

Minnesota Gopher Chapter Newsletter

Summer Issue

June, 2014

BOB PETERSON MEET

On Saturday, May 3, 2014, the MN Gopher Chapter held a dry meet at Bob Peterson's home in White Bear Lake MN. A great many members and guests attended. We had great weather. Bob and Bernie furnished a wonderful lunch. It is not possible to leave this meet without learning a lot about motors and seeing a large and diversified collection.



It is impossible to not learn a lot about motors and see a large and diversified collection. Bob's meet always attracts a large variety of motors and parts to swap, buy or trade. If you're looking for information about specific motors or problems this meet offers a large and diversified knowledge base. You can't help but learn something new. Bob and Bernie want to thank everyone who attended, brought motors to swap and show and who brought good food, as well. Thanks to all!



Want to know how to really polish an outboard,
just ask Phil Gatzow



Just a few of Bob's un-restored collection.

The 20th Annual Melick Menomonie Meet

On June 8, 2014, over 60 outboard fans and their families gathered in Menomonie on Lake Tainter to enjoy a beautiful day admiring, swapping and running old motors.







Hosts Ron and Margaret Melick want to state that without Paul and Colleen Reardon, the meet would not have happened. The Reardons spent their Memorial Weekend helping at the Melicks. Paul was the mastermind behind the motors being tinkered to running, cleaned and displayed. In the kitchen, Colleen and Margaret planned plotted and prepared ahead whatever they could. The Meet should be renamed the Reardon-Melick Meet. This year's turnout was great. Motors ranged from 1902 to the late 70s and 80s.

Some swapping took place, both motors and tall tales! Thanks to the members, a delicious meal was served to all comers. The 'Show on the Water' began after lunch and continued until clean-up time.


Paul planning the days' work at the local cafe.



2014 MN GOPHER Chapter Events--- Revised 6/13/2014

-  **June 19th, 2014 NEW EVENT** Big Lake City Park 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Dave Sperling- host. MN Gopher Chapter invited to display antique outboard motors, boat-motor combos and to run them on the lake. Music in the Park event- 80's/ Pop rock/ Classic rock music. Contact Dave at 763-263-5757 or email: dsperling@sherbtel.net
-  **July 12, 2014 Steve and Carol Nelson 4th Annual-** 227 N. Lake St., Center City, MN 55012; Wet Meet- bring boats and motors to run; Lunch will be provided. **RSVP:** The Meet will have a "demonstration" race course set up and open pipes are allowed with DNR and Sheriff's permit in place. Tent set up in case of rain and heat. If you like, bring a side dish but not necessary. Just come and have fun. There will be more vintage hydros coming this year hopefully some from Tomahawk. Call or email: 651-303-5599; or nelsonkatiemol@gmail.com
-  **September 13, 2014 NOTE DATE CHANGE!!!** **Murray Langer** Winjums Shady Acres Resort on Lake Roberds, Faribault, MN. This is a great lake for cruising –Call Murray for full details. 507-451-0054 or e-mail: gopherchapter@q.com
-  **September 20, 2014 Note DATE CHANGE - Annual BSLOL Rendezvous** Maynard's Restaurant, Excelsior, Minnesota, Contact: Ian Sandercock 612-221-7254
-  **October 19, 2014- MN Gopher Chapter Board** Host and Hostess Helen and Flipper Kojetin 4th Annual Awards Meet
-  **December, 2014 No Meet Due to Holidays**

Other Midwest AOMCI Chapter Events Northwoods Chapter Events

-  **July 30 --August 2, 2014 Tomahawk Meet** Sarah Park, 900 W Somo Ave., Tomahawk, WI 54487. We will be celebrating Mercury's 75th year. There are many changes this year. Please call Tate or Dean Haynes if you missed the last two meets and plan to attend Tomahawk this

year. Contact: Bob Dalle Ave.; Phone: 715-356-5649; E-mail: thedoghouse7@frontier.com

Tomahawk Changes for 2014

This is a brief explanation of the new system at Tomahawk this summer. Please be prepared for the changes. Also, get your room reserved as soon as possible. They always fill up fast. **Note:** The City of Tomahawk has established a new vending/casual use fee for the sites at Sara Park. Because of the new fee, the city will layout Sara Park in specified camping, vending and/or casual sites. These sites will be available for rent from the city after registering with the AOMCI at 8:00 AM on Wednesday, July 30, 2014, on a first come- first served basis. The city will collect the fees for the sites and a daily launch fee. The Northwoods Chapter will also collect a \$5 fee from all AOMCI members to sustain the meet's expenses. How to register: 1. Select your site. 2. Park, setup, pull colored tag at the site. 3. Go to the arena. 4. Register first with the Northwoods Club by paying the \$5.00 fee. 5. Then register with the City and pay for your site.

September 20, 2014 Jerry Blanchard's FALL HARVEST MEET, 3150 Ranger Rd. Wisconsin Rapids, WI. Call Jerry at (715) 325-5451

Winnebago Land Chapter

June 22, 2014 River Bend Park, Horicon, WI. Contact Tom Thuerwachter at email: oldprops@yahoo.com

October 11, 2014 Fall Color Cruise Meet at the New London Bait Shop, New London, WI. THIS EVENT REPLACES THE FALL COLOR RUN AT RIVER BEND PARK IN HORICON. RANDY SCHNEIDER AND JOHN WEBER HAVE PUT A LOT OF EFFORT INTO ORGANIZING THIS MEET, SO LET'S ALL SHOW UP WITH BOATS AND MAKE IT A BIG SUCCESS AND A REGULAR EVENT TO END OUR ANTIQUE OUTBOARDING SEASON! See the Winnebago website: <http://www.winnebagolandchapter.com/>

Other Midwest AOMCI Chapter Events

Constantine Michigan Super Meet- 18th Annual- July 11-13, 2014. This meet is three days of outboard fun on the St. Joe River. Large swap and sell area, formal boat and motor display. Lots of "water time" for all your boats and motors... "Putt- putts" to "go-fast".

The Bob Hatcher Cup event will be held on Friday at 4 PM. The motor type for competing in this year's Hatcher Cup will be any pre 1951 opposed twin or single cylinder outboard rated at 4 hp or less. The feature motor this year will be Mercury motors, this in recognition of Mercury's 75th anniversary.

As in the past the Legion will be offering food each day at a nominal cost. Camping space on site is limited so it's first come – first served. The gates open at 6AM Friday, July 11. ... Absolutely no one will be allowed on site prior to 6am! Super Meet registration is \$10 per family (i.e. you and your immediate household). ADVANCE REGISTRATIONS, received prior to June 14, will be rewarded with a commemorative plaque. The always-popular hog roast will again be held Friday evening and open to all attendees. The Saturday evening awards banquet is always a popular event so reserve your seats early; cost is \$10 per person. Registration forms are available on line at the www.AOMCI.ORG "upcoming events" site, and the Great Lakes Chapter web site.

Midwest Boating and Fishing Related Events Courtesy of Clark Oltman

June 21-27, 2014 Annual Whitefish Chain Antique and Classic Wood Boat Rendezvous Moonlite Bay Restaurant, Cross Lake, MN. Bill Terry 763-257-5757

June 28, 2014. BSLOL The 47th Annual Manitou Days Event in White Bear Lake, Minnesota. Classic & Vintage Boat Show, **sponsored** by the White Bear Shopping Center Merchants and the BSLOL Chapter of the Antique and Classic Boat Society of America, will be held from 10 am to 4 pm on Saturday, June 28, 2014, along the lakefront of the White Bear Shopping Center in historic White Bear Lake. There is no fee to participate in the boat show and swap meet. To register for the show, the registration form is available online at: <http://www.acbs-bslol.com/EventCalendar.htm> or contact Pat Oven at (651) 308-1792 or at tapnevo@gmail.com

July 7, 2014 BSLOL Meet and eat. Maynard's, Excelsior, MN 6PM (meet and eat are informal gatherings at the place listed. We have cocktails-then sit down and eat. No reservations necessary. Just show up.)

July 12, 2014. Chain of Lakes Boat Show

Arrowood Resort. Alexandria, MN MN Lakes Maritime Museum, Call 320-759-1114

July 25-27, 2014 Okoboji, IA classic boat show.

Arnolds Park, IA Mike Hagan 605-321-4271

July 25-27, 2014 Antique and classic car and boat show.

Minocqua, WI 715-453-4511

August 1-2, 2014 Madison, WI boat show Glacier Lakes

Mark Walters, 608-770-4439

August 4, 2014 BSLOL Meet and eat. Sunsets,

Wayzata, MN. 6pm (See July 7)

August 7, 2014 Lilydale Pool and Yacht Club

Car/Boat/Motor Show, 5:00 PM to Dusk. *Show participants are urged to arrive between 3 and 5 PM for setup.* Call Tom Murray at 651-755-9055 or email him at cretinraider69@msn.com or speak to Laura the P & Y Club events coordinator at 651-455-3900.

August 9, 2014 Bayport boat show.

Bayport, MN marina

August 10, 2014 Chetek WI Boat rally and airport fly in

John Baas 414-218-4655

August 16, 2014 GearHead Get Together Show & Swap

Maple Wood, MN for details got to:

<http://gear-headgettogether.com/>

August 22-24, 2014 6th annual Gull Lake Antique and classic boat show,

Bar Harbor Lakeshore, MN Jason 612-834-5020

August 29, 2014 Lake Vermillion Cruise and boat show at the Landing

Mark Ludlow 218-666-5407
Sept. 8, 2014 BSLOL Meet and eat Bayside Grille, Excelsior, MN 6:00 PM (See July 7th)

MN GOPHER CHAPTER Nametags

Members are now able to purchase nametags from the Gopher Chapter for \$5.00. The tags can be worn at all AOMCI functions. The Board is working on getting discounts from marine outlets for members who show their IDs. The Club has paid

the set-up free for the tags and members are being asked to cover just the tag cost.



Bob Peterson has tags for the members who ordered tags- but are not paid or picked up. Send Bob \$6.50 to cover the tag and postage and he will mail them to you. Not Paid: Tim Ferguson, Tim Luther, John Keenan, Lori Ertl, Gerry Barnes, Brian Winkler, Tom Murray, Mark Wigmore, and Jerry Hawkins. Paid but not picked up: John Eidem, Bob Noel, Mark Schwantes, and Jim Wildermuth.

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Farewell to Our Faithful Readers

This will be our final issue as newsletter editors. We have served as your editors for several years now. It is someone else's turn. Margaret wants to spend more time on her genealogy hobby and I am not handy with the computer. Anyone interested in doing the typing for Dick and John, should call them at the above numbers. I know that Dean Haynes has also worked closely with them to get out the last two issues. All of their help has made the task much lighter, but we are giving up as of this issue. Look for something new in September!

Member Classified ADS

VINYL 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 for a current list or pics of decals.

Dixie Hamack: 763-421-5346 or
oldoutboarddecals@gmail.com

FOR SALE:

I have the following motors for sale:

'57 Johnson Javelin, \$700; '48 Mercury KE-3, \$200; '55 Mercury MK55, \$350; '56 Mercury MK30 Tiller, \$350 and a Caille Scout \$450. Call Ron Melick at 715-410-0193, for more information.

Wanted: 1955 Johnson Outboard Motors 3 1/2 hp, 5 hp, 10 hp & 25 hp: contact Don Frey at 715-742-3907 or email at frey@cheqnet.net:

Wanted: Scott-Atwater Outboard Motors of any hp for the years 1946 thru 1952: contact Don Frey at 715-742-3907 or email at frey@cheqnet.net:

Photos from Spring Meets



Competition at Reischl's Meet



Winners at the MN Fishing Museum Meet

NEW Membership Applications

There are two clubs to Join

Antique Outboard Motor Club International.

Name _____

Phone: _____

Email _____

Address: _____

City _____ State: _____

Country- other than USA: _____

Number of pre-1950 motors _____

Number of Post 1950 _____

Check the ways(s) you most enjoy Antique
Outboarding:

☐ Collecting motors ☐ Running motors

☐ Restoring motors ☐ Collecting information

Favorite motors? _____

How did you hear about the club?

Membership and subscriptions: last for 2 years.
Cost (in US DOLLARS ONLY): \$50.00 (for US
mailing address) \$63.00 (for Canada address, 1st
class mail) \$67.00 (International address, air mail)

Mail application and dues (check or money order
only, payable in US dollars) to:

AOMC International Headquarters,
Department IN
PO Box 831
White Cloud, MI 49349

Or pay online by Pay Pal at: www.AOMCI.org
(Please allow 6 weeks for our volunteer staff to
process your application. Your patience will be
handsomely rewarded when your "new
member" packet arrives!) If a problem occurs
Email: memberservices@aomci.org

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For local events listings, membership contacts,
and a subscription to our newsletter: Same form
old and new member

Name: _____ wife or
significant
other: _____

Address: _____

Phone(s): _____

Email: _____

I'm interested in: _____

Information collected is for local club purposes
only. Indicate any contact information you do not
want published in the Members' Directory

Please send \$12, for a 1 year membership,

Make check out to:

AOMCI Minnesota Gopher Chapter

and send to:

MN GOPHER Chapter

Murray Langer,

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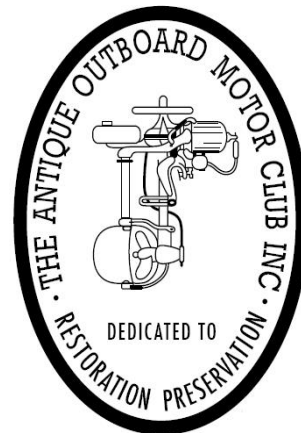
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In a few weeks you should receive a package
containing a recent newsletter. If not, contact:

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More Photos:

Members at MN Fishing Museum



Twist this, pull that...see what happens



Bernie and Phil admiring the shine at Bob and Bernie's Meet



Bob and Dan looking over the swap items on display

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