:** Crosby Memorial Park 2 Second Street SW Crosby, MN 56411

**Host(s):** TCPBA; Dick Kojetin & Bruce Pederson

**Contact:** Bruce Pederson (330) 393-7141 or [goldjavan@jetup.net](mailto:goldjavan@jetup.net)

### AUGUST

**Event:** Tomahawk Nationals

**Date:** August 2, 3, 4, & 5, 2017

**Time:** 8:00 AM

**Location:** Sara Park, 900 W Somo Ave. Tomahawk, WI 54487

**Host(s):** Northwoods Chapter

**Contact:** Bob Dalle Ave (715) 356-5649 or [thedoghouse7\\_8@frontier.com](mailto:thedoghouse7_8@frontier.com)

### AUGUST

**Event:** Stillwater Motor Meet

**Date:** August 19, 2017

**Time:** 10:00 AM

**Location:** Hassis Paintworks 1792 Greeley St S Stillwater, MN 55082

**Host(s):** Tate Haynes

**Contact:** Tate at (651) 755-2073 or [rmkrunner@gmail.com](mailto:rmkrunner@gmail.com)

### SEPTEMBER

**Event:** BSLOL Rendezvous

**Date:** September 16, 2017

**Time:** 9:00 AM

**Location:** Lord Fletcher's Old Lake Lodge 3746 Sunset Dr Spring Park, MN 55384

**Host(s):** ACBS/BSLOL

**Contact:** Susan Tenney

**Event:** Murray Langer's Meet

**Date:** September 9, 2017

**Time:** 9:00 AM

**Location:** Winjum's Shady Acres 17759 W 177th St Faribault, MN 55021

**Host(s):** Murray & Sue Langer

**Contact:** Murray (507) 451-0054 or [gopherchapter@q.com](mailto:gopherchapter@q.com)

### OCTOBER

**Event:** Lilydale Pool & Yacht Club Meet

**Date:** October 21, 2017

**Time:** 9:00 AM

**Location:** 1600 Lilydale Rd Lilydale, MN 55118

**Host(s):** Tom Murray

**Contact:** Tom (651) 755-9055 or [cretinraider60@msn.com](mailto:cretinraider60@msn.com)

## Acknowledgements

"I would like to thank club member Jim Bothun for donating five motors to the club, at the Little Falls meet. We unloaded them from Jim's truck, to mine, to be sold, auctioned/raffled off, (what ever) at the Bald Eagle meet. As the good Lord would have it, along comes a gentleman who wanted a 3.6 Scott Atwater, only to find he could not pass owning all five! So, thanks to Jim, the club ended up with \$85. (and I did not have to haul them home). What a great club!" -Bob Peterson

"Recently one of our club members, Ed Samuelson, fell off his bike after hitting a small stone. He suffered a shoulder injury and black eye. Perhaps its time to assess our need to ride bikes and spend more time working on outboards!" -Dave Peer





## WHITE BEAR LAKE CLASSIC & VINTAGE BOAT SHOW

On Saturday, June 24th club members and the public alike attended the 12th Annual Classic & Vintage Boat Show in White Bear Lake, MN. Please enjoy photos of the day courtesy of Rick Magnuson.



# WET MEET

Hosted by: Steve & Carol Nelson; Lyle Sandvig



## JULY 15, 2017

### LAKE IS UP, WATER CLEAR, AND NO WEEDS!

Hopefully many 'out-of-staters' will be here again. There will be great food as always. You can bring a dish, but it is definitely not required. We will have a swap area again, and a demonstration course will be set up on the lake.

We have a permit for open pipes. There is a large area for fun boats and display at the lake. A large tent in case of rain and/or heat will keep everyone comfortable. Lots of parking available; hydros and small boats can be brought down to lake. The public boat landing is very close by for the bigger boats to launch.

When: July 15, 2017

Where: 227 N. Lake St., Center City, MN 55012

Time: 9:00 AM

Other: Lots of parking behind the street as the Court House is closed on the weekends.

To RSVP, email Steve at  
[nelsonkatiemol@gmail.com](mailto:nelsonkatiemol@gmail.com) or call

## 651-303-5599